

Waste Collection Optimization for the Amager Resource Center

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This project explored waste collection optimization in the City of Copenhagen and developed various recommendations for ARC as they transition for the impending E-truck upscale in 2022.





Objective 1:
Investigate
inefficiencies



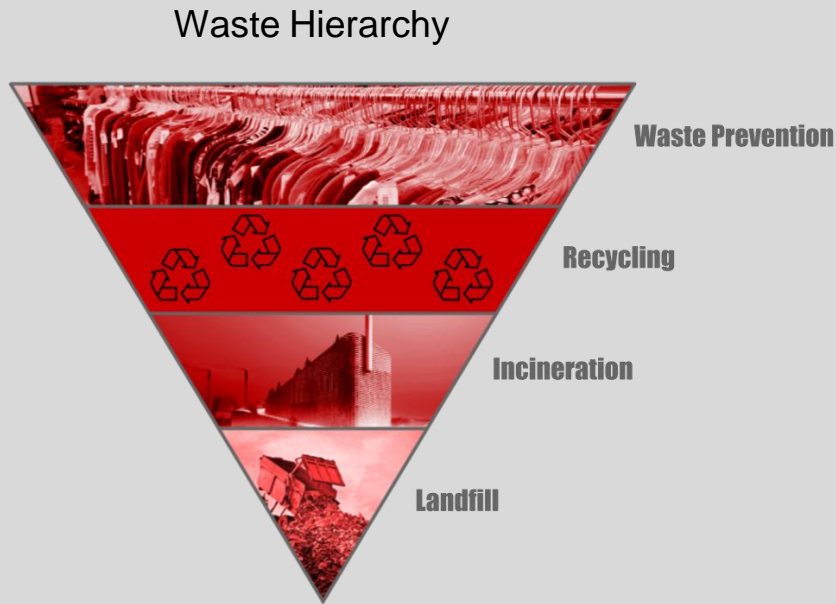
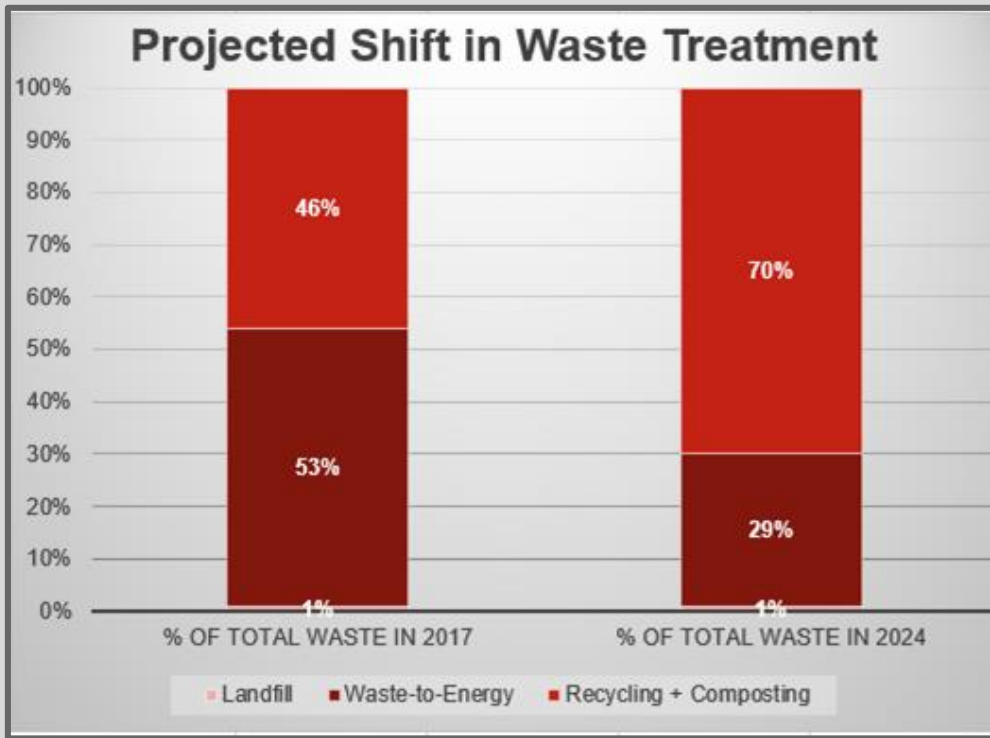
Objective 2:
Develop
processes



