

Charleston County News Release

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Electronic Recycling Day is Nov. 15 at Citadel Mall

Recycle your old TVs, computers, microwaves, etc. and receive a chance to win a new flat screen TV.

Charleston County's Solid Waste and Recycling Department will hold an Electronic Recycling Day event from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 15. The first-time event will be held at Citadel Mall (2070 Sam Rittenberg Blvd., Charleston) in the parking lot between JCPenney and Sears.

<u>Charleston County's Solid Waste and Recycling Department</u>, Knology, the Citadel Mall and Target will host the event, which is being held on Nov. 15 to coincide with <u>America Recycles</u> <u>Day</u>.

During Electronic Recycling Day, residents can drop off their old, non-working or unused electronics to be recycled. Volunteers will be present to help with unloading electronics and directing traffic.

Each car that drops off electronics will be eligible to win a raffle for a 20-inch, flat screen, Trutech TV provided by Target. The TV has a built-in digital tuner, easy hook-ups for video games and other devices, a headphone jack for peaceful watching, 181 channel TV tuner, a flat tube that minimizes sunlight glare, closed captioning and remote control.

Electronic devices often consist of valuable resources such as precious metals (gold or silver), more common metals (aluminum and copper) and engineered plastics. Electronic recycling helps to recover these valuable materials while also conserving energy and landfill space.

The event is set up to accommodate Charleston County residents only; businesses or contractors will not be allowed to drop off electronics.

The following are examples of electronics that can be recycled:

- Adding machine
- Cable box
- Calculator
- Camcorder
- Clock
- Computer (including monitor, keyboard, mouse, hard drive, as well as laptops)
- Copy machine
- DVD player
- Fax machine
- Microwave
- Printer

- Scanner
- Shredder
- Radio/Stereo (including cassette players and CD players)
- Telephone (including cell phones and cordless phones)
- TV
- Remote control
- VCR
- Video game console and accessories

Citizens who cannot attend the Nov. 15 event can recycle their electronics during regular business hours at one of the eight Charleston County solid waste convenient centers open to the public:

- Adams Run 8326 Old Jacksonboro Road, 29426
- Awendaw 6380 Maxville Road, 29429
- Bees Ferry (West Ashley) 1344 Bee's Ferry Road, 29414
- Downtown Charleston Charleston County Recycling Center, 13 Romney Street, 29403
- Edisto Island 2844 Highway 174, 29438
- Hollywood 5305 Highway 165, 29449
- McClellanville 1775 River Road, 29458
- Wadmalaw Island 1558 Liberia Road, 29487

Hours of operation are as follows:

Convenience Center Hours Monday-Friday: 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. Sunday and Wednesday: 1 - 7 p.m.

Bees Ferry Convenience Center Monday-Friday: 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. Sunday and Wednesday: 1 - 7 p.m.

Charleston County Recycling Center 13 Romney Street Monday-Friday: 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. Closed Saturday and Sunday

America Recycles Day is celebrated year-round and culminates every Nov. 15 to remind citizens that recycling is working, and the important part each of us plays in its on-going success. The nationwide celebration is designed to encourage people to recycle and buy products made from recycled materials.

South Carolina has developed one of the nation's top America Recycles state campaigns through the efforts of a statewide public and private steering committee. Various statewide programs and contests are offered each year to support the national America Recycles efforts.

For more information on the Electronic Recycling Day, contact the Charleston County Recycling and Solid Waste Department at (843) 720-7111 or visit <u>http://recycle.charlestoncounty.org</u>.