Donating Equipment to Computers for the Blind

Thank you for your interest in donating to Computers for the Blind! Our organization depends on donations, which come from many sources. Our hardware needs regularly change, so this document is a guide to what we can accept and what we ship to our clients. You can verify you have the latest document here: CFTBDonationGuide.pdf.

Important Points about Donations

- Any donations received will be used to further our mission, which includes refurbishing and shipping systems to individuals, selling equipment to fund our program, or giving systems away to chosen individuals.
- All received hard drives are wiped with a standard 3-pass method; DOD wipe with certificate available upon request.
- A donation receipt for tax purposes can be provided upon request.

Hardware Requirements

The computers that we ship must meet or exceed the requirements of the operating system and software that we ship to our clients (JAWS and ZoomText). Because of this, not every computer donated can be used for this purpose. Please see below for the requirements of the computers we can ship. Donations that do not match these requirements may be sold or sent to our e-waste partner.

- Intel 8th generation Core series or higher; AMD Ryzen 3rd generation or higher
- Device needs to be capable of 8GB of memory or higher.
- Devices with EMMC or soldered storage generally cannot be shipped to clients.
- Mobile devices (phones, tablets) MUST have the account removed or we cannot accept them.
- We cannot accept CRT monitors or TVs.
- Any other parts that are not personal computer peripherals (servers, phone systems, printers, A/V equipment, etc) are accepted, and we will recycle them responsibly.

To start your donation, please fill out the donation form on our website here: CFTB Donations. We will respond letting you know the next steps. Please allow up to 2 weeks for us to respond to your request. Although we appreciate every donation request, due to limitations in time, space, and hardware needs, we may decline donations. Please see below for other donation opportunities.

Other Donation Opportunities

- donorconnection.org (Will send you a mailing label to donate your computer parts. CFTB receives credit for each donation)
- http://tech-away.com (CFTB partner, we receive credit for recycled parts. Local Dallas bulk donors only)
- https://dallascityhall.com/departments/sanitation/Pages/electronic_waste.aspx (Local Dallas e-waste)
- https://www.call2recycle.org/ (National recycling network)

We thank you for your generosity! Without your donations, Computers for the Blind would not be able to provide accessible technology to individuals who need it. Share us with anyone who can help!

For more information, please go to our website: computersfortheblind.org/donate or contact us at info@computersfortheblind.org.