

### Solid Waste Management Master Plan

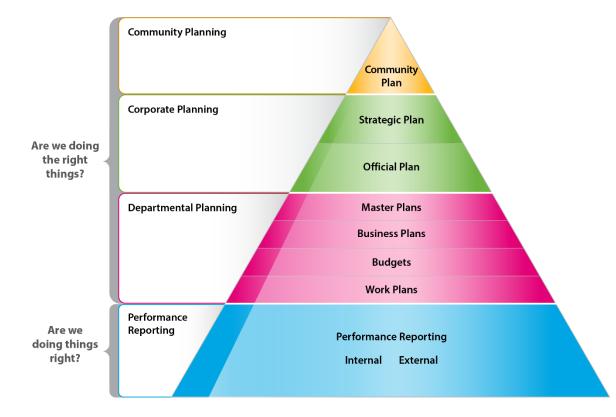
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### Master Plan Alignment to Strategic Plan





### **Environmental Services Mandate**



#### Strategic Plan Alignment

Sustaining our Future: An environment that sustains us

Entrusted stewards and passionate water, wastewater and solid waste professionals delivering reliable services to our progressive community, while sustaining our finite resources for future generations, with care for the natural environment



### Master Plan Themes

Focus on waste as a resource

Continue diverting waste from landfill through implementation of new solid waste programs

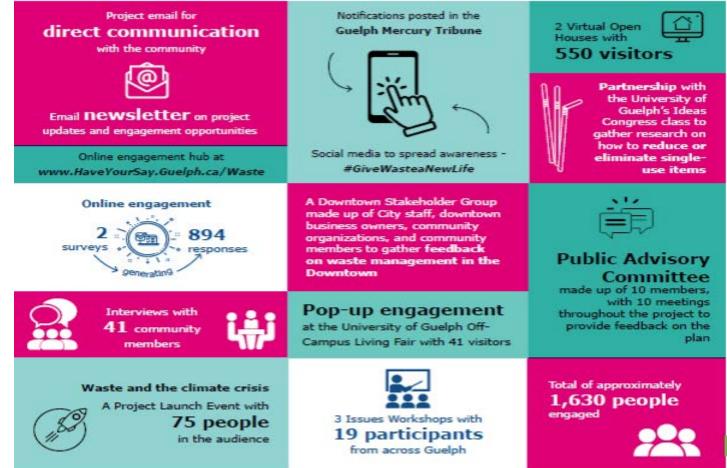
Single Use Items reduction and bans

Funding models and service level impacts to support service rationalization

Blue Box transition implications to operations and services



### Stakeholder Engagement





### Recommendations



### Circular Economy: Future of the Solid Waste Industry



"Ontario is running out of landfill space. Will it embrace the circular economy or sleepwalk into a crisis?" *Globe and Mail*, March 6, 2022



# Single Use Items – 2 phases

Phase 1 – March 2023

• Ban the most problematic materials

- Plastic shopping bags
- Polystyrene take out containers and cups
- Plastic straws
- Phase 2 March 2024
- Fees for:
  - Reusable bags \$1
  - Fees for disposable cups 25 cents



# Concerns from Engagement

#### Accessibility

- **Concern:** the need for some people to use plastic straws
  - The by-law asks businesses to stock flexible plastic straws for those who ask for them

#### Affordability

- Concern: reusable bags and fees for disposable cups
  - Work with organizations to provide reusable bags for those who need them
  - Exemptions in the by-law for fees for disposable cups



### IC&I – Clear Eligibility Requirements

Introduce eligibility requirements:

- Only pick up from businesses and institutions which:
  - are on a collection route and have a residential component
  - follow the 3-stream separation of waste
  - waste fits into our carts along with the residential waste

# Introduce Organics pick up at schools in 2026 after Blue Box transition



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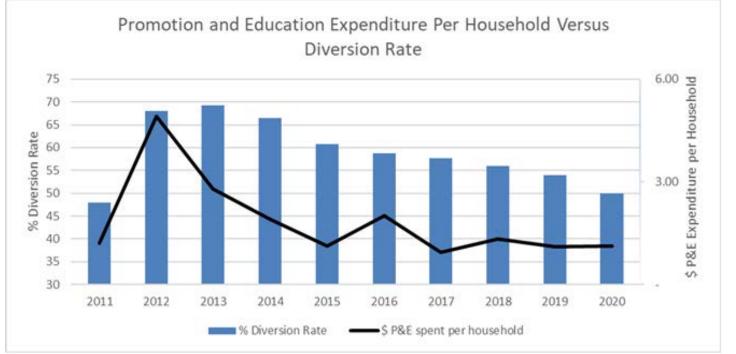
Time to adjust to changes in service levels

- **Concern**: affected businesses need time to find new service providers
  - The by-law for service level changes takes place in 2023



# **Environmental Programs**





Recommendation: Increase funding to \$4/HH

Note: diversion rates decreasing also due to lighter packaging Funding hasn't increased with the growing city Funding reduction during budget preparation



# Measuring the Master Plans





### **Budget Estimates**

Budget	Short and Medium Term (1- 3 Years)	Long Term 4+ Years	Total Estimated Cost	Includes
Capital	\$2,996,000	\$418,000	\$3.414 million	\$2.28 million already in capital budget for Blue Box, Al development, consulting work
Planning & Implementation (one-time estimated operating costs)	\$216,000	\$0	\$216,000	Co-op students, P&E materials
Annual Estimated Operating Costs	\$602,000	\$161,000	\$763,000 (TBD)	2 FTE: Solid Waste Programs Coordinator, By-law Officer, co-op students



# Thank you!