Comprehensive Reuse



A Triple Bottom Line Solution for Surplus Furnishings



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Comprehensive Reuse A Triple Bottom Line Solution for Surplus Furnishings

1. How Brandeis established and manages internal and community communications and logistics to achieve a lower disposal of surplus.

2. Barriers that stand in the way of successful aggressive reuse, and how to overcome them.

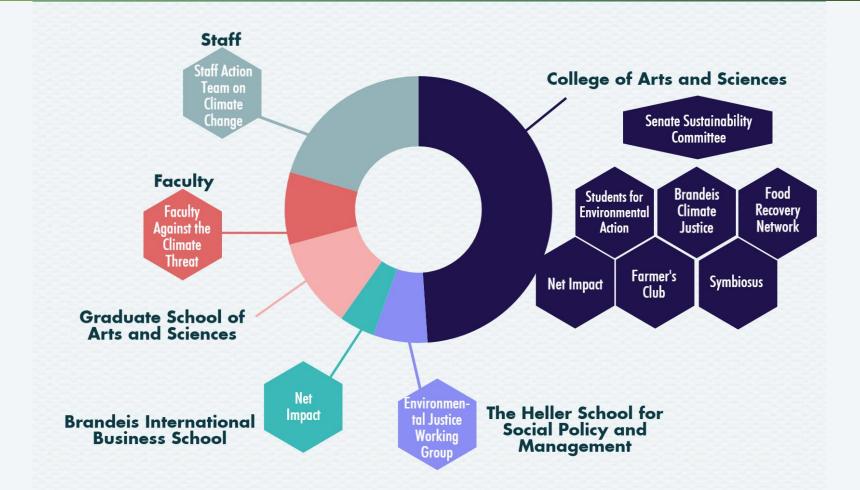
3. Different approaches that can be taken to maximize reuse of surplus assets, practical considerations in their selection, and the factors that affect the likelihood of success of different approaches.

What is Comprehensive Reuse?

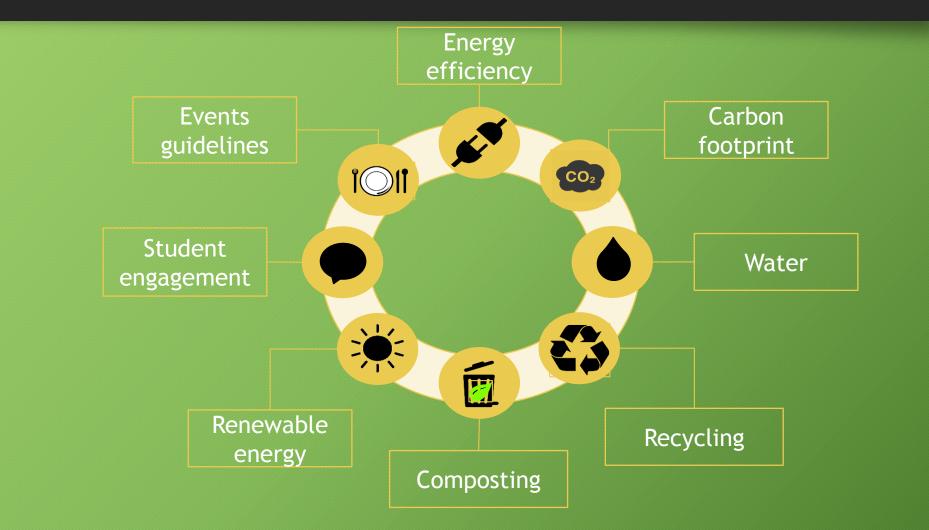
Reuse is a sustainable, humanitarian, and financially responsible solution for surplus furniture and equipment that still serves a purpose.



Sustainability at Brandeis



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We are still in...

WE ARE STILL IN

"We, the undersigned mayors, governors, college and university leaders, businesses, and investors are joining forces for the first time to declare that we will continue to support climate action to meet the Paris Agreement."

