



## Show your 4-H Colours with Recycle My Electronics and a 4-H eRecycling Community Collection Event!

### About Electronic Products Recycling Association (EPRA)

As a recognized, industry-led not-for-profit organization, EPRA provides approved environmental compliance programs for manufacturers, distributors and retailers of electronics. EPRA is responsible for implementing and operating, on behalf of their stewards, a safe and secure program for the recovery and reclamation of end-of-life electronic products.

### About Recycle My Electronics

The Recycle My Electronics program, operated by Electronic Products Recycling Association (EPRA), helps to recover valuable resources and ensures that end-of-life electronics are handled in a safe, secure and environmentally sound manner.

For information on what products are accepted, drop-off locations nearest you, our learning hub for kids, our fundraising programs, or a list of events, visit: [recycleMYelectronics.ca](http://recycleMYelectronics.ca)

### When you recycle with Recycle My Electronics programs, you're helping to:

- Confirm the safe and secure destruction of personal data stored on hardware.
- Recover and recycle resources that can be put back into the manufacturing supply chain, conserving natural resources.
- Divert e-waste from Canadian landfills.
- Prevent e-waste from being illegally exported or handled by irresponsible recyclers, decreasing environmental issues for the planet.
- Protect health and safety of workers and handlers.

### Did you know?

#### 1. Easy to Make a Difference

The good news is that it's convenient to recycle your end-of-life electronics. For example, in Canada, over 90% of the population lives within 25 km of a drop-off location. The Recycle My Electronics program has a network of over 2,300 drop-off locations throughout the country.

#### 2. The World Is Connected

Currently, 3.9 billion people – more than half the world's population – are using the Internet. By 2020, there will be an estimated 50 billion digitally connected devices in the world. That's why it's more important than ever to recycle these electronics when they're no longer in use.

#### 3. Divert E-Waste from Landfill

Electronics that end up in landfill emit greenhouse gases like carbon dioxide and other harmful toxins. Safe and secure recycling not only recovers reusable resources, it also reduces our overall carbon footprint by preventing those greenhouse gas emissions.

#### 4. Recovery & Reuse

Many of the resources in our electronics, including plastic, glass, gold, silver, copper and palladium can be reused continuously without losing their properties. By recycling our end-of-life electronics, these resources can be recovered and put back into the manufacturing supply chain. Plus it lessens our dependence on mining for new resources.

#### 5. Closing the Loop

As part of their corporate responsibility mandate many of the world's tech producing companies are working towards a closed-loop supply chain. That means creating infrastructure networks to allow for safe and secure recycling and recovery.

#### 6. An Olympic Achievement

The Olympic & Paralympic games have been using an increasing amount of metal recovered from end-of-life electronics in their medals. Beginning in Vancouver with 1.5%, followed by Rio with 30%. The medals for the 2020 games in Tokyo will be made with 100% recovered metals from end-of-life electronics.