



**STUDENTS'
UNION**
BOURNEMOUTH UNIVERSITY

THE BIG GIVE

2025

GIVE IT, DON'T BIN IT!



**Find out what to do with your unwanted
belongings before you move out**

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WHAT IS THE BIG GIVE?



Are you going home for summer or graduating?

Donate your unwanted clothes, accessories, books, electrical and unopened non-perishable food to charity to help those in need.

The SUBU Big Give 2025 is where the Students Union helps BU students in halls of residence and private rented accommodation have a big end of year clear out when moving out, and donate all their unwanted stuff to charity, rather than letting it go in the bin and to landfill.

We also encourage BU Staff, and even people in the wider community close to campus to participate and make donations.

During The SUBU Big Give 2024, students in Halls donated over 4050 bags of unwanted stuff to the British Heart Foundation, which helped them raise over £60,375. Prama Charity Shops were able to collect over 720 bags from houses in Winton and on campus helping them raise over £10,780. Students also donated unopened food to the SUBU Community Kitchen (our on-campus food bank for Students.)

WHEN DOES THE BIG GIVE 2025 START?



This year you will be able to donate in lots of convenient locations.

You can donate your unwanted stuff to charities from 28th April to 22nd August using the **Prama Charity Shops** purple bins on campus, or weekly street collections from specific streets in Winton and Talbot Village from 7th May to 16th July, and if you are in Halls of Residence you can start donating, using **British Heart Foundation** red bins from 1st May through to final move out dates on 14th September.

This booklet gives you information on where you can take things like clothing shoes and accessories, household items, books and bric-a-brac, duvets and pillows, duvet covers and pillowcases and blankets, small electricals and white goods items and even bicycles and laptops.

Not all charities and projects will take the same types of donations, especially things like duvets, bedding, electricals and furniture. For 2025 we will be helping you find out where you can take donations – on campus, in your halls of residence, and in the Winton area where most students live in private rented housing.

You can download and use the **What3Words** App, to find donation point locations listed in this booklet.



HOW TO DONATE IN HALLS OF RESIDENCE



**If you live in the
following Halls
you can donate your
unwanted stuff**



Bailey Point, Belaton, Chesil,
Cranborne, Corfe, Dorchester, Home Park,
Lyme Regis, Lansdowne Point,
Lulworth/Union, Mercury, Oxford Point,
Purbeck, Skyline, The Artisan,
Winton Halls, 17a Christchurch Road



You will be able to find a donation bin in your halls' main reception area or communal lounge space.

Look out for a large red box with **British Heart Foundation** (reg charity number 225971) written on the side. Some halls even have metal donation bins on the outside of the building. If in doubt, just ask at your hall's main reception where you should place your unwanted stuff.



Please place your donations in bags or boxes rather than loose items, as this makes it much easier to be collected.

British Heart Foundation says **YES** to:



- Clothing
- Fashion Accessories
- Bags and Shoes
- Books
- Small household and kitchen items

British Heart Foundation says **NO** to:



- Duvets
- Pillows
- Bedding
- Sharp objects and knives
- Electrical items

For what to do with large furniture and electrical items – see page 17

HOW TO DONATE IN PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION



For 2025, your Students Union is working in partnership for the third year with local charity **Prama** (reg charity number 801967).

All proceeds go towards Prama's work in supporting older adults & careers across Bournemouth, Christchurch, Poole & Dorset, including people living with memory loss & other long term conditions.



SUBU has identified a Street Collection Zone where a high population of students live. If you live in private rented accommodation in one of the following roads in Winton or Talbot Village, you can donate your unwanted stuff to Prama, simply by clearing it out and putting it by your garden gate on Wednesdays from 7th May through to 9th July.

Please ensure that all donation bags are visible from the road and not hidden behind bins etc.

You will receive a donation bag and sticker through your door, or you can collect a bag and sticker from SUBU Main Reception on Floor 1 of the Student Centre of Talbot Campus.

