



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Bring your old electronics to be recycled at Forest Park at this free E-Waste event hosted by Addabbo, Rajkumar and Holden

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The bi-annual free electronic waste recycling event is back in Woodhaven this spring as State Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. teams up with Assemblywoman Jenifer Rajkumar and Councilman Robert Holden to host this environmental event.

On Sunday, May 7 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the elected officials will have the Lower East Side Ecology Company at the Forest Park Bandshell Parking Lot where they will be collecting old and broken electronics to be properly recycled.

“When electronics are not properly recycled they can end up in our landfills causing harmful chemicals to get into the soil which are quite harmful to the environment and to us,” Addabbo said. “By recycling your e-waste, you help to clean up the environment and create a healthier planet now and for future generations. I understand that it can be difficult to know when and where to dispose of your old electronics, which is why we hold this event twice a year centrally located at Forest Park so residents have the opportunity to join us and get rid of their e-waste right in their community.”

Electronics that will be accepted during the event are:

- Computers (laptops & desktops, servers, mainframes);
- Monitors (CRT and flat screen);
- Handheld devices (smartphones, tablets, MP3 players, e-readers, etc.);
- Network devices (routers, hubs, modems, etc.);
- Peripherals (keyboards, mice, cables, cords, chargers, etc.);
- Components (hard drives, CD-ROMs, circuit boards, power supplies, etc.);
- Printers, scanners, fax-machines, etc.;
- TVs, VCRs, DVRs, DVD & Blu-ray Players;
- Digital Converter Boxes, Cable/Satellite Receivers;
- Audio-visual equipment (cameras, microphones, etc.);
- Video-game consoles and accessories;
- Cell phones, pagers, PDAs;
- Stereo equipment;
- Landline phones/answering machines;
- Extension cords.

Items that will NOT be accepted are:

- Batteries of any kind;
- Floppy disks/VHS tapes/CDs/DVDs/cassette tapes;
- Smoke detectors;
- Medication;
- Any hazardous materials or paint;

- Household appliances.

“The electronic waste recycling events Senator Addabbo, Councilman Holden and I host are a beloved semi-annual tradition. Along with our community partners, we free our neighbors from the clutter of broken or unwanted electronics, while diverting from landfills some of the 7 million tons of e-waste the US produces each year,” Rajkumar said. “This event will lower our carbon emissions, reduce toxic waste that pollutes water and soil, and reclaim rare precious metals. With Earth Day almost upon us, we will all do our part to protect our Earth and foster a healthy, sustainable environment for future generations.”

“I am thrilled to support the LES Ecology Center and its efforts to protect our environment while providing a convenient solution for constituents to dispose of their electronic waste properly,” Holden said. “It's a win-win for our community, and I am proud to partner with Senator Addabbo and Assembly Member Rajkumar to host these e-waste events.”

“I would like to thank all of our partners including Assemblywoman Rajkumar, Councilman Holden and all of our staffs, the Lower East Side Ecology Center for always holding these popular events in our communities, 104COP for their continued support, and the NYC Parks Department for their partnership,” Addabbo added. “We all look forward to seeing our constituents at Forest Park for this event!”

For more information about this event, contact Addabbo's office at 718-738-1111.