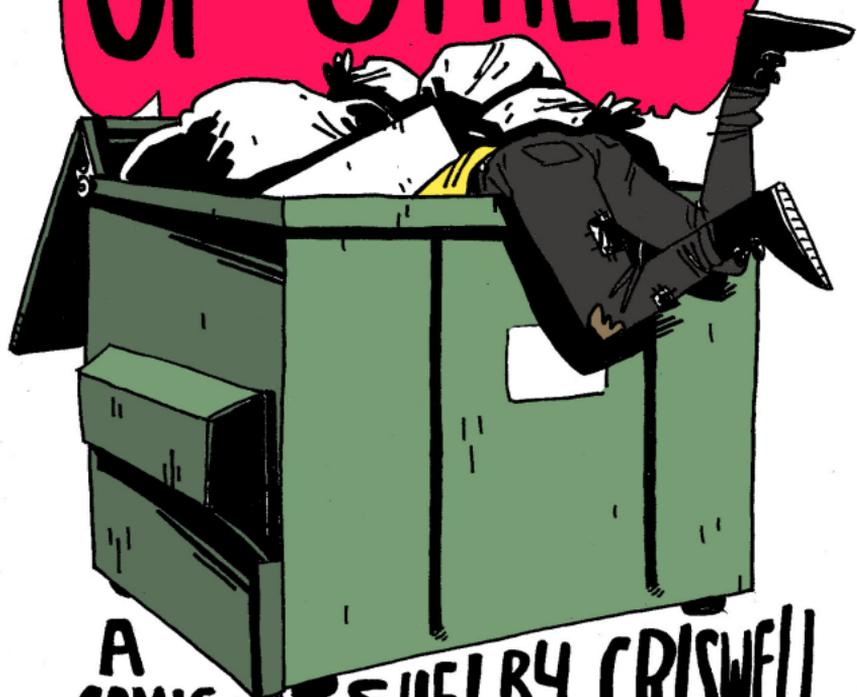


# LIVING OFF THE PROFLIGACY OF OTHERS



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(AKA. A MINI DUMPSTER DIVING HANDBOOK)



WHEN I WAS A HOME-  
LESS KID, I LEARNED  
A LOT ABOUT HOW  
WASTEFUL PEOPLE ARE...



...AND HOW  
TO USE THAT  
TO MY  
ADVANTAGE.



**CANNONBALL!!!**



AMERICA THROWS AWAY  
BILLIONS OF DOLLARS  
OF FOOD A YEAR.

**SCORE!**



OUR AFFLUENT, CAPITALIST  
SOCIETY PRODUCES SO  
MUCH WASTE THAT  
YOU CAN LIVE SOLELY  
OFF OF IT.

**YUM!**



FIRST THING'S FIRST...  
WHY DUMPSTER DIVE?

OTHER THAN HOMELESS-  
NESS, DUMPSTER DIVING  
HELPS SAVE LANDFILL  
SPACE, CUT DOWN  
ON RESOURCES,  
AND RECYCLE  
WHAT WE  
ALREADY  
HAVE.



ALSO, "IS IT  
LEGAL" IS AN  
IMPORTANT THING  
TO CONSIDER.

HEY  
KID!!



QUIT LOITERING!!!

OKAY MAN,  
BE COOL...



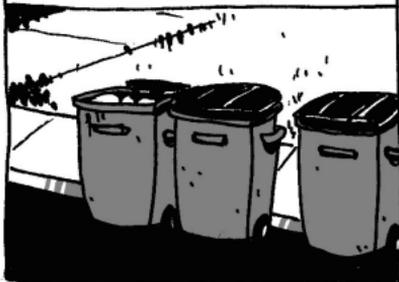
COPS HAVE A SUPERIORITY  
COMPLEX AND TEND TO  
BE ASSHOLES, SO BE  
CAREFUL WHEN DIVING.



SOME AUTHORITY FIGURES  
SAY YOU'RE TRESPASSING  
ON PRIVATE PROPERTY  
WHEN YOU DUMPSTER DIVE.



