# UnTrash

Real-Time Visual WikiHow for Recycling

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## THE GLOBAL PICTURE

## THE INDIVIDUAL PICTURE



Everyone is **recycling wrong**, but it's not your fault Boston 25 News - 28 Aug 2019 Plastic, glass and paper. You **recycle** those items. It seems really simple. But, Boston 25 News found many people are making a lot of mistakes ...



The World's **Recycling Is** in Chaos. Here's What Has to Happen WIRED - 13 Mar 2019 Even before China's ban, only 9 percent of discarded plastic was being

recycled, while 12 percent was burned. The rest was buried in landfills or simply dumped and left to wash into rivers and oceans. Without China to ...



Plastic food packaging was most common beach trash in 2018 National Geographic - 3 Sep 2019 "If you run down the rest of the top ten list, what strikes me is that the vast majority are not recyclable. To the extent we talk about recycling as a ...



#### **PROBLEM STATEMENT**







Lack of knowledge about recycling among people

Many packaging options are not sustainable

Consumers do not have enough information about packaging materials

#### THE UNTRASH APP SOLUTION

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Take a picture of the item you want to recycle



**Get information** on how to recycle the item and how sustainable the packaging product is

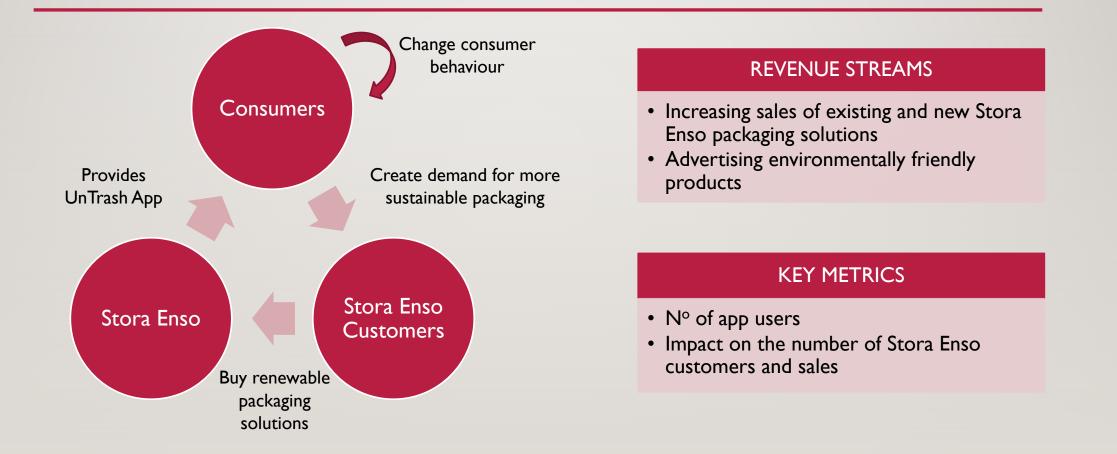


**Get advice** on more sustainable packaging options



Learn more about the packaging material

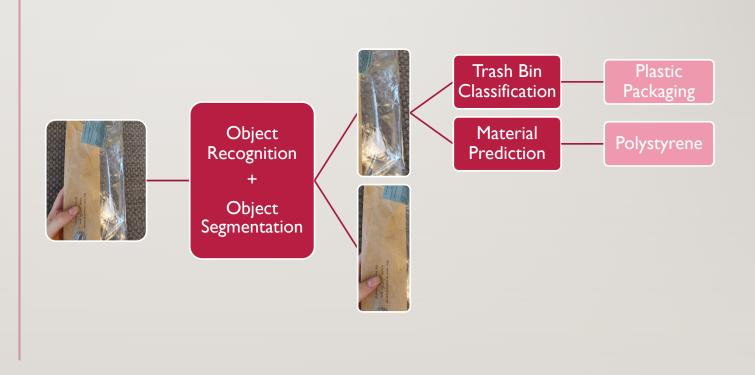
### **BUSINESS CASE**



## **TECHNICAL SOLUTION**

Semi-supervised machine learning algorithm

- Establish a digital database of packaging solutions
- Evaluate the material and predict the correct recycling category of a product in real time
- Collect user and product packaging statistics to gain insight for potential innovations



# UX DEMO

MINIMUM VIABLE PRODUCT







We are providing a solution to **simplify waste identification** and management as well as **raise awareness** about environmentally friendly packaging options by creating a unique database and leveraging machine learning algorithms.

# APPENDIX

#### CHALLENGES AND ASSUMPTIONS



Need to have a first database of images labelled with the material content and the recycling category Draw attention to the app and ensure continuous usage

Convince companies using sustainable packaging solution to be featured in the UnTrash App

### NEXT STEPS

- ADDING AN INCENTIVE TO REACH MORE CUSTOMERS:
  - DISCOUNT ON PRODUCTS WITH
    SUSTAINABLE PACKAGING
  - QUIZ
  - GROWING A TREE BY USING THE APP ON SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTS

