

Surplus Furnishings ...



Striving for
Zero Waste at
Colleges &
Universities

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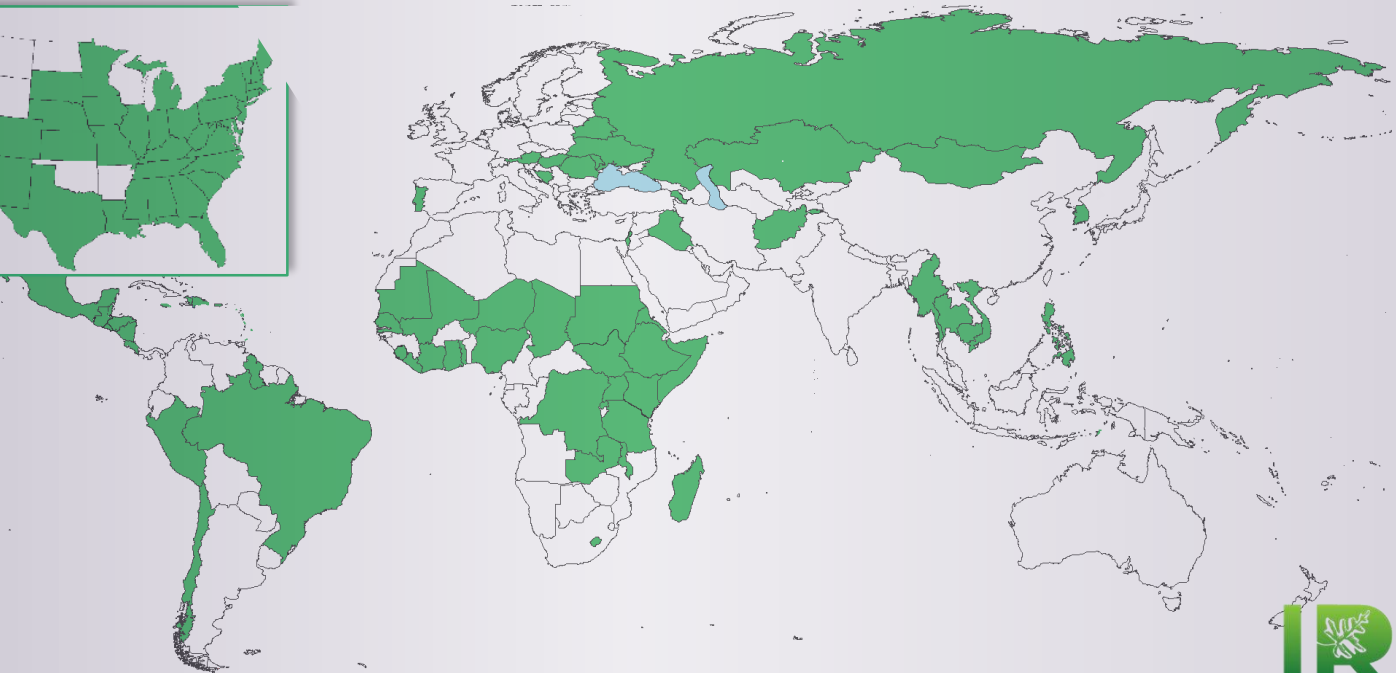
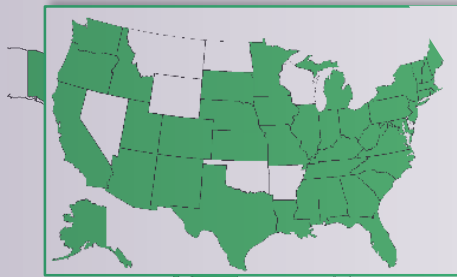
IRN – The Reuse Network

We've been doing reuse of surplus assets for 15 years

We network with U.S. & international charities

We manage reuse on a large scale (10 million lbs this year)

