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Recycle Your Electronics with CRRA June 10 in Hartford **Event to Serve Residents of 70 Mid-Connecticut Project Towns**

HARTFORD, Conn. – Residents of Hartford and 69 other cities and towns can safely dispose of their old computers, VCRs, cellular telephones, printers, answering machines on Saturday, June 10.

That's when the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority will hold its next electronics recycling collection. The event will be held at the Trash Museum, 211 Murphy Road, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The pileup of used electronics is becoming a nationwide concern:

- Americans will scrap about 400 million units of consumer electronics each year in this decade, according to the International Association of Electronics Recyclers.
- Between 2000 and 2007, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency estimates that over 500 million personal computers will become obsolete.

"By far, this has been CRRA's most popular program," said Thomas P. Gaffey, CRRA manager of recycling and enforcement. "We have had more requests about this topic than any other on our Web site. Connecticut's residents are extremely environmentally aware, and almost instinctively have held onto their old computers, televisions, and other electronic equipment, not wanting to throw them in the trash "

The Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority is a quasi-public agency whose mission is to work for – and in – the best interests of the municipalities of the state of Connecticut. CRRA's new board of directors and new management team develop and implement environmentally sound solutions and best practices for solid waste disposal and recycling management on behalf of municipalities. CRRA also runs environmental and recycling educational programs through its Visitors Center and Trash Museum in Hartford and Children's Garbage Museum in Stratford. For more information about CRRA and its activities, visit http://www.crra.org.

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Editors: A list of participating towns is attached.



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CRRA Serves 70 Mid-Connecticut Project Towns

CRRA's Mid-Connecticut Project serves these 70 member communities:

Avon	East Hartford	Manchester	Simsbury
Barkhamsted	East Windsor	Marlborough	South Windsor
Beacon Falls	Ellington	Middlebury	Southbury
Bethlehem	Enfield	Middlefield	Suffield
Bloomfield	Essex	Naugatuck	Thomaston
Bolton	Farmington	New Hartford	Tolland
Canaan	Glastonbury	Newington	Torrington
Canton	Goshen	Norfolk	Vernon
Chester	Granby	North Branford	Waterbury
Clinton	Guilford	North Canaan	Watertown
Colebrook	Haddam	Old Lyme	West Hartford
Cornwall	Hartford	Old Saybrook	Westbrook
Coventry	Harwinton	Oxford	Wethersfield
Cromwell	Hebron	Portland	Winchester
Deep River	Killingworth	Rocky Hill	Windsor Locks
Durham	Litchfield	Roxbury	Woodbury
East Granby	Lyme	Salisbury	
East Hampton	Madison	Sharon	

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