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## **\$20,000 Donation Supports Habitat for Humanity in Grand Forks**

**INTERNATIONAL FOREST PRODUCTS LIMITED** ("Interfor" or the "Company") (TSX: IFP.A), in partnership with Arrow Transportation Systems Inc., announced today it will donate \$20,000 for a multi-agency community project that will provide housing and other support services in Grand Forks.

The funds – from the 2012 Playhouse Challenge – will help Habitat for Humanity Boundary (HFHB) establish a ReStore, which will sell used building materials, furniture, tools, equipment and other affordable second-hand goods to support the affiliate's award-winning building program.

The store will be part of a one-stop support centre at 7212 Riverside Drive in Grand Forks where HFHB, Boundary Emergency and Transition Society and Whispers of Hope Benevolence Association will offer shelter, meals, clothing and other support for individuals and families who are homeless, hungry and/or unable to get decent, safe and affordable housing.

"As a major employer in Grand Forks, Interfor is proud to be a partner in this important community initiative that offers value to people in need at so many levels," said Andrew Horahan, general manager of Interfor's Grand Forks sawmill and Kootenay operations. "As part of the Playhouse Challenge, we raised \$20,000 for the Habitat for Humanity affiliate of our choice. This project is a perfect fit with our company's values and reflects our commitment to the community."

"This donation will help HFHB and our partners move ahead with our plan to fill identified gaps in housing and support services in Grand Forks," said Rick Friesen, executive director of the HFHB Society.

In addition to the ReStore, the proposed centre will include a permanent location for a shelter, three transition housing units, a thrift store and a soup kitchen, as well as office space for the three organizations.

"At Arrow, we value teamwork and are proud to support something that is both efficient and beneficial to so many people," said Mitchell Zulinick, chief operating officer of Arrow Transportation Systems Inc.

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Interfor was one of seven British Columbia forest companies that participated in Canfor's Playhouse Challenge ([www.playhousechallenge.com](http://www.playhousechallenge.com)) last year, building innovative playhouses with wood. Interfor donated quality western red cedar and Douglas-fir lumber products; award-winning architect Michael Green drew inspiration from his son to create a fun design, and Blackfish Homes and Construction Ltd. built the resulting structure.

The playhouses were displayed at the Pacific National Exhibition in Vancouver last August, and after the fair they were sold to pre-registered corporate buyers. Arrow Transportation was among the buyers that paid for Interfor's entry. The playhouse will be presented to the new Ronald McDonald House in Vancouver when it opens in 2014.

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### **ABOUT INTERFOR**

Interfor is a leading global lumber supplier, with annual capacity of more than 2 billion board feet, and one of the most diverse lines of lumber products in the world. The Company has operations across North America and is headquartered in Vancouver, Canada. For more information about Interfor, visit our website at [www.interfor.com](http://www.interfor.com).

### **ABOUT ARROW TRANSPORTATION**

Arrow Transportation Systems Inc. specializes in providing transportation, distribution, logistics and specialized services to a wide range of industrial customers including B.C. and Alberta's forest industries. The company has 850 people working throughout Canada and the United States and have been in business for almost 100 years.

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