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Ventura's Westside residents have an opportunity to discard e-waste and recycle unwanted household items free of charge on Saturday, June 7, 2014, 8am - 12pm, or until full, as part of the Westside Community Cleanup and Recycling Event.

The event's collection location at 800 North Ventura Avenue at Kellogg Street, site of the future Kellogg Park, will accept items such as metal, wood, furniture, appliances, tires, and electronic waste.

Household hazardous waste such as motor oil, batteries and paint will not be accepted at this location. Instead, Ventura residents can dispose of household hazardous waste for free on June 21 by visiting Gold Coast Recycling, 5275 Colt Street but appointments are required and can be made by calling 805/652-4525.

Strong volunteers, ages 15 and up, are needed to assist Westside residents with unloading, sorting and disposing of unwanted items in specified roll-offs. Two shifts are available: 7:30a-10:30a and 10:00a-1:00p. Pre-registration is required and can be done by visiting www.cityofventura.net/volunteeropportunities.

The annual event is sponsored by the City of Ventura Volunteer Ventura! Program, Westside Community Council, Westside Community Development Corporation (WCDC) and the City of Ventura Community Development Department through a grant from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. The purpose of the federally funded CDBG program is the development of viable urban communities. The City of Ventura uses CDBG grant funds for activities that provide decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanded economic opportunities primarily for people of low and moderate income.

The Boys & Girls Club volunteers and staff will be on hand to collect e-waste and gently used items for resale in the club's thrift store. All thrift store proceeds support Boys & Girls Club programs.

For information contact: Rosie Ornelas, City of Ventura Volunteer Ventura! coordinator at <u>rornelas@cityofventura.net</u> or 805/652-4555.

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