

# Highlights & Happenings

# Member FDIC 엽 Equal Housing Lender

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## Are you about to get a new smartphone, television, or computer? What are you going to do with the electronic device that you no longer need?

Don't just throw it away—recycle it! Here are some of the many reasons why you should recycle all of your old electronics:

#### Free up landfill space.

Landfill space is limited, and we are quickly running out of it. If you throw away your old electronics, you are just taking up space in these limited landfills. How much space is being wasted on electronic devices? It's estimated that the United States produces around 200 million tons of waste every year, and at least 1% of this waste can be classified as an electronic device. Conserve as much landfill space as possible by recycling your old electronics.

#### Protect the environment.

Older electronics are made with toxic chemicals including lead, mercury, cadmium, and chromium. If you don't dispose of electronics properly, these chemicals will be released into the environment and could do a great deal of harm. One computer monitor alone can contain as much as four to eight pounds of lead and other toxic

substances. In fact, it is estimated that about 70% of heavy metals that end up in our landfills have come from electronic devices.

### Conserve natural resources.

If you choose to recycle your electronic devices, some materials can be recovered from the devices and used to make new products. This means fewer new resources will need to be used to meet the growing demand for electronic devices. What materials can be reused? Electronic devices consist of a sizable amount of precious metals, but very little of it is recovered because people do not recycle these devices. For example, an estimated 10-15% of the gold used to produce electronic devices is ever recovered. The other 85-90% is lost, which means more gold will have to be mined from the Earth to meet demand.

What types of items do electronics recycling companies collect? In addition to computers, televisions, printers and such, our vendor will accept appliances, batteries, cameras or any item with a power source or plug.

We hope to see you at our Shred and Recycle Days. Find details for our events below. Please note the location for both days is our Post Road West Office, located at 295 Boston Post Road.

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