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Garage Sales Move To The Internet

(NAPSA)—Building on the premise that one man's trash is another man's treasure, garage sales are experiencing a renaissance. What's interesting about this trend is that garage sales are no longer just a front-yard operation; they're moving to the Internet. Online auctions, free local classifieds and charity donation sites present great opportunities to get rid of unnecessary items and collect a few dollars in the process.

Whether you are preparing to move or just want to declutter your home, consider these tips from North American Van Lines for the "New American Garage Sale."

Start The Bidding—Why not sell unwanted items to the highest bidder? Online auction marketplaces such as eBay® allow people to sell items to the most interested buyer.

Giving Is Its Own Reward—Donating large items to philanthropic organizations will not only induce good feelings, it might also earn a sizable tax deduction. Donation is a perfect option for big ticket items that are no longer in perfect condition.

One Man's Trash Is Another Man's Treasure—Have you ever seen a vintage chair someone has placed on the curb that would look perfect in your living room?



SOLD!—A recent study showed that most Americans have approximately \$2,000 worth of unwanted items that could be auctioned for cash.

Freecycle.org is a good resource for finds like this. It's an e-mail list service that distributes information on "free for pickup" products.

To assist Americans in cleaning out their home clutter, North American Van Lines has introduced its New American Garage Sale kit. The kit is available at www.navlgaragesale.com. In addition to coupons, it features pricing guides for traditional garage sales, tips for online auctions and local classifieds, and a charity resource page for donating items.