

SERVICES & RESOURCES

Donation/Reuse Outlets

MN Computers for Schools

Phone: (651) 779-2816
Oak Park Heights, MN
www.mncfs.org

Goodwill/Easter Seals

Phone: (651) 646-2591
13 locations in Minnesota
mnges.easterseals.com

Hope for the City

Phone: (612) 282-1916
Edina, MN
www.hopeforthecities.org

Recyclers

Green Lights Recycling

Phone: (763) 785-0456
www.greenlightsrecycling.com

Materials Processing Corporation

Bob Delich
Phone: (651) 681-7365
<http://www.materialsprocessing.com>
ISO 14001:2004 Certified

Ocean Tech

Phone: (763) 670-2609
www.oceantechonline.com

Waste Management Asset Recovery

Phone: (866) 588-0572
www.recycleamerica.com/services/ecyclinq.asp

Johns Twin Ports Recycling

Duluth, MN
Phone: (218) 727-3185
www.johnstwinportsrecycling.com

Related Resources

Energy Star Computers

www.energystar.gov

Electronic Product Environmental Assessment Tool

www.epeat.net

MN Pollution Control Agency

www.pca.state.mn.us/oea/plugin/index.cfm

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

MANAGEMENT OF ELECTRONIC WASTE (E-WASTE)

1. **Resell:** Resell the computers to a used computer recycler. You can find one in the yellow pages under "Computers, Used". If needed, you may also be able to arrange a pick up.
2. **Donate:** If the computers are in good working condition and not obsolete, you can donate them to a nonprofit or school program. You can even earn a potential tax break.
3. **Recycle:** It is illegal for businesses to throw computers in the trash. The last option is recycling. Refer to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency for more information on the current laws pertaining to e-waste.

HOW TO RECYCLE ELECTRONIC WASTE (E-WASTE)

Most recyclers will pick up your used electronics for a small fee. Contact a recycler listed in the Services & Resources section to receive a quote and available services.

FACTS & FIGURES

Each year in Minnesota hundreds of thousands of computers, monitors, fax machines, printers, televisions, and other electronics become "e-waste" in the growing business industry.

Many components of electronic equipment, including metals, plastic, and glass, can be reused or recycled. For example, 97% of computers can be recycled. The other 3% includes hazardous materials such as lead, silver and mercury that need to be properly handled or could potentially enter and harm the environment.

- Computer monitor and televisions are contain significant amounts of lead
- Printed circuit boards can contain lead, chromium, cadmium or mercury
- Batteries may contain lead, mercury or cadmium
- PCBs may be found in televisions and computers made before 1980

To be more Waste Wise, use these tips when purchasing new computers

- Learn how to buy the right system for your specific needs
- Buy refurbished products from manufacturers or resellers
- Purchase Energy Star-compliant computers and monitors
- Reference the 'Electronic Product Environmental Assessment Tool' when purchasing new computers.

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