

SALE

Bargain Hunter

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BEST BARGAINS

Downsizing Part 2 — Selling: Here are free (or inexpensive) regional resources for selling your goods.

● Good Riddance

Susan Borax, Heather Knittel and Marina Roggeveen can help you get organized. One of the cornerstones of the Good Riddance approach is to ensure excess belongings are recycled or re-used. Download a free PDF from their site to get you started (goodriddance.ca; 604-421-5952).



Professional Organizing Solutions

● FreeCycle

Freecycle groups match people who have things they want to get rid of with people who can use them. Operates locally, just like our next listing (freecycle.org).

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● **Buy & Sell**

The hugely successful Vancouver *Buy and Sell* first appeared in 1971. Today, the company's publications have a weekly readership of approximately one million across Canada (buysell.com/classifieds/BC.html).

● **Kijiji**

Free classifieds. Free job listings. Apartments for rent. Free stuff. And much more (vancouver.kijiji.ca or victoria.kijiji.ca).

● **iSell.com**

A family-owned website offering a free online marketplace (originating from Florida), this one has been online since 1997 (isell.com/vancouver_bc-rs4959f).

● **Oodle.com**

Amassing millions of listings from all over the Web since its inception in 2005, *Oodle.com* is making inroads in the free classifieds field (vancouver.oodle.com; victoria.oodle.com).

● **Ebay**

Another good regional resource for selling. Once registered with Ebay, you'll automatically get special offers and "free listing" days delivered to your email (ebay.ca).

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