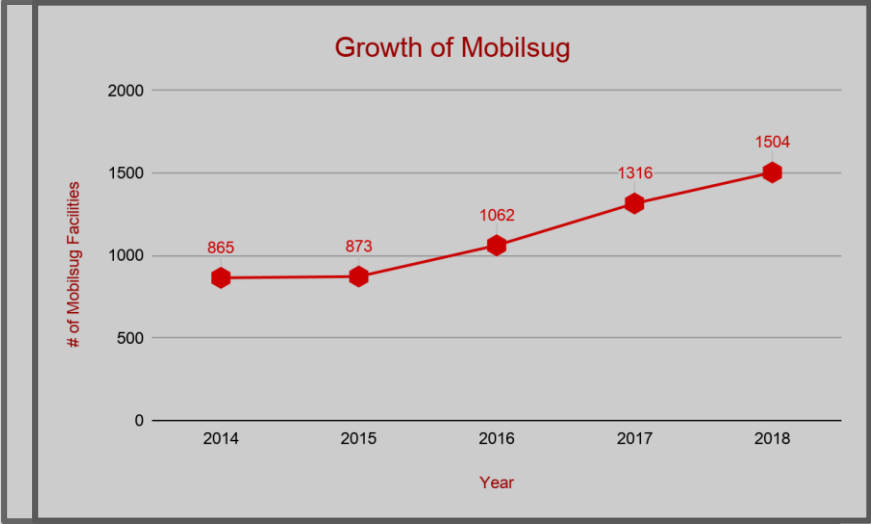
Objective 3:
Formulate
recommendations



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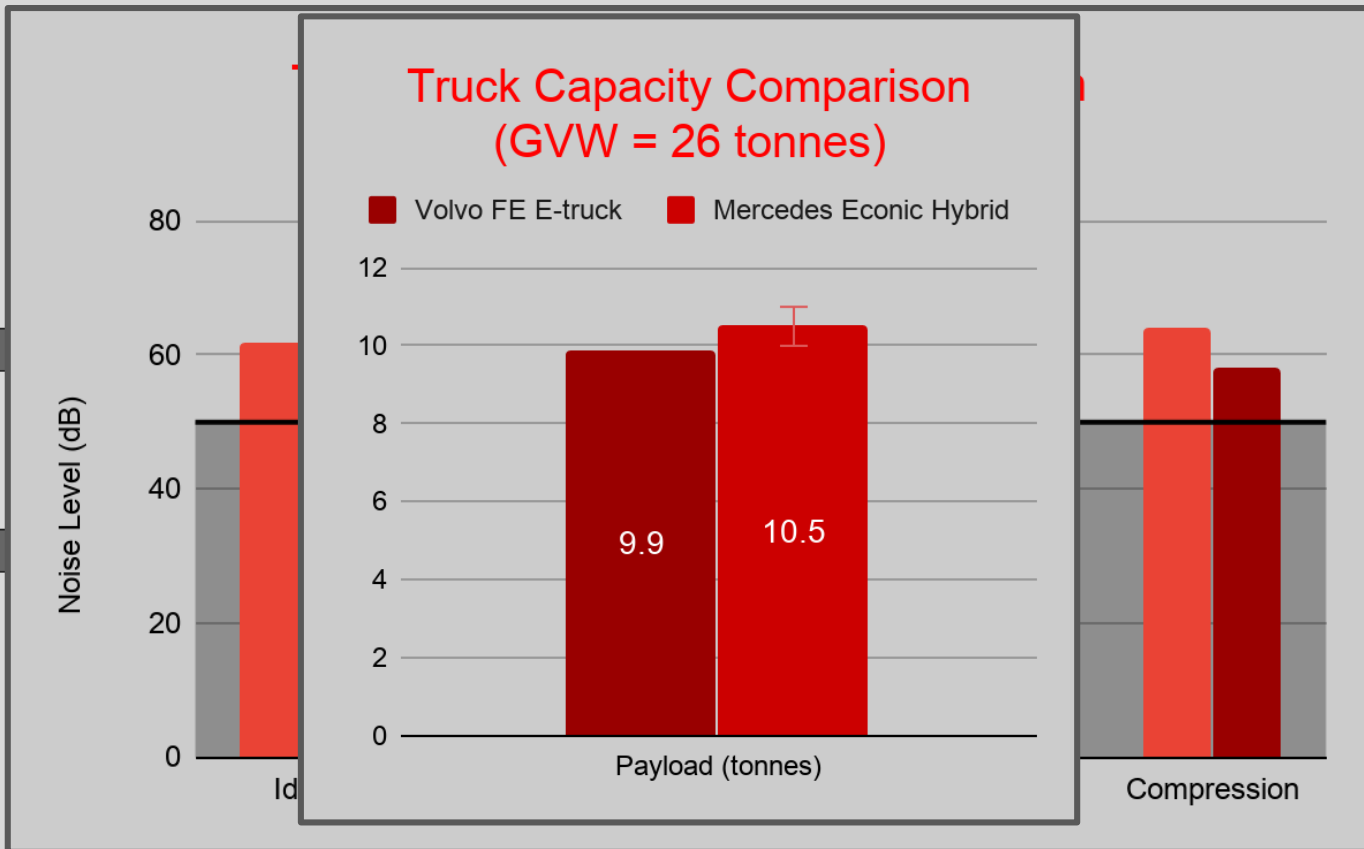


