



# RAVEN REPORT

November 2013

## Be Smart, Buy Smart

The Be Smart, Buy Smart campaign started at the beginning of November and runs until the end of the year. It's part of our Rethink strategy and forms part of the Zero Waste campaign. This time of year is a busy one for retailers with people buying gifts and other holiday items. By being smart and buying locally you can help both our local economy and waste diversion. Ordering gifts from Outside means lots and lots of packaging coming into the Yukon. Buying as much as you can locally means less packaging for the waste

stream and helps our economy. If you buy locally but the products are from Outside then it still requires less packaging material than if we get stuff shipped in individually. Many businesses in town recycle the cardboard boxes and other packaging they receive, so less recycling for you to worry about. Another way to buy smart is to buy something that can be experienced. Maybe a gift certificate for a meal or an outdoor experience. For more ideas check out [zerowasteyukon.ca](http://zerowasteyukon.ca) This year, reduce your shopping environmental footprint. Be smart, buy smart.

## New Contest!

December is coming and this year Raven is holding a 12 Days of Christmas\* contest. Watch out for details coming soon.

\*No partridges in pear trees as prizes, guaranteed

## DID YOU KNOW?

A humorous take on part of Buying Smart, courtesy of Randall Munroe, online at [xkcd.com](http://xkcd.com)

## Styrofoam Recycling at Raven

Raven's Styrofoam machine is now up and running. We have a new bin at the front of the building to collect your clean polystyrene foam. All you need to do is drop the foam in there and we do the rest. We can only accept clean Styrofoam as food scraps and the like will contaminate the blocks. Now we're taking the product it's time for a few thank you kindlys to: Yukon Meat and Sausage, Beaver Creek's First Recycling Depot, the City of Whitehorse Environment Fund, YTG's Recycling Fund and all those people who donated money to our fundraising campaign.

## RECYCLING CLUB NEWS

The last day to order certificates is 18th December and they must be used by 11th January 2014. Don't forget to contact Leaf Solutions about your certificates. Raven won't be able to help you.

### FUN FACT:

STORES HAVE A COMPETITION TO SEE WHO CAN SPREAD YOUR ITEMS ACROSS THE MOST PLASTIC SHOPPING BAGS.



### RAVEN RECYCLING

Your Community Recycling Center

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