President Liebowitz



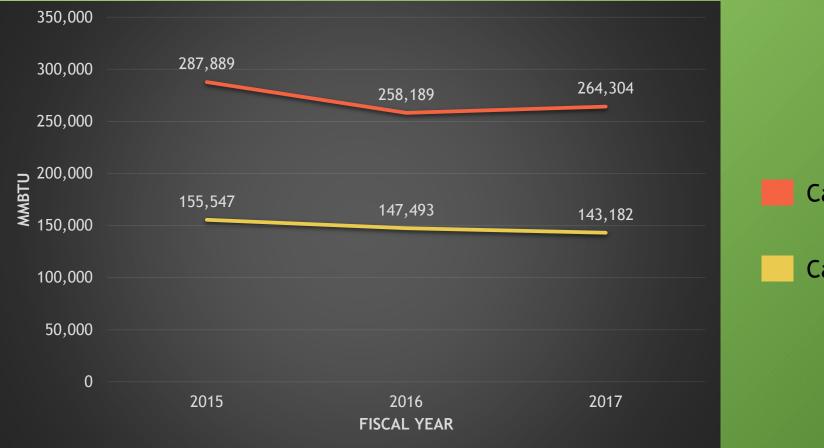
The New York Times





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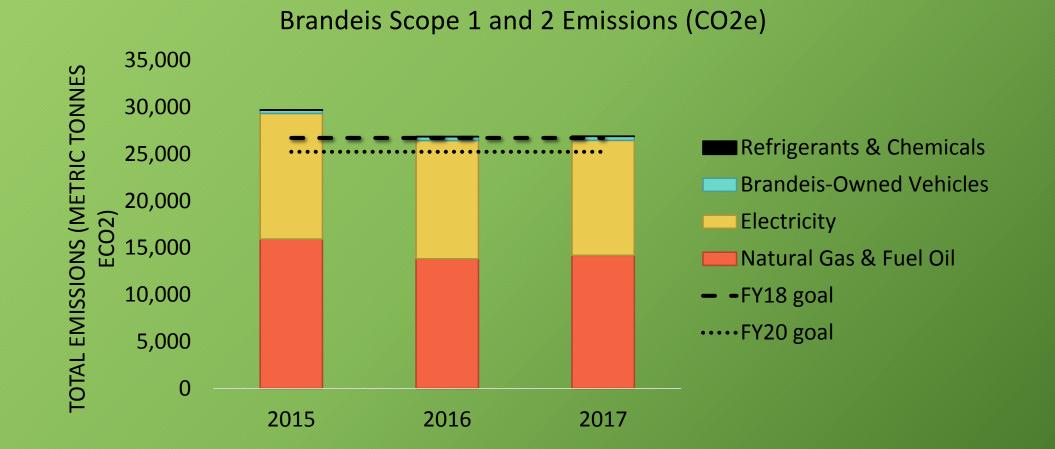
Energy Usage



Campus gas usage

Campus electricity usage

Carbon

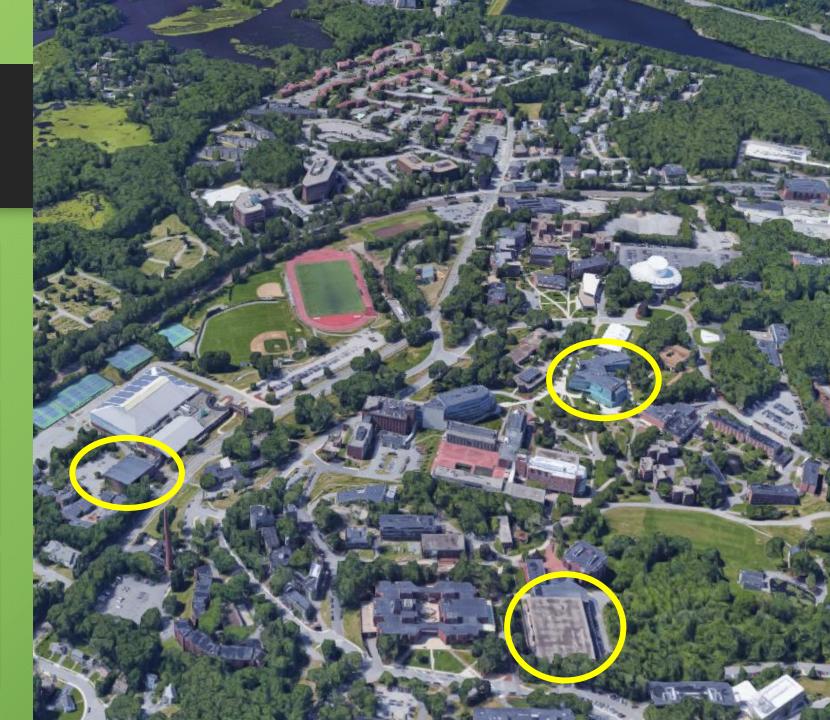


Solar

Goldfarb Library Shapiro Campus Center Linsey Pool

577,000 kWh of solar electricity [190 MT CO2e]

