

Boston Zero Waste Advisory Committee Recommendations



Desired Outcome: Committee members agree on the report to Mayor

- 1) Welcome**
- 2) Overview of Report**
- 3) Discussion**
- 4) Outreach cases (time permitted)**
- 5) Next Steps**

Updating Categories to Reflect Priorities

- **New Services**
- **New Rules**
- **Outreach & Education**



- **Reduce and Reuse**
- **Recycle More**
- **Increase Composting**
- **Inspire Innovation**

Splitting Up Initiatives to Reflect Phasing

**A1. Residential and
Commercial Organics
Diversion**



**17. Expand Residential Yard
Waste Options**
**18. Pilot Programs to Handle
Residential Food Scraps**
**20. Take Residential
Composting Programs to
Scale**

Short-Term 2019-2024

Long-Term 2025-2035

Reduce and Reuse

Short-Term 2019-2024

1. Conduct Citywide Public Education Campaigns
2. Provide Targeted Waste-Reduction Outreach and Technical Assistance
3. Reduce Problem Products & Packaging
4. Divert More Reusable Goods

Long-Term 2025-2035

5. Divert Even More Reusable Goods
6. Keep Repairable Products from Disposal

Recycle More

Short-Term 2019-2024

7. Expand and Enforce State and Local Recycling Requirements
8. Reinforce Waste-Reduction Goals through the Collection System
9. Create New Commercial Hauler and Generator Rules
10. Make Recycling Available in Public Places
11. Expand Recycling During Construction Projects
12. Increase Transparency About Costs
13. Expand Infrastructure for Recycling “Hard to Recycle” Materials

Long-Term 2025-2035

14. Make Public Events Zero Waste
15. Create a More Equitable Collection System

Increase Composting

Short-Term 2019-2024

- 16. Expand Residential Yard Waste Options
- 17. Pilot Programs to Handle Residential Food Scraps
- 18. Increase Compost Capacity

Long-Term 2025-2035

- 19. Take Residential Composting Programs to Scale
- 20. Increase Commercial Composting

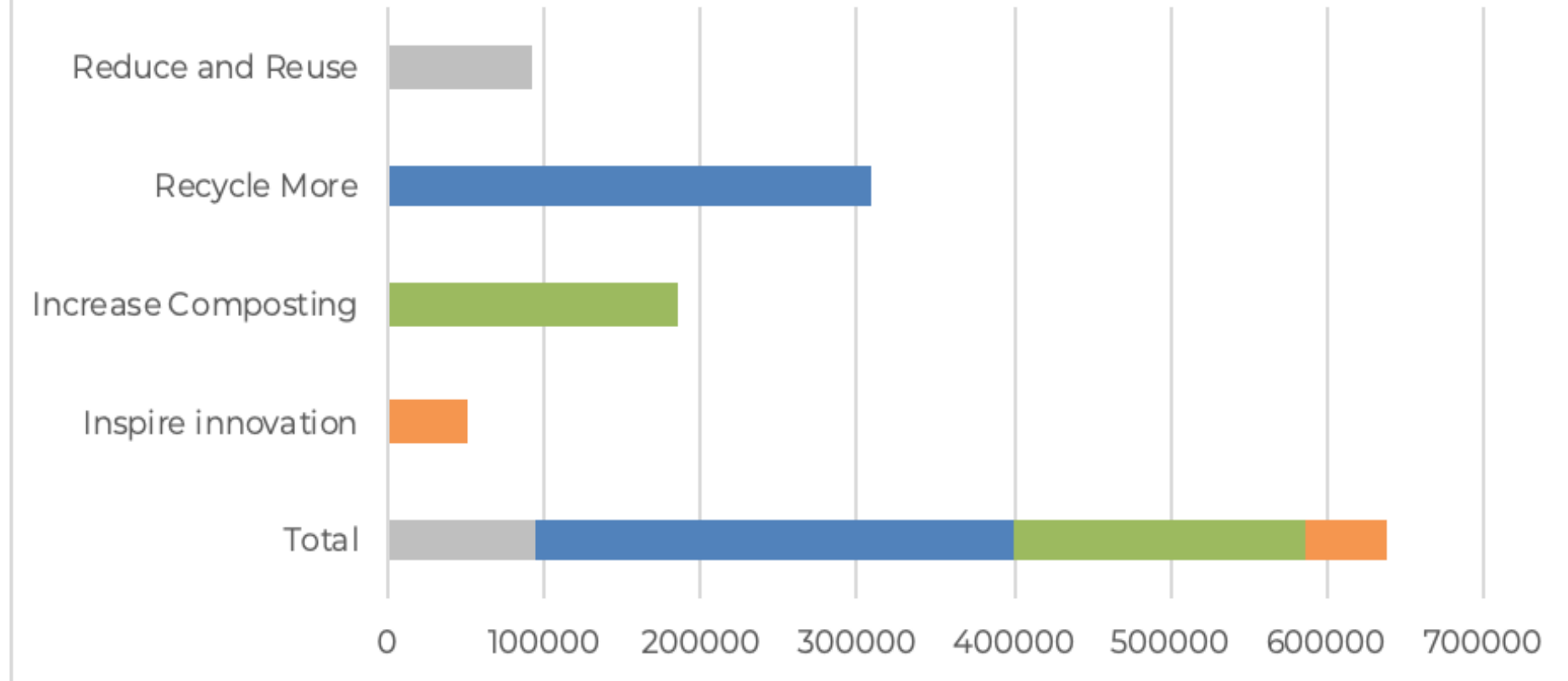
Short-Term 2019-2024

- 21. Expand the City's Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Practices
- 22. Set Zero Waste Goals and Metrics
- 23. Advocate for Redesign and Take-back of Products

