



## THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

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### Fixit Clinics Planned at San Diego Central Library

SAN DIEGO – After the holidays, many New Year’s resolutions are made and broken. However, the City of San Diego’s Environmental Services Department (ESD) and San Diego Central Library @ Joan A Irwin Jacobs Common are hosting a series of Fixit Clinics to help you repair or rehab anything you own that needs some fixing up (resolutions excluded).

Beginning January 9, 2016, and running every second Saturday throughout the year, this unique program is designed to promote reuse/repair by encouraging tinkerers and repairers of all types to “fix it” versus “pitch it”. Series partner, Goodwill Industries of San Diego County, will be on hand to accept any donated items. The Fixit Clinics will be held from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Courtyard at the downtown San Diego Central Library @ Joan A Irwin Jacobs Common, located at 330 Park Boulevard.

“These Fixit Clinics are a great way to teach our next generation the practical skill of fixing broken items instead of throwing them in our landfills,” said Library Director, Misty Jones. “Residents of all ages can learn the value of tinkering and becoming Do-It-Yourselfers, while learning the importance of recycling. It’s a great family-friendly activity.”

The City’s Miramar Landfill accommodates nearly 910,000 tons of trash disposed annually. The landfill opened on December 7, 1959 and spans over 1,500 acres. It is the City of San Diego's only active landfill.

Here’s how the Fixit Clinics work:

1. Register to participate (see below);
2. Bring your broken, non-functioning item: electronics, appliances, computers, toys, bicycles, or clothes for assessment, disassembly, and possible repair;
3. We’ll provide workspace, specialty tools, and guidance to help you disassemble and troubleshoot your item;
4. Whether we fix it or not, you’ll learn more about how it was manufactured and how it worked.

**To register please go to the following website <https://sdfixitclinic.eventbrite.com>**

For more information about the Fixit Clinics please contact [fixit@sandiego.gov](mailto:fixit@sandiego.gov) If you like to repair things and might be interested in volunteering as a Fixit Clinic Tinkerer, please contact us.

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