

Love, INC.

RE:MADE

Old made New

Taking donated items and turning them into a treasure through painting, styling, repurposing items.



Rugs made from t-shirts

Re:MADE Staff

The store would be staffed by volunteers and lead by the creative teams that serve in each department to facilitate many hands and ideas to grow and handle operations. Two by two serving with others.



Benefits of opening a re:MADE store in your community.

- Neighbors are building relationships naturally.
- Love, Inc is receiving funding and exposure.
- Artists have a place to sell products and teach others.
- ECWS parents job training.
- Recycle and repurposed items are used.
- Safe place to build friendships
- Sharing the love of Jesus in a practical way.
- Empowering others.

Moving people from getting to growing to giving.

It takes a community to be re:MADE

“I have come that they may have life, and have it more abundantly”.
John 10:10

Once the store is open it will also benefit the churches and local businesses as a place they can refer their members, employees, and people in need to come and receive support through classes, clothing, supplies, new skills and job training while being encouraged.

The re:MADE store would bring an ever increasing circle of volunteers and supporters who would be serving together.

PROJECTIONS	OPERATIONS	CONSTRUCTION	SERVING/STAFF	INVENTORY
	<p>Love, Inc. 50%</p> <p>Staffing 20%</p> <p>Rent 10%</p> <p>Utilities 10%</p> <p>Bank/Misc. 3%</p> <p>Marketing 3%</p> <p>Supplies 4%</p>	<p>Fixtures/space</p> <p>Repurposed racks from donated wood and pipe, volunteers painting walls, setting up initial stock.</p>	<p>Manager</p> <p>Later staff</p> <p>Volunteers</p> <p>Neighbors</p> <p>Artists</p> <p>Craftsmen</p> <p>Tradesmen</p>	<p>Donations</p> <p>New and used clothing, furniture, household goods, etc. will come from individuals and businesses.</p>



Merging local talent and volunteers to create an exciting re:MADE store.

The heart of re:MADE - neighbors serving neighbors.

One of the main goals behind re:MADE is the desire to transform lives by people serving people. This may simply be volunteers serving next to each other, entering into each other's lives to encourage and just be there for one another. An elderly woman whose husband passed away this past year and she feels the crippling loss daily and is trying to find a new normal while volunteering next to a young woman who is between jobs. And is working at the store to get some new clothes for her job interview [receives a voucher for volunteering]. Lives intersecting, people listening and slowing down to hear what is being said, hearts healing and lives beginning to change.

Christians are known for donating thousands of household and clothing items. The difference between a thrift store and a RE:made store is some items will be repurposed. Furniture will be cleaned and possibly painted and/or reupholstered.

Creative repurposing items to make them new and fresh, a store that is maintained and built by a creative leadership team and volunteers in an artistic environment that encourages artists from the community to come alongside people to produce RE:made items for resale.

The heart of re:MADE will be people whose lives are being changed by Christ and are sharing with others on that journey - people serving people.

It is often about the intersection when people come in contact with someone whose life is being re:MADE!

Envision a store with Christian music, fresh coffee and baked goods, staffed by people who aren't really there to sell anything but just love on and help the people who stop in for whatever reason brings them in. While providing some great home decor pieces and fashionable clothing and gifts at reasonable prices.

The possibilities are as endless as the creative abilities God has given to the immeasurable number of people in the community that want a place to spend some time, be part of something bigger than themselves, finding encouragement and inspiration from Christ followers.

Common Uniqueness

Taking common overlooked everyday items and repurposing them into something wonderfully unique - RE:made into something extraordinary.

A different kind of thrift and resale store - style, fun, beauty... re:MADE!

SELLING

Fun and stylish space filled with clothing, furniture, houseware, locally donated and then refurbished by volunteers & neighbors working together from the community.

CREATING

Artists displaying their creative products and an active studio for working together with volunteers and customers on creative projects.

HELPING

People helping neighbors, artists teaching new skills, volunteers coaching life and job skills, and job training for those needing experience and skills.

POSSIBILITIES



Utilizing resources well.

Building a connection with local businesses and suppliers that join us in the mission to help neighbors and products being re:MADE. Offering Emergency Cold Weather Services parents a place to volunteer during the day and participate in on the job training.

Possible Facility Details

The type of building for the re:MADE retail store is very flexible, it could be anything from a warehouse, empty retail space, vacant restaurant, a large house, vacant church, hotel, or a vacant mall.

Central location - between families with resources and neighbors in need.

Booth Space - available for artists to rent.

Retail Space - displays made from repurposed materials, stylish clothing, accessories, furniture and household items - some repurposed or refreshed in some way.

Creative Space/Workroom

- craft room space with supplies donated. Work tables and chairs, sewing machines other tools & supplies for crafting. Space for painting, room to work on furniture and projects.

Offices - for manager, Love, Inc. and staff.

The following could be added:

- **Laundry facility**
- **Certified Kitchen**
- **Cafe**
- **Exercise Room**
- **Child-care Facilities**

Is there a building in our community that is empty that could be the re:MADE community hub?



STEPS TO OPEN RE:MADE STORE

Pray for God's direction, people, place and path.

"In all your ways acknowledge Him and He will make straight your paths." Proverbs 3:6

Recruit teams of two.

"After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go." Luke 10:1 "If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up." Ecclesiastes 4:10

- Meeting to see what interest there is from churches/businesses

- Organization approves moving forward and forms DBA

File paperwork doing business as "re:MADE ____ {City Name}"

- 2x2 Team Growth/Collaboration begins with churches/businesses

Begin placing 2x2 teams of volunteers within each area of the store process.

- re:MADE manager

Interview, hire person to serve in this position, willing to give a 3 year commitment.

- Volunteer Recruiters

Find a 2x2 team willing to help in this capacity for 1 year.

- Marketing Plans

- Location secured, licensing, permits, signage

- Equipment and supplies

- Volunteer Recruiting/ Training Placement for Talents

- Building Prep/Setup

- Set-up and displays

- Collections/Creations

- Grand Opening - re:MADE

Focus is always to remain on relationships - building, strengthening, encouraging everyone who is part of or shops at re:MADE.



Collaboration

Bringing people from churches, businesses, and the community together. Creating a positive place to grow, learn and experience life together while creating re:MADE items to sell. Utilizing talents and time with friends as a place to meet people where they are at and encouraging each of us to be the best we can be.

Churches

- volunteers
- items to be re:MADE
- support for utilities/supplies

Businesses

- resources to create re:MADE items
- overstocks/clearance items
- donations

RE:MADE

Exciting new opportunity to grow and connect with more Anchorage churches, businesses and volunteers.