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## **ADEQ Announces Free Electronics Waste Recycling Event for Saturday, April 13 at Carr McNatt Park in Casa Grande**

PHOENIX (April 1, 2013) – Arizona Department of Environmental Quality officials announced today that a free regional electronics waste recycling event will be held Saturday, April 13 from 7:30 a.m. until noon in Casa Grande in the northeast parking lot of Carr McNatt Park, 1115 N. Brown Ave.

The City of Casa Grande and its partners -- ADEQ, Keep Casa Grande Beautiful, Supply29 and Westech Recyclers -- anticipate collecting tons of unwanted televisions, computer equipment, monitors, chargers, cell phones, VCRs, CD and DVD players, printers, small appliances, fax machines, stereos, cables and cords during the event. Nearly 70,000 pounds of e-waste have been collected during Casa Grande's previous electronic waste recycling events.

Residents from the neighboring communities of Arizona City, Eloy, Coolidge and Florence are also invited to bring their recyclable electronics materials to the event for recycling.

"We're pleased to host this event every year as part of our efforts to promote the recycling of electronic waste. We encourage residents to come out and dispose of their e-waste responsibly," said Casa Grande Public Works Director Kevin Louis.

ADEQ Director Henry Darwin said, "This is a great opportunity for people to dispose of all the unwanted electronics they have collected over the years while at the same time ensuring that this potentially toxic stream of waste is disposed of responsibly and does not take up valuable landfill space."

If requested, companies and individuals donating e-waste will receive a certificate of disposal for their records from Westech Recyclers. Westech Recyclers recycles all material in accordance with state and federal regulations.

ADEQ has partnered with communities in 82 events that resulted in just more than two million pounds of discarded electronics being collected since beginning its Free E-Waste Recycling Program in August 2009.

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