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MANAGING COMPUTER MONITORS & COMPONENTS

For Lincoln and Lancaster County Businesses

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Businesses are banned from putting monitors, circuit boards, and components in the trash.

Why are computer monitors, circuit boards and components of concern?

Computer equipment contains more than 1,000 materials, many of which are highly toxic. These include; lead in cathode ray tubes (CRT), chromium used to protect and harden surfaces and mercury in circuit boards, batteries, switches/housing and printed wiring boards. If improperly handled or disposed, these toxins can be released into the environment and can cause health problems.

How should businesses manage unwanted electronic equipment?

The City of Lincoln's Bluff Road Landfill does not accept hazardous materials, including computer monitors and other components from businesses. The US Environmental Protection Agency has ruled that televisions and other electronic components can be managed as Universal Waste. This approach lessens the hazardous materials disposal paperwork and encourages recycling.

Local Donation and Reuse

Several organizations offer options for refurbishing and reuse of computers. Computers must be in working conditions. Please call the organization before delivering the computers for recycling to ensure the equipment meets specifications for donation.

Recycler	Contact	Requirements
Assistance Technology 4 All	877-201-4141 308-784-4525	IBM Compatible, Pentium III (500 mHz,) CD Rom Drive
Catholic Diocese of Lincoln	402-488-0921	Pentium IV or better No CRT Monitors or printers
Education Assistance	630-390-0010	Must be in working condition Erased hard drive
Family Thrift Center	402-476-2857	Must be in working condition
Good Neighbor Community Center	402-477-4173	Must be in working condition
Keep Nebraska Beautiful (KNB)	402-486-4622	Post computers and
Lincoln Public Schools	402-436-1012 support@publicsurplus.com	Pentium IV or better
Materials Exchange Program	www.knb.org	electronics for sale on KNB website
Superior Pawnee Computer Society	402-879-1046	Pentium IV or better
Salvation Army	402-466-5052	Must be in working condition

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Recycling and Disposal Options

The following companies will accept used computers, monitors and component parts for recycling or disposal. Contact the company for costs and to check for acceptance policies.

Recycler	Contact	Website
A-Tec Recycling	800-551-4912	www.a-tec-recycling.com
CP Recovery	402-331-1630	www.cprecovery.com
Clean Harbors	316-269-7400	www.cleanharbors.com
Complete Recycling Solutions, LLC	866-277-9797	www.crsrecycle.com
Electronic Disposal Techs	402-201-2270	www.electronicdisposal.net
Electronic Recyclers, Inc.	402-408-0053	www.electronicrecyclers.com
GRX Recycling Xperts	402-339-1172	www.grxrecycles.com
Lifespan Recycling Company	402-592-2724	www.lifespanrecycling.com
Midwest Electronic Recovery	319-845-2001	www.ewasterecycler.com
Mercury Waste Solutions	800-741-3343	www.mwsi.com
Schrock Innovations, Inc.	402-423-9595	www.schrockinnovations.com
Techware Recycling, Inc.	402-326-9797	www.techwarerecycling.com

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Additional Options Include:

- Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department holds Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Collections (CESQ) twice per year. For more information call 441-8002.

- WasteCap Nebraska has additional information on electronic recycling and events throughout Nebraska, contact 402-436-2384 or check www.wastecapne.org

For more information...

on recycling, disposal options or alternatives to managing and reducing hazardous waste in your business, CALL 402-441-8002, EMAIL spwaste@lincoln.ne.gov, or VISIT our website at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: business waste).