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## **Media Release**

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### **City of Joliet and Waste Management Remind Residents on Ban of Electronics in Waste Disposal after January 1, 2012**

The City of Joliet and Waste Management are reminding residents that they will no longer be able to place electronics out for collection with their garbage and recycling beginning with the New Year.

The Illinois General Assembly has passed a law that prohibits the disposal of electronic waste or "e-waste" in landfills. Waste Management will no longer accept most electronics products for collection from Joliet residences and businesses. The prohibited items include the following:

- Televisions
- Monitors
- Printers
- Computers (including tablet computers)
- Electronic keyboards
- Facsimile (Fax) machines
- Videocassette (VCR) players
- Portable digital music players (MP3 players)
- Digital video disc (DVD) players
- Video game consoles
- Small scale servers
- Scanners
- Electronic mice
- Digital converter boxes
- Cable receivers
- Satellite receivers
- Digital video disc recorders

There is a convenient way of disposing of e-waste. The County of Will has entered into an agreement with Vintage Tech, a Will County based company that began offering FREE, convenient "Front-Door" collection service for residential electronics in a large portion of Will County, including Joliet. This is a three-year "Pilot Program" with funding from electronic manufacturers thanks to the Illinois Electronic Products Recycling and Reuse Act.

To schedule a FREE pick-up from your front door or if you have questions about what they can or cannot pick up, please visit [www.vintagetechnrecyclers.com](http://www.vintagetechnrecyclers.com) or contact Vintage Tech Recyclers by calling (866) 631-1707 Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm or Email at [willcounty@vintagetechnrecyclers.com](mailto:willcounty@vintagetechnrecyclers.com), be sure to include your name, address and telephone number and provide the type and number of each electronic item.

Residents can also, place an online service pick up request at:  
<http://www.vintagetechnrecyclers.com/Will-County-Pick-Up.aspx>.

There is a limit of the number of items that may be picked up per collection. If residents accumulate more items, additional pick ups may be scheduled.

If Joliet residents would like to drop off their own items, Will County has 13 electronics recycling centers throughout the County. They are located at: Forest Preserve District of Will County office, 17540 W. Laraway Road, Joliet; Troy Township Highway Department, 25358 Seil Road, Shorewood; 299 Canterbury Lane, Bolingbrook; 25461 S. Fryer St., Channahon; 17112 Prime Blvd., Lockport; 24645 S. Eastern Ave, Manhattan; 19004 Wolf Road, Mokena; Monee Reservoir, 27341 Ridgeland Ave, Monee; 1100 S. Cedar Road, New Lenox; Reed-Custer School District, behind maintenance garage, 162 S. School St., Braidwood; 195 S. Budler Road, Romeoville; 30200 Town Center Road, Beecher; and the newest location, 14400 W. 151st St., Homer Glen.

Hours vary by site. For additional information about electronic recycling, hours of operation and Will County Land Use -RRE, go to [www.willcountygreen.com](http://www.willcountygreen.com). Information about items which will be banned from landfills under the new law can also be found there.

For more information, consumers and municipal officials may call the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency at 217-524-6713 or go to the IEPA website at:  
<http://www.epa.state.il.us/land/electronic-waste-recycling/index.html>.

The City of Joliet is the fourth largest city in the state of Illinois, located just 45 miles southwest of Chicago's Loop. Home to over 147,000 residents, in addition to thriving businesses and attractions, the City of Joliet is easily accessible by rail, auto and bus transit. A perfect place to live, work and play, Joliet is constantly striving to promote growth and diversity. For more information on Joliet visit [www.visitjoliet.org](http://www.visitjoliet.org) or call 815.724.4000.

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