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CITY OF VALLEJO'S E-WASTE RECYCLING DAY A SUCCESS

VALLEJO – The City of Vallejo together with Vallejo Garbage Service staged the second E-Waste Recycling Event on Saturday, April 24 at Vallejo Garbage Service facilities at 2021 Broadway.

The first e-waste event was held in 2003 in the parking lot at City Hall. But with 800 visitors and 60 tons of electronic wastes dropped off, the decision was made to hold it at VGS offices in order to make transport of the trash a little easier.

Cars were lined up down Broadway prior to the event, and a steady stream of vehicles continued throughout the day as residents of Vallejo dropped off everything from old computers to microwave ovens, televisions, old stereos and other electronic gadgets and devices.



Some computer and electronic products contain hazardous materials that may harm the environment if not disposed of properly. In August 2001, the California Department of Toxic Substances Control implemented regulations prohibiting products that contain cathode ray tubes (CRTs), computer monitors and televisions, from being disposed of in landfills. CRTs contain hazardous waste, including an estimated 5-8 lbs of lead.

Currently, about 50 percent of US households own a computer, however many people do not know how to properly dispose of computers and other electronic waste. CRTs are dismantled, and shipped to a smelter. All other materials and electronic components (plastics, electronic parts and metal) are sold to various refiners and manufactures for reuse.

In addition, anytime during the year Vallejo residents can call Vallejo Garbage Service and make arrangements to have TVs and Computer Monitors picked up at the curbside. Vallejo Garbage Service will pickup the following sizes of TVs and Computer Monitors for the following amounts:

- Smaller than 17 inch - \$20
- 17 inch-36 inch - \$25
- Larger than 36 inches, Consoles, Big Screens - \$30

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