

Have an Eco-Smart Trash Day

Learn how to properly dispose of old stuff around your home

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K.J. McCorry, owner of eco-efficiency in Boulder, Colorado, tells you how to get rid of your old stuff the right way.

Paints, fertilizers, mercury thermometers, rechargeable batteries

Bring them to your town's hazardous waste collection site for recycling or proper disposal.

E-waste: computer monitors, printers, TVs, fax machines, laptops (all contain dangerous metals)

Return items to [manufacturers](#) that have take-back programs or find a nearby e-waste recycler at [eiae.org](#).

Appliances: stoves, refrigerators, air conditioners, washing machines

Donate working items to a charity (such as The Salvation Army or St. Vincent de Paul). For broken appliances, call your town's recycling center—they may use them for scrap metal.



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