

# Why Recycle Electronics?

## Toxic Trash

Oregonians throw away millions of pounds of unwanted electronics each year. These electronics contain toxic materials that can harm human health and the environment—even in small amounts. Televisions and computer monitors contain on average 5-10 lb. of lead each. Circuit boards contain lead and cadmium, switches and flat screens contain mercury, and brominated flame retardants are used in circuit boards, cables and plastic covers.

## Exporting Hazardous Materials

When electronics are exported to countries with few environmental regulations, hazardous materials can enter the environment and cause long lasting damage to human health and natural systems. The state's E-Cycles program and LCWMD both place a priority on ensuring that all dismantling of electronic products occurs in the United States where worker safety and environmental standards can protect human health and the environment.

## What You Can Do?

- Buy reused or refurbished electronics if possible.
- Ask a sales person if the electronic product you want to buy has a plan for toxicity reduction.
- Ask if the company has a take back program for recycling.
- Refer to [www.epeat.net](http://www.epeat.net) or other consumer reports to purchase electronics that are built to last with reduced toxicity levels.

# Lane County Locations

## Glenwood, 3100 E 17th Ave, Eugene

Summer: Mon-Sat 8am-6pm, Sun 8am- 5pm  
Winter: Mon-Sat 8am-6pm, closed Sun  
541-682-4120

## Cottage Grove, 78760 Sears Rd

Wed-Sat, 8am-6pm all year • 541-942-8986

## Florence, 2820 N Rhododendron Dr

Mon-Sat, 8am-6pm all year • 541-997-6243

## Veneta, 24444 Bolton Hill Rd

Mon-Sat, 8am-6pm all year • 541-935-1297

## Vida, 43843 McKenzie Hwy, Leaburg

Summer: Wed-Sat 8am-6pm  
Winter: Wed-Sat 9am-5pm • 541-896-3643

*Hours & days subject to change without notice.*

Summer hours (April–Sept) • Winter hours (Oct–Mar)

## Other E-Cycles Collectors

### All Goodwill Donation Sites and Stores

<http://www.goodwill-oregon.org>

### NextStep Recycling

Tue-Sat, 10am-6pm  
2101 W. 10th Ave, Eugene • 541-686-2366  
1483 Mohawk Blvd, Spfld • 541-744-6901  
[www.nextsteprecycling.org](http://www.nextsteprecycling.org)

### Garten Services, Inc.

Mon-Fri, 8:30am-4:30pm  
4731 Pacific Ave #E • 541-868-1550  
[www.garten.org](http://www.garten.org)



Lane County Public Works  
Waste Management Division  
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Providing the opportunity to recycle computers while benefiting the community.

# Electronics Recycling Program



Oregon's Electronics Recycling Law prohibits landfill disposal of televisions, computers, laptops and monitors. The law requires electronics manufacturers to provide free recycling of this material to anyone with seven or fewer, intact items at a time.

## Items covered by the E-Cycles law are:

- Computers
- Laptops
- Computer Monitors
- Televisions



For more information about the state E-Cycles program and all collection options available to you, refer to [www.oregonecycles.org](http://www.oregonecycles.org) or call 1-888-5-ecycles.

**Lane County Waste Management** offers five collection locations in participation with Oregon E-Cycles:

- **Glenwood Central Receiving Station**
- **Cottage Grove Transfer Station**
- **Florence Transfer Station**
- **Veneta Transfer Station**
- **Vida Transfer Station**

Anyone can bring up to seven items to these collection locations for no charge.

## Other electronics items allowed:

While other electronics items are not covered under the state's E-Cycles program, LCWMD's collection program offers free recycling of office electronics such as printers, fax and phone machines and entertainment electronics such as VCR, DVD players, and stereo equipment. Non-computer extension items such as speakers, covers, and packaging are not collected in this program.

## If you...

- have more than seven items in one trip
- have a floor standing copiers or other item over 50 lbs
- have dismantled items

## ...you must take it to one of these local processors:

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## Computer Reuse

Lane County currently contracts with NextStep Recycling, a local non-profit organization, to take a portion of the electronic materials collected from transfer stations. At NextStep these electronics are reviewed for reuse and refurbishment. Items that are not refurbishable or reused as is are disassembled and recycled. This responsible reuse and recycling of electronic waste serves the local community by making technology available to schools, non-profit agencies, and people who would not otherwise have access to computer technology.

We encourage Lane County residents to think reuse and take advantage of all reuse options in our community.

