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Start cleaning out your garage, the shed, and under the kitchen sink. The City's Household Hazardous Waste event is Saturday, Nov. 7.

We're not just accepting household hazardous waste. We are also taking your old electronics and the paper you haven't shredded yet. The event is 9 a.m.-11 a.m. at the City's old service center, 133 N. Main St. This is only open to residents who live inside the Burleson city limits (proof of residency including a City water or solid waste bill is required).

City staff will load up your household hazardous waste items, on a first-come, first-served basis, in the City of Fort Worth's Crud Cruiser. Unicor is recycling your electronics, and Expanco will accept your paper for shredding. All electronics and appliances, including TVs, will be taken for free. There is no fee for paper shredding, but the volume is limited to three document-sized boxes per vehicle.

Household hazardous waste items that will be accepted include acids, aerosol cans, antifreeze, batteries (all kinds, including car batteries), brake fluid, cooking oil, craft chemicals, degreasers, drain cleaner, fertilizer, fluorescent light bulbs, compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs), herbicides, household chemicals, motor oil, paints and stains, paint thinners, pest strips, pesticides, photo chemicals, pool chemicals, oil filters, solvents, transmission fluid, and varnish.

Household hazardous waste items that will not be accepted include ammunition, asbestos, building materials, butane cylinders, electronics, explosives, medical waste, PCBs, propane cylinders, radioactive material, smoke detectors, and tires.

Residents who do not want to wait until Nov. 7, can take their household hazardous waste to the Environmental Collection Center (ECC). The ECC is open Thursdays and Fridays from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. It is located at 6400 Bridge St. in Fort Worth. For directions, call 817-392-EASY (3279). There is no fee for dropping off your household hazardous waste, however, residents must take a City of Burleson water or solid waste bill as proof of residency.

If you cannot wait for Nov. 7 to recycle your electronics, the Goodwill store on Hwy. 174 in Burleson will accept all electronics, including computers, monitors, accessories, video games, TVs, and radios. Also, check with Best Buy. The electronics store accepts most consumer electronics but may charge a recycling fee for TVs and computers. If you don't want to recycle your old TV, you can put it at the curb for solid waste pick-up.

For more information, call David Lenartowicz, the City's environmental specialist, at 817-426-9842.