

Recycle Your E-Waste with L&C Jan. 17-18

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Lewis and Clark Community College's Office of Sustainability, along with CJD E-Cycling and the Riverbend Growth Association (RBGA), is hosting a community E-Waste drive from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 17, and Saturday, Jan. 18, in the Tolle Lane parking lot across from L&C's Godfrey campus.

Illinois law prohibits landfill disposal of electronic devices, including televisions and computers, and some companies charge as much as \$20 to dispose of them for residents.

"We're now kicking off our third year of mandated e-waste recycling here in Illinois, and since the law took effect, Lewis and Clark, with its partner CJD E-Cycling, has diverted more than 80 tons of hazardous electronic waste from our landfills," said Director of Sustainability Nate Keener. "That translates directly to local jobs and a cleaner environment. These events have been a huge success thus far, with no signs of demand letting up any time soon. We know many people probably got new electronics for Christmas, so this is a great opportunity to dispose of those old electronics that would otherwise just be collecting dust on a shelf."

CJD E-Cycling will take items for free (\$5 donations for TVs and computer monitors are appreciated), providing community members with a secure, Earth-friendly option for discarding used electronics.

The following is a sampling of the items that will be accepted:

- Anything with a cord, and anything metal
- Computers, monitors, printers, cables and peripherals (keyboards, mice, etc.)
- Fax machines, scanners, digital converter boxes, cable receivers, satellite receivers
- Video game consoles, digital video disc player/recorders, portable digital music players

- Networking equipment, server, telecommunications, phones, cell phones, clocks, etc.
- VCR, stereos, and audio/video equipment (including cable/satellite)
- TVs all sizes (\$5 donations accepted to help offset recycling costs)
- Holiday lights, metal decorations and metal furniture
- Electrical, cabling, communication machinery, and equipment
- Home electronics, blenders, toasters, irons, etc.
- White goods: washers, dryers, dishwashers, furnaces, etc.
- Medical equipment and all types of diagnostic equipment (call to verify equipment)
- Industrial machinery and equipment (including power and gas equipment)
- Lawn equipment, tools, old mowers, tillers, etc.
- Air conditioners, refrigerators, and humidifiers
- Old motors, non PCB Type transformers and other electrical equipment
- Car and rechargeable household batteries and lead items
- Non-ferrous metals

The following are items that will not be accepted:

- Radioactive materials
- Hazardous materials such as oil, antifreeze, paint, pesticides, oil filters, air bags, lead, mercury switches and fluorescent lights
- Non-electronics such as tires, dirt, wood, asbestos, office waste, insulation, fiberglass,
- roofing, solid waste and furniture
- Flammable materials
- Explosives such as firearms, ammunition, shells and artillery
- PCB's such as capacitors, transformers and ballast

For those who miss this valuable opportunity, Madison County, Somtech, and Web Innovations and Technology Services, Inc. (WITS) offer e-waste recycling on a regular basis at www.madisoncountyrecycles.com, <a href="https://www.madisoncountyrecycles.com

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