Over 2% of electricity will be solar vs. today <1%



Geothermal

Geothermal will provide 100% of the new residence hall's heating and cooling needs

40 500-ft wells drilled this summer



Renewable Fuel Oil

Will displace up to 10% of our natural gas use this winter

Supports a local, green business

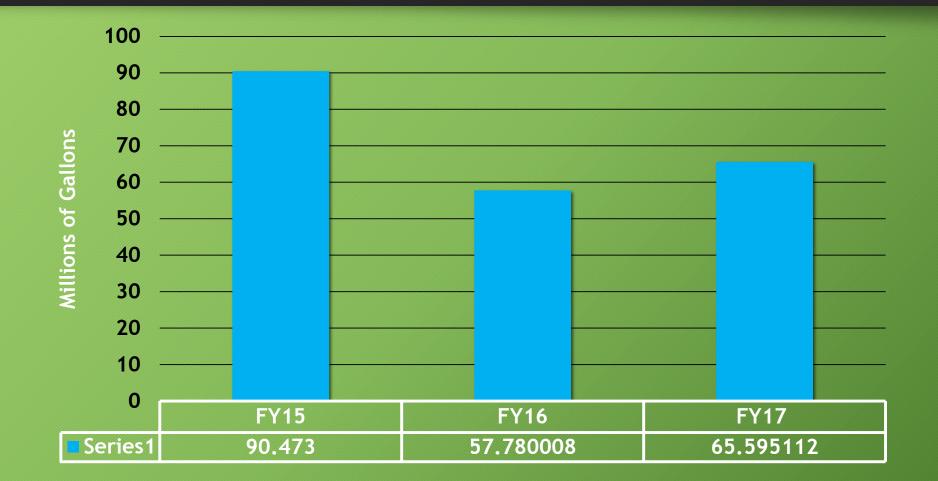
NATURAL GAS

- Fossil fuel
- Fracked
- Causes groundwater contamination
- High water use
- Causes land use change
- Pipeline issues
- Natural gas leaks
- Is a GHG

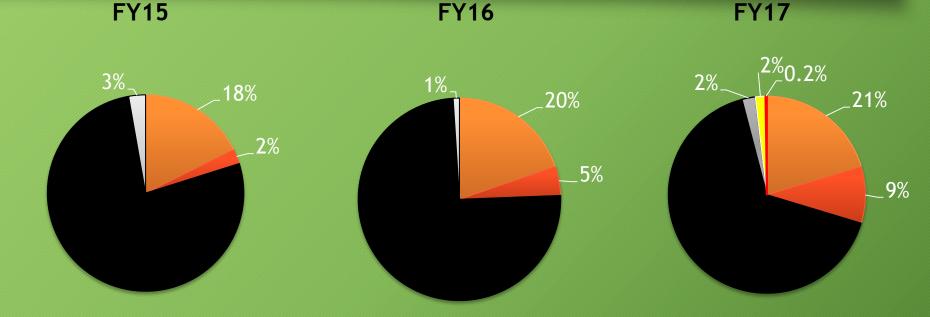
RENEWABLE FUEL OIL

- 100% waste vegetable oil
- Collected from local restaurants
- No land use change, water consumption/ contamination
- No fossil fuel

Water



Campus Waste Diversion Rates



Trash
 Recycling
 Compost
 Other diversion (e.g. metal recycling)
 Give & Go
 Castle Furniture Donation

What can be diverted from the landfill?

Campuses across the nation find waste in all different places, which can be diverted from the landfill.

