

Pre-Summit Survey Results

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About Divert NS

Mandate: to work with Nova Scotians to improve our environment, economy and quality of life by reducing, reusing, recycling and recovering resources.

Three key pillars:

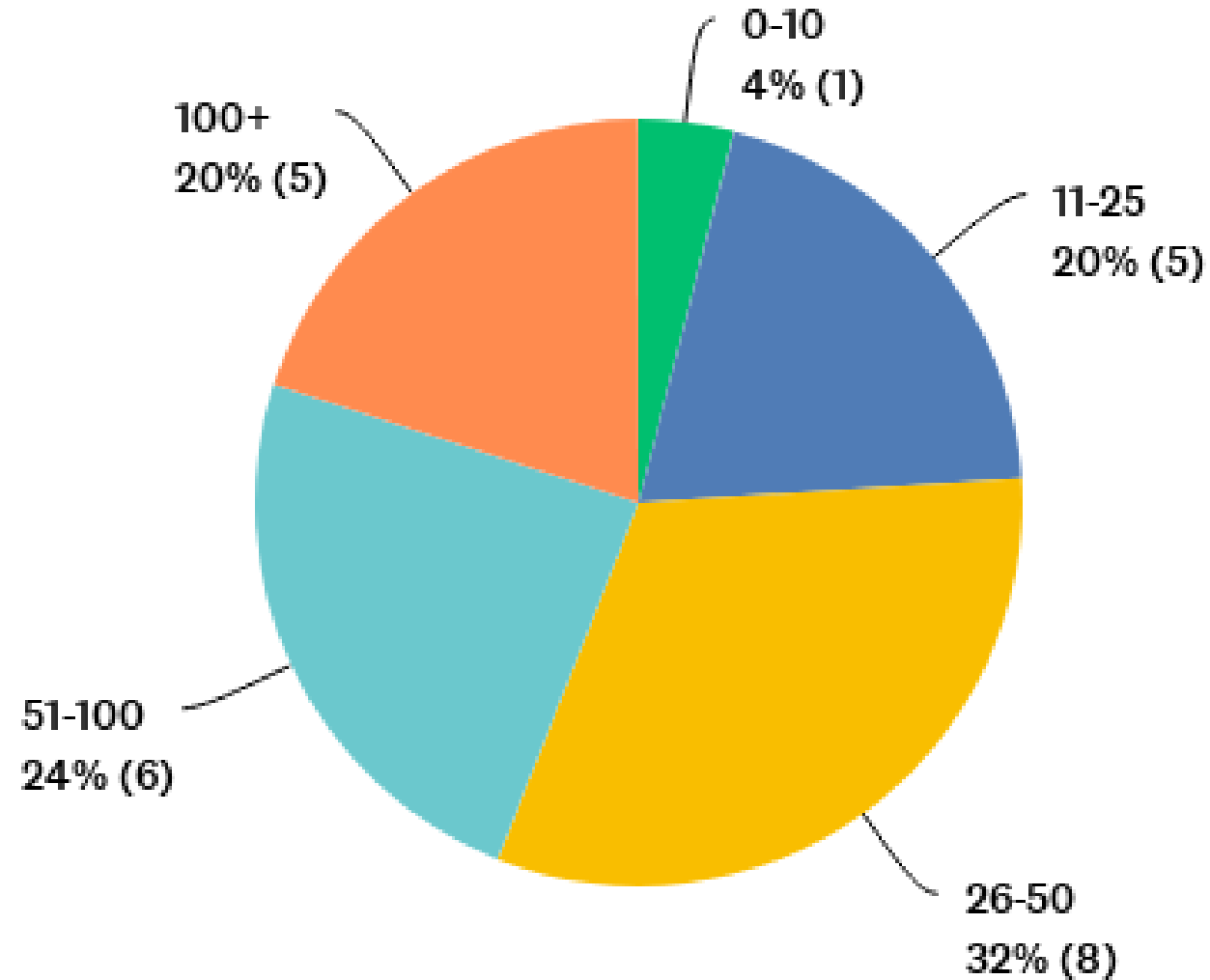
- Stewardship
- Innovation
- Catalyst for Change



