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Free E-Waste Collection Event Planned for May 17

NEWPORT BEACH, Ca. -- Just in time for spring cleaning, the City of Newport Beach will host a free, e-waste collection event on Saturday, May 17 from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the City Corporation Yard, 592 Superior Avenue, Newport Beach.

E-waste consists of working and non-working personal computers, laptops, cell phones, telephones, fax machines, computer peripherals (such as monitors, keyboards, mice, printers, scanners, and cables), consumer electronics (including radios, tape players, VCRs, stereo equipment, and PDAs), and televisions of any size.

It is illegal for Californians to dispose of these materials in their weekly trash collection since e-waste can contain toxic substances, such as lead and mercury, which can pollute ground water and make it unsafe to drink. Residents and businesses can help to keep neighborhoods clean and water supplies safe by participating in the May 17 event and properly disposing of e-waste.

The City of Newport Beach is proud to partner with Goodwill of Orange County to provide environmentally-friendly solutions to divert e-waste from landfills, but also help meet of the mission of Goodwill of Orange County of assisting individuals with disabilities obtain productive and valuable training and employment. As a state-certified collector, Goodwill of Orange County ensures that all items collected will be recycled using industry-best practices and that all sensitive material is destroyed.

For more information, please call 644-3055.