

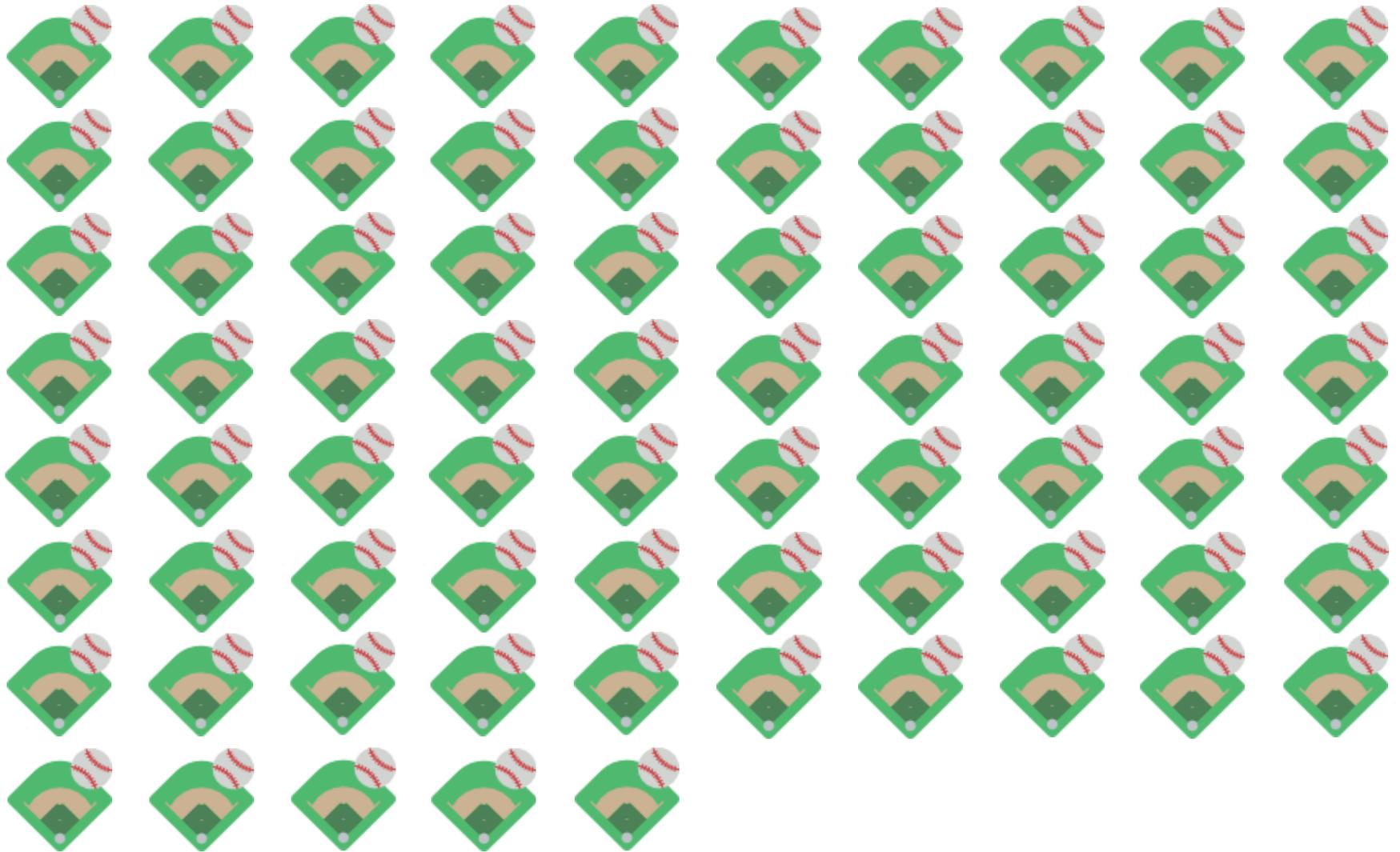
# FURNITURE REUSE

**THE TRIPLE BOTTOM LINE**

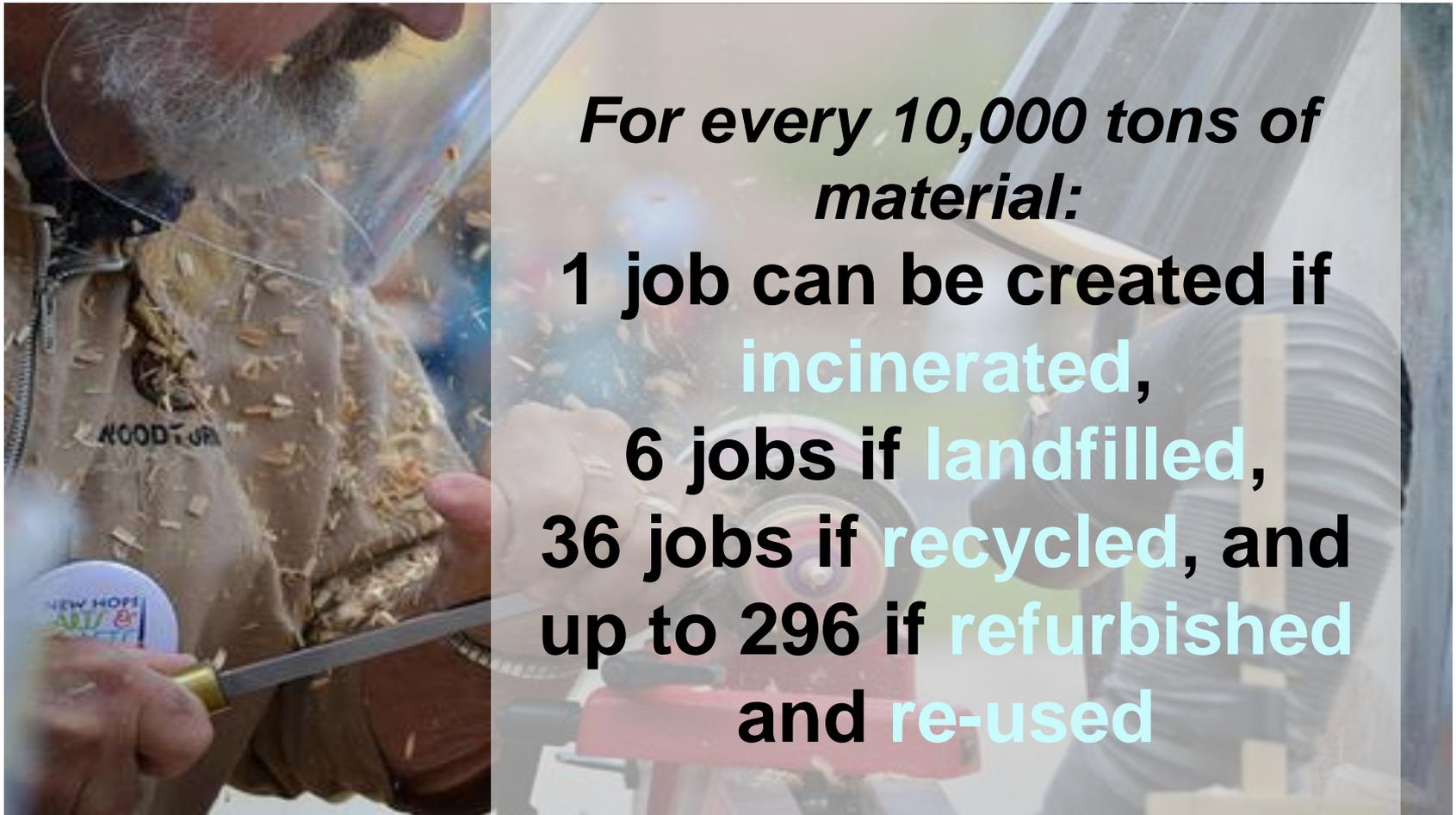
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# IN MASSACHUSETTS, WE DISPOSE OF ENOUGH TRASH TO FILL 74 FENWAY PARKS EVERY YEAR



