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E-waste Recycling Event Scheduled

LAS VEGAS - If you're looking to dispose of an old computer, monitor, printer or other piece of electronic equipment, you're invited to an e-waste recycling fair Saturday, November 15, as part of America Recycles Day.

Sponsored by the Blind Center of Nevada, the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP,) Republic Services, and the UNLV Rebel Recycling Program, the recycling fair will be held free-of-charge from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The drop-off location is the UNLV Rebel Recycling Program parking lot on the southeast corner of Flamingo and Swenson, between the gray recycling trailers and the Stan Fulton International Gaming Institute.

Items that may be recycled include: computers, monitors, keyboards, mice, printers, fax machines and cell phones, even if they're not in working condition. Television sets will not be accepted.

An additional service provided at the fair will be hard-drive data erasure for a fee of \$8. The data erasure will comply with all data protection privacy laws.

"E-waste is a growing environmental problem in southern Nevada and nationwide," said Kathryn Fergus, recycling coordinator for NDEP in southern Nevada. "New computers are coming onto the market at a rapid rate, putting more and more obsolete equipment into the waste stream. Computer equipment contains heavy metals and other contaminants that we really don't want polluting our environment."

For more information, call 642-6000 or visit the Blind Center's website at http://www.blindcenter.org/

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