


Substation33 is a 'Social Enterprise' of YFS Ltd & an e-waste recycling business with a vision to see vulnerable people achieving independence & participation through work or meaningful activity.



Turning E-Waste into Work

Substation33 uses e-waste reuse and recycling to create work opportunities in the Logan region, diverting over 1 million kg of e-waste from landfill over the past 8 years. E-waste is the fastest growing waste stream in the world, and only 20% is currently recycled through the appropriate channels.

Since 2012 we have created employment pathways for marginalised & disadvantaged jobseekers via three streams:

- **Environmental:** Collection, processing, reuse, & recycling of electronics that would otherwise go to landfill.
- **Social:** Support for diverse groups including training & employment pathways for people experiencing complex barriers to participation.
- **Enterprise:** Design, development & production of innovative engineered products that solve real problems for customers and partners.



Demonstrating Innovation for Impact

Substation33 turns e-waste into innovative products for a purpose - from measuring water quality to creating solar powered warning signs, the innovations are driving impact. Substation33 has been recognised locally, nationally and internationally as an innovation leader through, for example, the Banksia Foundation's 2019 Minister's Award for the Environment.

Substation33 is expert at networking & is relationship-oriented enterprise across all areas of its operations. Impacts are realised by working with a diverse cross-section of individuals, organisations, businesses, & institutions. It fosters social capital within a circular economy framework that aligns with 11 of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) defined by the UN.



Creating Pathways Towards Employment

Substation33 is a real workplace that offers people the opportunity to get on-the-job skills and experiences, which can help create pathways towards employment.

Local people achieve independence & participation through connection, meaningful work, learning skills & making inspiring products for the good of people & the planet. Substation33 provides opportunities for community participation, work experience, skill development, & training in an inclusive & supportive workplace. Call or email us to arrange a visit .

