

HOW TO SELL, TRADE-IN, DONATE AND RECYCLE ELECTRONICS FOR A SECOND LIFE

Do you have electronics you no longer use? If the items still have value, you may be able to trade them in for cash, gift cards or credit. Otherwise, there are many ways for you to recycle or donate them for a second life. Outdated technology shouldn't end up in a landfill – in fact, it's against the law – and there are many companies that will properly recycle your unwanted items.

We did the research and created this list of companies and organizations that will either buy, recycle or accept your donated electronics. By giving your items a second life, you can reduce clutter in your home while also protecting the environment!

○ SELL

- **NEXTWORTH:** Get a quote, then ship your cell phone, tablet or wearable to them for free.
- **GAZELLE:** Sell your smartphone, tablet, laptop or desktop through this site.

○ TRADE-IN

- **AMAZON.COM:** Receive an Amazon gift card through its electronics trade-in program.
- **BEST BUY:** Trade in unwanted electronics for a Best Buy gift card.
- **HEWLETT-PACKARD:** Trade in electronics and cell phones for credit towards an HP product.
- **STAPLES:** Trade in gently used devices in store or online for a Staples eCash Card.
- **VERIZON WIRELESS:** Trade-in program offers account credit or a Verizon Wireless gift card.

○ DONATE

- **COMPUTERS WITH CAUSES:** Donate computers, laptops, tablets or gadgets to support schools, libraries, shelters and others in need. Fill out the online form or call (888) 228-7320.
- **WORLD COMPUTER EXCHANGE:** Donate computers and peripherals by mail to this non-profit.
- **ESSEX COUNTY CELL PHONES FOR SENIORS:** Collects old chargers and phones that are reprogrammed and distributed to seniors to use for emergency calls.



ARRANGED PRO TIP

Always remove your personal data before donating a computer or any electronic device!

CONSUMER REPORTS offers helpful guidance how.



RECYCLE: DROP-OFF OPTIONS

- **BEST BUY:** If your tech has no trade-in value, Best Buy will recycle it properly.
- **LG:** Accepts LG-branded electronic products. Search their website for local drop-off locations.
- **HOME DEPOT:** Collects rechargeable batteries at in-store bins.
- **LOWES:** Collects cell phones and rechargeable batteries at in-store bins.
- **STAPLES:** Accepts outdated, broken electronics, plus rechargeable batteries. You can recycle used printer cartridges for Staples credit.
- **TARGET:** Offers in-store bins for recycling used ink cartridges, MP3 players and cell phones.
- **VERIZON WIRELESS:** Collects unwanted phones and rechargeable batteries at all retail locations.

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Want to donate a large electronic item that weighs more than 50 lbs? The [NJ DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION](#) lists options for consumers to arrange for home pick-up.

RECYCLE: SHIPPING OPTIONS

- **MRM E-CYCLING MANAGEMENT:** Offers mail-back service for many products including BlackBerry, NOOK and Panasonic. A shipping label is provided at no cost to you.
- **SAMSUNG:** Provides several convenient takeback options for their electronic products.\



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