

# Glasgow Furniture Initiative

## Making Partnerships Happen

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## The GFI Business

1. Collect in volume, unwanted "good quality" household furniture, WEEE & related items
2. Take to a central warehouse (Hub) for assessment, repair, testing and storage. Assemble packages for social welfare agency (SWA) market
3. Supply 2 existing furniture org'ns; re-distribute to other community re-use org'ns; deliver packages to disadvantaged households thru SWA referral system

## Capacity after 12 Months

- 28 FTE staff
- 11 vans
- 30,000 sq ft under management
- Divert & Re-distribute 1,400 tonnes pa
- 40,000 items re-used pa
- 8,000 disadvantaged households helped pa

## Our Operational Partners

- **Glasgow City Council**
  - Land & Environmental Services
  - Access Centre
  - Community Services
- **Glasgow Housing Association**
- **Glasgow Homelessness Partnership**
- **Social Welfare Agencies**
- **CRNS (Glasgow Forum)**

## Our Support Partners

- Scottish Executive
  - a) INCREASE Fund
  - b) SWF150
- CRNS
- CPP - Regeneration Agencies
- SEPA
- GCVS

**"Coming together is a beginning;  
keeping together is progress;  
working together is success"**

Henry Ford