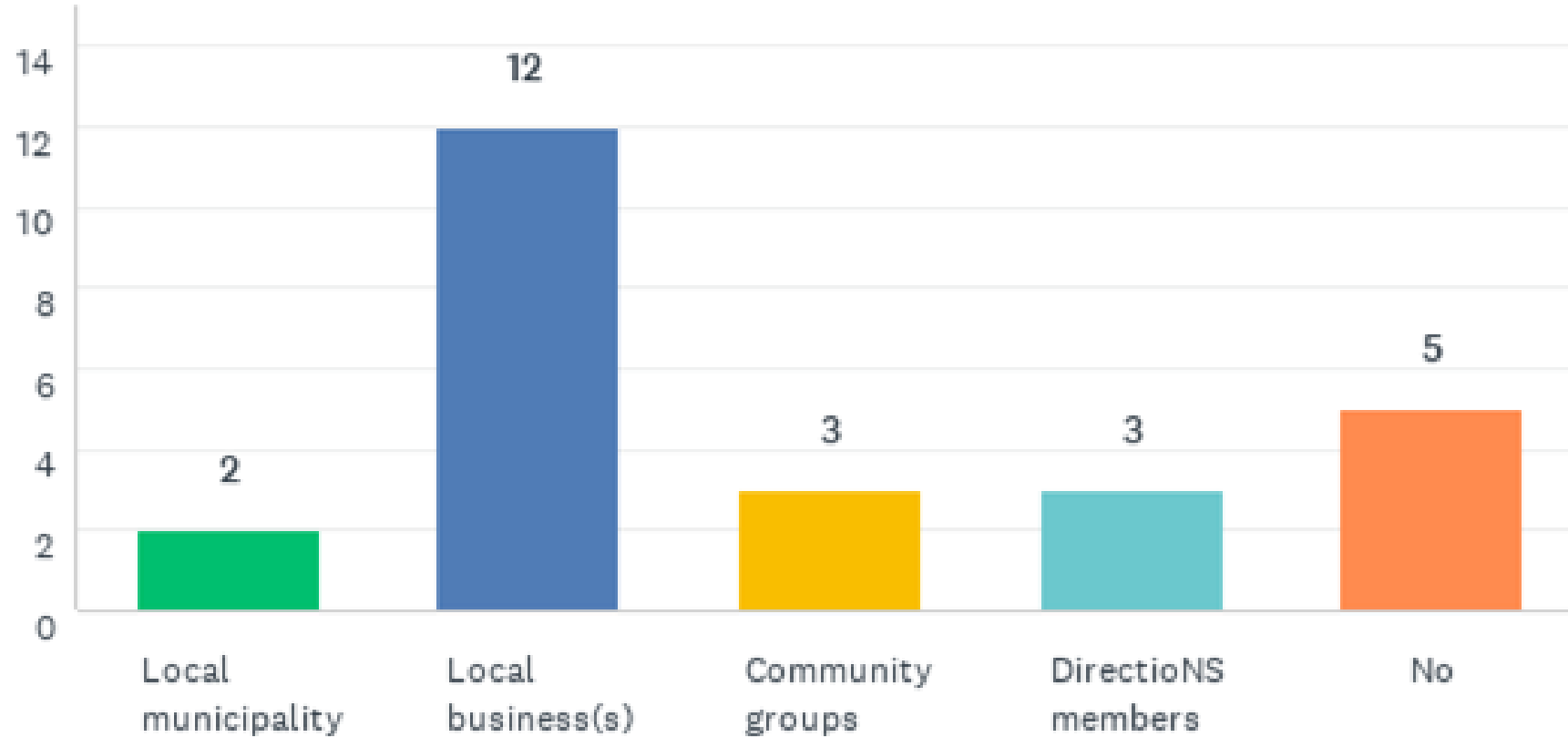
DirectioNS Council & Divert NS

- Opportunity to work together
- DirectioNS Council members already doing waste reduction work
- Divert NS has a mandate to foster innovation in diverting solid waste from Nova Scotia's landfills
- Divert NS offers funding for waste reduction projects through funding programs:
 - Student Research Grant Program
 - Research & Development Program
 - Value-Added manufacturing Program
 - Enviro-Depot™ Infrastructure Funding

