

# New Troost Store Promises Deep Discounts on Amazon Returns

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*Shawn Chen plans to open a store at 3230 Troost that sells deeply-discounted return items from Amazon and other big retailers.*

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A store that specializes in selling returned items from Amazon and other large retailers is opening soon at 3230 Troost, bringing bargain shopping opportunities to the area.

"I see that area doesn't have any discount stores there," said owner Shawn Chen. "We will have 60,000 items on our tables that people can pay \$5 to \$10 to purchase.

"Everything will be 20 percent of the retail price."

Chen, who currently operates a similar store at 8901 Washington, obtains his inventory at the Amazon Fulfillment Centers where items are returned, either slightly used or sent back because of size or other issues.

It provides a cornucopia of stuff that people can buy at cheap prices. He also harvests returned items from other stores including WalMart, Home Depot and Bed Bath and Beyond.



*Many items at Shawn Chen's current store at 8901 Washington are still in the Amazon boxes.*

The displays are far from fancy. A visit to the smaller store on Washington indicate most items are still in the boxes he brings back from Amazon or scattered on shelves. You hunt for the bargains.

Still, Chen says you can sometimes find great deals such as returned iPads or Apple watches for \$30.

He also says people can buy bulk items wholesale. The new store, which was formerly at shoe warehouse business, also will have space for people to temporarily rent space to sell their own items.

The building is about 20,000 square-feet and also has a warehouse. It's located not far from the former commercial hub of Troost between 31st and Linwood that's experiencing [renewed investment](#) after decades of decline.

Chen expects to be open sometime in mid-June and operate seven days a week from 10 a.m to 8 p.m.

Susan Scott of RE/MAX represented the seller of 3230 Troost, Carrie Donigan of Platinum Realty represented the buyer.