

# Introduction

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# Construction Waste Management

- ◆ Recoverable materials & markets
- ◆ Costs of recycling versus disposal
- ◆ Barriers and solutions
- ◆ Recycling in CT & New England
- ◆ IRN Wastemiser Program

# Recoverable Materials: Pre-Demolition / Renovation

- ◆ Furniture & Furnishings
- ◆ Architectural Salvage
- ◆ Casework
- ◆ Carpet
- ◆ Ceiling Tiles
- ◆ Partition Systems
- ◆ Lighting (bulbs, ballasts, fixtures)
- ◆ Doors and Windows
- ◆ Wiring and Cable
- ◆ HVAC Equip't
- ◆ Bathroom Fixtures

# Deconstruction, Soft Strip....



# Deconstruction and Salvage Advantages

- ◆ Cost Savings- Specialized labor
- ◆ Higher recovery rates= lower waste costs
- ◆ Site prep for Abatement and Demolition
- ◆ Low noise, vibration, dust work methodology
- ◆ Source separated recycling achieves the highest recycling rates at the lowest cost

# Markets...



- ◆ Local
  - ◆ Regional
  - ◆ National
  - ◆ International
- One donation load can equal up to three (3) dumpsters.



# CT- Deconstruction and Building Material Reuse Centers

- ◆ The ReCONNstruction Center

230 South Street

New Britain, CT 06051

(860) 597-3390

[info@reconnstructioncenter.org](mailto:info@reconnstructioncenter.org)

- ◆ The Building Materials Reuse Association

[www.buildingreuse.org](http://www.buildingreuse.org)

Online directory by State/ Type

Worcester State College Dorm Furniture – Ready For Trailer Loading



## Dorm Furniture Being Stored In Nicaragua



**MA State College Building Authority and Framingham State – Dorm Furniture Donation**



Donated Beds In Place At Orphanage In El Salvador





**“Live Loading” Medical Supplies and Equipment At New England Baptist Hospital**



**Donated Wardrobe Finds New Home In Village**



Removing Range Hoods For Donation – Harvard University



**Full IRN Donation Trailers Ready For Unloading In Central America**



Unloading Donated Dorm Furniture In Nicaragua



Donated Student And Teacher Desks Put Right To Use – El Salvador



**Donated Dorm Furniture Ready For Village Distribution**

## Dressers Used For Medical Supply Storage – Central America





Donated Office Furniture Arriving In The Ukraine

# Recoverable Materials: Demolition & Renovation

- ◆ Landclearing debris
- ◆ Asphalt paving
- ◆ Concrete, brick, block
- ◆ Wood (incl. treated & painted, plywood, OSB)
- ◆ Metals (ferrous & nonferrous)
- ◆ Glass
- ◆ Asphalt shingles
- ◆ Commercial roofing
- ◆ Slate, other roofs
- ◆ Mixed debris

# Recoverable Materials: New Construction

- ◆ Concrete, brick, block
- ◆ Wood (dimensional, plywood, OSB, etc.)
- ◆ Metals (structural, studs, HVAC, plumbing, elec.)
- ◆ Gypsum wallboard
- ◆ Cardboard, other packaging
- ◆ Mixed debris

# Recycling Works ... Again

◆ Concrete & Masonry  
St. Paul's School  
*Before*



◆ Aggregate for Roads  
and Sidewalks  
*After*



# And Again...

◆ Gypsum Wallboard  
Cambridge City  
Hall Annex  
*Before*



◆ Gypsum Wallboard  
*After*



# And Again...

◆ Old Ceiling Tiles  
(Dartmouth College)  
Become New Ceiling  
Tiles



◆ Old Window Glass  
(Northeastern  
University)  
Becomes New  
Window Glass or  
Aggregate for Paving



# Project Recycling

## What's Important ?

- ◆ Early Planning
- ◆ Performance Goals
- ◆ Waste Management Plan
- ◆ Excellent Documentation
  - ✓ Weights, markets, process
- ◆ Be Thorough – Don't Miss a Waste
  - ✓ Example: Furnishings, Landclearing

