Don't let old electronics clutter your space

That old PC is squatting in your basement, and your junk drawer is full of outdated cell phones.

What do you do with old electronics?

They can be recycled - if you know where to take them.

Michael Fannon, owner of cdm eCycling, a company that recycles electronics, said his company has partnered with the Boy Scouts and local parishes to offer events where parishioners can drop off old computers, cell phones, PDAs and even small appliances. Mr. Fannon is a parishioner of Immaculate Conception, Towson.

All of the drop-offs at parishes take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. They are: April 5, St. John the Evangelist Church, Severna Park; April 12, St. Ignatius, Hickory; April 26, Immaculate Conception, Towson; April 26, Woodmont Academy, Cooksville; and May 3, St. Joseph, Sykesville.

In addition, cdm eCycling has drop-off bins outside of their recycling facility Monday through Friday at 1623 Wicomoco St.

Good Will accepts computers of any vintage and old cell phones, too, at their stores and drop-off points.

County landfills and recycling centers have specific locations where they accept electronics from households, and most of those centers will take TVs, VCRs, DVD players, computer monitors, CPUs, mice, keyboards, cell phones, printers, power supplies, cables and cords, and answering machines.

To learn more, consult the Department of Public Works Web site for your local county.