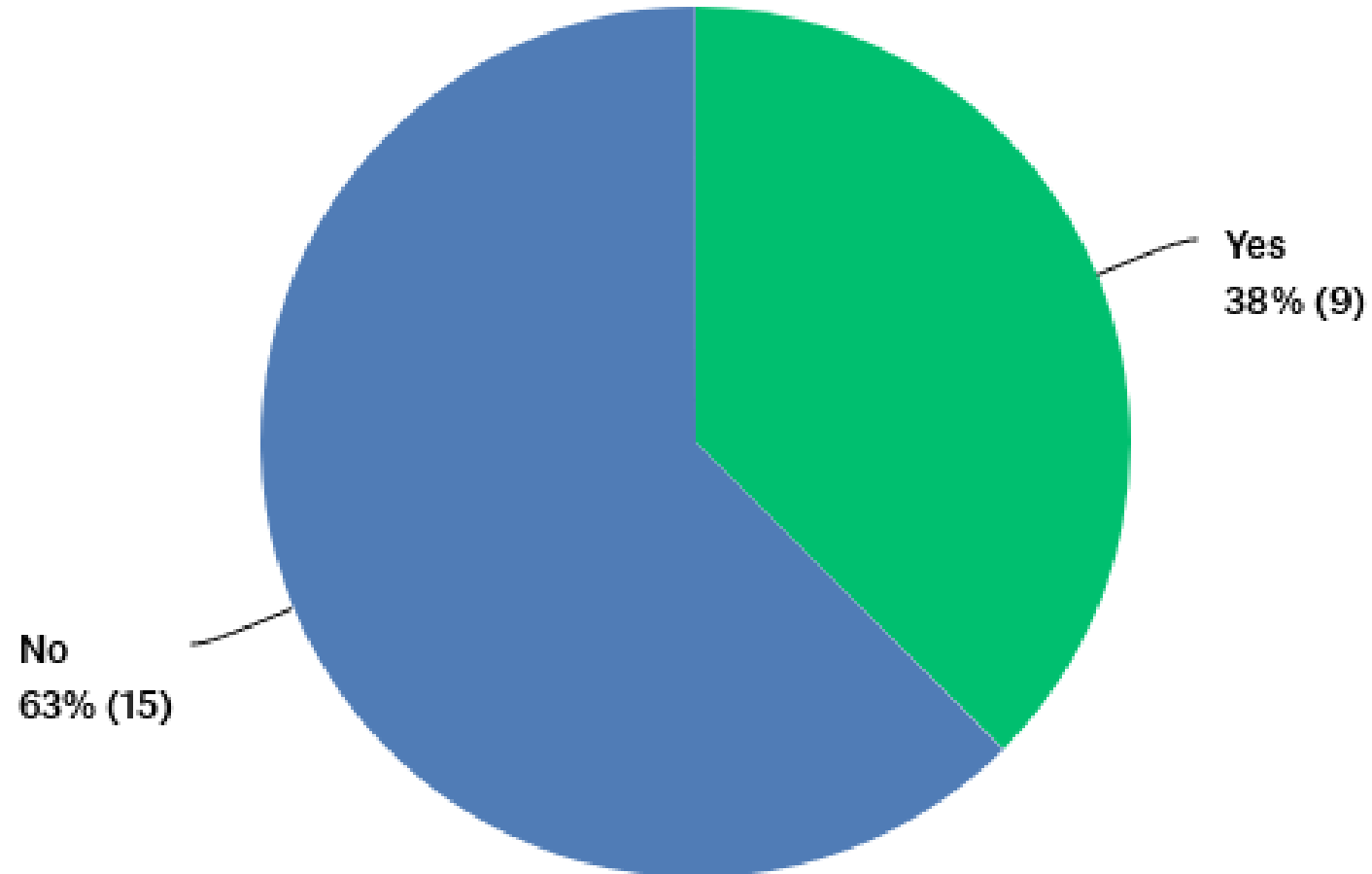
How many Clients your Organization Serves