Our niche: Large projects, lots of surplus, professional management



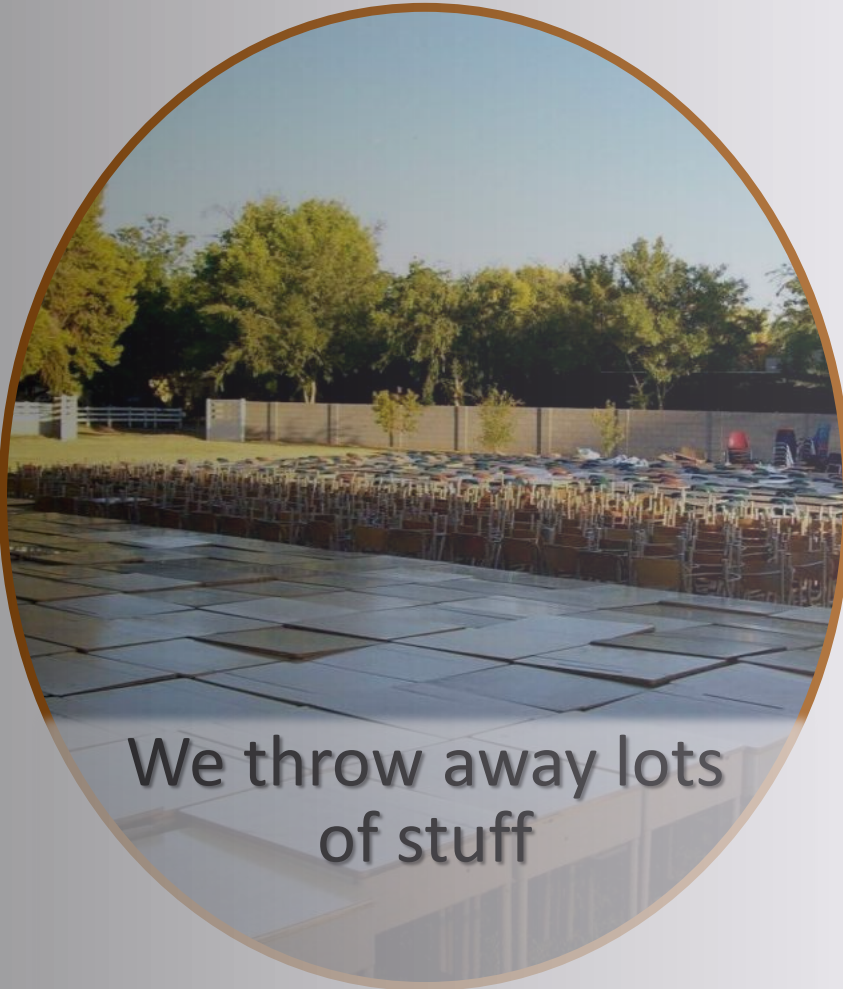
Surplus Property

Surplus is an issue for every school:

- ✦ Replacement
- ✦ Renovation
- ✦ Demolition
- ✦ Day-to-day attrition
- ✦ Move-out



Surplus Should Be a Zero-Waste Material



We throw away lots
of stuff



People in the U.S. and
worldwide need
lots of stuff

Surplus Can Be a Zero-Waste Material

It is not furniture on Tuesday and trash on Wednesday.

Almost all can be reused.

If it can't be reused, it can be recycled.

Our experience: 99%



Surplus Property Options

1. *Internal reuse*
2. *Resale*
3. *Local donation*
4. *National & international nonprofits (what I do)*

These are NOT mutually exclusive. The most successful schools use combinations.

Surplus Property Options

Genus	Species
Internal Reuse	Internal Craig's List
	Warehouse
Resale	Warehouse
	Physical Auction
	Electronic Auction
Local Donation	Matchmaking
	Open House
National/ International Relief	Managed Internally
	Managed Externally

1. Internal Reuse

a) Internal Craig's List

Items posted to organization-wide network
Typically no cost to recipient

b) Warehouse

Warehouse with or without electronic posting of
new acquisitions
If stuff doesn't get picked up, it goes away

2. Resale

a) Warehouse

Open to public. Regular hours.

b) Physical Auction

Assemble into lots or sell (big items) individually.
Advertise. Manage.

c) Electronic Auction

Create or purchase software or service. Establish lots. Post and manage auctions. Manage pickup or shipment.