# ECONOMIC



*For every 10,000 tons of material:*

**1 job can be created if incinerated,**

**6 jobs if landfilled,**

**36 jobs if recycled, and**

**up to 296 if refurbished and re-used**

# ENVIRONMENT



***Estimated CO2 emissions (per 100 rooms)***

Manufacturing New Furniture: **125.32 Tons**

Refurbishing Furniture: **1.24 Tons**

# SOCIAL

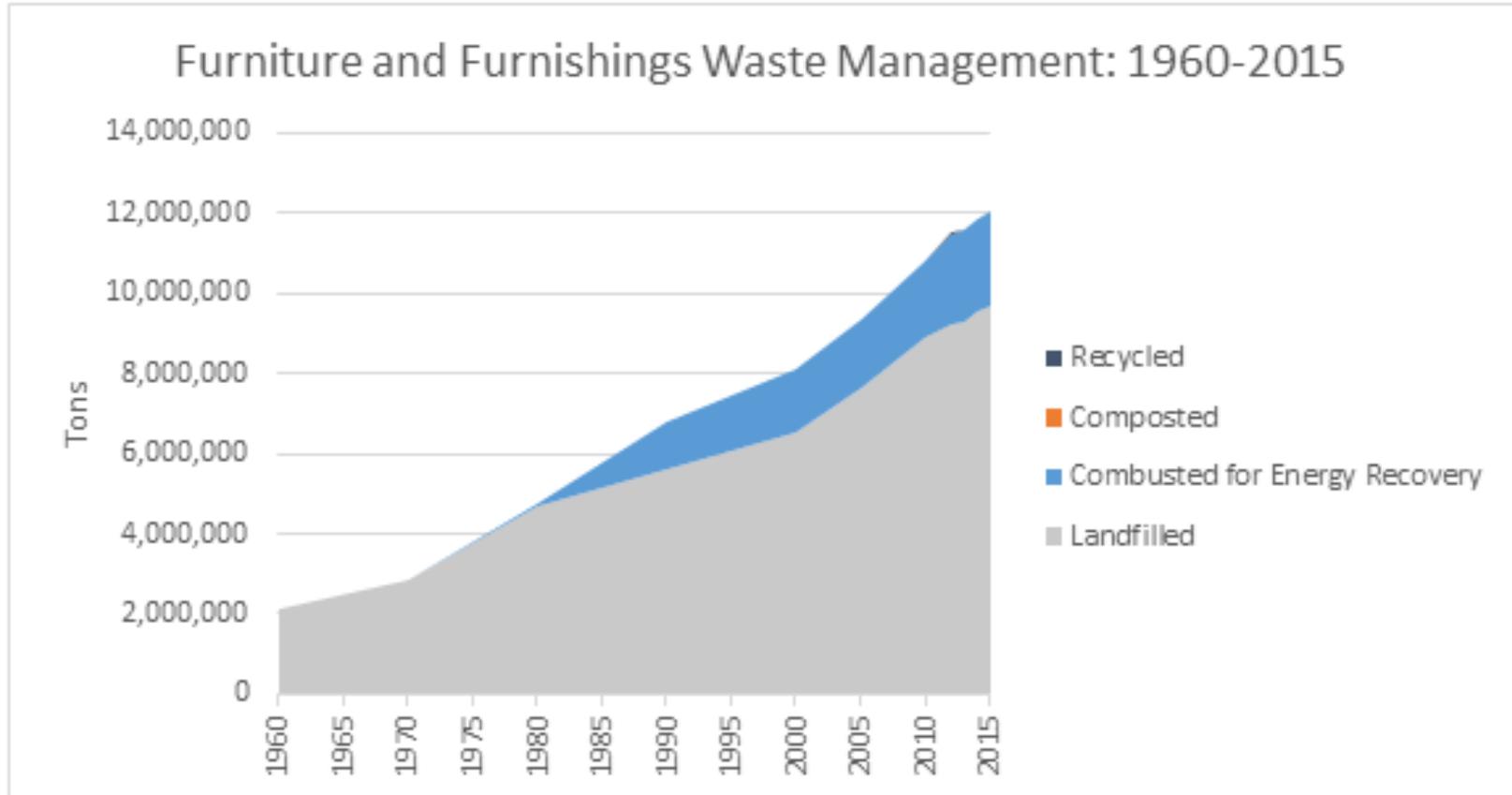


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**OVER 12 MILLION TONS OF FURNITURE AND FURNISHINGS WERE COMBUSTED FOR ENERGY RECOVERY OR LANDFILLED IN THE US IN 2015**

## A GROWING TREND



Source: epa.gov

# PROMOTING FURNITURE REUSE



Mattress Recycling Grants



Municipal Swap Shops



The Furniture Trust



Habitat ReStore



Devens Eco-Efficiency Center





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# REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE

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