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## **Hundreds Use CRRA's Free Electronics Recycling 588 Carloads Deliver Over 80,000 Pounds of Unwanted Devices at Hartford Event**

HARTFORD, Conn. – Greater Hartford residents turned out by the hundreds to take advantage of free electronics recycling offered by the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority on Saturday, April 28.

CRRA collected over 80,000 pounds of unwanted or obsolete computers, monitors, sound equipment and other electronic gear from 588 families during the four-hour collection held at the CRRA Trash Museum, 211 Murphy Road. Since CRRA established this program in 1999, the only other bigger collection in the area was in 2005, when 905 families delivered more than 113,000 pounds of devices.

In all, CRRA has taken more than 2.6 million pounds of electronics out of the waste stream.

“These results reinforce our belief that people know these devices shouldn’t be thrown in the trash where they might pollute our air and water if not handled properly. That’s why we’re now offering 15 collections each year in just about every part of the state,” said Thomas P. Gaffey, CRRA head of recycling.

The next Hartford-area collection will be held May 19 in Enfield at the Stanley Jablonski Public Works Complex. A complete list of CRRA’s electronics recycling events is on-line at [http://www.crra.org/pages/schedule\\_electronics.htm](http://www.crra.org/pages/schedule_electronics.htm).

The Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority is a quasi-public agency whose mission is to work for – and in – the best interests of the municipalities of the state of Connecticut. CRRA’s new board of directors and new management team develop and implement environmentally sound solutions and best practices for solid waste disposal and recycling management on behalf of municipalities. CRRA’s four solid waste projects serve 118 Connecticut cities and towns. CRRA also runs environmental and recycling educational programs through its Visitors Center and Trash Museum in Hartford and Children’s Garbage Museum in Stratford. For more information about CRRA and its activities, visit <http://www.crra.org>.