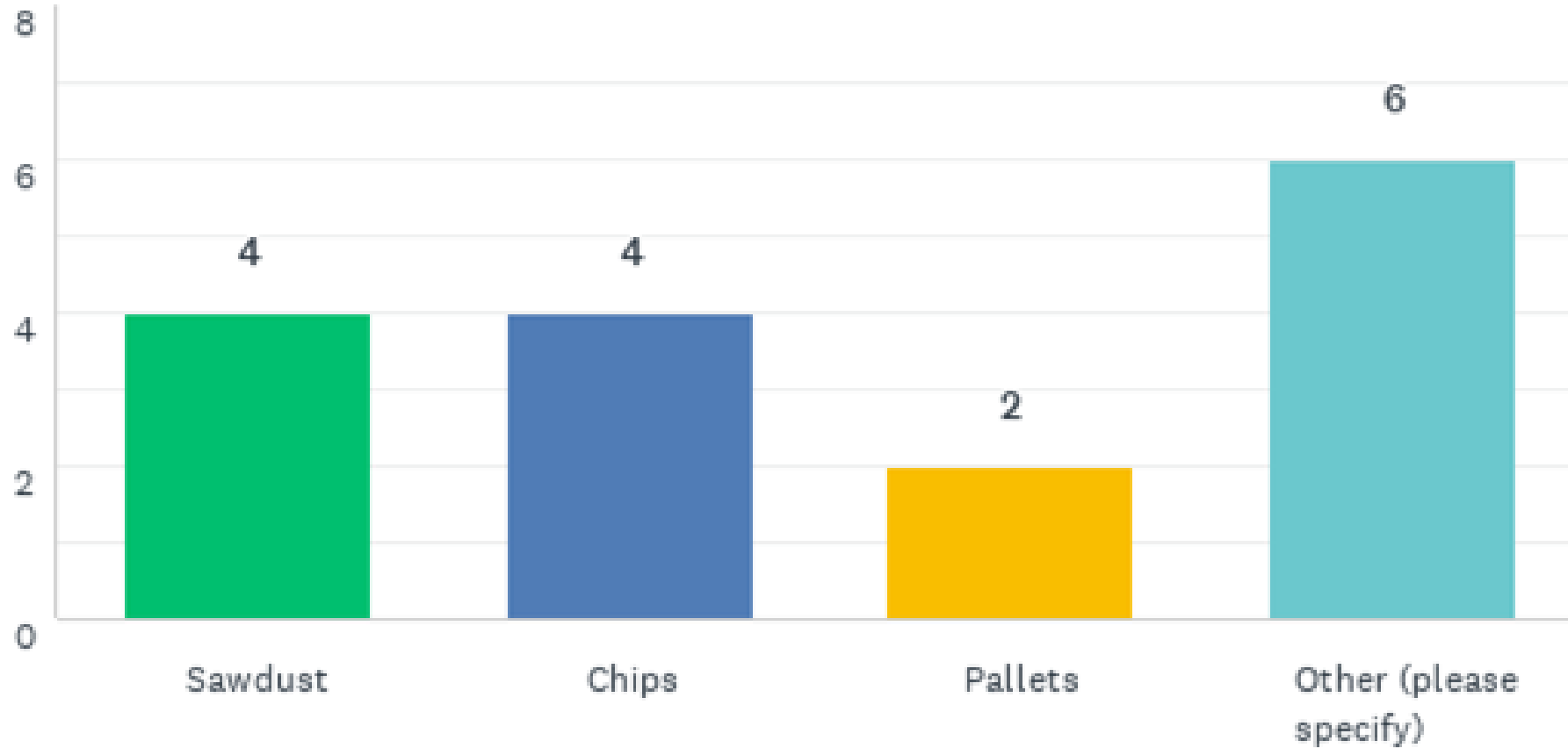
Partnerships



Involved in wood waste diversion?



What specific wood waste is used?



Wood Waste

Wood waste sources:

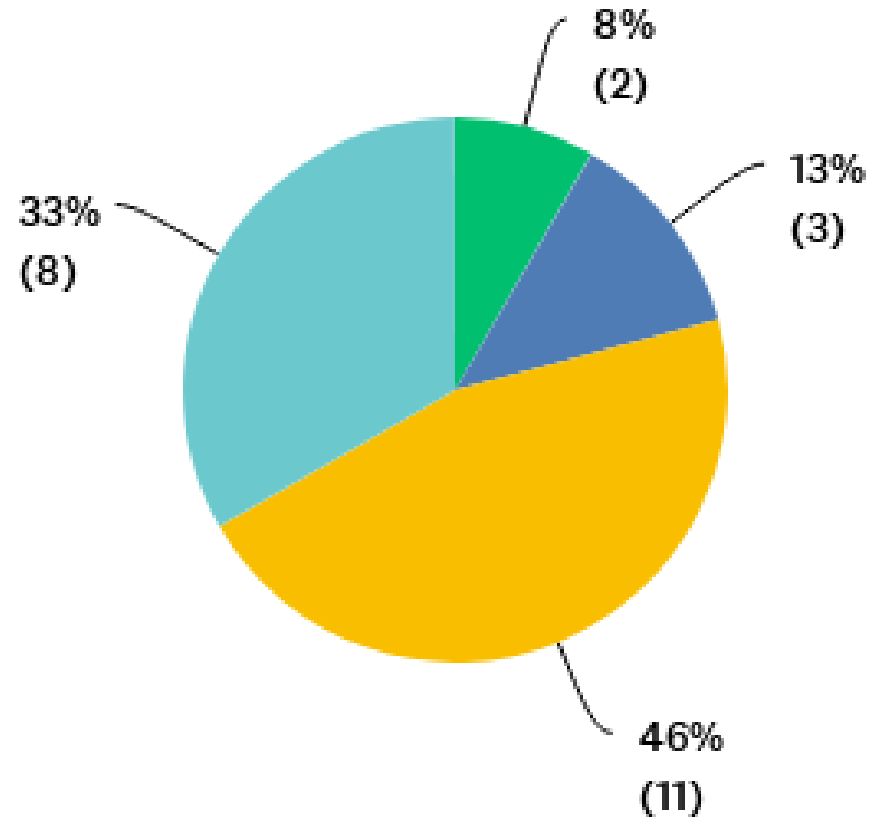
- Internally produced from primary woodworking projects
 - From local sawmill
 - From local businesses



End products from diverted wood waste:

- Firestarters
- Fire logs
- Wood toys
- Sawdust
- Kindling
- Small Crafts
- Wooden furniture

Involved in household goods and/or textiles diversion?