If you live in private accommodation on one of these roads in Winton, you can put your donations out for street collection



Alma, Bingham, Cranmer, Crimea, Cardigan, Edgehill, Firs Glen, Fitz Harris, Frederica, Hawthorn, Heathwood, Junction, Kemp, Latimer, Leslie, Melville, Maple, Osborne, Privet, Parker, Ridley, Stanfield, Sedgley, Trafalgar, Talbot Hill, Talbot, Waterloo, Withermoor, Woodend, Wycliffe



Prama Charity Shops will be doing street collections around these roads every Wednesday, on 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th May, 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th June and 2nd and 9th of July.

Please make sure your bags are left by your garden gate, or anywhere visible from the road, by 12pm on each collection day. If your bags remain uncollected by 5pm, please text Prama by **Whats App** on: 07460 298053 or email: furniture@prama.uk.

If you wish to donate large items of furniture, Prama offer fast and free collection of saleable furniture, for more information please contact the team on: 07460 298053 or email: furniture@prama.uk

If you live in private accommodation on one of these roads in Talbot Village, you can put your donations out for street collection



Baverstock Road, Bishop Close, Caton Close, Charlotte Close, Cull Close, Drew Close, Fern Barrow, Georgina Close, Issacs Close, Laidlaw Close, Marianne Road, McWilliam Close, Mickleham Close, Mullins Close, Smithson Close, Talbot Meadows, Valley View, Vine Farm Close, Vine Farm road



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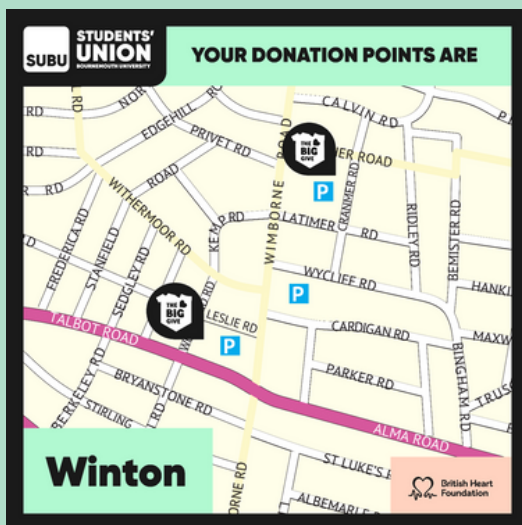
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WHAT IF I'M NOT IN THE STREET COLLECTION ZONE?



There are temporary metal **British Heart Foundation** donation bins at Leslie Road Carpark, and Cranmer Road Carpark in Winton.



You can find these locations by using the What3Words Website or App

Cranmer Road Carpark

www.what3words.com

/// blues.single.ample

Leslie Road Carpark

www.what3words.com

/// times.united.upset

WHERE CAN I DONATE ON CAMPUS?



You can donate on campus at the following donation points in the purple **Prama Charity Shop** donation bins. You can find these locations by using the What3Words Website or App. The Prama purple donation bins will be on campus from Monday 28th April to Friday 22nd August.

LANSDOWNE

Bournemouth Gateway Building – Ground Floor Atrium

www.what3words.com

/// hurray.settle.back

TALBOT

Poole Gateway Building – Ground Floor Atrium

www.what3words.com

/// desire.tunnel.dawn

The Student Centre – Ground floor

www.what3words.com

/// type.caller.lifted

Poole House – Ground Floor near reception

www.what3words.com

/// spoken.agents.dollar

The Student Village – Laundry Room

www.what3words.com

/// closer.leans.wake

The FUSION Building – Atrium near Inspire LT

www.what3words.com

/// grades.ripe.caked



Use any of the temporary purple Prama Charity Shop donation bins on campus, where you can donate your unwanted items.



Prama says **YES** to:



- Clothing
- Accessories
- Footwear
- Books
- Small household and kitchen items

Prama says **NO** to:



- Duvets
- Pillows
- Bedding
- Sharp objects and knives
- Large electrical items

CAN I DONATE AT OTHER CHARITY SHOPS?



