



TOWN OF LEICESTER RECYCLING CENTER HAS PARTNERED WITH WHEELS FOR THE WORLD

The explosive growth of Wheels for the World testifies to the critical need for wheelchair distributions in developing countries where the cost of a chair can equal a year's wages. The World Health Organization estimates a worldwide need of 18 million wheelchairs for the disabled who are living in isolation, lacking simple mobility and cut off from life. The beauty of the Wheels for the World program lies in its teamwork approach: local communities collect used wheelchairs destined to be transformed into a life-changing tool for someone overseas.

The meticulous restoration takes place in the U.S. by carefully trained inmates in five separate correctional facilities in Colorado, Tennessee, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts. The wheelchairs are shipped overseas where teams made up of volunteer disability specialists and wheelchair mechanics work diligently to achieve the best fit possible for each person receiving this precious gift of mobility.

Skillful training in wheelchair use and upkeep is provided for both recipient and family. Wheels for the World has delivered over 14,000 wheelchairs to over 41 developing countries. With increasing output capabilities at each restoration site, and additional centers planned like Leicester, Wheels for the World is aggressively addressing the staggering need worldwide.

TO DONATE YOUR OLD WHEELCHAIR, METAL CANE, OR WALKER

Contact Ruth Kaminski, Leicester Recycling Coordinator 508 892-3121 or kaminskik@charter.net

Or bring your wheel chair, or walker to the Leicester Recycling Center

the 1st, 3rd, or 5th Saturday from 8 to 1 p.m.

Or on the 2 and 4th Sunday from 4 to 5 p.m. for those who cannot come on Saturday.



ALSO ACCEPTING UMBRELLA STROLLERS (ONLY)

AND CAR SEATS ONLY IN GOOD CONDITION FOR THIS CAUSE AS WELL.