- Furniture and equipment from renovations, decommissions, and over-capacity storage areas.
- Residence Hall trash and debris from move-outs
- Food waste from dining halls
- Paper, lightbulbs, and everything else in-between

The Small Stuff

Like many campuses, Brandeis has a very successful "Give & Go" program. The following is collected from students at the end of the year and donated to Salvation Army:

- 1. Clothing, shoes, books, sports equipment
- 2. Household goods (bedding, rugs, lamps, towels, etc.)
- 3. Kitchen goods (small appliances, dishware, cutlery, etc.)
- 4. Electronics (monitors, printers, speakers, etc.)
- 5. Solid wood furniture (book cases, tables, chairs, etc.)
- 6. Unopened packages of paper goods, laundry detergent, cleaning supplies



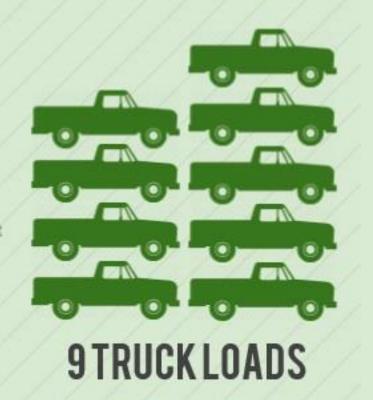
Give and Go 2017



Give and Go 2017

30 YARD DUMPSTER







What about the big stuff?

Castle Furniture Donated

619 pieces of furniture / 51,093 lbs.

Donated to Relief Efforts in Honduras

Diverted from waste stream





About IRN

- Established in 1999, IRN (Institution Recycling Network) was designed to be a catch-all recycler for educational, healthcare and corporate institutions.
- IRN would help institutions recycle the small stuff, like paper, batteries, lightbulbs, e-waste, and everything else in between.

IRN THE RECYCLING NETWORK

About IRN cont.

- In 2002, our partner Boston College was looking to recycle over 300 sets of dorm furniture.
- It was good stuff, and we asked why they wouldn't donate it to a charity instead of recycling it.
- BC's response? They tried. They, alongside every other college in Boston had filled up every halfway house and goodwill within three neighboring states. They just needed it to go away, sustainably.



From Recycling to Reuse

- We discovered a market failure. There was a huge need among relief organizations for useable furniture, but no one making the match.
- Potential generators in this instance, schools who have surplus to dispose of - do <u>not have</u> the time or resources to network with dozens of charities worldwide.
- Among potential recipients, no one has the time and resources to contact the thousands of schools that might have furniture to offer.
- Neither side has the capability to plan and manage the projects to make the transfer happen - setting up moving crews, transportation, pack trucks, fill out customs paperwork, track the furniture to its destination.



Fast Facts about Furniture Waste

- According to the EPA's 2014 Advanced Sustainable Materials Management report, it is estimated that 9.8 MILLION tons of furniture were disposed into the landfill in 2009 alone.
- In the same study, it is estimated that furniture is the number one least-recycled item in the country, and one of the bulkiest to enter our landfills.
- The cost to dispose of furniture by the landfill grows by approximately 1.5% each year in the Northeast.

Mission Statement

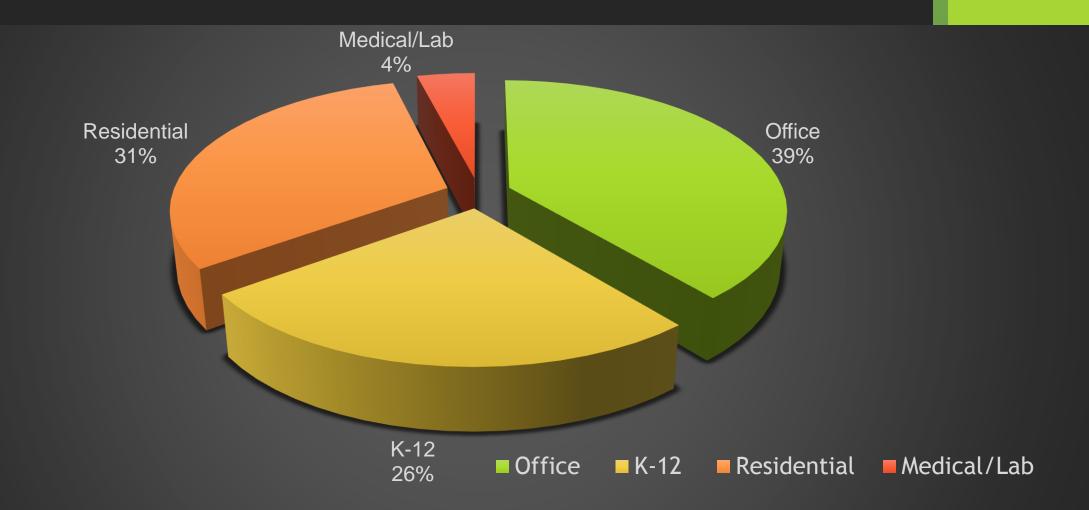
Reuse or Recycle EVERYTHING

Make Sure Reuse in SIMPLE

Make Reuse COST EFFECTIVE



IRN's Reuse Breakdown



Tonnage Reused to Date

Between 2002-2016 63,705,124 lbs. Reused

Where Does it all go?