If you live elsewhere, you can donate at the following charity shops:

WINTON

British Heart Foundation, Minds Matter, Barnardo's, Lewis Manning Hospice, **Prama Charity Shop**, Sue Ryder, Salvation Army, Debra, Margaret Green Animal Rescue

BOSCOMBE

Prama Charity Shop, Salvation Army, Naomi House and Jacksplace, Boscombe's Charity Shop, The Mayor of Bournemouth's Charity Shop, the Dorset Children's Foundation,

POOLE

British Heart Foundation, Going for Bust, Naomi's House and Jacks Place, Lewis Manning Hospice, Dogs Trust, Oxfam, Poole PDSA, Age UK, British Red Cross, Julia's House, Debra Super Store, Naomi House & Jacksplace, Salvation Army, Sense Shop, Blue Cross, Cats Protection

There is also a **Prama Charity Superstore** at Unit 3A, Westover Retail Park, Bournemouth BH9 3JS, which accepts donations 9am – 3pm Mon – Sat. 01202 804920

www.what3words.com

/// spoken.agents.dollar

There is also a **Prama Charity Shop** Donation Drop Off point at Unit 22 Benson Road, Nuffield Industrial Estate, Poole, BH17 0GB, which accepts donations 9:30am – 3pm Mon – Fri.

www.what3words.com

/// closer.leans.wake

CAN I DONATE AT OTHER DONATION BANKS?



For details of recycling banks in the wider Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole area, scan the QR code to link to details on the BCP Council Website.



WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY UNWANTED UNOPENED FOOD?



FOOD BANK ON CAMPUS

You can donate your unwanted non-perishable food items such as rice, pasta and tinned food at the following donation Points on campus:



Bournemouth Gateway Building (Lansdowne) Ground Floor Atrium

www.what3words.com

/// hurray.settle.back

The Student Centre (Talbot) – Ground Floor

www.what3words.com

/// drums.rubble.pulled

The Student Village (Talbot) – Laundry Room

www.what3words.com

/// closer.leans.wake

Food donated on campus will be used for the **SUBU Community Kitchen**, our on campus foodbank on Floor 2 of the Student Centre, especially for students in financial crisis.

www.subu.org.uk/CommunityKitchen

FOOD BANKS OFF CAMPUS

You can donate your unwanted non-perishable food items such as rice, pasta and tinned food at the Bournemouth Food Bank (registered charity number 1143446) donation points off campus:



Citygate Church – 138a Holdenhurst Road (opposite Bournemouth Central Train Station)

www.what3words.com

/// eaten.tiny.apron

Church Lifehouse, Life Centre – 711 – 715 Wimborne Road, Moordown (Winton)

www.what3words.com

/// first.pocket.single

St Georges Church, 118 Haviland road, Boscombe

www.what3words.com

/// maple.deny.ducks

www.trusselltrust.org/get-help/find-a-foodbank/bournemouth

For noting – please do not use local supermarkets to drop off food as these are exclusively for purchased items in store.



WHERE CAN I DONATE MY UNWANTED IT EQUIPMENT?



ON CAMPUS

This year BU's IT Services team are supporting the collection of all your unwanted IT equipment. But this service is available for one week only so don't miss out!

Through our trusted partner, Stone Group, all donated items will be reused, repurposed, or responsibly recycled in line with environmental best practices.

You can drop off unused electronic devices, equipment, and accessories on Talbot Campus:

Drop off point: BU IT Help Desk, Ground Floor of Christchurch House, Talbot Campus

Drop off days: 19 May – 23 May, 9am – 4pm

www.what3words.com

/// begin.declay.honest



Items you **CAN** donate:

- Laptops
- Desktop computers
- Screens/monitors
- Mobile phones
- Tablets/iPads
- Game consoles: PlayStation, Xbox
- Game controllers and game pads
- Mobile gaming devices: Switch, 3DS
- Laptop batteries
- Docking stations
- Computer accessories: monitor/screen, keyboard, mouse, speakers
- Computer parts
- Cables and leads
- Memory sticks and external drives
- Printers



WHERE CAN I DONATE MY UNWANTED IT EQUIPMENT?



ON CAMPUS



Items you **CANNOT** donate:

- Any electrical equipment that is not IT. e.g. kettles, toasters, lamps, e-cigarettes.
- Any IT-item with hot, leaking or damaged batteries.



