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## **Curbside E-waste Collection Program to Resume on Staten Island**

The New York City Department of Sanitation has announced that our appointment-based curbside e-waste collection program, put on hold during the height of the pandemic, will resume, starting with service to Staten Island residents. Appointments can be made now for collection service beginning Tuesday, September 7.

"Our curbside e-waste collection program gives residents another easy way to dispose of those televisions or computers that are no longer wanted," said **Sanitation Commissioner Edward Grayson**. "And while we are happy that funding was partially restored to bring the program back to Staten Island residents, we are continuing to look at options to allow us to bring this popular program back to additional areas of the city in the future."

"The Curbside Waste Pickup program is not only extremely convenient, it is the absolute best way to deter illegal dumping and to ensure we safely and properly recycle electronics rather than dump them in landfills. I am proud to have partnered with Sanitation to start this incredibly successful program on Staten Island five years ago, and to have worked with my Council colleagues to restore funding for it this year to get it restarted," said City Council Minority Leader Steven Matteo.

Not all items with a plug are considered covered e-waste. Only e-waste covered under the New York State disposal ban is included. Covered items include:

- Televisions (including cathode ray tubes)
- Computer peripherals, including any permanently attached cable or wiring
- Monitors, laptops
- Electronic keyboards
- Electronic mice and other pointing devices
- Fax machines, document scanners, and printers that are meant for use with a computer and weigh less than 100 lbs.
- TV peripherals, including any permanently attached cable or wiring
- VCRs
- Digital video recorders
- DVD players
- Digital converter boxes
- Cable or satellite receivers

- Electronic or video game consoles
- Small scale servers
- Portable devices, including any permanently attached cable or wiring
- Portable digital music players

Other mostly plastic and metal items such as microwaves, fans, toasters or vacuums are able to be placed with regular recycling.

After collection, the city's recycling partner ERI gathers and removes the e-waste for proper and safe recycling.

To request a collection appointment, Staten Island residents should call 311 or go to nyc.gov/electronics. Pickups will take place Monday through Friday, except city holidays. Items must be placed at the curb; Sanitation Workers will not enter private property.

Residents looking to dispose of their e-waste items may also visit a **Special Waste Drop-Off** site or attend an upcoming **SAFE Disposal Event**. Both accept e-waste covered by the NYS law. Residents living in buildings with 10 or more units should enroll in **ecycleNYC**, a free, inbuilding e-waste collection program for apartment buildings. More information on these programs is available at nyc.gov/electronics.

## **About the New York City Department of Sanitation**

The Department of Sanitation (DSNY) keeps New York City healthy, safe and clean by collecting, recycling and disposing of waste, cleaning streets and vacant lots, and clearing snow and ice. The Department operates 59 district garages and manages a fleet of more than 2,000 rear-loading collection trucks, 450 mechanical brooms and 705 salt spreaders. The Department clears litter, snow and ice from approximately 6,500 miles of City streets and removes debris from vacant lots as well as abandoned vehicles from City streets.