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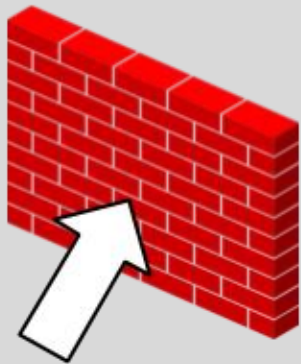


Performance of E-Trucks is similar to that of diesel and biogas trucks





Automated route planning software has not been effective



Unreliable:

Dead ends
One way streets
False entrances



Inflexible:

Less continuity
Driver confusion



Inefficient:

Averages 1-2 hours longer
Minimal traffic avoidance



Cost of collection is dependent upon the number of bins collected per shift



Level	Weighted Bins	Index of Shift Premium
3	900	100%
4	950	106%
5	1000	112%
6	1050	118%
7	1100	124%
8	1150	130%
9	1200	136%
10	1250	152%



WPI

ARC can decrease their projected fleet size by
optimizing collection capacity



**Number of Bins
in a Region**















































**Options for Shift
Premium**



**Number of
Trucks Needed**



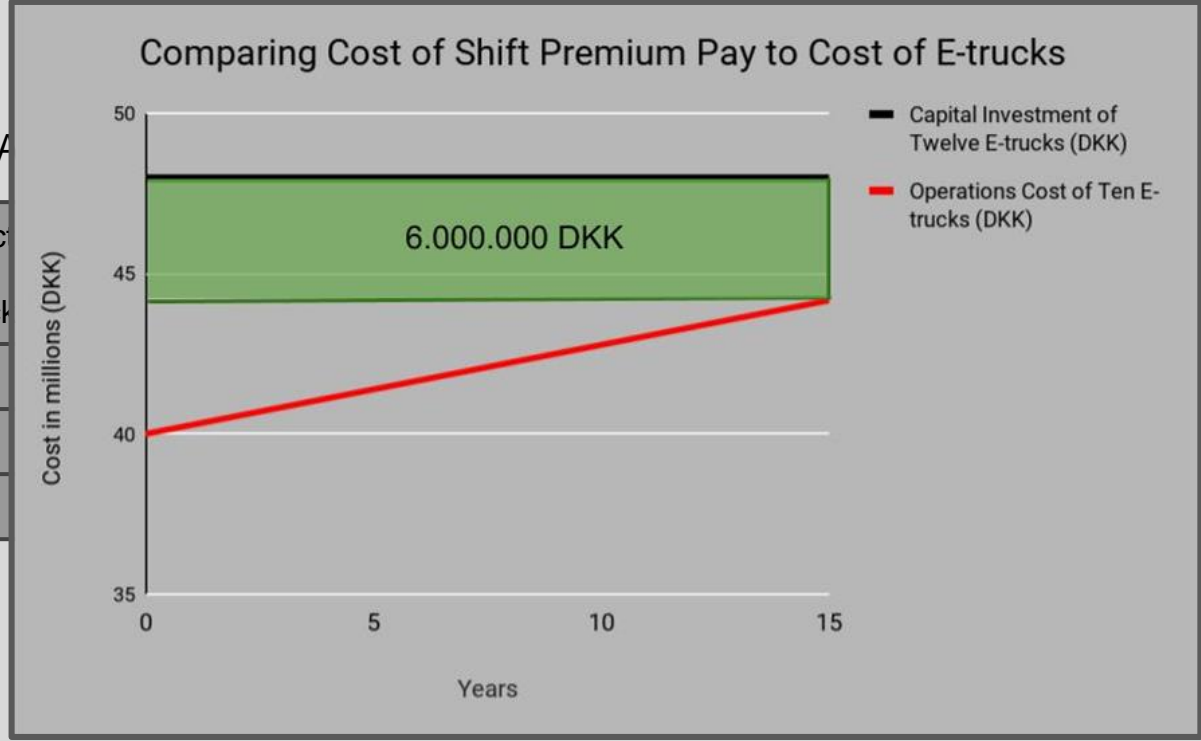
Waste collection can be conducted with fewer trucks than currently utilized