Did you know?

Electronic devices contribute significantly to your carbon footprint – from production to disposal?

By donating your unwanted IT equipment, you're taking a simple but powerful step toward supporting BU's sustainability goals.

Rest assured, all devices will be handled securely and anonymously. No data will be accessed, and all equipment will be professionally wiped or physically destroyed before being processed.



Note: If you're donating an Apple device, please remember to sign out of your iCloud/Apple ID and remove the device from your Apple ID account. This will allow working devices to be wiped and re-used.

WHERE CAN I DONATE MY UNWANTED IT EQUIPMENT?



OFF CAMPUS

You can donate unwanted tablets, PC's, laptops and smart phones to DONATE IT, to be refurbished and donated to families in need in the local community.



donateit.co.uk

There are donation points at:

Bournemouth Library

www.what3words.com

/// green.author.goals



Poole Library

www.what3words.com

/// vibrate.occurs.react



Prama Charity Shop in Tuckton (near Southbourne)

www.what3words.com

/// transfers.modern.wished



DONATE IT do not accept printers, monitors, keyboards or mice,

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY LARGE FURNITURE AND ELECTRICAL ITEMS?



If you have furniture, large donations and electrical items in good condition, you can contact **Prama Charity Shops** and arrange a collection. Call **Prama** on 01202 207315 or email furniture@prama.uk



Prama Superstore, Unit 3A, Westover Retail Park, Wimborne Road, Moordown, BH9 3JS.

www.what3words.com

/// noting.tuck.solid

You can also arrange for large donations and electrical items in good condition to be collected by **British Heart Foundation Furniture and Electrical Store**. Ring 01202 983020.



British Heart Foundation furniture and Electrical Store, 470 – 472 Wimborne Road, Winton, BH9 2EY.

www.what3words.com

/// gasp.fixed.occupy

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY UNWANTED BICYCLE?



You can donate your old bicycle to Hope 2 Cycle.
Open Tuesday's, Thursday's & Saturday's from 10am til 5pm.

The number to ring is 07530 968506

878 Wimborne Road, Moordown, Bournemouth, BH9 2DR

www.what3words.com

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WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY UNWANTED DUVET?



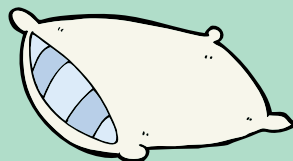
Dunelm shops will take duvets and pillows in good clean condition as part of their Take Back Textiles project

<https://www.dunelm.com/info/about/take-back-scheme>

There is a Dunelm shop at Turbary Retail park, 869 Ringwood Rd, Bournemouth BH11 8LL

www.what3words.com

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WHAT CAN I DO WITH BLANKETS AND SHEETS?

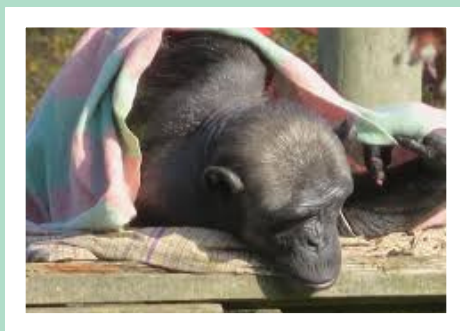


You can donate them and help a primate!!!!

In the Student Centre on Talbot Campus there will be a special Blanket Box for bedding donations which will be taken to Monkey World Ape Rescue Centre in Dorset.

Monkey World Say **YES** to duvet covers, pillow cases, fleece blankets, sheets, towels and socks.

Monkey World say **No** to crochet blankets, duvets, sleeping bags, pillows, cuddly toys, and mattress protectors. The stuffing in these items can be harmful to primates.



If you have a vehicle you can take blankets to Monkey World at Longthorns, Wareham, Dorset, BH20 6HH.

monkeyworld.org

(Jim Cronin Memorial Fund, UK Registered Charity Number 1126939)

www.what3words.com

[/// afflict.incisions.mulled](http://afflict.incisions.mulled)

WHAT CAN I DO WITH BROKEN AND DAMAGED ITEMS?



