



## **Chamber Celebrates 25 Years of Community Clean-Up Clean-Up Day & Go Green! Showcase Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>**

The Greater San Fernando Valley Chamber of Commerce is gearing up for their 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Clean-Up Day and Go Green! Community Festival on Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>.

Each year, the Chamber, along with 300 members of Valley community groups, local businesses, and residents, cleans and beautifies the San Fernando Valley.

Resolute in their efforts to make the Valley a cleaner and better place to live, work, play and shop, the Chamber has improved their Clean-Up Day by adding two new elements to the program. One new facet is the Chamber's Go Green! Community Showcase, a festival where attendees can receive information and giveaways to help them lead more eco-friendly lives.

In addition to the showcase, there will be an E-Waste (electronic) collection. E-Waste includes all forms of electronics such as computer monitors, televisions, VCRs, radios, printers, and computers that cannot be disposed of in the regular trash (details below).

Clean-Up Day will begin at The Church on the Way, located at 14800 Sherman Way at the corner of Sherman Way and Kester Ave., which will serve as the staging area.

The first 150 volunteers will receive a free t-shirt, and all volunteers will be treated to a continental breakfast and a great lunch upon their return.

### **Free Electronic Waste Collection Event**

The Greater San Fernando Valley Chamber of Commerce is offering a free electronics waste collection event on Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:00a.m.–4:00p.m. in the parking lot across from the Church on the Way on Kester just south of Sherman Way in Van Nuys behind Valley Eye Center (14914 Sherman Way).

#### **What is E-Waste?**

E-waste is a popular, informal name for electronic products nearing the end of their "useful life." Computers, televisions, VCRs, stereos, copiers, and fax machines are common electronic products. Many of these products can be reused, refurbished, or recycled. Unfortunately, electronic discards is one of the fastest growing segments of our nation's waste stream.

Most electronic devices contain a variety of materials, including metals that can be recovered for recycling. Recycling your waste electronics saves resources and protects the Earth because new metals don't have to be mined. In addition, some electronic products contain high enough levels of certain materials, such as lead, that render them hazardous waste when disposed. California law designates waste televisions and monitors as hazardous. Hazardous wastes cannot be disposed with municipal trash

**Here is a partial list of E-Waste items you may drop-off at the collection event. If it is electronic - it is probably acceptable:**

Unwanted televisions  
Computer monitors

Cell phones  
PDAs

Television sets  
Printers  
PC Systems  
Laptops  
Computer keyboards  
Copiers  
Scanners  
Fax machines  
Toner cartridges  
UPS & PDAs  
Tower supplies  
Main frame units

Networking equipment  
Mother board systems  
VCR/VCD/DVD players  
Home Equipment Systems  
Landline and cellular phones  
Small portable devices  
iPods and other MP3 players  
Portable CD players  
Stereos  
Car batteries, forklift batteries, cell phone  
batteries and laptop batteries (no household  
batteries such as AAA, AA are accepted).

The Schedule for the Day is as follows:

8:00 a.m. - Registration and Continental Breakfast  
8:30 a.m. - Clean-Up Teams will go out to the community  
9:00 a.m. - E-Waste Collection opens to the public (runs until 4:00 p.m.)  
9:30 a.m. - Go Green! Showcase opens (runs until 1:00 p.m.)  
11:30 a.m. - Lunch, Awards, and Recognition

Come join the Chamber on June 7<sup>th</sup>, and make the Valley a more beautiful place to live, eat, shop and play. Call the Chamber at (818) 989-0300 or visit the Chamber's website at [www.midvalleychamber.com](http://www.midvalleychamber.com) for more details.