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Partnering with non-profit organizations for reuse and recycling

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Organizations stockpile old IT Equipment (and other stuff)



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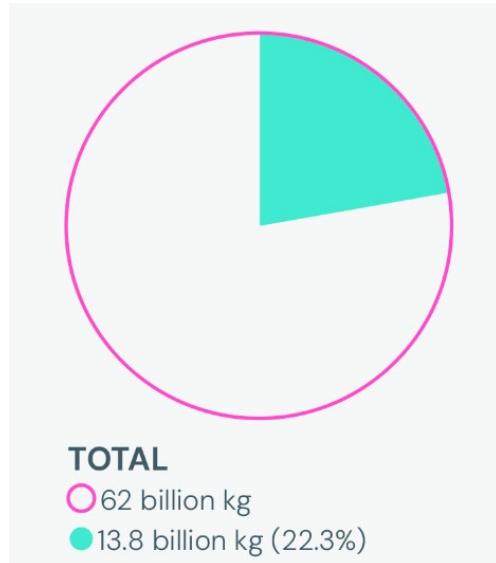
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Less than 25% of global e-waste is documented as being recycled



GLOBAL E-WASTE MONITOR 2024: ELECTRONIC WASTE RISING FIVE TIMES FASTER THAN DOCUMENTED E-WASTE RECYCLING



○ Total e-waste generated.

● E-waste documented as formally collected and recycled.

Source: The Global E-waste Monitor 2024

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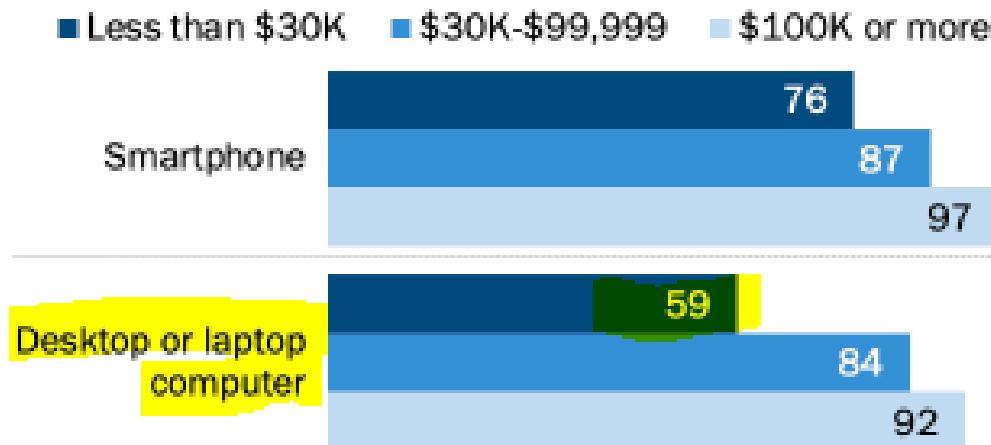
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Americans with lower incomes have lower levels of technology adoption

% of U.S. adults who say they have each of the following, by household income



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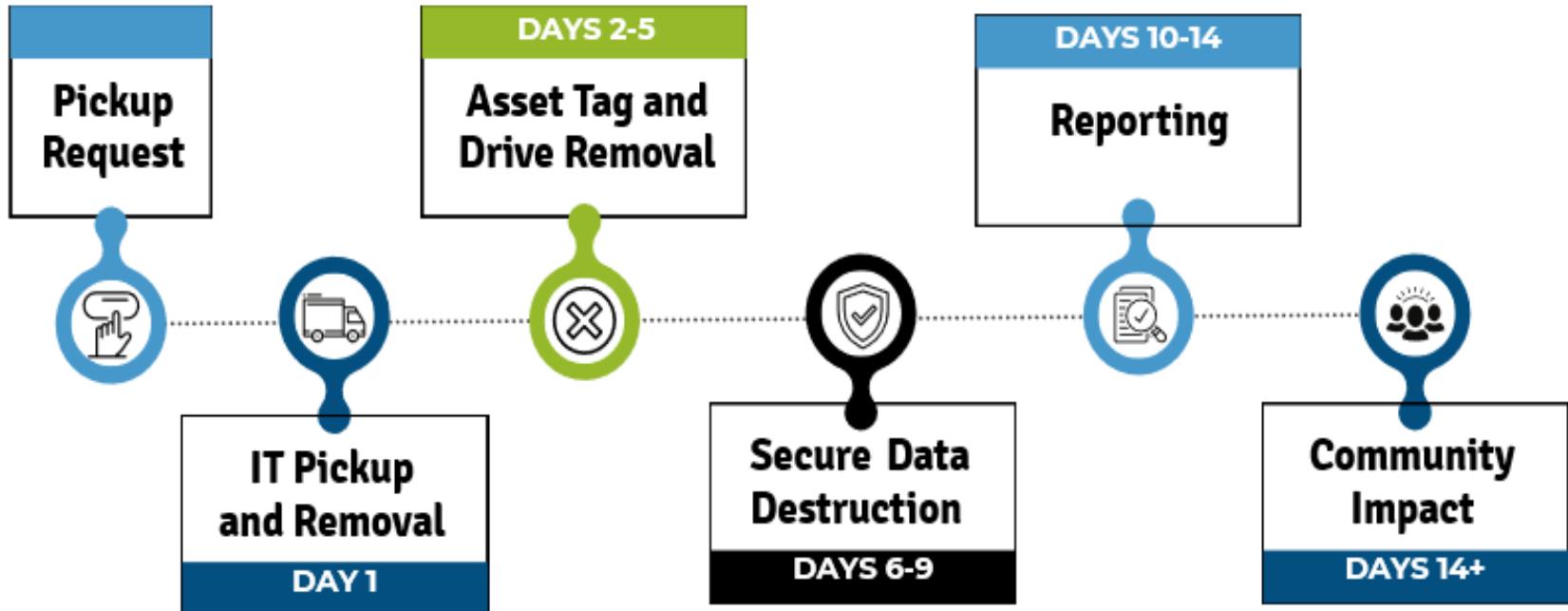
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Our Solution



