



SQUAMISH REBUILD

Performance Snapshot - Dec 2013

Our vision is to fundamentally change the way our community thinks about, and deals with, construction 'waste'.

Community Impact

We've received **thousands of donations** and have made **93 pickups** since opening!

Most common items:

Doors, windows, sinks, electrical supplies, kitchen and bathroom cabinets, light fixtures

Most unusual items:

*Original old-growth cedar siding from a shed built in the early 1900's at the old Britannia Beach Copper Mine;

*Bathroom sinks and toilets from a mansion previously owned by lead singer of 80's band 'Loverboy'

145 Tonnes of building waste diverted since opening
\$134,000 Consumer savings on building supplies since 2011.



A young customer

Building supply re-use has a major environmental impact:

By re-using instead of landfilling, one renovation could save close to to all the energy used by a BC household in a month!

(Calculated based on assuming a renovation replaces 1 toilet, 20 ceramic floor tiles and 5 square metres of linoleum)

Community Involvement

Meaningful Engagement

Since opening we have enjoyed the fabulous support of:

81 volunteers

866 volunteer hours

3 students placed from Howe Sound Secondary's 'Career' and 'Work/Life Skills' programs **2** of which have Special Needs

11 youth who fulfilled their Community Service hours

15 participant from the Vocational Rehabilitation program (Vancouver Coastal Health)

6 Quest University Students

5 Board Members



Since opening we have benefited from strong community partnerships

Grants

Vancity Social Enterprise Portfolio Program: \$20,000
Squamish Savings: \$20,000
enterprising non-profits: \$5,000
District of Squamish: \$5,000

In Kind-Support

Bean Brackendale: \$150
Diamond Head Canopy: \$100
District of Squamish: \$4200
Leon Leboniste: \$1000
Paradise Fabricating: \$175
S2S Industries: \$500
Save On Foods: \$100



Working Together to Make Great Things Happen

When Executive Director Inis LeBlanc first met Quest University outreach coordinator, Luce Melancon, she knew right away there was great collaboration potential. With Luce's help, Inis was connected to Eric Gorham, a professor who wanted to get his students out into the community and do some real-life, hands-on service work.



Tada! a perfect match was born! The first 'test' run saw 6 fabulously eager Quest students volunteer 12 hours. The students built a large mobile sandwich board sign out of reclaimed pallets and several vertical pallet gardens filled with native plants. All parties thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Since then 37 more students have gained valuable experience in 2014, connecting more deeply with their community. More are expected.