OTHERS CLAIM THAT  
ONCE SOMETHING IS  
THROWN AWAY, IT'S IN  
THE PUBLIC DOMAIN. IT  
REALLY DEPENDS ON  
LOCAL REGULATION.



THE LOCATION IS A HUGE FACTOR THAT IS ONLY LIMITED BY YOUR OWN IMAGINATION.

IT'S BEST TO START WITH LARGE SUPERMARKETS AND WORK YOUR WAY DOWN.



SOME OF THE BEST CATCHES ARE USUALLY FROM MEDIUM-SIZED FOOD CHAINS AND BAKERIES.

WOO! DAY-OLD BREAD!!



SOME BUSINESSES DONATE THE FOOD WITH AN EXPIRED SHELF LIFE TO THE NEEDY AND CHARITIES THAT FEED THE HOMELESS.



NOW, ONTO WHAT TYPES OF TRASH CONTAINERS SHOULD YOU LOOK FOR?

THE MOST IMPORTANT THING TO CONSIDER IS TO NEVER GET INTO A TRASH COMPACTOR!

IT CAN CRUSH YOU AND YOU WILL DIE.



THERE ARE LARGE DUMPSTERS THAT YOU HAVE TO CLIMB INTO. THEY SOMETIMES HAVE WINDOWS ON THE SIDE TO SEE IN.

EASY ACCESS TO SEE IF IT'S WORTH DIGGING IN!

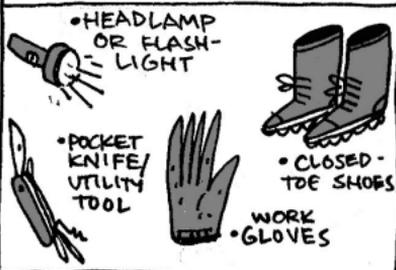


THERE'S ALSO TRASHCANS, WHICH CAN BE FOUND ALL OVER THE PLACE.

SOME FAST FOOD PLACES HAVE A TON OF WASTED FOOD IN THEIR TRASHCANS.



BEFORE YOU ACTUALLY DIVE, YOU MIGHT WANT TO COLLECT SOME OF THESE HELPFUL BUT NOT NECESSARY ITEMS...



YOU'LL ALSO NEED SOMETHING TO TRANSPORT ALL YOUR GOODIES LIKE PAPER BAGS, CRATES, OR YOU COULD TAKE A BOX FROM THE TRASH.



IF YOU HAVE TIME, LOOKING FOR CAMERAS, SECURITY, AND/OR LOCKS DURING THE DAY CAN SAVE YOU A LOT OF TIME AND STRESS WHEN YOU DIVE AT NIGHT TIME.



DIVING AT NIGHT IS PROBABLY YOUR SAFEST BET, AS LONG AS YOU ARE QUIET, FAST, DISCRETE, AND DON'T MAKE A MESS AND LEAVE IT.



OBVIOUSLY, YOU'LL GET DIRTY ONCE YOU JUMP INTO A DUMPSTER, SO BE SURE YOU DRESS ACCORDINGLY.

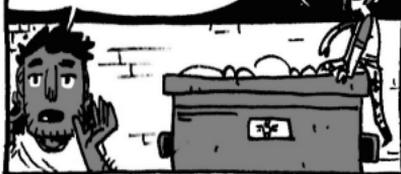


ALSO, THE ONLY WAY YOU'LL EVER KNOW THE QUALITY OF A DUMPSTER IS BY JUMPING IN.



WHEN APPROACHING A DUMPSTER, WALK CONFIDENTLY BUT STILL TRY TO KEEP IN THE SHADOWS...

DON'T DRAW ATTENTION TO YOU OR YOUR FRIENDS IF AT ALL POSSIBLE.



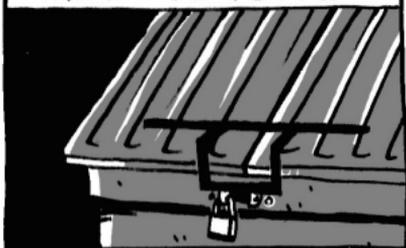
JUMP IN, HAVE FUN DIGGING, BUT REMEMBER TO BE AS QUIET AS POSSIBLE AND CLEAN UP ANY MESS YOU MAKE.