We Accept All IT Equipment

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We Look for partners who value these.



Secure Data Deletion

Saving Money

Sustainability

Digital Equity / Giving Back

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Distribution



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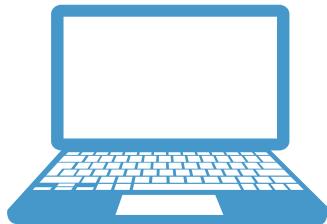
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Online, events, retail stores

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22,700+ devices
distributed



3,900,000 lbs of
electronics rescued
from landfill



850+ Partnerships

Partnerships



**PEORIA
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DISCOVER
FINANCIAL SERVICES



**DEPAUL
UNIVERSITY**



**COOK COUNTY
GOVERNMENT**

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16,784 lbs collected.



2025 E-Waste

Jun 2, 2025

September 20th, 8am - 12pm

Residential paying refuse customers of the City may bring E-Waste to this free drop off site. Non-residents and commercial businesses may bring waste but there will be a fee.

DROP OFF LOCATION: 686 S. CHICAGO ST.

National Capacity



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REBUILDING EXCHANGE

Rebuilding Exchange invests in our communities by reusing building materials, reducing construction waste, and training, supporting, and connecting people seeking careers in the building trades.



3,300,000

Pounds of construction and associated waste diverted each year from landfill.



10,000

Customers served each year via stores in Chicago and Evanston.



80

People trained for careers in the construction trades in 2025.

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Working Bikes collects donated bikes from all over Chicago and the Midwest. These bikes are then shipped to international bike projects, repaired and donated locally to individuals and families in Chicago, or fixed up and sold in our storefront.



Bikes Diverted from Landfill (2024)



Bikes Restored to Productive Use (2024)



Refurbed Bikes Sold to Fund Mission (2024)

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EcoShip NFP

a 501(c)(3) non-profit that collects shipping materials from Chicagoland communities and distributes them to businesses and individuals for reuse.

In 2024, EcoShip collected over 47,000 gallons of packaging materials which was donated to small business and nonprofits for reuse.



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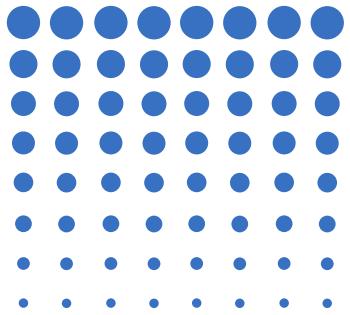


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GIVENKIND



GIVENKIND offers a flexible alternative to disposal or liquidation by providing donation solutions that easily integrate with donor's existing systems.

For our nonprofit partners, these goods are more than just items—they're essential tools that strengthen their programs and uplift the communities they serve. Connect with us to learn how to get involved!



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Trash is just a failure of imagination!

www.creativechirx.org

CCRx is a one-of-a-kind store dedicated to the reduction of material waste and creative reuse. We are a resource to Chicago teachers, artists and nonprofits looking to find new life in surplus materials, supplies and equipment. Our mission is to promote sustainability and help the community by providing access to resources that would otherwise be discarded.



**42 tons from
315 Donors**



**950
Shoppers**



**518
Volunteers**

2024 Stats

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Funding futures

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Founded in Wheaton, IL in 1982, EAL's powerful mission is to convert surplus and excess industrial and consumer inventory into scholarships for college students with financial need.

EALgreen has supported over 30,000 students with almost \$40 million in scholarships by optimizing the management of product returns in the reverse logistics and circular economy markets.

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What is Furniture Poverty?

Furniture Poverty is when an individual or household cannot afford the basic essentials of a home, such as a bed, table, couch or dresser. It can have serious negative effects on a persons mental, physical and social health. Furniture Poverty also can lead to people returning to homelessness or unstable living environments.



CHICAGO
FURNITURE
BANK

Chicago Furniture Bank is the solution.

Our mission is to provide dignity, stability and comfort to Chicagoland neighbors facing poverty by allowing clients to handpick a complete package of free furniture. We believe that everyone should be able to sleep in a bed, share a family meal at a kitchen table, and enjoy the comfort of a furnished home.

Our Impact

- Over **20,000 homes** furnished since starting our mission in 2018.
- Over **45,000 individuals** served in Chicagoland.

Do some good with your used furniture and other items !



Furniture donations help **transform the homes** of individuals and families in need.



All donations, furniture and financial, are **tax-deductible**.



Sustainability is key to our mission. All items will be used or repurposed by Chicago Furniture Bank and Honest Junk.

www.chicagofurniturebank.org/ / 312-752-0211

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“My Heart is Beating So Fast”





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