Amager East Example	
Number of Bins Per Week Per Person	Trucks Needed
900	6      
950	6      
1000	6      
1050	6      
1100	5     
1150	5     
1200	5     
1250	5     

ARC should utilize this process to present an opportunity for savings in the E-truck fleet

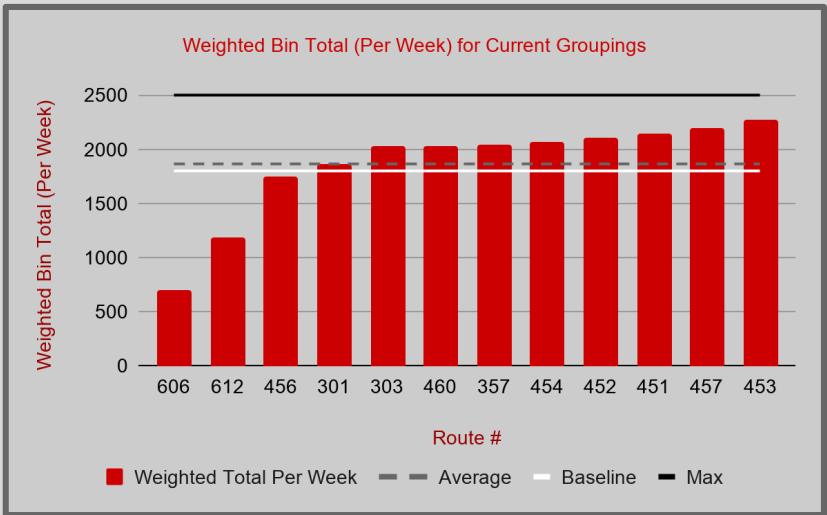
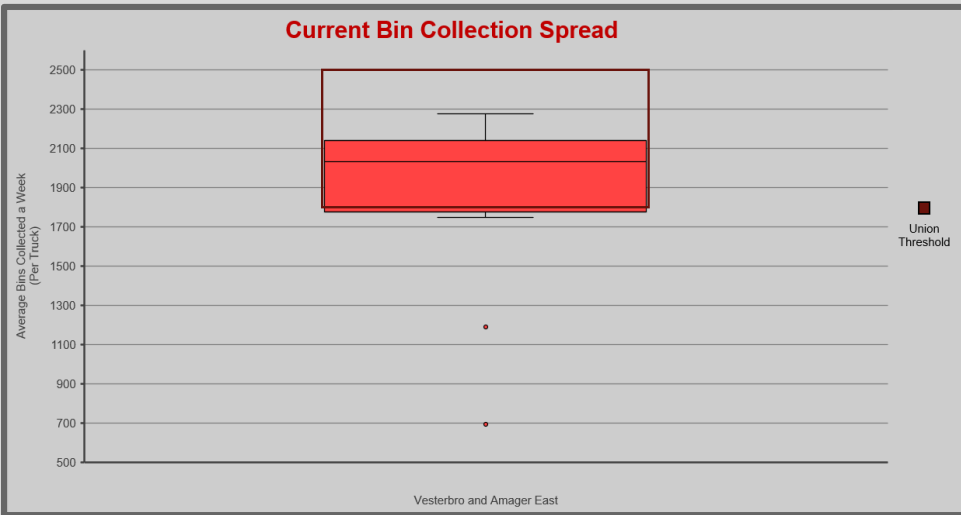
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1150
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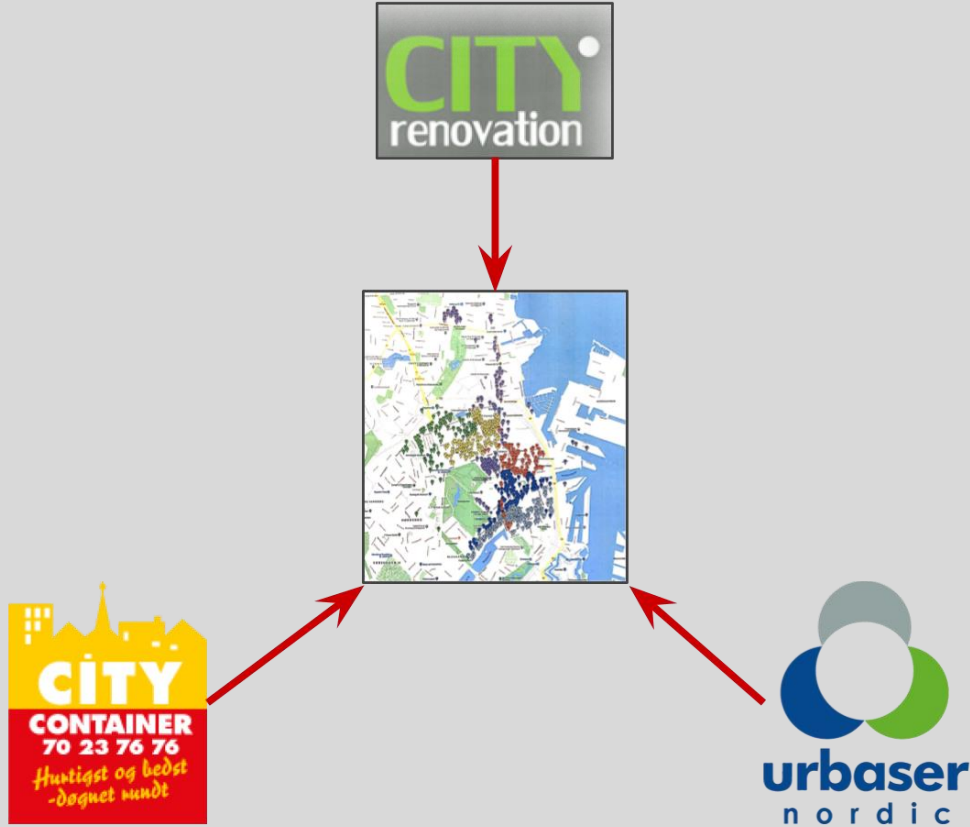


