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Novato Sanitary District is Funding Free E-Waste pick-up services for Novato Residents

Novato Sanitary District announced that it is providing funding to the Conservation Corps of the North Bay (CCNB) to provide Novato residents with free E-Waste pick-up services.

There is no need to haul your broken TV or computer off to a recycler; CCNB will come to you! This program, which began on July 22, 2021, provides free residential pick-ups (on Thursdays) of e-waste in any amount. A certified e-waste recycler in California securely recycles the collected e-waste.

For information about what is and is not accepted for recycling, visit www.ccnorthbay.org. To schedule a pick-up, Novato residents can email the Conservation Corps at recycle@ccnorthbay.org or call (415) 454-4554.

Many everyday products that we use in our homes contain potentially hazardous waste that can be released into the air, water, and soil, polluting our environment and endangering human health. Items like computers, printers, cell phones, radios, microwave ovens, and electronic devices need to be recycled or disposed of safely, and it is illegal to dispose of them in the landfill.

According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), about 70% of all toxic heavy metals found in landfills come from Electronic Waste, or E-Waste, which makes up an increasing part of the waste stream in the US and globally. "In Novato, E-Waste accounted for over 22%, by weight, of all the household hazardous waste collected in 2020," stated Sandeep Karkal, Novato Sanitary District General Manager. "The good news is that many of these electronic components — plastics, metals, glass, and wood — can be recycled." In addition, when properly managed, E-Waste can be a valuable source of precious metals, such as copper, gold, and zinc.

CCNB is the oldest local nonprofit youth conservation corps in the country. Serving Marin and Sonoma counties since 1982, the Corps has helped thousands of young people achieve their goals through education and job skills, while serving the environment and the community.

For more information about Novato Sanitary District, its Household Hazardous Waste services, and how it protects the environment, check out our website at www.novatosan.com, email us at info@novatosan.com, or call (415) 892-1694.

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Novato Sanitary District has been providing garbage collection since 1925, as well as sewage collection, treatment, disposal, and recycling to properties in and around the City of Novato since 1949.

District facilities include: 200 miles of public sewers, 40 pump stations, a wastewater treatment plant, and an 800-acre wetlands and pastureland supplied with recycled water.