

FLORIDA USED ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT DONATIONS CONTACTS

Solely as a service to the public and Florida businesses, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) maintains the following list of Florida organizations that accept used (and new) electronic equipment donations. Many of these organizations have minimum requirements for the donated electronic equipment, i.e. they will only accept computer processors with Pentium capabilities. These organizations may do some repairs, upgrades, or demanufacturing of the equipment, but generally they are not full service electronics recyclers. If they receive unusable equipment they should send it to a recycler/demanufacturer or properly recycle as much of it as possible. The information was voluntarily supplied by the organizations and is not necessarily a complete list of available services. An organization's absence from the list does not imply prejudice or impropriety. The DEP does not endorse specific equipment or organizations. The DEP, by providing this list, does not imply that the organizations are in compliance with applicable laws. Users of this list are responsible for ensuring that products, equipment, or services comply with the requirements of local, state, and federal law. The DEP cautions users to personally evaluate the services and compliance status of any organization they use. The list is updated periodically and subject to change without notice. The DEP welcomes information from other organizations who wish to have their services or stewardship programs listed.

1) Alachua Freenet Recycle Program

Contact: Joel Bridges, Program Administrator
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Gainesville, FL 32609
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The Alachua Recycling Program is part of Alachua Freenet, based in Gainesville, Florida. Volunteers collect, repair, and redistribute used computers from individuals and businesses. The refurbished equipment is made available (at no charge) to non-profit organizations, school groups and under-privileged individuals throughout the community. Some equipment has even made its way to the Ukraine through an exchange student program. Local community businesses serve as drop-off points for computer donations.

2) Advanced Technology for Challenged Kids (ATCK)

Contact: Phil Yon
Phone: (850) 671-1599
Email: phil@nettally.com

Florida State Rural Development Council established a computer recycling project in June 2000. The project reconditions donated computer equipment and distributes it to physically challenged children, their families, and non-profit organizations that serve them. The primary project goal is to enhance physically challenged children's capacity to achieve a maximum level of independence, through the utilization of computer technology on the information highway.

3) Citibank Family Tech Dade Public Education Fund

Contact: Terry Pittser, Computer Program Coordinator
4299 N.W. 36th St., Suite 203
Miami, FL 33166
Phone: (305) 884-2172
Fax: (305) 884-5633
Email: tpittser@educationfund.org Webpage: www.educationfund.org

4) Computers For the Disabled

Charles Babbage Memorial Foundation

Contact: Dr. David Rafky, Executive Director

Box 16-1443

Miami FL 33116-1443

Phone: (305) 274-0099 phone

Fax: (305) 271-8904

Email: cbabbage@ix.netcom.com

A non-profit, tax exempt, foundation fostering leadership through high technology and computer literacy, Computers For The Disabled is funded by the Charles Babbage Foundation. The Charles Babbage Memorial Fund collects, refurbishes and distributes computers along with instruction to the physically challenged; promotes public awareness about the utility of personal computers for the physically challenged and other "disadvantaged" groups; and when resources are available, provides computer assistance to other nonprofit groups. They assist individuals and groups including schools, paraplegic associations, correctional facilities, and other nonprofit institutions. They also place used computers in their Computer Thrift Shop, to promote computer literacy.

5) Computers for Florida Kids

Contact: Sheila Logue

Phone: (850) 410-4305

Email: logue.sheila@dc.state.fl.us Web page: www.dc.state.fl.us/orginfo/dso/index.html

Computers for Florida Kids is a program which repairs and refurbishes donated computer equipment through an inmate vocational education program and donates the refurbished equipment to organizations serving Florida's children. Computer equipment is donated to the Foundation for Partnerships in Correctional Excellence, Inc., the tax-exempt non-profit direct support organization to the Florida Department of Corrections. Offenders in an inmate educational program repair and refurbish the computer equipment that is then donated to schools and community organizations for the benefit of Florida children. The program will expand soon to include TV donations.

6) Computer Recycling Program of Miami

3260 SW 18th Terrace

Miami, FL 33145

Phone: (305) 461-1481

Email: traacy@bellsouth.net

The Computer Recycling Program of Miami upgrades and repairs donated computer equipment and then redistributes it to needy individuals, including both adults and children. The equipment ranges from serviceable 486 systems to Internet ready Pentium class machines. A team of volunteers provides ongoing technical support to clients who are often being exposed to technology for the first time in their lives.

7) Disability Advocacy & Access Network

Contact: Pat Kennedy, Computer Program Coordinator

4630 North University Drive

Coral Springs, FL 33067

Phone: (954) 690-2253

Email: disabilitynetwork@usa.com

**8) Lutheran Social Services of North Florida, Inc
Computer Refurbishing and Technical Assistance Center**

606 W 4th Avenue, Suite 11, Tallahassee, FL 32303

Phone: 850.575.4309

Fax: 850.576.0696

Email: Info@cr-ta.org

WWW: www.lssnf.org, www.cr-ta.org

The CR-TA Program is a Microsoft Authorized Refurbisher receiving private, corporate and government donations of computer of Pentium II or higher grade and most computer peripherals. Computers are refurbished, repaired, upgraded where necessary and loaded with licensed Microsoft Windows and Office software. The refurbished systems are provided to 501(C)(3) human service agencies in the Big Bend of Florida for use within the agency and distribution to income qualified clients.

Lutheran Social Services of North Florida, Inc. is an IRS recognized 501(C)(3) tax exempt corporation (EIN: 59-2939507) and donations may be tax deductible.

9) Senior Safety Phone Project

Area Agency on Aging of Pasco-Pinellas, Inc.

9887 4th St. N., Suite 100 St. Petersburg, FL 33702

Contact: Gabrielle Wiechec, Victim Advocate

Phone: (727) 570-9696 Ext.279 Fax: (727) 217-7615

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The Area Agency on Aging of Pasco-Pinellas, is a private, non profit organization which has a 30 year history of planning, developing programs and advocating for the needs of the elderly. The cell phone donation program is coordinated by the Senior Victim Advocate Program. Many different sites in Pinellas & Pasco Counties collect and distribute no longer used cell phones to seniors (60+) who feel their safety & sense of security are at risk. Phones may also be mailed directly to the agency. Phones which are not usable for this project are responsibly recycled through Shelter Alliance. Any funds generated by this program are used to help support the work of the victim advocate program. The Agency strongly feels that every cell phone that can hold a charge can be a life saver for our seniors.

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