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Inconsistencies in the current waste collection process can be reduced

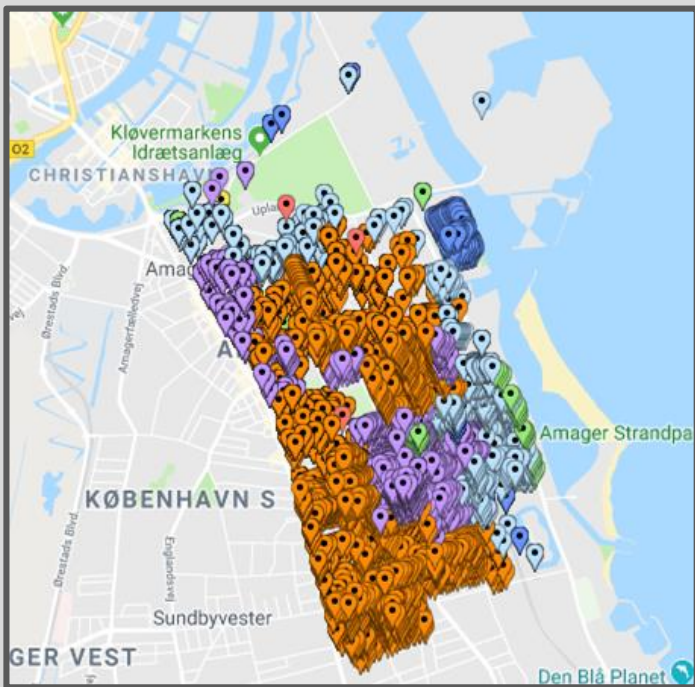


A combination of mapping software and manual routing is an effective option for route planning



