

## RECYCLING AND DISPOSAL OF TELEVISIONS AND OTHER ELECTRONICS

Looking to recycle that old television or electronics item? You have many options, though television recycling is not a free service in Cuyahoga County. County-sponsored collection events are not held for televisions, and they cannot be included with your municipality's free computer recycling program. Recycling options for televisions and other electronics are listed below:

### 1) TAKE ADVANTAGE OF A RETAIL RECYCLING PROGRAM.

The U.S. EPA has launched "Plug-In To eCycling"

[www.epa.gov/epawaste/partnerships/plugin/](http://www.epa.gov/epawaste/partnerships/plugin/), a partnership between EPA and consumer electronics manufacturers, retailers, and service providers that offers you more opportunities to donate or recycle - to "eCycle" - your used electronics. Local retailers now offering electronics recycling programs include:



\* Sam's Club, Office Depot, and Navy Exchange are participating with "ecoNEW" [www.econewonline.com](http://www.econewonline.com), a program that generates a trade-in value on an old electronics product and provides a pre-paid shipping label for you to print and send the product to a recycling center. Upon receipt, the product is audited and a branded gift card is mailed to you for the trade-in value of the product. Some products have no trade-in value, but you can still send the product back for proper recycling.

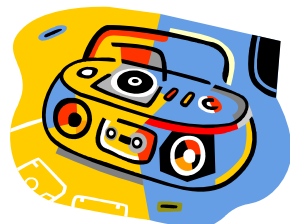
\* Waste Management and Sony Electronics, Inc. have announced the "Sony Take-Back"

<http://www.wm.com/WM/takeback/sony/index.asp>

Sony customers can recycle up to five Sony products per day by dropping them off at designated Waste Management eCycling Drop-Off Centers throughout the country. Consumers also have the option of shipping their used Sony electronics products to select Waste Management locations.

\* Sony Electronics Inc. has also introduced a recycling program that allows consumers to drop-off any brand of small electronics for free at participating retail locations. The "GreenFill" service is an extension of Sony's Take Back Recycling program, and is the nation's first in-store, drop-off program sponsored by a consumer electronics manufacturer. Consumers can drop off cameras, portable music devices, small laptops, cell phones and portable gaming devices at participating retail locations. Log onto [www.sony.com/green](http://www.sony.com/green)

\* Through RadioShack Corp., consumers can exchange their used, portable electronics for store credit, in the form of a RadioShack gift card. Simply fill out a Radio Shack Trade-In <http://radioshack.cexchange.com/online/home/index Rails>, online form describing the condition of the used product and a service determines the device's trade-in value. Participants in the U.S. have the option of printing out a prepaid shipping label to mail the product back to the company. A gift card equal to the value of the returned item is then shipped to the customer within two weeks.



\* Best Buy Inc. offers "Greener Together"

[www.bestbuy.com/site/olspage.jsp?id=pcmcat149900050025&type=category](http://www.bestbuy.com/site/olspage.jsp?id=pcmcat149900050025&type=category), a free in-store recycling for small electronics, weekend recycling events, and free removal and recycling of old appliances including televisions (with purchase).

\* Panasonic Corp. of North America announced that it is creating "Ideas for Life"

[www.panasonic.com/environmental/recycling-electronic.asp](http://www.panasonic.com/environmental/recycling-electronic.asp), a nationwide program designed to provide consumers convenient, free and easy recycling of their Panasonic branded TVs and other consumer electronics. The Panasonic program began November 1, 2008, with more than 160 recycling drop-off locations in 10 states, and is slated to expand to all 50 states over the next three years.

\* Consumers can drop off any amount of Dell-branded PCs, monitors, keyboards, printers, mice and other peripherals at any of Staples' 1,500 U.S. stores for recycling, free-of-charge and without having to make a purchase. Eco International will handle processing the equipment collected under the program. Ink printer cartridges can also be recycled at any Staples location.

\* Sears' "Trade4Credit Center" [www.sears.trade4credit.com/](http://www.sears.trade4credit.com/) offers a gift card equal to the value of your electronics trade-in.

\* Hewlett-Packard Co. has expanded its electronics recycling program to include a way for consumers to receive cash for equipment with residual value. Consumers can find out if their product has value by going to [www.hp.com/hpinfo/globalcitizenship/environment/recycling/product-recycling.html](http://www.hp.com/hpinfo/globalcitizenship/environment/recycling/product-recycling.html) and entering in the proper information to receive an instant quote on any brand of unwanted computer, monitor, digital camera, personal digital assistant or smart-phone. If there is residual value, they can send the product back to HP to receive cash back through the HP Consumer Buyback and Planet Partners Recycling Program. If the product has no value, they can recycle HP and Compaq equipment for free.

## **2) CONTACT A LOCAL RECYCLER ABOUT GETTING RID OF YOUR SMALL ELECTRONICS.**

There may be a fee.

### **E-SCRAP SOLUTIONS**

7601 Detour Road  
Cleveland, OH 44103  
(216) 431-0796

*Accepts most electronics with a cord. Fee charged for televisions.*

### **E-WASTE LLC**

7600 Olde Eight Road  
Hudson, OH 44236  
(330) 650-0274

*Accepts all electronic equipment including appliances. Fee charged for televisions.*

### **FIRST LINK INC.**

33681 Walker Road  
Avon Lake, OH 44012  
(440) 933-4100

*Call for drop-off appointment and info, 7:30-4 (M-F).*

### **GREAT EASTERN METALS, LLC**

6551 Grant Avenue  
Cleveland, OH 44105  
(216) 441-3436

*Electronics recycling and certified data destruction. 7-4 (M-F). Pick-up available.*

### **ITSCRAP/REGENCY TECHNOLOGIES**

307000 Carter Street, Suite F  
Solon, OH 44139  
(440) 287-7266

*Accepts IT-related items 8:30-5 (M-F). Fee charged, call for information and appointment.*

### **SECURE IT ASSET DISPOSITION SERVICES**

8001 Moving Way  
Mentor, OH 44060  
(440) 537-2828

*Computer and electronics recycling. Insured pick-up and equipment removal service available. Call for more information.*



## **3) CHECK WITH A LOCAL SCRAP METAL RECYCLER TO SEE IF THEY WILL ACCEPT YOUR ITEMS.**

A list can be found in the Yellow Pages under "Scrap Metal." You can also check the list on the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District's website. Go to [www.cuyahogawsd.org/business/recdirectory.asp](http://www.cuyahogawsd.org/business/recdirectory.asp) Use the drop-down box to highlight "Scrap Metals."