■ Used clothing ■ Household goods ■ Used clothing and household goods ■ No

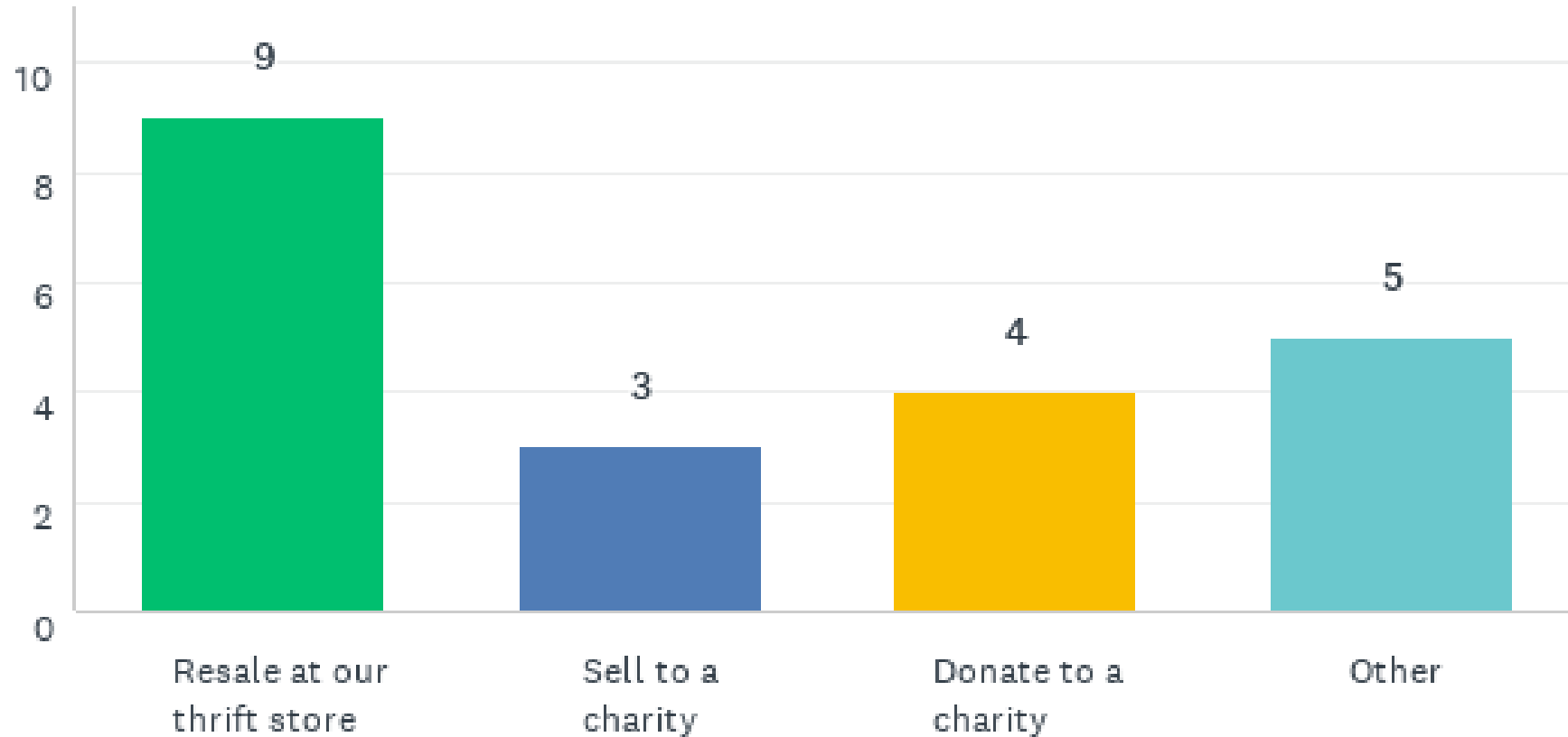
If only textiles are diverted, what do you do with them?



