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Put Your Old Bridesmaids Dresses to Good Use—and Score Some Freebies in Return!

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Throwing away a bridesmaids dress—especially one that you’ve spend hundreds on—feels like a big ol’ waste.



Which is why most former bridesmaids I know have an extensive collection of dresses taking up valuable closet space.

If you can come to terms with the fact that you’ll never wear that mess of dresses again—and, really, did you enjoy wearing any of them the first time around?—here’s a way to put them to good use.

From March 9 to 13, bridesmaids dress boutique [57Grand](#) in New York City is collecting dresses for [Operation Prom](#), which will get your dress to an underprivileged girl who’s hoping to attend a prom this spring. Not in NYC? [Click here](#) for more drop-off spots in New York. You can also mail your dress to Operation Prom, 250 West 39th Street, Suite 804, New York, NY 10018.

Bonus: The first 100 ladies to donate a dress (or five) get a free nail polish and lipstick from Revlon.

Are any of your old bridesmaids dresses prom-worthy? Has anyone ever donated a bridesmaids dress before? Where?

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