Disaster Relief

- International Relief Efforts (BVI's, Haiti, Etc.)
- Domestic Charities
 (Habitat for Humanity)

Economic Development

International charities, charter, public, tribal and other independent schools who can furnish their spaces at essentially zero cost, releasing funds for other urgent priorities.

Domestic Humanitarian Missions

- Habitat ReStores, Goodwill stores, and others who resell furniture to support their humanitarian missions.
- Furniture banks that place IRN furnishings with low income residents.

Benefits of Reuse

Cost



Reuse/recycling through IRN typically costs less than disposal

Environment



Reuse/recycling diverts products from landfills and contributes toward LEED certification

Community



Schools and communities benefit for years to come

Publicity



IRN can provide press releases, stories, or other publications about your reuse/recycling projects



Brandeis/IRN Partnership

2009

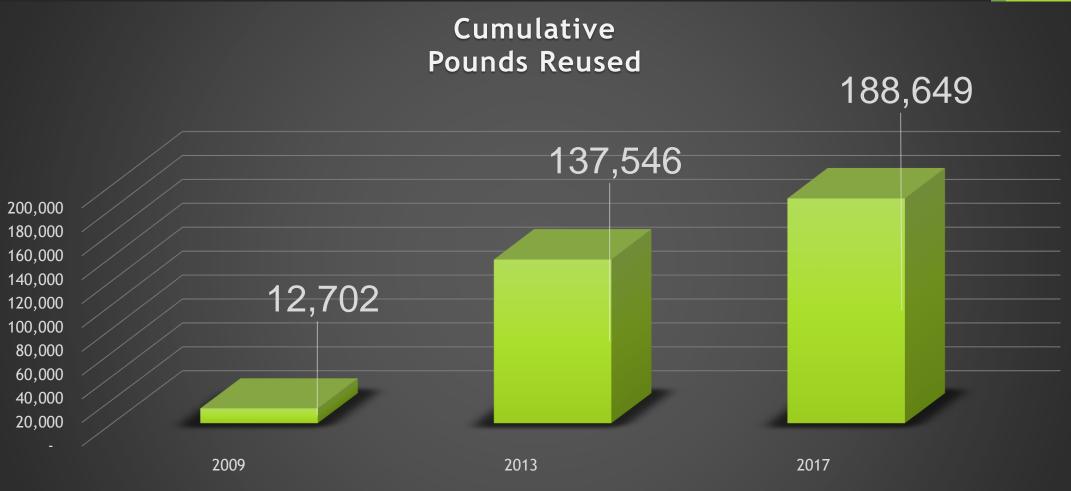
Our partnership

In 2009, Brandeis reached out to IRN – The Reuse Network to assist in the removal and reuse of 183 pieces of classroom and office furniture.

Since 2009, Brandeis has dedicated themselves to reuse by diverting over 188,000 lbs of furniture (2471 pieces) from the landfill, and sending it to those in need.



From 2009 to 2017



Pounds

Project Start

Initial Information

Get Started as an IRN Surplus Generator	Related topics
Your contact information	IRN Reuse Program
Tell us about you.	FAQs
Your name *	
Mary Fischer First Last	Accepted Items
Your title	Case Studies
Director of Sustainability	
Organization *	
Brandeis University	
Type of organization	
Education \$	
Phone Extension	
Alternate phone	
Atternate phone	
Email *	
mfischer@brandeis.edu	
Generator/Project information	
Generator/Project information Provide details about the surplus property.	
If you don't have a specific project need right now, leave everything below blank, and we'll send you more information about our surplus program.	
Company or Organization's Name	
Project address	
Street Address	

Location

- •Schedule
- Material composition and quantity
 Where and how material is stored and installed
 Basic logistics information
 Labor availability and qualifications

Site visit (if necessary)



A site visit is typical on larger projects, to review site layout, develop a detailed inventory, assess access, elevators, and stairwells, contact moving firms if needed, and meet onsite project managers.

