

Repair Fair at Carleton



Challenging the Linear Consumption Economy on Campus
and in the Community

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Linear Vs. Circular Consumption



Repair Fair Goals:

- Encourage people to repair their items rather than buying new things!
 - Provide a free opportunity for fixing!
 - Encourage fixers to engage with people (showing them how something could be repaired in the future)
- Engage the campus and greater community in a deeper conversation about consumption



Planning Process:

- People
 - Fixers
 - Volunteers
- Tools
- Spaces
 - Large enough and able to accomodate special fix needs (i.e. bikes)
- Promotion!



Timeline

Time Until Event	Task
3 Months	Start contacting fixer-volunteers
2 Months	Begin advertising
1 Month	Begin volunteer search/setup
2 Weeks	Send information out about event (time, location, other specifics)
1.5 Week	Begin gathering tools needed
3 Days	Send reminder email to volunteers (Post on FB, Etc...)
2 Hours	Set up chairs + tools
1 Hour	Volunteers Arrive
1 week after	Send thank you cards to volunteers!

The Day of the Repair Fair:

- Set Up
 - Have a map!
 - Label some tables and leave others open
 - Check in with fixers about their specific needs
- Volunteers
 - Assign specific roles to every volunteer
 - Have a check-in process for volunteers
- Fixing
 - Area Captains: Bikes, Sewing, General Mechanic



Future Adjustments:

- Number of fixers:
 - More sewers because most people came in with clothes to fix
- Cutoff for repairs to be completed (30 minutes?)
- Improve DIY table (encourage circular consumption independently!)



Documentation

- Keep all information to run the event again!
 - List of Contact Information for Fixers and Volunteers
 - Acquisition of Tools
 - Timeline
 - Publicity materials and schedule
 - Recap of event



Questions?

