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Ex-Government computers providing new job opportunities for Perth's Aboriginal communities

Last month, GIVIT coordinated the donation of 40 computers to [Ngalla Maya Aboriginal Corporation](#) in Belmont - from Welshpool-based e-waste business [Total Green Recycling](#).

The family-run business sourced 20 of the computers from the WA Department of Finance, part of the recycled and recovered 2,356 tonnes of e-waste from 500,000 items over the past year!

Total Green Recycling has partnered with GIVIT to find eligible and worthy recipients for technology donations on behalf of their clients, who are regularly upgrading to new equipment.

Donated computer (40) specifications:

- 40x CDM Desktop Computers - estimated value = \$500/each
- Powerful Intel, Core i5 processor (i5-4590, 3.3 GHZ)
- 8GB DDR3 Ram
- 1 TB Hard Drive
- Windows10
- graphic support for dual monitors
- Keyboard and mouse included
- Monitors included in donation by TGR

Now as the largest e-recycler in WA, **Total Green Recycling's Director of Asset Management, Michael Coghill, stated**, *"There are so many computers that end up shredded or lost in landfill which could be given second chance in life.*

'All the computers have been provided by WA's Department of Finance and the computer monitors have been provided by Total Green Recycling who coordinated with Givit on the donation project on behalf of some of our other recycling clients.

It's a great example of what is possible when local organisations choose to align themselves around a common objective to improve the outcomes being achieved in their community."

Mervyn Eades – founder and CEO of Ngalla Maya Aboriginal Corporation - said, *“The computers give the families the opportunity to apply for jobs, update their resumes, use the internet and do school work for the children.”*

“The children, many who are computer illiterate, wouldn't be able to have this access without this donation as a lot of the families are living under the poverty line. We can't thank and recommend GIVIT enough!

“The Aboriginal people are often left behind and are living well below the poverty line. This is due to many factors such as generational trauma and incarceration of family members. Local family units are often broken and from abuse and poverty.”

GIVIT WA Engagement Officer, Jill Joske said, *“Unfortunately, there's great need across the greater Perth as this time of year places enormous pressure on many families doing it tough.*

GIVIT's free, online charity platform matches donated items with those in specific need.

The amazing computer donations from Total Green Recycling means those struggling to find employment have the chance to upskill and learn better digital literacy.”

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About Total Green Recycling

Total Green Recycling is a Western Australian family business dedicated to finding the best and most sustainable recycling solutions for the 90+ materials that can be recovered through its process. To learn more about Total Green Recycling's campaign to end e-waste and to sign the petition, visit www.totalgreenrecycling.com.au/petition.

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