ELECTRONIC/COMPUTER REUSE/RECYCLING DROP-OFF

Computers and computer-related equipment should be recycled for two primary reasons:

- Some materials in these products can be re-used in the production of new products, and should not enter waste streams such as landfills.
- Some of the equipment components contain environmentallysensitive materials and must be disposed of or re-used in specific manners to protect our environment.

Computers and their peripherals (working and not working) can be recycled at the **Goodwill Store** located at **3125 US-41 West, Marquette, Michigan 49855**. You are responsible for removing all data from hard drives and other storage media before donating to Goodwill.

The following items will be accepted at the item drop off door:

- Laptops: parts and accessories
- Computers: towers, desktops, portables
- Network equipment: hubs, routers, switches, cables, boards
- Computer parts: hard drives, CD-ROM/DVD drives, loose PC boards, cables, discs, manufacturer manuals
- Software: retail software (with licenses preferred, not required)
- Flat-panel screens
- Monitors
- Printers and scanners

RECONNECT Michigan provides computer recovery and recycling opportunities to Michigan residents. The project is managed by a partnership between Goodwill Association of Michigan and Dell Inc. The goal of this partnership is to divert at least 3.3 million pounds of used computers and computer equipment from landfills over one year and to provide education on the importance of proper computer disposal. The eleven Goodwill members of the Goodwill Association of Michigan will accept donated, residential computer equipment. The unwanted computers will be collected by Goodwill. Materials with remaining value will be separated and enter Dell's Asset Recovery Services value-recovery processes. Proceeds from equipment recovery will be returned to Goodwill Association of Michigan for re-investment in a variety of job-creation and community programs. Materials without resale value will be recycled.

FAQ - Michigan

What is RECONNECT Michigan?

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Who is involved in the RECONNECT Michigan program?

The project is managed by a partnership between Goodwill Association of Michigan and Dell Inc. Why did these partners create RECONNECT Michigan?

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How does the program work and what happens to my computer?

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Where can I go to make a donation?

For a complete list of over 70 donation sites across the state of Michigan.

WHAT CAN I DONATE?

We accept any brand of computer equipment, working or not, including:

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WHY SHOULD I RECYCLE MY COMPUTER AND COMPUTER-RELATED EQUIPMENT?

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WHAT ABOUT DATA ON MY HARD DRIVE?

You are responsible for removing all data from hard drives and other storage media before donating to Goodwill.

DOES IT MATTER IF THE COMPUTER IS IN WORKING CONDITION?

No.

DO YOU ACCEPT SOFTWARE AND TONER?

Yes.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST ME? IS MY DONATION TAX-DEDUCTIBLE?

The program is free, and donors may take a tax deduction to the extent permitted by law. Check with your tax advisor or visit the <u>Internal Revenue Service website</u> for more information about how to value your donation. Goodwill issues a charitable 501(c)(3) tax-deductible receipt for all donated items.

HOW DOES MY BUSINESS RECYCLE ITS COMPUTERS?

Many companies offer asset recovery services for businesses to recycle or donate their unwanted computer equipment. You can visit www.dell.com/environment for information on Dell's Asset Recovery options for business and public customers.

IS THERE A PHONE NUMBER I CAN CALL?

Residents in the participating communities may call 1-866-48REUSE (1-866-487-3873).