# Regional Legislation

## New Hampshire

- ◆ Moratorium on Burning C&D Derived Fuel
- ◆ Multiple Mixed Debris Processors
- ◆ Close proximity to other states/ markets
- ◆ Deconstruction and C&D Recycling Bills in various stages of House and Senate
- ◆ Vowed not to become dumping ground for out of state waste.
- ◆ Gypsum markets
- ◆ UNH Recycled Products Laboratory

# Regional Legislation

## VERMONT

### ◆ ACT 250

- ◆ Under State Department of Environmental Protection Groundwater Protection Act.
- ◆ All major development in VT must conduct Cost/ Benefit Analysis and explore deconstruction and C&D Recycling opportunities
  - ◆ UVM- Green Campus Initiative

# Regional Legislation

## MAINE

- ◆ Public / State funded projects must meet LEED Standard
- ◆ STEP-UP Program
- ◆ SPiRT
- ◆ Agronomic Permits- BUDS

# Regional Legislation

## RHODE ISLAND

- ◆ All Public / State funded projects must meet LEED Standard
- ◆ Reviewing and implementing higher standards for C&D waste recycling and deconstruction mandates
- ◆ Close proximity to other states/ markets

# Regional Legislation

## New York

- ◆ Agronomic Permits- BUDS
- ◆ International Wood Markets
- ◆ Mixed Processing Facilities
- ◆ Gypsum Recycling Markets
- ◆ Close to PA Markets
- ◆ NYC Pushing for more mandatory C&D recycling

# Regional Legislation

## MASSACHUSETTS

- ◆ Public / State funded projects must meet LEED Standards
- ◆ Boston-Publicly funded projects must meet LEED Standards
- ◆ Collaborative for High Performance Schools
- ◆ Massachusetts- DEP Waste Ban: MA CMR 310, 19.017
  - ◆ Bans All: Brick, Block, Concrete, Masonry, Asphalt, Cardboard, Metal, and Wood
  - ◆ Banned from landfills and Transfer Stations

# Regional Legislation

## CONNECTICUT

- ◆ All Publicly funded projects must meet LEED Silver Standard-
  - ◆ *CT DPW not DEP?*
  - ◆ *UConn Med School and UConn are Exempt or do not follow mandate*

# Barriers to Connecticut C & D Recycling – Markets:

## Limited Markets-

1 Mixed Debris Processor with over 60%

1 Asphalt Shingle Recycler

1 Carpet Recycler

Gypsum

-1 Aggregator of Materials- High cost to transport

**Robust Markets-** Wood, Metal, Agg., Brick, Block

# First Steps for Connecticut

- ◆ Enforce Mandates and Specifications for Publicly / State Funded Projects
  - ◆ Get UConn on board
- ◆ Promote Permitted Markets Better
  - ◆ List on Web site
- ◆ Require Cost Benefit Analysis
  - ◆ All projects over 30,000 sf or 1 Mill.

