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Ambulance supports E-Recycling for charity

While reading through a Western Sydney IT Cluster newsletter, John Calluy, Ambulance IT Support Officer, noticed an E-recycling service provided by the Wesley Mission program.

Normally, Ambulance disposes of redundant hardware via an environmental recycling service, which collect the equipment and then arrange the disposal in accordance with the State Governments recycling policy. The fee for this service would have cost Ambulance \$550.

Wesley E-Recycling is an activity of Wesley Mission, one of the largest charities in New South Wales. Specialising in the refurbishment of computers, Wesley E-Recycling aims to connect and empower disadvantaged individuals, families and community organisations with technology, while diverting e-waste from landfill.

Wesley E-Recycling is an exciting disability business service initiative that provides employment opportunities for people with disabilities to actively be involved with technology and contribute to environmental sustainability.

Wesley E-Recycling operates via the generosity of organisations such as the Ambulance Service of NSW, schools and individuals who donate computers, which are refurbished to assist those in need. Computers unsuitable for refurbishment are dismantled and components on-sold for reuse, diverting these from landfill.



(Left to Right): Russell Brown, Acting Manager Information and Support (Ambulance), Rob McGowan and Rod Archibald from Wesley Mission and John Calluy, IT Support Officer (Ambulance) commence loading the first donation of computers.

Refurbished computer packages are available at very affordable prices and come with a three month back to base warranty. They are internet ready and customised to suit specific needs. As a member of the Microsoft Authorised Refurbisher (MAR) program Wesley E-Recycling can provide Windows software free of charge to other non-profit organisations and holders of current health care cards.

For further information contact Wesley E-Recycling's Operation Manager, Alfonso Moraga on (02) 9684 6366 or visit www.wesleycomputers.org.

Wesley Mission was only too pleased to remove Ambulance's redundant hardware (except monitors for which they already had a surplus). This still gave Ambulance a 50% saving on disposal costs.

Ambulance is planning to donate all redundant computer hardware to the Wesley Mission to assist with the services they provide.