If you have a vehicle, you can take broken or damaged items to Bournemouth Recycling Centre. You can take other things such as garden waste, all kinds of metals, cooking oil, textiles and fabrics, furniture and electrical equipment.



Bournemouth Recycling Centre is at Millhams Road, just off the A348 at Longham. Open from 9:00am to 5:00pm Monday to Sunday (summer). You will need a form of ID with proof of address to prove where you live. [Check here for full details.](#)

www.what3words.com

/// budget.square.united

You can also use [Poole Recycling Centre](#). You will need a form of ID with proof of address to prove where you live. [Check here for full details.](#)

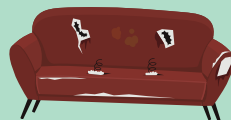
www.what3words.com

/// wires.flute.dance

You can also use [Christchurch Recycling Centre](#). You will need a form of ID with proof of address to prove where you live. [Check here for full details.](#)

www.what3words.com

/// foal.soils.task



WHAT DO I DO WITH THINGS I NEED NEXT YEAR, BUT CAN'T TAKE HOME?



It's not always possible to take all your belongings back home, but you might not be ready to say goodbye to your stuff quite yet. Bournemouth has a range of temporary storage solutions that make it easier to keep your kit secure over the summer and ready for you when you get back.

Examples include A-Storage who are offering 2 free medium boxes per unit for students, to give you a head start with packing. Find A-Storage at 203-205 Charminster Road, BH8 9QQ.

Phone number 01202 520038

www.what3words.com

/// gift.monkey.powers



www.a-storage.co.uk

SUBU SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

SUBU recognises that its activities have an impact upon the environment at local, regional, national and global levels and acknowledges a responsibility for the protection of the environment and the health of its members and the community. Sustainability is one of the key enablers of the SUBU strategy and will be delivered through leadership to enhance its position as a sustainable organisation and manage the environmental impact of its actions.

At SUBU, Sustainability is defined as a focus on what we can do now for our present students to protect the future for incoming students; ensuring that our actions and events have a positive impact on the environment and the future of our campus, the local community and the global environment. Any decision made is not just influenced by the effects on the environment but also SUBU's members, staff, resources and key stakeholders.

The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals are embedded into every department within SUBU enabling us to listen to students' passions around sustainability; giving us an ability to empower them on their educational journey with clear consideration for the future of the environment and our society.

Click below to view our full Sustainability Strategy and commitments that are embedded in every department across the Union.

[SUBU Sustainability Strategy.](#)



WHAT DO OUR CHARITY PARTNERS DO?

British Heart Foundation

Reg. Charity Number 255971

"Heart attacks that strike without warning, strokes that shatter futures, newborn babies born with broken hearts. These are just some of the cruelties of cardiovascular disease. And the brutal reality is, there is so much more for science to discover before we can beat the world's biggest killers.

That's why the British Heart Foundation exists. Funding research is how we change the game. And we all have a role to play. The tools we have at our disposal today - from heart transplants and pacemakers to stents and portable defibrillators - are all down to research. Research made possible by people like you."



Prama Charity Shops

Reg Charity Number 801967

Prama has 12 charity shops across Dorset and is well known for low prices, great bargains & amazing staff & volunteers. Prama has set pricing across all of their charity shops as well as a discount shop located in Winton, where nothing is priced over £3. All proceeds go towards Prama's work in supporting older adults & carers across Bournemouth, Christchurch, Poole & Dorset, including people living with memory loss & other long-term health conditions. Prama's mission is to support our community by delivering trusted services that reflect our values of respect, compassion & faith. We aim to promote a positive image of older age, challenging stereotypes & highlighting how much older people contribute to their communities.





SUBU is a registered charity number 1189548



THE BIG GIVE is organised by

The Students' Union at Bournemouth University

working in partnership with

The British Heart Foundation

Prama Charity Shops

Bournemouth Foodbanks

BCP Council

If you have any questions about The Big Give,
please feel free to email
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The information in the booklet is accurate as at May 2025

