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## Shorewood donates office supplies to REAL Deal Reuse Store

Some would say there is always a light at the end of a tunnel. This would be a very small light at the end of a very long tunnel, but Shorewood Packaging has generously donated 1600 kilograms worth of office supplies and other things to the REAL Deal Reuse Store.

The REAL Deal handles more than just reusable residential materials, and now has a large supply of the following on offer: File folders, hole punches, paper cutters, printer ink cartridges, rolls of various types of tape, printer paper, binders, clip boards, signs, allen keys, wrenches, screwdrivers, cork boards, step stools, microwave ovens, artwork and a number of crimpers (tensioners) used in strapping.

As well, Susan Hewitt at Shorewood arranged the donation of their used electronic waste to the REAL Deal's e-waste collection depot, a participant in the Ontario Electronic Stewardship, ensuring that all that waste is properly dealt with, dismantled and recycled in Canada.

REAL wants to extend its thanks to the remaining Shorewood staff for thinking of the REAL Deal as they prepare for their final closure.

"They could have just sent this to landfill, but Shorewood has been a conscientious recycler for many years," said Shawn Merriman, Pres. of REAL. "We've lost a local industrial leader in recycling."

The REAL Deal Reuse Store is a project of the non-profit charity Rideau Environmental Action League whose mission is to keep good materials out of landfill. It is open Thurs., Fri and Sat., 10 am – 4 pm and is located at 85 William St. West in Smiths Falls. Call 613-283-7999.

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