Develop detailed inventory

Project #	SUR	Projected Inver	tory	4	
Trailers or Shi	oping Containers for Re	5			
ltem	Description	Composition	Count	Picture	
Bed/Frames	Head/Foot Hooked,Bolted and metal frames with 12" legs & Captain Style	Wood/Metal	99		
Coffee Tables		Wood	2		K
Chairs	Desk	Wood	110		
Couch		Wood/Cloth	2		
Desk	Standard Student Dorm Desk with Study Carrol	Wood	110		

The inventory is what we offer to our charitable partners, so it's important that it be accurate. Pictures are a huge plus.

Execution

Comprehensive project proposal

14	IRN THE RECYCLING NETW	ORK		
	IRN SURPLUS PROPERTY PROJECT SUMM October 2, 2017	ARY AND PROPOSAL		
IRN Project:	SUR0999			
Project Description:	Reuse of Dome Sets			
Client	College/University			
Client Contact	Sustainability Director			
Project Location(s):	Somewhere USA			
Service Summary:	IRN staff for logistics-coordination and on-s IRN-contracted domestic and/or internation			
	Post-project summary reports including des	triation and project-specific in	MOR	
Inventory Description:	Dorm Sets			
Anticipated Destination:	Local, domestic and international disaster &	economic relief efforts		
TASK AND DESCRIPTION	¢			
		Companison: If	IRN's Charitable	
Project Administration		Material Disposed	Reuse Program	
On site management (Identification and soon Fulfilment of shipping	including travel and expenses) dealers with charitable outlets and customs requirements			
	reporting, project completion report			
Subtotal, Project Admi	nistration	\$263	\$788	
Labor for Cleanout and L	pating			
Labor Being provided			\$0	
Subtotal, Labor - Dispo	sal	50		
Matorial Management and	Transportation			
Charitable Reuse Optic			\$3,602	
	ers dispatched for domestic and/or overseas shi warehousing, handling as recained	pment		
Disposal Option Jestim		\$6,775		
			-	
Total Project Cost		\$8,018	54,388	
Plus or Minus Adjust	reactia		\$0	
Total Project Cost After A	Idjuatmenta		\$4,388	
Project Logistics Fee (25	% required for schedule confirmation)	Walved	50	
Balance on Project Comp	viction		\$4,388	
	Please read and sign Page -2-	Initial Hore	1999 - 2019 ^{- 1} .5	
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Confirm schedule and logistics



The proposal defines the exact scope of the project and responsibilities of all parties. Included is a detailed budget, proposed on a not-to-exceed basis; you know your maximum cost, and reap the benefit if we come in below the budget.

At this point, we will have offered the project to our network of nonprofit partners, and will have made at least a preliminary match with a recipient. When we submit a proposal, that's our commitment that we can find a partner who will reuse your surplus. When the proposal is signed, we reconfirm start date and time, project duration, and logistics details (access to buildings, keys, local and emergency contacts, etc.). We schedule moving crews and confirm crew size. And we schedule the trailers or shipping containers that will take the surplus away.