The optimized process creates less geographically dispersed groupings than current practice

Current Routes

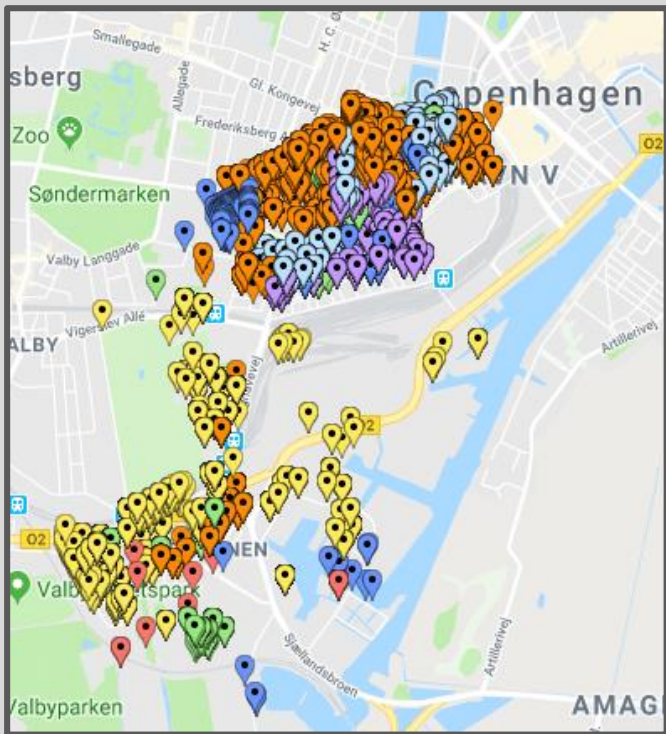


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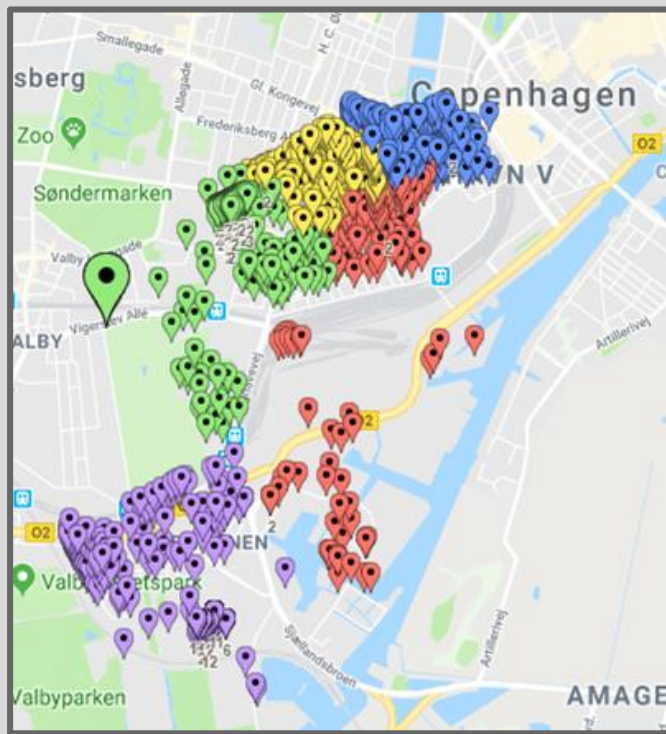


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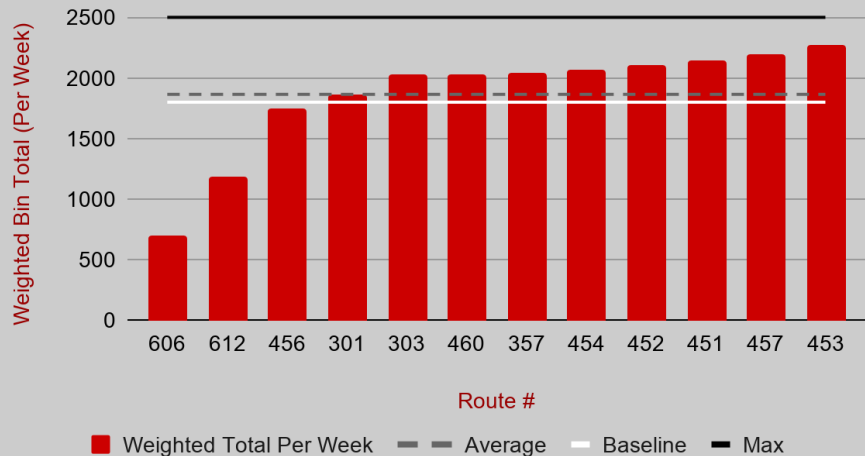


