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Dear Municipal Officials:

We are writing to inform you that **beginning Sunday, July 14, Goodwill of Southwestern Pennsylvania will no longer accept donations of TVs.**

Recently, we began charging a \$10 fee to accept TVs. However we have now far exceeded the amount of TV's our recyclers will accept for the year, and collecting additional TVs will be very costly to Goodwill.

Goodwill will still continue to accept all other consumer electronics, such as computers. Goodwill is able to provide computer recycling through a partnership with Dell Reconnect that aims to provide residential consumers with a safe place to recycle used computers. Dell has industry-leading experience in offering responsible consumer recycling programs that meet the highest standards of workplace and environmental safety.

Goodwill understands the complications of disposing of electronics with the recent state-wide E-waste disposal ban that was put into effect in January. We hope that our decision to stop taking TV donations will help to generate greater awareness of this situation and spur action by recyclers, manufacturers and even the government.

We look forward to continue serving those in your community through our various programs and services, which are funded directly by the donations that we sell in our over 30 retail stores throughout southwestern PA and north central WV.

AFFILIATES

Goodwill of Fayette County
Goodwill of North Central West Virginia
Goodwill Housing
Goodwill Commercial Services Inc.
Northside Common Ministries

Thank you for your many years of support in helping us to fulfill our mission.

Sincerely,



Michael J. Smith
President/CEO

Our Mission

We help people improve their quality of life through work and related services.