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See photos from the successful Nov. 15 electronics recycling day:
<http://www.charlestoncounty.org/NewsImages/swr.htm>

Electronic Recycling Expected to Rise Due to Holidays and Digital Television Switchover

[Charleston County's Solid Waste and Recycling Department](#) staff members are preparing to see a surge in the number of electronics to be recycled. They anticipate receiving large quantities of electronics due to the holidays as well as the upcoming [digital television \(DTV\) switchover](#) that will occur on February 17, 2009.

Residents are encouraged to properly dispose of old or used electronics by taking them to one of Charleston County's eight Convenience Centers for recycling.

It is important to recycle electronics rather than throwing them away because they often contain valuable resources such as precious metals (gold or silver), more common metals (aluminum and copper) and engineered plastics. Recycling electronics helps to recover the materials (although they are valuable they can be harmful to the environment) and also conserve landfill space.

The following are examples of electronics that can be recycled:

- Adding machine
- Cable box
- Calculator
- Camcorder
- Clock
- Computer (including monitor, keyboard, mouse, hard drive, as well as laptops)
- Copy machine
- DVD player
- Fax machine
- Microwave
- Printer
- Scanner
- Shredder
- Radio/Stereo (including cassette players and CD players)
- Telephone (including cell phones and cordless phones)
- TV
- Remote control
- VCR
- Video game console and accessories

Drop-off locations for electronic recycling in Charleston County are as follows:

- Adams Run: 8326 Old Jacksonboro Road, 29426
- Awendaw: 6380 Maxville Road, 29429
- Bees Ferry (West Ashley): 1344 Bee's Ferry Road, 29414
- Downtown Charleston: Charleston County Recycling Center, 13 Romney Street, 29403
- Edisto Island: 2844 Highway 174, 29438
- Hollywood: 5305 Highway 165, 29449
- McClellanville: 1775 River Road, 29458
- Wadmalaw Island: 1558 Liberia Road, 29487

Hours of operation are as follows:

Convenience Center Hours

Monday-Friday: 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Sunday and Wednesday: 1 - 7 p.m.

Bees Ferry Convenience Center

Monday-Friday: 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Sunday and Wednesday: 1 - 7 p.m.

Charleston County Recycling Center

13 Romney Street

Monday-Friday: 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Closed Saturday and Sunday

For more information on recycling electronics, contact the Charleston County Recycling and Solid Waste Department at (843) 720-7111 or visit <http://recycle.charlestoncounty.org>.

For more information on the upcoming digital television (DTV) switchover that will occur on February 17, 2009, visit <http://www.dtv.gov>.