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City of Joliet and Waste Management Remind Residents of Ban of Electronics in Waste Disposal

Since January 1, 2012, residents were no longer able to place electronics out for collection with their garbage and recycling. The Illinois General Assembly passed a law prohibiting the disposal of electronic waste or “e-waste” in landfills. The prohibited items include the following:

- Televisions
- Monitors
- Printers
- Computers (including tablet computers)
- Electronic keyboards
- Fax machines
- VCR players
- Portable digital music players (MP3 players/iPods)
- 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 an agreement with Vintage Tech, a Will County based company, that offers convenient “Front-Door” collection service for residential electronics for a $25.00 fee.

To schedule a pick-up from your front door, or, if you have questions about what they can or cannot pick up, please visit www.vintagetechrecyclers.com or contact Vintage Tech Recyclers by calling (630) 305-0922, Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM. Be sure to include your name, address, and telephone number, and provide the type and amount of each electronic item.

Residents can also place an online service pick up request at: http://ww.vintagetechrecyclers.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, 17540 W. Laraway Road, Joliet; Troy Township Highway Department, 25358 Seil Road, Shorewood; 299 Canterbury Lane, Bolingbrook; 25461 S. Fryer Street, Channahon; 17112 Prime Blvd., Lockport; 24645 S. Eastern Avenue, Manhattan; 19004 Wolf Road, Mokena; Monee Reservoir, 27341 Ridgeland Avenue, Monee; 1100 S. Cedar Road, New Lenox; Reed-Custer School District, behind maintenance garage, 162 S. School
Street, Braidwood; 195 S. Budler Road, Romeoville; 30200 Town Center Road, Beecher; and 14400 W. 151st Street, Homer Glen.

Hours vary by site. For additional information about electronic recycling and hours of operation go to www.willcountygreen.com.

For more information visit the IEPA website at www.epa.state.il.us/land/electronic-waste-recycling/index.html.

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