

## Why?

Bring your household hazardous wastes to this collection event.

If improperly discarded, household products containing toxic chemicals, like pesticides, oil-based paints, solvents, cleaning products, weed killers, and automotive batteries can be a threat to people and the environment. Never throw these materials into the trash, as the toxic chemicals may harm sanitation workers, or result in fires in collection vehicles. It is also not safe to pour them into a sink or storm drain as they can end up in the environment polluting the air, water, or soil.

## What can you bring?

Up to 25 gallons or 220 pounds of hazardous products. Read the label! Hazardous products will have cautionary words on the label. For example: Danger, Warning, or Caution. Other words or phrases that can signal hazardous products include: poisonous, hazardous, combustible, flammable, corrosive, volatile, caustic, irritant, explosive, toxic, use with adequate ventilation, or avoid inhaling. If there are no words indicating it is a hazardous product, it likely isn't.



## Results

Have we made an impact?

Since the program started in 1998, over 50,000 Bucks County residents have kept over 4.7 million pounds of hazardous materials from going to the landfill. This includes 1.6 million pounds of obsolete electronics.

Since 2004 Bucks, Chester, Delaware, and Montgomery Counties; along with the City of Philadelphia have cooperatively collected over 13 millions pounds. Almost half of that total was computers and electronics.

### Sponsors of this Household Hazardous Waste and Old Computer Recycling Program

- ◆ PA Department of Environmental Protection
- ◆ Your Municipal Officials
- ◆ Waste Management and Wheelabrator
- ◆ Bucks County Commissioners



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## COUNTY OF BUCKS

# HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE *and* OLD COMPUTER RECYCLING



<b>2011 Schedule</b>	May 7	Lower Makefield Corporate Center, South Campus 770 Township Line Road Lower Makefield Township
	June 18	Upper Bucks County Area Vo-Tech School 3115 Ridge Road Bedminster Township
	July 23	Central Bucks SOUTH High School <i>(pending CB School Board Approval)</i> 1100 Folly Road Warrington Township
	August 6	Quakertown High School 600 Park Avenue Quakertown Borough
	August 27	Bucks County Technical High School 610 Wistar Road Bristol Township

**9:00 AM to 3:00 PM**  
Rain or Shine



For more information contact:  
Bucks County Planning Commission  
215-345-3400

# Computer Recycling

With advances in technology many people are finding that their computer has become obsolete, and when purchasing a new computer soon discover that no one wants their old one. This is unfortunate, because virtually all of the parts of a computer (leaded glass, plastic, metal, and precious metals) are recyclable and some are hazardous. Many people have old computers stored in their homes, simply taking up space, because they are unsure of what to do with them. This year everyone will have an opportunity to take their old computers to the computer recycling events, being held in conjunction with each of the Bucks County household hazardous waste collection events.



## COMPUTER RELATED ITEMS ACCEPTED AT THIS EVENT:

### ALL MAKES AND MODELS OF:

CPUs

MONITORS

PRINTERS

SCANNERS

MICE

KEYBOARDS

PERIPHERALS

*Including cords, power supplies & cables*

LAPTOP COMPUTERS

*All makes, models, and peripherals*

PORTABLE TVs

These one-day events will allow residents to responsibly dispose of unwanted, outdated computers and related equipment at no cost. There is a limit of three computers per vehicle. Businesses will be turned away. Only computer-related electronics and portable TV's (plastic cabinets) will be accepted. No VCRs, console TVs, tape decks, receivers, etc.



## Household Hazardous Waste

### Typical ACCEPTABLE items include:

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|--|---------------------------------|
| Oil-based paint                                  | Paint thinner                   |
| Varnish  | Kerosene                        |
| Gasoline   | Oil                             |
| Pesticides                                       | Mercury                         |
| Pool Chemicals                                   | Ammonia                         |
| Auto Batteries                                   | Weed Killer                     |
| Rechargeable, Lithium or "button-type" batteries | Propane Tanks (20 lbs. Or less) |

### Do NOT bring:

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|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>LATEX PAINT**</b>               | Appliances (with or without freon)  |
| Asbestos                           | Explosives                          |
| Biological Waste                   | Household Batteries (Alkaline)      |
| Radioactive Waste                  | Tires                               |
| Gas Cylinders greater than 20 lbs. | Pressurized CFCs greater than 1 lb. |

## Latex Paint

\*\*Mix **latex paint** with "kitty litter" or other absorbent (vermiculite, shredded newspaper, or shop "oil-dry" absorbent). This can be done in the paint can itself if you have only a quart or so in the can, or in a plastic tray. Mix 2 to 4 cups of absorbent into each quart of paint. After the absorbent has soaked up the paint and it is no longer a liquid, dump it onto a couple of layers of newspaper, wrap it up and place it in a plastic trash bag and dispose of it in your regular waste pick-up. If you mixed the absorbent into the paint right in the can, simply place the open can and its non-liquid contents into a trash bag for disposal.