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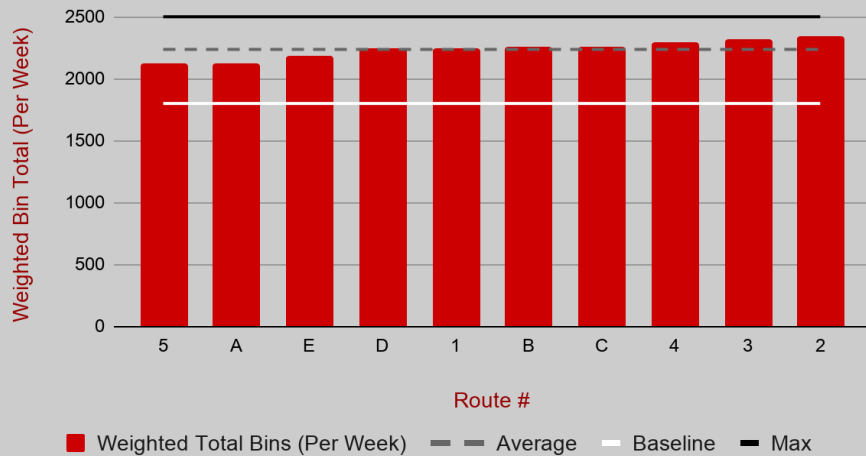


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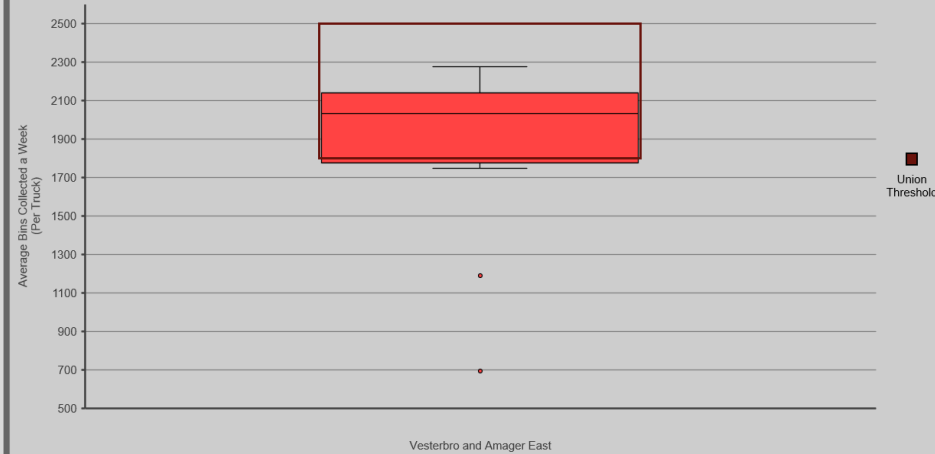


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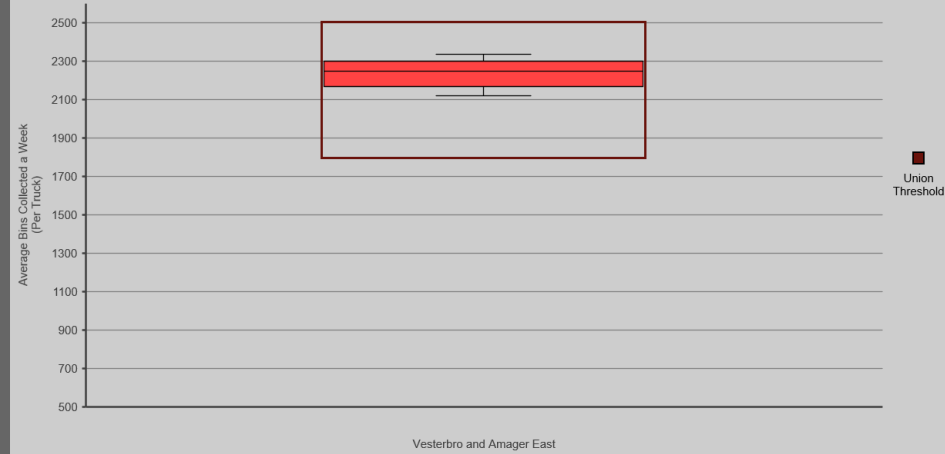


