

## 2017 ANNUAL ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENT REWIND

Thank you for your participation.

### \$20 PER VEHICLE SUGGESTED

Though the annual collections events from 2013-2016 were free of charge to Red Lodge area businesses and residents, the events were not in essence 'free' as they were subsidized by the technology/manufacturing sector. This subsidy amounted to approximately \$600,000 in 2016 for Montana.

As of January 1, 2017, electronics recycling, free of charge, has been discontinued by the recycler for those states, including Montana, without legislation for take back requirements.

ECS, the R2 certified recycler that has historically provided this service for Montana, is now required to charge for shipping and recycling of electronics for its Montana customers. R2, Responsible Recycling, is the electronics recycling industry's leading certification designed to help ensure the quality, security, environmental and social responsibility of electronics recycling facilities.

Please help us to cover costs by being prepared to pay \$20 on the day of the event. If you would like to make a donation after the event, mail a check to REWIND, c/o Red Lodge Area Community Foundation, P.O. Box 1871, Red Lodge, MT 59068, or designate REWIND for your Fun Run donation.

Why are we suggesting a \$20 contribution per car?

Based on our estimated costs and the current balance of our REWIND account at the Community Foundation, if we receive this amount per car we should be able to break even this year. If we do not break even, we will need to continue to solicit contributions and go further into our own pockets to make sure our bills are all paid. If you are able to contribute, thank you. If you are unable to contribute, we'll still accept your electronics because it is important to all that electronics be recycled responsibly.

Are there other places in the area where electronics can be recycled between REWIND annual events?

At this time it is our understanding that Best Buy provides limited electronics recycling for its customers. Some items can be recycled without cost, and some items require a fee. For their current policies, check their website and/or call their store.

