# **Reuse of Surplus Assets ...**



A Doable, Workable, Comprehensive, Genuine Triple Bottom Line Solution

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#### **IRN** – The Reuse Network

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

We manage reuse on a large scale (10 million lbs this year) We network with U.S. & international charities

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



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# Operators are Standing By !!!!



#### Surplus Furnishings Are An Issue

Replacements, Renovation, Demolition, Day-to-day attrition

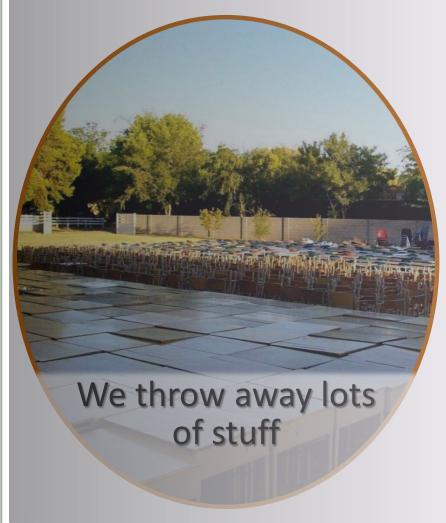
One of the least reusedrecycled materials in the U.S.

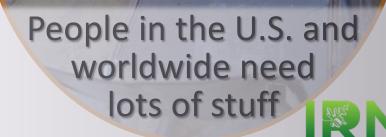
9.8 Million tons (10 BILLION pounds!!) landfilled in 2009.





# Surplus Should Not Go To Landfill





# Surplus Need Not Go to Landfill

It's 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 organizations 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	Managed Internally		
Relief	Managed Externally		

### 1. Internal Reuse

#### Internal Craig's List

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

#### **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. Sell individually or by 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

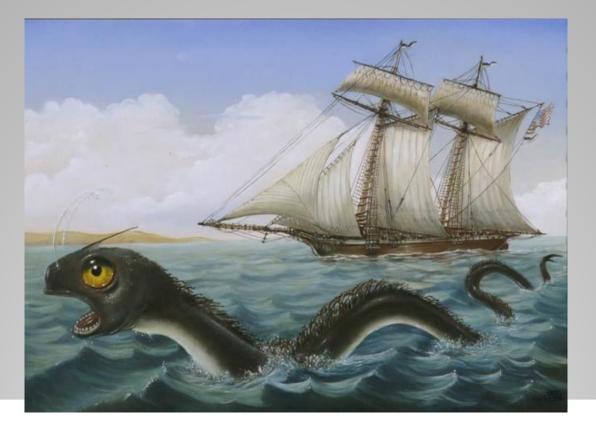
- U.S. & international demand for usable surplus is essentially infinite.
- Managed Internally

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

Managed by Others (like IRN) One-stop solution. Costs money.



# I totally apologize for the next slide . . .





Genus	Species	Space	Staff Time	Staff Expertise	Reve- nue	Quanti- ties	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-sourcingpayment/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/facilitiesservices/recycling-waste-management/surplus-distribution

National & International Relief - IRN www.irnsurplus.com



# 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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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 it's gone. Forever.