## **Empowered Ed Factsheet**

BUDGET TIPS TO EQUIP SPACES

## **KEEP IT SIMPLE!**

- Learn basic tool and maintenance skills.
- Collect ideas & inspiration for upcycling & DIY projects to save money buying new.
- Start with what you already have & modify.
- Consider sustainability issues of just throwing out older equip and plastic. Get creative!
- Use free or low cost materials like wooden pallets to turn into tables, seating, mud kitchens, dividers, garden beds and more!
- Turn household items into resources by thinking outside the box and getting creative!
- Use low cost open ended & recycled materials.
- Grow gardens from seed save a seed library!



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BUDGET FRIENDLY MATERIALS

## WHERE TO FIND THEM

- Recycling & revolve centres.
- Garage sales, op shops, car boot markets.
- Toy libraries
- Educator swap days
- Garden/landscaping/hardware stores
- Discount & department stores (get inventive!
- Treelopping & mulching services
- Industrial estates
- Tradespeople
- Local council
- Park, beach, bush visits.
- Postage & packaging materials (reuse)
- Cabinetmakers (wood offcuts & boards)
- Tyre shops