3. Local Donation

Depending on location, there may be dozens or hundreds of potential outlets for surplus

a) Matchmaking

Direct contact: Phone calls, wish lists

Broad-scale marketing: Email and/or website

Many will offer to pick up from your location

b) Come 'n' get it: Periodic open house

4. National, International Relief

U.S. & international demand for usable surplus is essentially infinite.

a) Managed Internally

You need to find them. You need to manage the project for them (removal, loading, paperwork).

b) Managed by Others (like IRN)

One-stop solution. Costs money.

I totally apologize for the next
slide . . .



Genus	Species	Space	Staff Time	Staff Expertise	Revenue	Quantities	Advantages	Disadvantages
Internal Reuse	Internal Craig's List	++	++	+++	-	SM	Saves \$\$; Keeps surplus local	Management; Incomplete
	Warehouse	+++	+++	+	-	SM	Saves \$\$; Keeps surplus local	Space; Incomplete
Resale	Warehouse	+++	+++	+	\$ - \$\$\$	SM	Revenue; Keeps surplus local	Space; Incomplete
	Physical Auction	+++	+++	++	\$ - \$\$\$	SM	Revenue; Pretty complete	Space; Management
	Electronic Auction	+++	+++	++	\$ - \$\$\$	SML	Revenue; Pretty complete	Space; Management
Local Donation	Matchmaking	+	+++	++	-	S	Keeps surplus local; CR	Management; Incomplete
	Open House	+++	+++	+	-	SM	Keeps surplus local; CR	Management; Incomplete
National/ International Relief	Managed Internally	-	+++	+++	-	ML	Low \$\$ outlay; CR	Learning Curve; Management
	Managed Externally	-	+	+	(\$\$)	ML	Simple; Comprehensive	Cost; Not for small quantities

Examples

Internal Craig's List with Warehouse - Bowdoin

<https://www.bowdoin.edu/facilities/on-line-warehouse/furniture.shtml>

Staffed and Scheduled Warehouse - UNC

<https://finance.unc.edu/departments/strategic-sourcing-payment/procurement/asset-management/surplus/>

Multiple – Craig's List, Warehouse, Auction – ASU, CSU

<https://cfo.asu.edu/surplus>

<http://cr.colostate.edu/surplus-property.html>

Local Donation - Harvard

<http://www.energyandfacilities.harvard.edu/facilities-services/recycling-waste-management/surplus-distribution>

