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CVRD continues donation program with Habitat for Humanity at Bings Creek Recycling Centre

DUNCAN, BC – The Cowichan Valley Regional District (CVRD) continues to partner with Habitat for Humanity Mid-Vancouver Island to offer a Pop-Up Donation Drop for new or gently used building materials and home décor at Bings Creek Recycling Centre on Friday September 23 and Friday October 7, 2022.

"Transforming waste into a resource is an important step that we need to take to move towards our zero waste as a region," said Doug Stevens, Manager of Solid Waste Operations. "We want to maximize reuse opportunities to prevent otherwise usable materials from entering the landfill. Working with Habitat for Humanity is a great way to offer free disposal options that support affordable housing and Cowichan Valley waste diversion goals."

The pilot program is run by Habitat for Humanity volunteers that determine material eligibility to ensure that items can be used in building projects or resold at the Duncan ReStore located on 251 Government Street.

"Habitat for Humanity accepts any good working condition items such as furniture, electronics and light fixtures, to windows, flooring and other building materials," said Jeff Krafta, Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity Mid-Vancouver Island. "Not only does this decrease the amount of waste that is generated, but it also reduces our homes' ecological footprints while offering much-needed affordable housing."

Support affordable housing projects and Cowichan Valley residents by donating new or gently used building materials and home décor at the September 23 and October 7 Pop-Up Donation Drop from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Bings Creek Recycling Centre. Donations must be in good, clean working condition; see <u>https://www.habitatmvi.org/donating-household-goods/</u> to learn more. For more information about the ReStore or how to get involved with Habitat for Humanity MVI, call the Duncan ReStore at 778.455.1888.

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