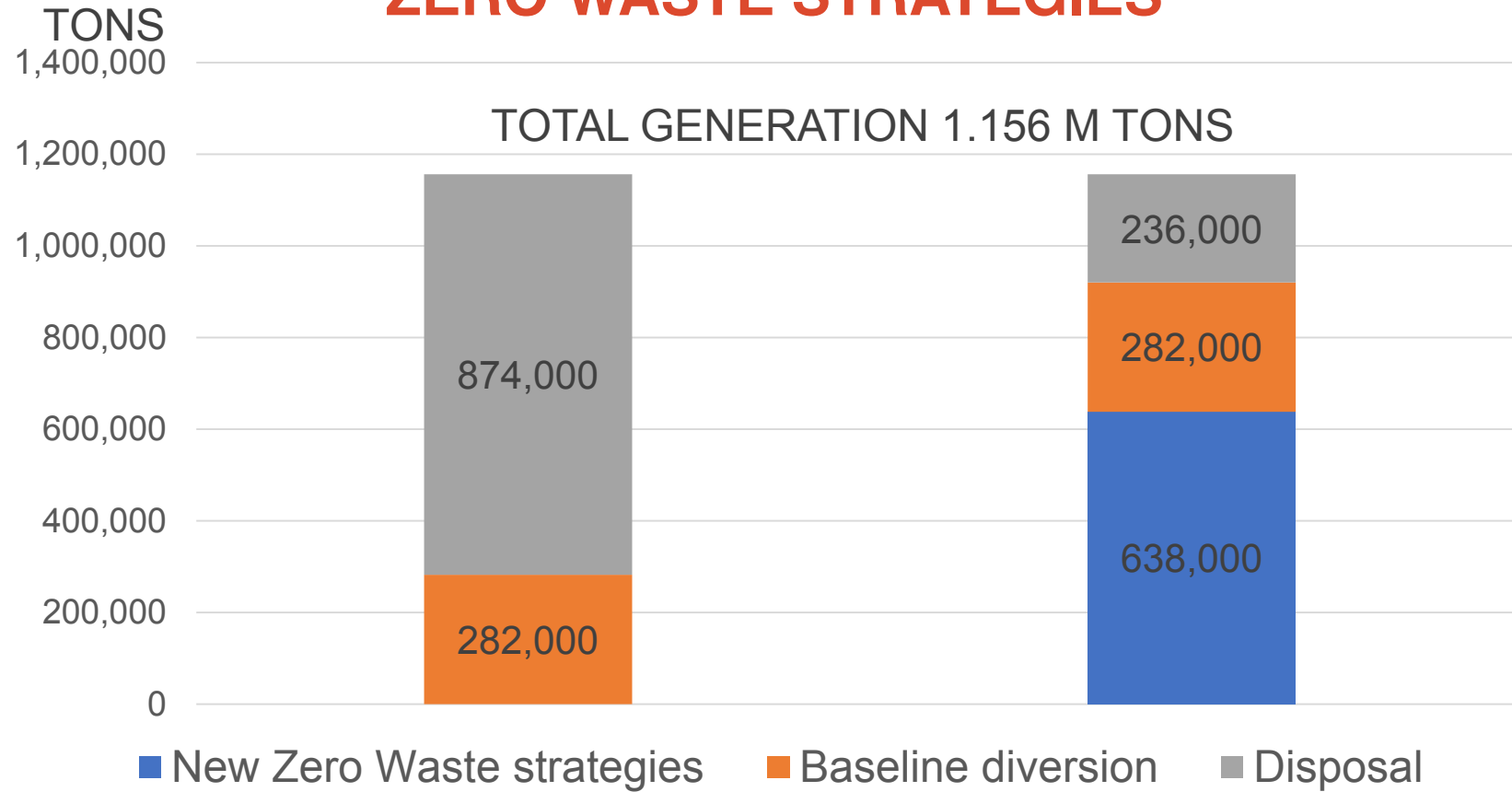
Long-Term 2025-2035

- 24. Fund New Ideas and Approaches
- 25. Support a Zero Waste Research and Development Network
- 26. Create a Zero Waste Economic Development Strategy
- 27. Explore the Feasibility of City Owned Trash and Recycling Infrastructure

BOSTON'S ZERO WASTE STRATEGIES ESTIMATED ANNUAL TONS REDUCED, RECYCLED AND COMPOSTED



IMPACT OF BOSTON'S ZERO WASTE STRATEGIES



Implementation



- Implement strategies identified in Zero Waste Plan
- Increase diversion to 80% by 2035
- Review progress and update implementation plan
- Identify new strategies for achieving 90% and beyond
- Achieve 90% diversion by 2050

Implementation

Track & Report
Data

Initiate Regional
Collaboration
Efforts

Provide Funding
for Zero Waste
Strategies

Demonstrate
Leadership in
Zero Waste