Do you have stray crayons lying around your house? We bet you do. And whether they’re still unopened, used or broken, we’re happy to take them off your hands.

And take heart, knowing that your crayon donation will soon brighten the day of a child in need of a pick-me-up.

Our mission is recycling used and unwanted crayons to preserve our environment and enrich the lives of hospitalized children through art and imagination.

More than a half-million pounds of crayons are discarded every year, turning into a waxy sludge that clogs our landfills. This motivated the Crayon Initiative to create a program that recycles used crayons and sends them to children’s hospitals across the U.S. Now here’s your chance to ShareYourColors!!!

For more information visit: www.thecrayoninitiative.org

The Ridgefield Park Environmental Commission is joining in this effort but needs your help. Drop off boxes are located at Grant School, Lincoln School and Roosevelt School. There are also boxes at the library and municipal building.

So the next time you’re ready to throw out a broken crayon, please remember to just drop it in the box and help recycle while also brightening the day of a child who could use a smile!