



# E-Waste Recycling

## What is e-waste?

According to the US EPA, e-waste is the fastest growing waste stream. Examples of electronic waste (e-waste) include: old televisions, cell phones, computers, keyboards, printers, fax machines, audio equipment, video cameras, VCRs, or anything which has a circuit board or cathode ray tube (CRT).

## Why is it important to recycle electronic waste?

Many electronics are made with toxic materials including lead, mercury, and cadmium among others. Minnesota State Statute 115A.9565 of 2006 states, electronics containing a cathode ray tube (such as computer monitors and televisions) must be properly recycled. A great place to bring them is your county hazardous waste drop-off site.

Recycle e-waste to avoid accidental toxic leaks into our air and water systems this protects our community's environment and health.



## Where can I recycle my e-waste?

### Reuse:

- **Donate:** Donate your unwanted working electronics to schools, nonprofits, or other community organizations.
- **Goodwill:** Goodwill will accept electronics that are working and in good condition. [www.goodwill.com](http://www.goodwill.com)
- **Twin Cities Free Market:** list your unwanted electronics on the Twin Cities Free Market. Everything listed on this site is free for reuse purposes to others in the Twin Cities metro region. [www.twincitiesfreemarket.org](http://www.twincitiesfreemarket.org)
- **Craigslist:** List your unwanted electronics for free or for a fee on craigslist. <http://minneapolis.craigslist.org/>

### Recycle:

- **Rethink Recycling:** Rethink Recycling is your go to disposal guide for those living in the Twin Cities metro region. [www.rethinkrecycling.com](http://www.rethinkrecycling.com).
- **Recycle MORE Minnesota:** an informational website for the public and media. Click on the 'How do I recycle' link for the solid waste administrator contact information in your area. [www.recyclemoreminnesota.org](http://www.recyclemoreminnesota.org).
- **Manufacturer of your Electronics:** some manufacturers have take-back programs for their goods.

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