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There was some serious cleaning of garages, media rooms and offices this fall. When the City hosted the semiannual Household Hazardous Waste, Electronic Recycling & Paper Shredding event on Nov. 8, an estimated 267 residents showed up.

The City of Fort Worth's Crud Cruiser from the Environmental Collection Center collected approximately 12,500 pounds of hazardous waste. Of that, roughly 1,500 pounds were recycled. The report shows that 172 people dropped off hazardous waste.

Paper shredding was the second most popular resource. The numbers show that 118 residents stopped by and approximately 5,200 pounds of paper were shredded. Merit Document Destruction said that amount is the most the company has shredded at a City of Burleson event.

The electronics were piling up too. Texas Recovery Systems collected 4,608 pounds of electronics. At the event in April, they collected 4,055, making the total for 2014 right at 8,663 pounds. Eighty-nine residents contributed to that total.

This was a team effort with volunteers from several City departments, including public works, code enforcement, animal control, environmental services, Keep Burleson Beautiful, and several volunteers from the community. The Keep Burleson Beautiful volunteers collected more than \$100 from residents for their efforts to beautify Burleson.

The dates for the 2015 household hazardous/electronic recycling/paper shredding events are still being confirmed, but they will be 9 a.m.-11 a.m., at the old City service center at 133 N. Main St. For more information about recycling and the alternatives (if you can't wait until next May) go to the electronic recycling page – <http://bit.ly/electronicrecycling> - and the household hazardous waste page – <http://bit.ly/BurlesonHHW> - on the City of Burleson website.