Separation at source

Separation Outside Source

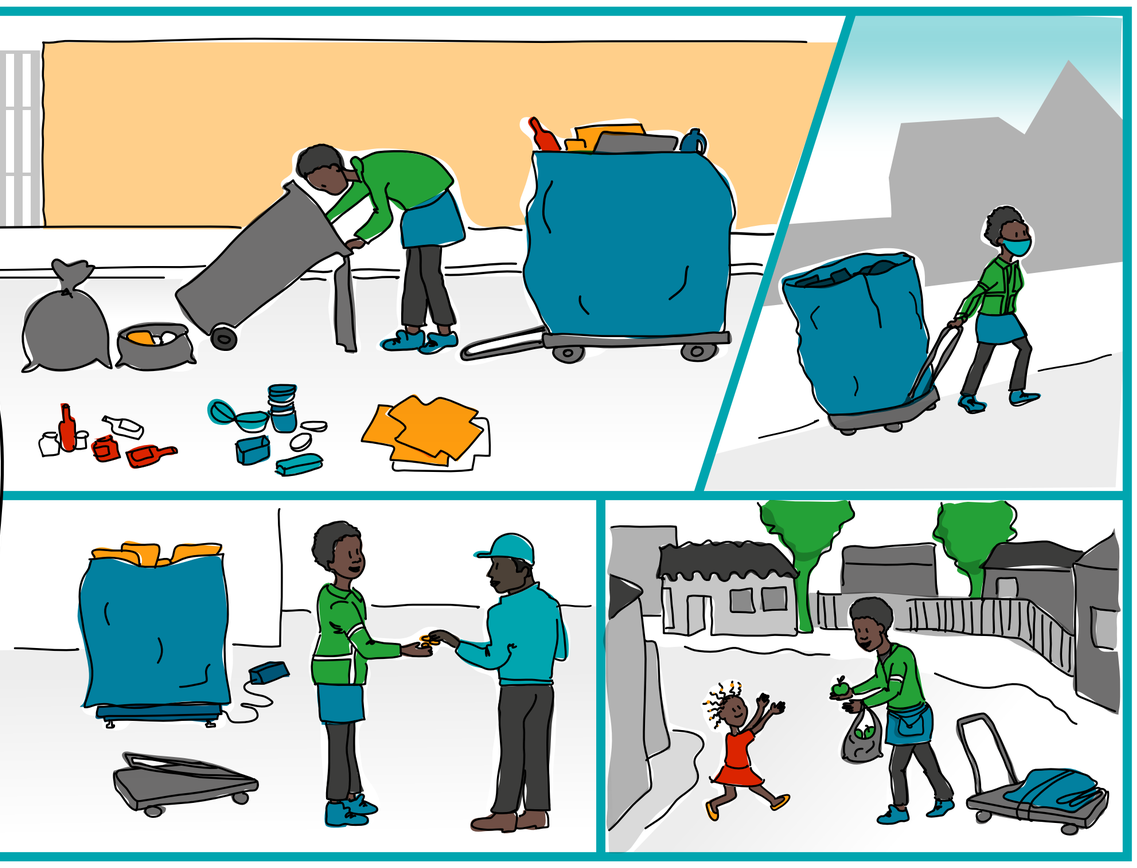
I have seen reclaimers digging recyclables out of rubbish bins and mounds of waste at landfills.

How does **your system** work?

Many people think we work completely on our own and just randomly pick materials, but we created a system to collect recyclables long ago.

Our system is a **Separation Outside Source system**. Because residents don't separate their recyclables, we do this for them by salvaging recyclables from their garbage bins. We reduce recyclables going to landfills and reclaimers at the landfills salvage the materials we miss in the streets. Our work saves municipalities hundreds of millions of rands in transportation costs and landfill airspace, and the recycling industry gets the inputs it needs.

We are paid too little for the materials and are not paid for our collection service. But we can support our families.



Dispossession by S@S

We support recycling by asking residents to put recyclables into separate bags and contracting private companies to collect them.

Don't touch my bin!

Yes, but the companies are less effective than we are! Residents still put most of their recyclables in the rubbish bins and the companies leave all that material to go to landfills. **We extract many more recyclables than the companies.**

When you contract private companies we can't access material, our incomes plummet, we have to sleep rough and are harassed. And you pay too much money for too few recyclables.



Integrated S@S

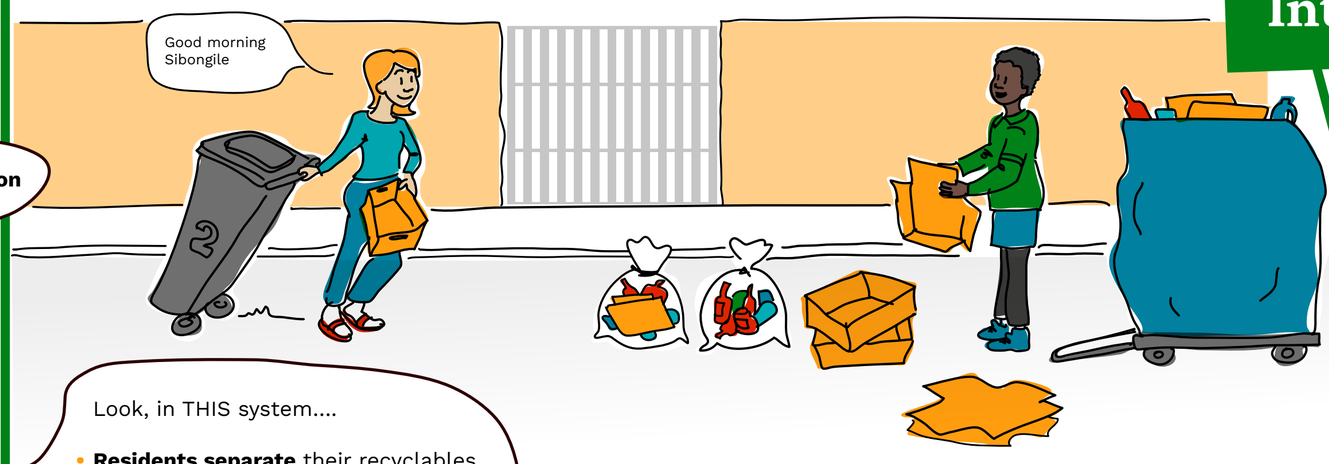
I really didn't know that....Now we have to integrate reclaimers ..so let's work together to create a better system.

That system is **Integrated Separation at Source by reclaimers**

Good morning Sibongile

Look, in THIS system....

- **Residents separate** their recyclables
- Reclaimers do the collection and get paid for this service
- It **costs** the municipality **less money**
- Reclaimers' **incomes and working conditions improve**
- Fewer recyclables go to **landfills** and **industry** gets more, cleaner materials.
- **Less carbon** is emitted by collection with trolleys than with trucks.
- Reclaimers are **respected and appreciated**



Landfill



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