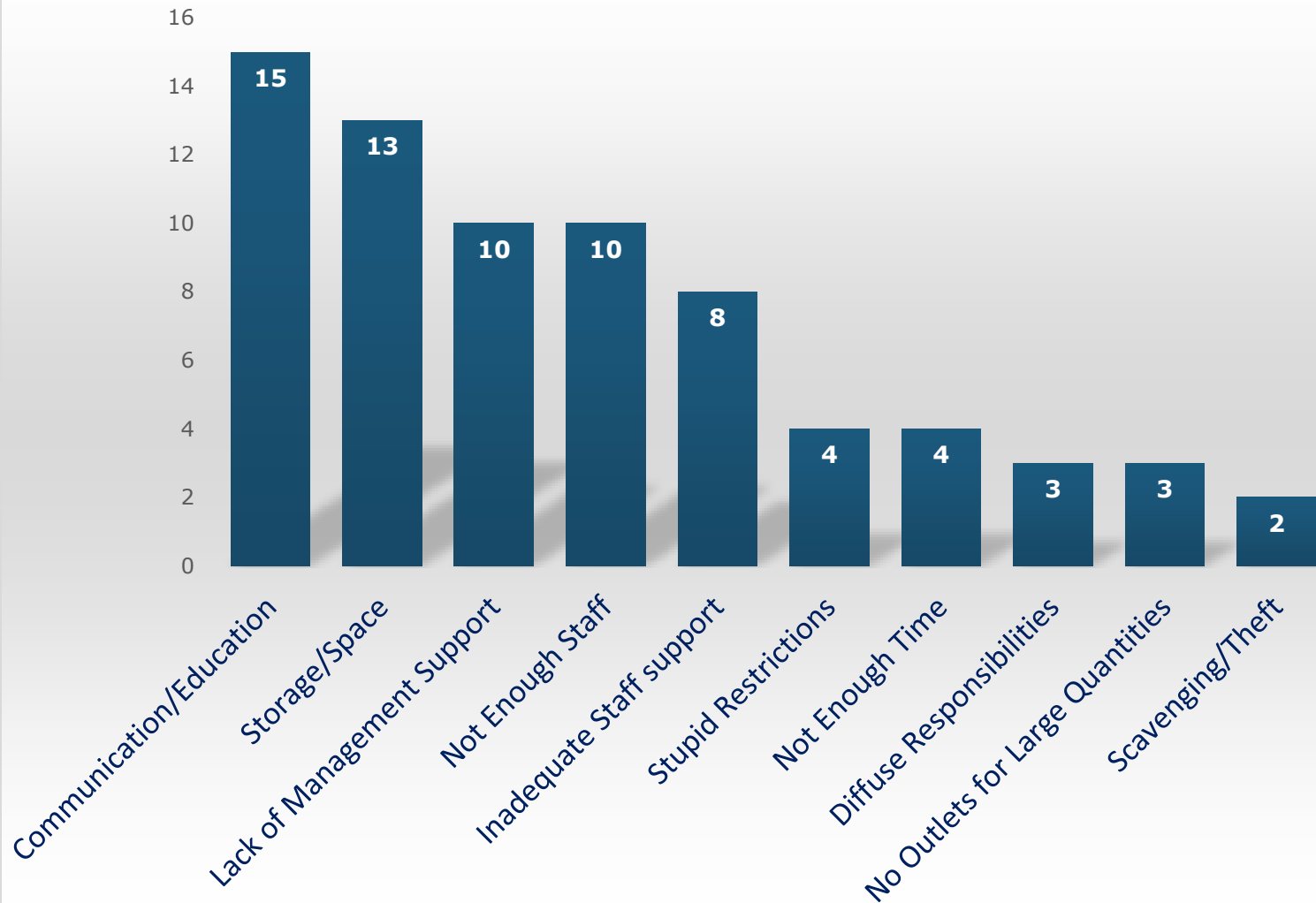
National & International Relief - IRN

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Move-Outs – The Decisions You Need to Make

Who Collects It?	<i>Staff; Students; Charity; or Contractor</i>
How Is It Collected?	<i>Staffed Locations; or Unstaffed Locations</i>
Where Is It Collected?	<i>A Lot of Places; or a Few Places</i>
How Frequently Is It Collected?	<i>Ongoing Collection; or Scheduled Events</i>
Who Moves It?	<i>Staff; Students; Charity; or Contractor</i>
Where Does It Go?	<i>Charity Site; School Site; or Contractor Site</i>
Who Sorts It?	<i>Staff; Students; Charity; or Contractor</i>
Who Gets It?	<i>School; Students; Charity; Contractor</i>
How Is It Disposed?	<i>Goes to Charity; Have a Yard Sale Right Away; Store It, then Have a Yard Sale Later; or Sell It Through a Storefront or Warehouse</i>
Who Gets The Money?	<i>No Money; Charity; School; or Students</i>

Why Isn't Surplus a Zero-Waste Material?



CONCLUSION

There are many ways to ...

- ... Run a rapid
- ... Amuse a cat
- ... Peel a tomato
- ... Slice an anchovy
- ... Scratch an itchy place on your back

**Many paths to successful surplus
asset reuse**

(but all take work and perseverance)

*Thank You for
Having Me*

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Why we do what we do. This is one of my favorite bike rides in South Jersey. That's sea level in the background. Two feet of rising sea level, and its gone. Forever.