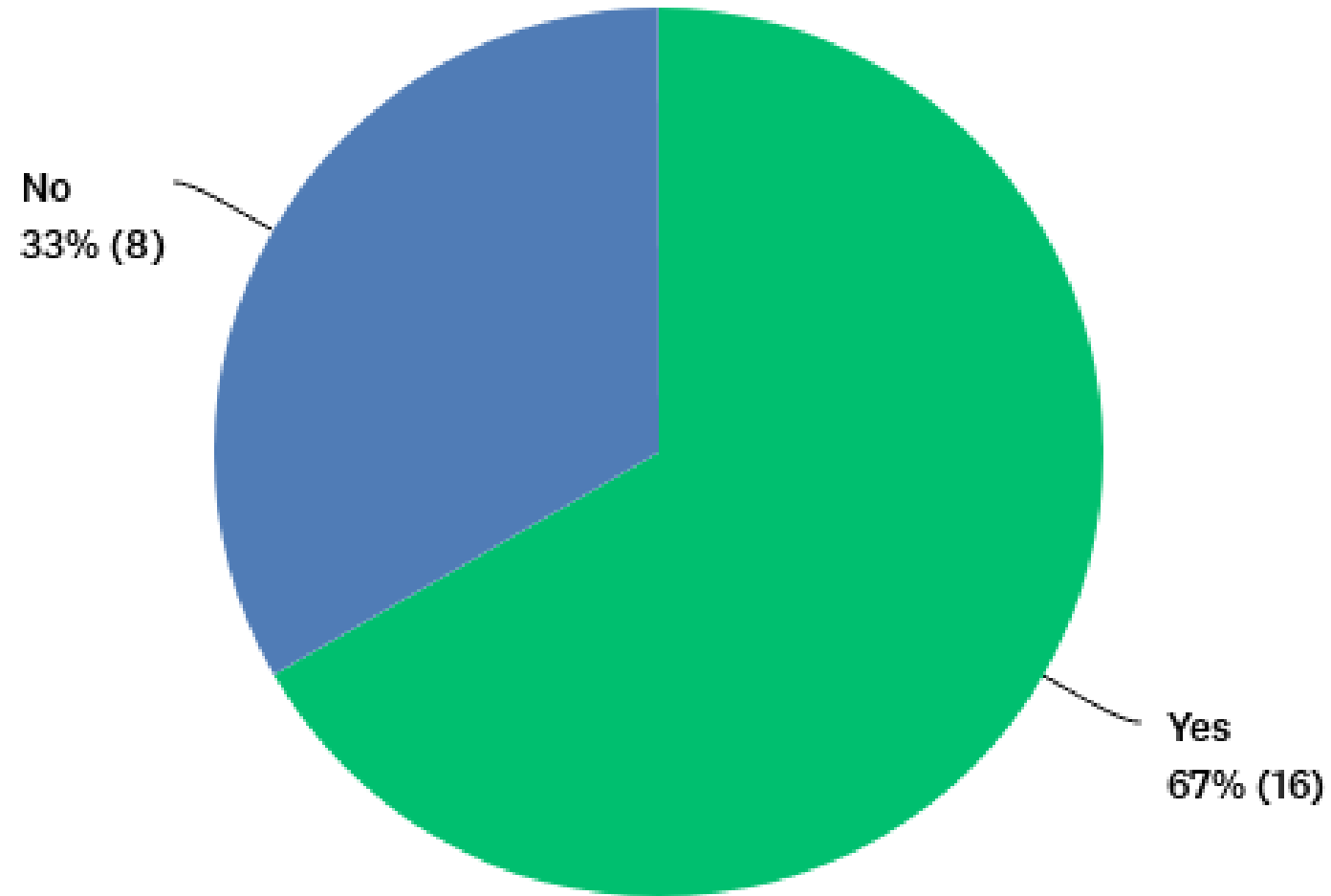
If both textiles and household goods are diverted, what do you do with the textiles?



