

Making More Storage Capacity – Outside Storage Bins

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As you can imagine, living in sixty square feet of space with all of your belongings can be a challenge. Some stuff just won't make it in or will be stored on the side of the Hut, most likely in the elements. We've learned that when people get a small space of their own, they welcome having a place to put their stuff. Over the years, we have acknowledged that they need to have a variety of options for how they store their stuff.

So, when a group of skilled Mennonite carpenters from a local congregation asked how they might put their skills and shop to use I knew the perfect project. The storage bins were immediately put to use by people living in the Huts and those who didn't have them became increasingly eager to get them attached to their Huts!

They are built like sturdy cabinets and given adequate paint or stain to be protected from the elements. The bins are mounted with four lag screws into the back-wall framing. As you can see in the picture, there is also a hasp that can receive a padlock to keep belongings a bit safer. I haven't heard of much theft regarding contents of the storage bins, but bolt cutters would make quick work of a cheap lock on the hasp, so it isn't recommended for storing valuable items.