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HelpingTulsa is a newly formed non-profit organization which grew out of a joint Computer Refurbishing Project involving the Tulsa Computer Society and Bethesda Boys Ranch (both 501(c)(3) organizations). For details about HelpingTulsa, please see <http://helpingtulsa.org> or call (918) 622-3417.

You may already be aware of us, because Gregg VanWyck of Oxford House said he told you about the computers we provided Oxford House and Love4Life, and I see you are the Keynote Speaker at Cornerstone Assistance Network's October 24 Street Party Benefit.

Since HelpingTulsa's formation in April we have provided laptop computers to a number of missionaries (<http://helpingtulsa.org/news/news6032002.htm>, <http://helpingtulsa.org/news/medics1005.htm>, <http://helpingtulsa.org/news/heart1005.htm>, etc.), several computers and monitors to a computer lab at After-the-Bell Student Centers in Bixby (<http://helpingtulsa.org/news/atb7062002.htm>), we upgraded computers the joint venture had provided earlier to Glory House, a Christian shelter for single women (<http://helpingtulsa.org/news/gloryhouse720.htm>), and provided computers to Oxford House (<http://helpingtulsa.org/news/oxford830.htm>) and Love4Life (<http://helpingtulsa.org/news/heart1005.htm>), homes for recovering substance abusers. We provided a number of computers and monitors to Pythian Manor, a HUD subsidized low income housing project for disabled and senior citizens, and the YMCA's PowerUp Lab which will make computers available to children to use after school to do their homework and to access the internet (pictures for both will be available soon), and several churches seeking to set up computer labs for senior citizens and/or neighborhood children to use after school (<http://helpingtulsa.org/news/preschool.htm>, <http://helpingtulsa.org/news/carbondale1008.htm>, etc).

As the City of Tulsa upgrades its computers we would appreciate it if you would consider donating your older computers to HelpingTulsa, and if you could help persuade other companies to make their old computers available as well, so that we might be able to make even more computers available to worthy projects like these.