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ReUse Rodeo, E-Waste Recycling and Paper Shredding Event Set For April 22

DURHAM, N.C. – Durham residents looking for an easy and free way to recycle electronic waste, shred confidential documents, and drop-off of their reusable household goods should attend the City of Durham’s ReUse Rodeo, E-Waste Recycling & Paper Shredding Event on Earth Day, later this month.

The event will be on Saturday, April 22, 2017, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Lakewood Shopping Center, located at 2050 Chapel Hill Rd use the Shoppers Street entrance. Staff will be on hand to assist with unloading old electronics, paper, clothing, etc.

Round Up and Donate Unwanted Goods at Durham’s First ReUse Rodeo

Round up all of your unwanted, but reusable household goods and giddy up to Durham’s first ReUse Rodeo this Earth Day, on Saturday, April 22 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event, to be held in the parking lot of The Shoppes at Lakewood at 2050 Chapel Hill Road, Durham, will provide you with an opportunity to drop off your gently used items at this “one-stop drop” event to be repurposed back into the community.

Accepted items include:

- Books, clothing, furniture, electronics, household appliances, cookware, tools, craft supplies, miscellaneous household items, and more.

All items should be clean and in working order. A complete list of acceptable items can be found on the ReUse Rodeo event page

<http://keepdurhambeautiful.org/reuse-rodeo/>. Donation receipts will be available for tax purposes.

All items donated on-site will be given to participating non-profits, which include TROSA, the Habitat for Humanity ReStore of Durham and Orange Counties, Welcome Baby Family Resource Center, First Pages, and The Scrap Exchange.

E-waste Recycling and Paper Shredding

The event, sponsored by the City of Durham Solid Waste Management Department, Sonoco Recycling, Shimar Recycling, Synergy Recycling, and Durham County Government, will accept nearly all electronic devices with a cord, including:

- Computers, laptops, keyboards, mice, printers, monitors, speakers, copiers, scanners, circuit boards, hard drives, computer parts, etc.
- Televisions, stereo equipment, tape players, receivers, amplifiers, record players, etc.
- Kitchen electronics, such as microwaves, mixers, blenders, choppers, etc.
- Telephones, cell phones, and fax machines
- Hair dryers, curling irons, alarm clocks, and vacuum cleaners
- Power tools, cordless tools, etc.
- Electronic toys, such as keyboards and video game systems
- This event will not accept large appliances, refrigerators, air conditioners, or any other appliances that contain Freon in non-working condition.

Confidential paper shredding will also be provided on site. Requirements for shredding include:

- Paper may contain paper clips and staples; however, hanging file folders will not be accepted.
- Only paper should be brought for shredding. CDs, DVDs, and other non-paper items will not be accepted.
- All paper should be loose and not in binders or other binding items made of non-paper.
- Residents may be present to observe their confidential document shredding if the amount to be shredded can fit into one 96-gallon roll cart

(approximately 240 pounds of material or approximately eight small, banker boxes of material).

- Participants with larger quantities will have items placed in boxes to be shredded off-site at Shimar Recycling's secure facility.

Residents who can't make this event can still safely and conveniently recycle their old electronics at the City's Waste Disposal and Recycling Center. The Center, located at 2115 E. Club Blvd., is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to noon.

For information about items accepted at this event or the City's recycling facilities, contact Durham One Call at (919) 560-1200 or visit the City's Solid Waste Management Department Web page at <http://durhamnc.gov/832/Solid-Waste-Management>.

About the City of Durham Solid Waste Management Department

The Solid Waste Management Department promotes and supports a high quality of life for the residents of Durham by providing comprehensive, responsive, environmentally-safe, efficient, and cost-effective solid waste collection, recycling, and disposal programs. Department services include roll-out cart collection, cart delivery and repair service, cardboard collection, yard waste collection, waste reduction and recycling, bulky item pick-up, and disposal services. The Department supports the City's Strategic Plan by providing professional management that contributes to creating thriving, livable neighborhoods as well as an innovative and high-performing organization.

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