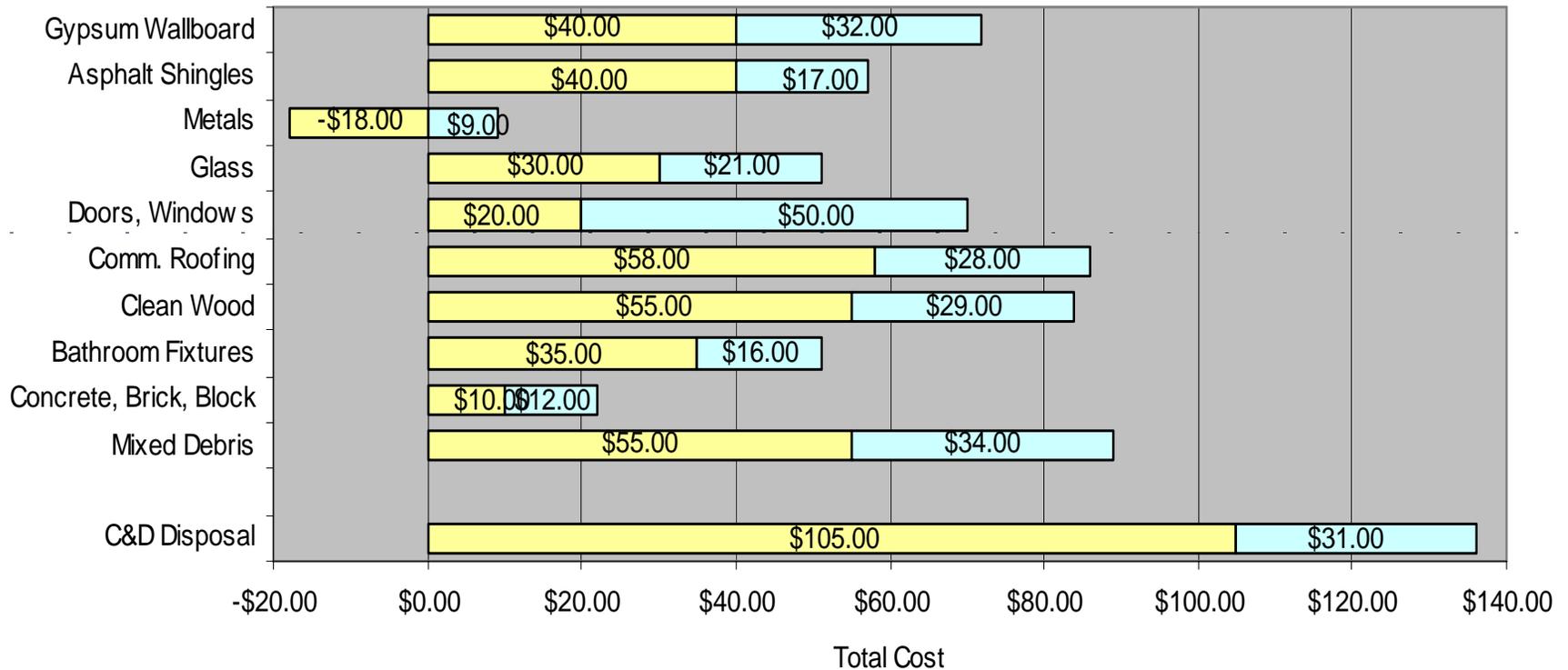
# Next Steps for Connecticut

- ◆ Market Development
- ◆ Better Permitting Process
  - ◆ Change from Volume Reduction Facility to Recycling Facility
  - ◆ BUDS – Agronomic Use
  - ◆ Recycling Markets are not incinerators/landfills
- ◆ Promote Market Development- Incentives
- ◆ Cooperation with other state agencies/ departments

# Promoting C&D Recycling and Deconstruction in CT.

- ◆ Deconstruction and C&D Legislation
- ◆ Promotion of C&D Markets
- ◆ Beneficial Use Determination Permits / Agronomic Use Permits
- ◆ Pilot Projects.... The more you know....
- ◆ Grant Funding to promote markets and services

# Costs: Recycling vs. Disposal



Tip Fee Per Ton
  Trans. Fee Per Ton

# Fulton & Carney Halls

Classroom & Office  
Buildings

39 Room AV  
Equipment Upgrades

Classroom Carpet  
Renovations

Carpet, Cardboard,  
Mixed Debris



# Challenges

- ◆ Limited Space
- ◆ Weather / Moisture
- ◆ Contamination
  - ◆ Student / Public
  - ◆ Other Projects



- ◆ Long Duration
- ◆ High Profile – Image
- ◆ Sub-contractor participation



# Tools applied to meet goals:



- ◆ Covered Dumpster
- ◆ Signage
- ◆ Communication with PM and Subs
- ◆ Mixed Debris
- ◆ OCC on Site

# Results

- ◆ Total Waste: 28.81 Tons
- ◆ Tons Recycled:
  - ◆ Mixed Debris- 10.12
  - ◆ Carpet- 15.73
  - ◆ OCC (cardboard)- 1.17
- ◆ Recycling Rate- 94%



# Boston Scientific Campus

*Description:* Complete interior demolition and reconstruction. 483,000 sq ft, three stories, three buildings (1980's). Steel frame on slab.

