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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Waste Collection Event for Household Hazardous Waste, Electronics and Tires to be Held in December**

**Kerrville, Texas (November 18, 2016)** – The annual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Event is right around the corner! On Saturday, December 10, 2016, the City of Kerrville will partner with Kerr County to host the annual event at the Hill Country Youth Event Center, 3785 Highway 27, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**Accepted Household Hazardous Waste includes:** batteries, cleaners, pesticides, insecticides, yard fungicides and herbicides, pool chemicals, latex and oil based paints, paint thinners and removers, fluorescent bulbs, thermometers, thermostats, propane tanks with less than a 50 lb. capacity and automotive tires will be limited to eight (8) per vehicle.

**Accepted Electronics include** – all types of computers and accessories (PC, CPU towers, laptops, servers, keyboards, etc.), printers, fax machines, DVD players, stereos, copiers, telephones, cell phones and chargers, answering machines, video and camera equipment, video game systems, cable boxes, DVR's, microwaves, cable wires, power

cords and strips. Televisions and CRT monitors will also be accepted, however please be advised that only two (2) of these items will be allowed per vehicle.

Additionally, in conjunction with this year's waste collection event there will be a toy drive and pet adoption event held in River Star Park, which is adjacent to the Hill Country Youth Event Center.

The Kerr County Child Services Board is hosting the toy drive and seeks donations of any new, unopened toys for children under the age of 17. All donations will be given to K'STAR. K'STAR is an emergency shelter that provides a safe and healthy environment for children in crisis. Children from birth to 17 years of age find shelter and safety at K'STAR, in addition to free counseling services and support.

"The toys collected at this event will go to children who are especially in need of extra love and joy this holiday season," said Jody Grinstead, Secretary of the Kerr County Child Services Board. "We are expecting a large turnout at this year's waste collection event and wanted to take this opportunity to give back to the community and practice good stewardship."

Many cute, furry friends looking for a forever home will also be up for adoption in conjunction with this year's event. From 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Kerr County Animal Services and several other area shelters will have pets available for adoption. Plan to stop by River Star Park while you're in the area to help brighten the holidays for a child or pet in need.

If you plan to attend, please be aware of the following reminders:

- HHW drop off is for City / Kerr County residents only and not intended for businesses
- All HHW items must be in containers not greater than 5 gallons

- Prohibited items include: medications, ammunition, explosives, biohazards, radioactive material, gas cylinders, antifreeze, and used motor oil and containers without a label

Although proper disposal of HHW items is important, you can also help minimize the amount of hazardous waste accumulated throughout the year by following these tips:

- Look for alternatives to certain solutions that you commonly use (ex: use 1/8 cup of white vinegar and 1 cup water to make a window cleaner)
- Buy in smaller quantities
- Ask a neighbor, family member, or a charity to see if they are in need of some items you might have stored away
- Latex water based paint may be set out to dry completely and then disposed of with your household garbage. It is recommended this be done in small quantities.

If you have any questions about this year's event, please contact the City of Kerrville at (830) 257-8000. Additional information will also be made available on the City of Kerrville website, [www.kerrvilletx.gov](http://www.kerrvilletx.gov).

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