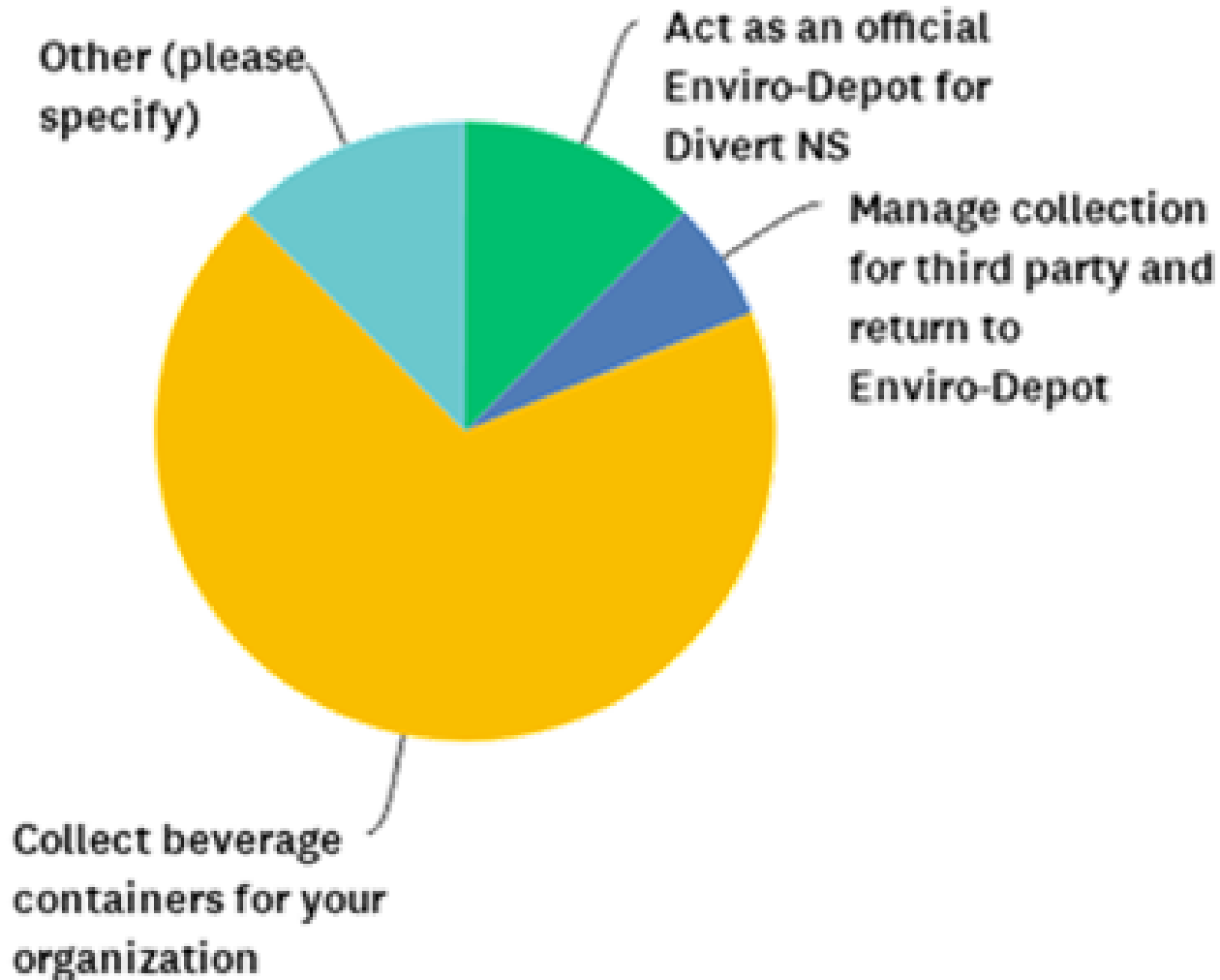
If both textiles and household goods are diverted, what do you do with the household goods?



Involvement in diversion of Refundable Beverage Containers?



In what capacity do you divert refundable beverage containers?



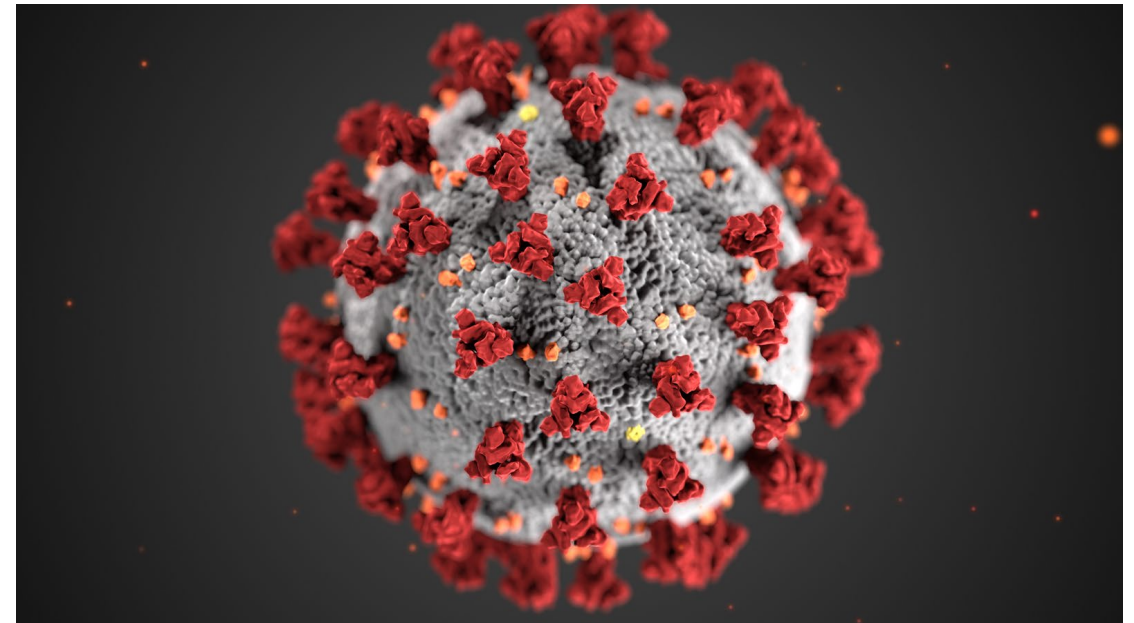
Involved in any other waste diversion/reuse activities?