*Size/Duration:* \$38M,  
24 months

*Location:* Marlborough  
(exurban)

*Contractor:* Payton (GC  
SOS (demo)

*Architect:* BKA



# Challenges

- ◆ Single loading dock (inbound + outbound)
- ◆ Long carries
- ◆ Large number of materials
- ◆ Oddball materials (dismountable partitions, rooftop HVAC units, etc.)
- ◆ Phased construction (with employee move-in as phases completed)



# Materials Recycled

Furnishings (reuse)	49	Carpet	157
Building Mat'ls (reuse)	39	Plate Glass	34
Metals, Mixed	430	Gypsum (Partitions)	2,762
Wire & Cable	135	Wood	12
Metals, HVAC	3,134	Aggregate	34
Ceiling Tiles	581	Mixed C&D (Net at 85%)	964
Total Project Reuse and Recycling			8,331
Total Waste Disposed			371
Project Recycling Rate (Through 9/20/05)			95.7 %

# Keys to Success

- ◆ Hampers and carts (indoor staging to live-load)
- ◆ Union support
- ◆ On-site presence
- ◆ Training, communications
- ◆ Flexibility from all involved



# Harvard Blackstone

*Description:* Complete interior gut, interior reconstruction (office), exterior renovation. 40,000 sq ft in three buildings (1890s). Structural brick, concrete, wood beams.

*Size/Duration:* \$10M,  
9 months

*Location:* Cambridge  
(urban, tight)

*Contractor:* Consigli

*Architect:* Bruner-Cott



# Challenges

- ◆ Tight site; Site work during construction
- ◆ Two projects on same site
- ◆ Hazardous materials (working around abatement)
- ◆ Identifying reuse options



# Materials Recycled

Furnishings (Reuse)	9	Brick	15
Fixed Assets (Reuse)	10	Concrete	395
HVAC Equipt	7	Asphalt	461
Metal	73	Gypsum Wallboard	25
Wood	61	Mixed C&D (Net at 70%)	6
Total Reuse and Recycling			1,061
Total Disposed			4
Project Recycling Rate			99.6%

# Keys To Success

- ◆ Early involvement
- ◆ Recycling requirements inserted into each section of specifications
- ◆ Good waste management spec
- ◆ Use selection process to identify committed contractor
- ◆ Committed owner
- ◆ Lots of concrete and asphalt



# IRN Connecticut Projects

- ◆ Institutional Projects
- ◆ Move Outs and Surplus
- ◆ New IRN Warehouse in New London
- ◆ Huge Potential in the State- Climate and Clients.
- ◆ Move Outs / Surplus
- ◆ Yale
  - ◆ +/- 6 projects in various stages of progress and scope
- ◆ Fairfield Properties
  - ◆ LEED Housing

# Site Solutions



# Obstacles and Challenges

- ◆ Unfamiliar Crew
- ◆ Accelerated Schedule
- ◆ Stacked Trades
- ◆ Multiple Materials
- ◆ Limited Site
- ◆ High Recycling Goals

# Reasons for Success

- ◆ Specifications For Recycling
- ◆ Unilateral Support
- ◆ Smart, Trainable Workforce
- ◆ Construction Waste Management Plan
- ◆ Flexibility, Adaptability
- ◆ Capitalizing On Materials That We Can Control To Build Our Rates
- ◆ Dedicated Commitment From Crew

# IRN as “Waste Manager”

## Partnership

- ⑩ RFP and Specification development
- ⑩ Pre-bid and pre-job planning, on-site coordination and troubleshooting
- ⑩ Job site training and signage
- ⑩ Dedicated logistics (markets, containers, transportation)
- ⑩ Complete accountability and reporting for all materials
- ⑩ Waste Management Plan and LEED documentation

# Results

- ◆ 75-99% recycling rate
- ◆ Two LEED points at a cost savings
- ◆ Potential Innovation Credit
- ◆ Trained Work Force
- ◆ Recycling Goals Achieved
- ◆ Noteworthy Marketing Tools

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