



## WIRES (and Electronics)

**Information:** Two very important reasons to recycle rather than throw away wires and other electronics.

1. Wires and electronics contain chemicals, heavy metals, and other materials that are hazardous to the environment. If they end up in a landfill, toxins may leach into the water supply, putting people and other living things at risk. If burned in a trash incinerator, the chemicals and heavy metals can contribute to harmful air pollution.

2. The heavy metals in electronics are a limited and non-renewable natural resource. Mining and other destructive land-use practices are often required to access these materials.

**Please note:** Currently the borough is researching local options. Please call 610-543-4599 to receive an update about upcoming collection dates and events for electronics.

If you are a company or school representative interested in establishing a regular pick-up site (for no charge), please contact a rep at [Magnum Computer Recycling](#). The pick up at the Swarthmore Co-op is no longer available.