Computer Donations and E-Cycling in Goochland County

The Goochland Anti-Litter and Recycling Council (GARC) will be holding their 2nd Annual E-Cycling Day on February 28th from 8:00am to 12:00pm. This event is free to Goochland residents and businesses. GARC in partnership with TechReach of Central Virginia will be collecting used electronics equipment to be refurbished or recycled. TechReach is a non-profit group dedicated to improving the lives of central Virginia's youth and adults by facilitating equal access to technology as well as equal opportunity for technical literacy. Donations of computer equipment from local residents and businesses are cleaned, refurbished, and downloaded with new software. They are then distributed to deserving students and adults who are unable to purchase a home computer due to economic reasons. In one of their most recent projects, TechReach refurbished and donated computers to graduates of the Goochland Free Clinic and Family Services GED program.

Equipment that cannot be used by TechReach will be recycled by AERC Recycling Solutions of Ashland, VA. In addition to minimizing material deposited into landfills, electronics recycling reduces the amount of dangerous heavy metals entering into the waste stream. AERC has a zero-waste-to-landfill policy, meaning that every part of the electronics either refurbished for reuse or broken down for recycling. There will be a limit of 10 large electronic items (e.g., monitors, TVs, CPUs, copiers) per person. For more information, please contact Leigh Dunn at 556-5850 or ldunn@co.goochland.va.us.

Mark your calendars!
Saturday, February 28th, 2009
8:00am to 12:00pm
Fairgrounds Building
(intersection of Sandy Hook Road and Fairground Road)

Acceptable Materials

Televisions
- Stand alone, console, wide-screen, projection-screen, CRT, plasma, and LCD

Computer Equipment
- Computer systems (CPUs, laptop, and notebook)
- Computer monitors (CRTs, Plasma, and LCD displays)
- Printers, scanners, plotters, and copiers
- Computer accessories (keyboards, mice, speakers, cords, cables)
- External disk memory and hard disk drives
- Circuit boards and electronic components/chips
- Network hubs, modems, and routers

Office and Business Equipment
- Photocopiers and multi-use copiers (copy, fax, scan, print)
- Telephone telecommunication/switching systems
- PDAs, PDA cradles, and other hand-held devices
- Cellular phones and cell phone chargers

Media
- Toner cartridges (ink jet and laser jet)
- CDs, DVDs, and magnetic tape

Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs