

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR Joseph P. Addabbo Jr.

## Addabbo accepting small electronics to be recycled with DSNY at his Middle Village and Howard Beach offices again

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After a successful collection event back in March, State Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. is once again partnering with the Department of Sanitation to be an electronics waste drop off site this May.

From May 3 through May 31, Addabbo's Howard Beach and Middle Village offices will be able to collect small electronics to be properly recycled through the Department of Sanitation.

Addabbo's Howard Beach office is located at 159-53 102<sup>nd</sup> Street, and the Middle Village office is at 66-85 73<sup>rd</sup> Place. Both offices are open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and can accept the small electronics during those times.

"When we first partnered with the DSNY for this e-waste drop off program in March we weren't exactly sure what to expect," Addabbo said. "As the word got out we were able to collect over 35 pieces of electronic waste in one month's time."

Addabbo requests that any electronics dropped off at his offices are small so they can fit into the DSNY-provided bin until there is enough collected for a pickup.

Accepted items are:

- Small TVs monitors computers laptops;
- Printers & scanners;
- Fax machines, keyboards & mice;
- VCRs, DVRs & DVD players;
- Small servers hard drives satellite boxes;
- Tablets & e-readers; and
- Mobile phones, MP3 players, & video game consoles.

Items that **WILL NOT** be accepted are:

- **No appliances**. Any household appliances, which are mostly metal or mostly plastic, can be recycled with your regular recycling.
- No loose batteries. Regular alkaline batteries can be discarded as regular trash. Consumer take-back programs exist for rechargeable batteries.
- No light bulbs or ballasts. These can be carefully discarded in the trash. Consumer takeback programs exist for fluorescent bulbs and CFLs.

"I am hopeful that we can replicate the success we had with this partnership and collect even more electronics," Addabbo added. "Keeping our landfills clear of harmful toxins and damage-causing components starts with us and making sure that we get our old or broken electronics into the right hands to be properly recycled."