BE CAREFUL OF THAT GLASS CRASHING.

ROGER THAT.



IF YOU DO MAKE A MESS OR GET CAUGHT, CHANCES ARE THAT COMPANIES WILL TAKE ACTION AND POSSIBLY MOVE OR LOCK THEIR DUMPSTERS.



AND WHEN YOU ARE IN THE DUMPSTER, TAKE ONLY WHAT YOU NEED!

THIS IS GOOD FOR A WHOLE WEEK!



YOU DON'T KNOW IF OTHER PEOPLE DIVE IN THE SAME DUMPSTERS AS YOU, SO TRY AND SHARE FOOD.

THIS LOOKS PICKED THROUGH, BUT THERE IS STILL A LOT OF GREAT STUFF!



ALSO, TAKING MORE THAN YOU NEED DEFEATS THE PURPOSE AND FOOD WILL BE WASTED AGAIN.

IT'S AN ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BUFFET, NOT ALL-YOU-CAN-TAKE AND MORE.



SOME STORES SEPARATE ORGANIC WASTE FROM GARBAGE, SO WATCH OUT FOR DECENT FOOD SITTING ON TOP OF MASSES OF SPOILT FOOD!!!



EVEN THEN, SOME FOODS MIGHT HAVE MOLD OR BLACK SPOTS THAT CAN EASILY BE CUT OFF.



USE YOUR BEST JUDGEMENT. THE "BEST BY" DATES ARE USUALLY PRETTY INACCURATE.



MEAT IS A LITTLE TRICKY AND IT IS ADVISED THAT YOU STAY AWAY FROM IT WHEN DUMPSTER DIVING.



IF THERE IS A LARGE QUANTITY OF ONE THING, THERE IS PROBABLY A GOOD REASON LIKE AN ACCIDENT OR RECALL.



ALSO, TRY AND LOOK OUT FOR BLEACH BEING POURN ON THE GARBAGE. STORES DO THIS TO PREVENT DUMPSTER DIVERS.



BE SURE TO WASH YOUR FOODS WHEN YOU GET HOME OR TO SOME SORT OF SINK.



MOST VEGGIES CAN BE MADE INTO SOUPS OR SAUCES AND CAN ALSO BE FROZEN FOR LATER.



BREADS CAN ALSO BE FROZEN AND LATER THAWED. STALE BREAD CAN BE TURNED INTO CROUTONS.



FRUITS CAN BE FROZEN AS WELL FOR SMOOTHIES OR TURNED INTO RELISH AND DIFFERENT JAMS.



MILK CAN ALWAYS BE USED TO MAKE CHEESE.



HAVE A FEAST WITH YOUR FRIENDS !!!!!



IF THERE'S ANYTHING YOU TAKE AWAY FROM THIS, PLEASE REALIZE AMERICA WASTES A TON OF FOOD.

AND STILL A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE HUNGRY...



EVEN IF YOU DON'T DECIDE TO DINE, WATCH YOUR FOOD WASTE AND ONLY BUY WHAT YOU WILL NEED.



EVEN JUST RECYCLING AND DONATING NON-PERISHABLE GOODS TO THOSE IN NEED CAN HELP A LOT!

WAHOO! MOMMA'S GONNA' BE EATIN' GOOD FOR ONCE!

FOOD BANK



DUMPSTER DIVING IS MORE COMMON AND MUCH SAFER THAN YOU MIGHT THINK.

ONE MAN'S TRASH IS ANOTHER MAN'S LUNCH!



BE SAFE AND SMART IF YOU DO DECIDE TO PURSUE DUMPSTER DIVING.

STRATEGY:



AND LASTLY DON'T BE GREEDY BECAUSE THAT'S THE WAY OF THE GROSS, DISGUSTING CAPITALIST PIGS.

STAY HUMBLE Y'ALL!





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DON'T FEED  
CAPITALIST  
GREED!  
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