



The Great Spring eClean

USE YOUR COMPUTER TO HELP WITH SPRING CLEANING!

The Community Wish List for San Mateo County at www.communitywishlist.org helps you find local nonprofit organizations that will put items you no longer need to good use and keep them out of the landfill.

How the Wish List Works The idea behind the Community Wish List is simple. Instead of asking for checks, local nonprofit organizations list items they would like donated in order to serve the community better. People find pleasure in giving gifts to others, particularly things that might otherwise go to waste. Donors can claim a tax deduction for contributions.

Once you identify items you would like to donate, here's what to do:

- 1.** Go to www.communitywishlist.org and click on "Wish List Items" to learn what items are needed. You can see all items listed in a category or use the search feature to see which organizations are seeking a specific item, such as a computer. For step-by-step instructions, click on "Tutorials" on the main menu of the Web site.
- 2.** Contact the organization by clicking the "Reply to this posting" link listed at the end of the item's description to make arrangements for the donation.
- 3.** After you make a contribution, you should receive a written acknowledgment and thank-you letter within 30 days.

About the Wish List The Community Wish List was started in 2004 to encourage people to donate their discarded computers, furniture and other goods to nonprofits that need them. It is a collaborative community effort that is funded and staffed by volunteers. It is not affiliated with city or county government. Volunteers are documenting the Wish List concept with the aim of eventually making it available to other cities and counties at no charge.

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