- Reuse plastic waste in plastics diversion
- Shredding paper
- EPRA- the recycling of electronic waste
- PVC pipe to create lawn ornaments
- End-of-life computers
- Some recycled material crafts
- A paper shredder gives shreds to a firelog business on site or to farmers
- Heat buildings with wood fired boiler with scrap wood
- Books that can't be sold are sent to Thermocell to be made into insulation

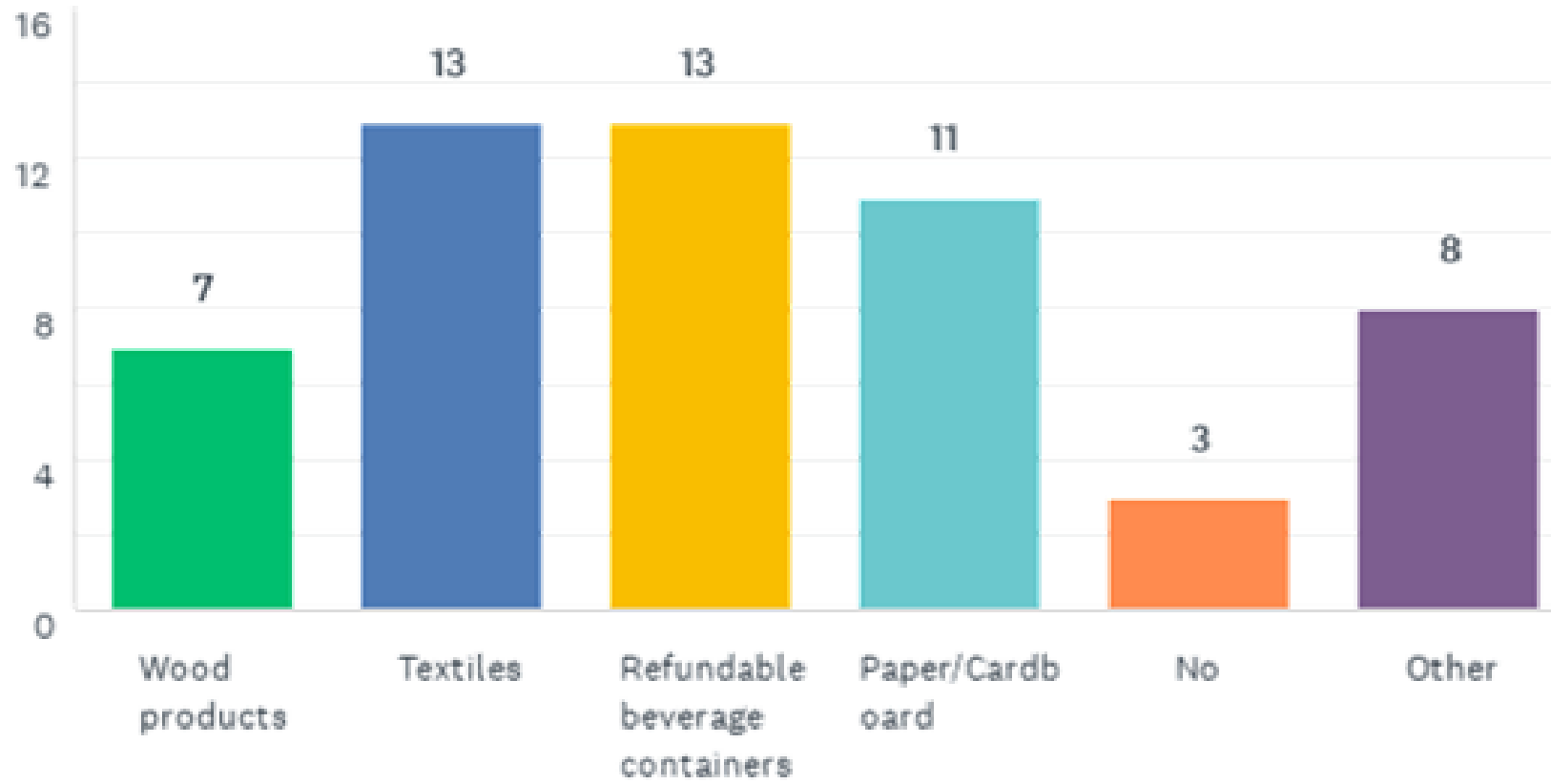


Did COVID-19 specifically impact any of your waste diversion/reduction initiatives?

- Closed for months, reduced capacity now
- Stockpiled wood
- Unable to accept donations
- Enhanced safety protocols
- Increase in donations but decrease in ability to move the product
- Couldn't collect recyclables from partners
- Lack of storage space to quarantine material impacted how much material they could collect
- Fewer bin pick-ups meant some things were stolen after hours



Interested in pursuing a NEW waste diversion/reuse initiative?



Thank You