

Be a Wise e-Waster!

Computers frequently contain important personal data such as banking or tax information.

Before donating your computer or dropping it off for recycling, it is important to remove sensitive data from the system's hard drive. This usually can be done by "Reformatting the hard drive" or use of a purchased program which "writes over" the data on the hard drive. This process can be slow and it is best to run it overnight. Specific instructions on this procedure should be obtained



from the equipment manufacturer or an appropriate technical service provider.

It is the responsibility of the recycling program user to erase any sensitive data before dropping off electronics.

The program operators assume no liability or responsibility regarding data remaining on materials recycled.

Be advised however, that the recycling contractor employs rigorous, state of the art procedures for cleaning the hard drives on all computers it receives after they are transported to its processing center.



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This E-Waste Recycling Program has been developed and is operated under the direction of the Kankakee River Metropolitan Agency (KRMA) board of directors as a public service for the residents, businesses, schools, and industries located in the Kankakee metropolitan area and its surroundings. The KRMA board has representatives from the City of Kankakee and the Villages of Bradley, Bourbonnais, and Aroma Park.

Financial assistance for the development of the two E-Waste Drop Off sites was provided by an Energy & Recycling Grant issued to the City of Kankakee by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity



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Kankakee Department of Public Works
401 West Oak Street, Kankakee IL 60901



BRADLEY

Bradley Department of Public Works -
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e Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

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The KRMA board of directors feels strongly that recycling of unused, unwanted computers, monitors, peripherals, and other electronic equipment is an important step in protecting the environmental quality of the Kankakee area. In order to facilitate proper handling of electronic wastes generated by the area's residents, businesses, schools, and industries, two permanent drop off sites were developed with assistance from a grant issued by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity. These sites are intended to allow a convenient means to properly dispose of e-waste and allow for its reuse or recycling by a recycling contractor.

Recycling electronics avoids potential air, water, and land pollution which can result from disposal in a landfill. These problems can result from release of heavy metals (lead, mercury, hexavalent chromium) and other toxics contained in monitors, tvs, and other electronic components when they are placed in the landfill. Recycling and reuse of e-waste helps conserve energy and resources by reducing the need for these in production of new electronics. Many of the recovered components and materials can be used in production of new equipment. Of the 20-50 million tons of e-waste generated annually worldwide, about 85% of it currently ends up in a landfill. With your conscientious participation in the use of the drop off sites, e-wastes generated in our area can be reused or recycled to avoid negative environmental impacts.

KRMA Board

Accepted Electronics:

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| All cordless appliances | Monitors |
| Blenders | Peripherals |
| Boom boxes | Printers |
| Calculators | Radios |
| Complete computer systems | Scanners |
| DVD players | Shredders |
| FAX machines | Stereos |
| Food processors | Televisions |
| Hard drives | Toasters |
| Keyboards | Vacuums |
| Microwaves | VCRs |
| | Wordprocessors |

Drop Off Instructions:

The sites are "self serve" so users will need to collect their e-waste and transport it to one of the drop off locations. Be sure to arrive during the posted operating hours on the proper days. Simply place the items to be recycled in the containers or on the skids as directed by the signage at the collection sites.

- Never leave materials outside of the designated area! If the gates are closed, plan to return another day.
- Do not remove any materials from the site!
- For your safety and security and to control misuse of the facilities, the sites are under 24 hour video surveillance.

ATTENTION: Large Sources such as schools, businesses, industries

In order to avoid capacity problems at the drop off sites and to reduce materials handling, any sources which have large quantities of material for recycling are instructed to contact the site operators to arrange for direct collection at their location.



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