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Current Bin Collection Spread

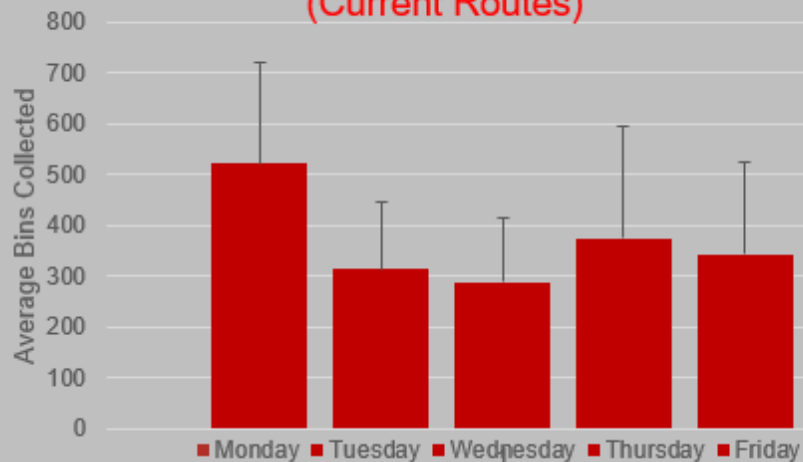


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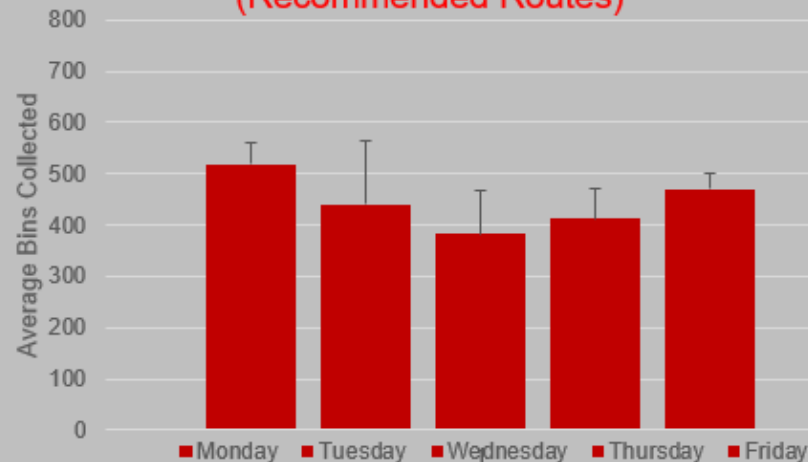


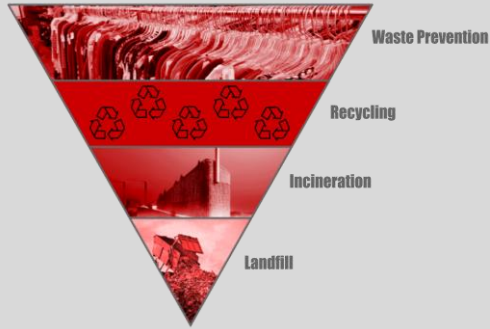
The optimized process creates a more even distribution throughout the week

Average Bins Collected Each Day
(Current Routes)



Average Bins Collected Each Day
(Recommended Routes)

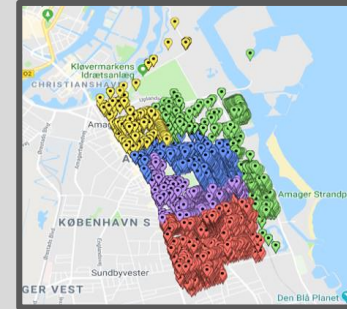




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Developed
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Frequency
Distribution Strategy

