



Community Reuse Network Ireland

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Environmental Protection Agency

Reuse & the Circular Economy



CRNI - Reuse & Recycling



→ Over 39,000 tonnes reused & recycled
→ Over 690 jobs & 7,650 training opportunities



Working with reuse & recycling organisations



Procurement of Services

- Donate for reuse
- Community Recycling services

Procurement of goods

- Procure reused goods
- Are goods designed for repair & reuse

Supporting research / IP

- Consultancy - research, legal advice
- Volunteering - e.g. Camara

Leadership & Culture

- #reuse16 pledges
- Canteen & coffee stations

Case Studies: IT equipment donations



371 Computers Reused

365 Monitors Reused



511 computers salvaged
for parts & recycled



15,456 children impacted



817,778km equiv saved

camara 
transforming education



Comhairle Cathrach
Bhaile Átha Cliath
Dublin City Council

Other example donors of IT equipment:

RehabRecycle
Investing in People, Changing Perspectives

Lenovo

AMGEN
 Symantec.

 safefood

Case Studies: Office / Shop Furnishings



100 office furnishings for urgent removal due to office move



€10,000 saved - desks, chairs, filing cabinets, drawers, TVs & computer equipment



Recipient moved project forward by over 6 mths.



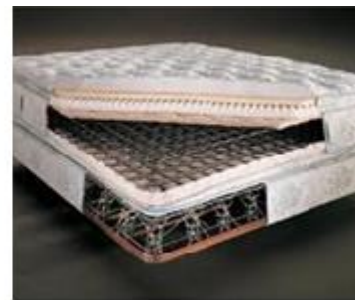
Case Studies: Other Materials & outlets



- Move waste higher up waste hierarchy
 - Address liability & risk (Art 27 and 28 process)
 - Finding waste can be easier than finding raw material procurer
 - Target significant volumes of materials arise as by-products or waste streams
 - Identify resource streams for reuse, remanufacture or recycling
 - Can be demand in Ireland or abroad
- Savings of €500k by companies offering in eastern region

Common materials: Plastics for manufacturing, but anything from label backing to lime fines

Other Materials Handled



Growing the sector



Improving design, eliminating waste:

- Working with industry to improve design for repair & recycling
- Clarify liability for business in donating for reuse

Changing behaviour:

- Quality mark to tackle public perceptions
- Build capacity for & work with companies on procurement



Supporting the Reuse & Recycling Sector:

- Set reuse on a level playing field
- Targets for reuse
- Improve KPIs & reporting on reuse



Supporting Community:

- Jobs / training scheme tailored for the reuse and recycling sector
- Better coordination & recognition of social enterprise



Thank you!

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