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## **America Recycles Day Recycling Event in Downtown Overland Park**

JOHNSON COUNTY, KAN. (Nov. 10, 2020) – In celebration of America Recycles Day, the Johnson County Department of Health and Environment (JCDHE), Downtown Overland Park, L'Arche Green Express, ProShred, and Secure e-Cycle will be hosting an electronics recycling and paper shredding event on Nov. 12 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Any resident can drop off "anything with a cord" to be properly recycled, as well as paper that will be securely shredded. All electronic items are free except TVs (\$40 each) and CRT monitors (\$25 each). There is no charge for paper shredding, donations are accepted.

The event will be held in the parking lot near the Overland Park Farmers' Market pavilion – enter and exit from Marty Street, between 79<sup>th</sup> and 80<sup>th</sup> Street. As a courtesy, Johnson County staff and volunteers will be there to unload your vehicle.

"Johnson County is pleased to partner with so many great entities to celebrate America Recycles Day," said Brandon Hearn, education and outreach coordinator for JCDHE. "One of the world's fastest growing trash problems is electronic waste. It's important to recycle it responsibly because so much of it contains hazardous materials."

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**About Johnson County, Kansas** – Located in the southwestern quadrant of the Kansas City Metropolitan Region, Johnson County, Kansas is a community of choice with a current population of more than 560,000, making it the most populated of the 105 counties in Kansas, but traditionally having the lowest mill levy in the state. For more information visit the county's website at [www.jocogov.org](http://www.jocogov.org).

**About Downtown Overland Park Partnership** - Downtown Overland Park, the best little area for foodies, artists, and those who seek exceptional, eclectic treasures, supports the ongoing effort to reduce waste and the district's environmental footprint.

**About L'Arche Green Express** - A project of L'Arche Heartland, a non-profit creating community and opportunities for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) in Overland Park, Kan. since 1987. The Green Express provides meaningful daytime activity for over 20 adults with I/DD. L'Arche recently launched "door-to-door" recycling services for small businesses within the Downtown Overland Park area.

**About ProShred** - ProShred is a family/women owned business specializing in confidential document destruction, and responsible, 100% landfill free electronic recycling. ProShred is certified by the National Association for Information Destruction and ISO 9001, proudly serving the Kansas City metro.