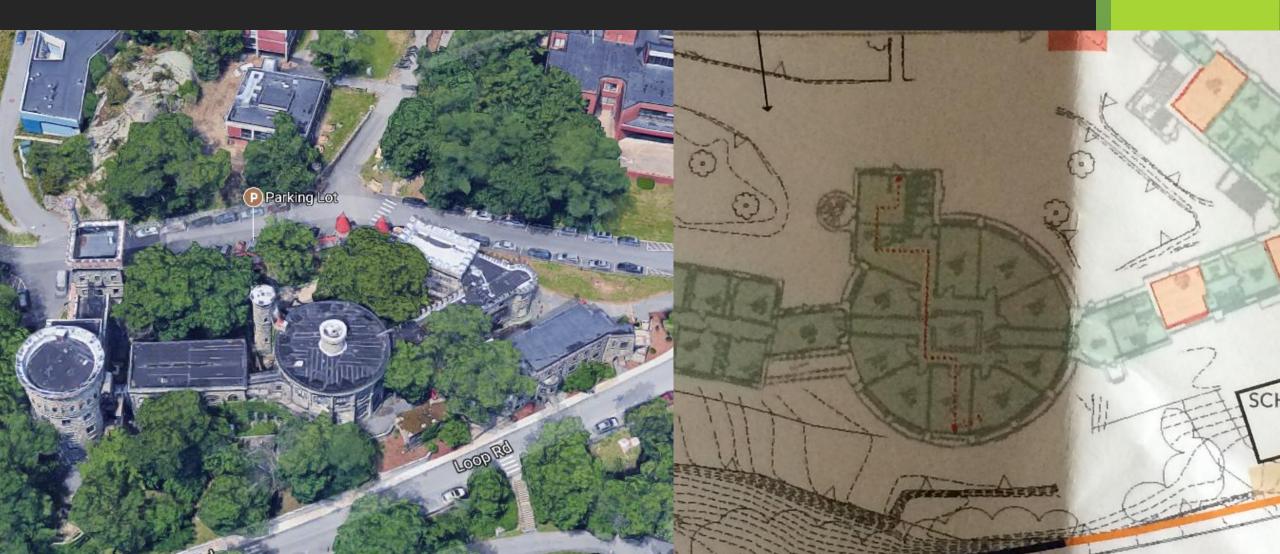
Execute the project



IRN offers on-site project management on moving days to ensure optimum loading, inventory accuracy and quality, and to make sure logistics run smoothly.

We have a nearly 100% track record for completing projects on schedule and within budget. With hundreds of projects under our belts, it's a track record we're proud of

Logistical Difficulties



Loading a truck

- 1. Have truck-specific inventory ready
- 2. Stage the items coming out in an accessible area (if possible)
- 3. Pack the beginning of the truck high and tight. Metal on metal, wood on wood, floor to ceiling
- 4. Make sure the truck is as full as it can be
- 5. Fill out paperwork and send to port



Before we send off the truck...

- 1. Take a picture of the back (completely open)
- 2. Take a picture of the back (one door closed)
- 3. Affix a seal specific to the container
- 4. Fill out customs paperwork
- 5. Email logistics team



From Brandeis to...

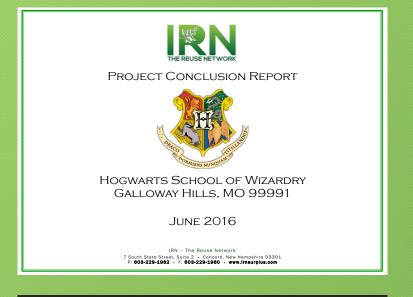
Jamaica

2009-2013 School Furniture, Office Furniture, Dorm Furniture 137,546 lbs. reused 1,852 pieces

Honduras

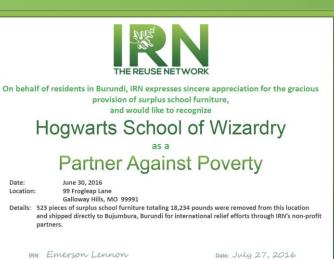
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Conclusion Package



Cover Page

This facet of the conclusion report will usually contain the schools logo, address, and date of the project.





SUR2222 Shipment Summary Hogwarts School of Wizardry Surplus School Furniture

			Destination		Units	Weig	nt
53438-	6/30/2016		Bujumbura, Burundi				
		Chairs, Desk Metal/Composite, Metal Desks, Student, Lift top, Wood and Metal				125 117	3,750 5,850
53439-	6 /30/2016		Bujumbura, Burundi				
		Benches, Wood				1	20
		Bookcases, Floor-standing, Wood				1	30
		Cabinets, Wood				1	30
		Chairs, Caster, Plastic and Metal				34	1,156
		Chairs, Desk Metal/Composite, Metal				125	3,750
		Chairs, Stacking, Red, Metal and Plastic Desks, Student, Lift top, Wood and Metal				89 12	1,513
		Desks, Student, Lift top, Wood and Metal Desks, Table style, Wood				12	600
		Desks, Teacher, Wood				2	1,085
		File Cabinets, Three Drawer Vertical, Metal					90
		Tables, Classroom, Metal and Wood				6	300
				Report	1	523	18,234
			IRN - The Reuse Network				
		7 South State Str	eet, Suite 2 · Concord, New Hampshire 2 · F: 603-229-1960 · www.irnsurplut	03301			3

Reuse Certificate

Something nice to hang on the wall. This provides a synopsis of where the project was, what materials were reused, how much was diverted from the landfill, and who it is currently helping.

Shipment Summary

June 2016

A detailed report of the items reused. In instances where a project has more than one recipient destination, we'll let you know where each individual item went.