Leveraging Technology and Data Capture through Telematics from the Lens of Fleet Services and Solid Waste Management Services at the City of Toronto





Topics to be covered....

Agenda

- About the City of Toronto
- Benefits of Leveraging Data from Fleet Equipment
- Our Telematics Implementation
- Data Analysis and Reporting
- What's Next?



About Toronto....

- A population of about 2.95M people
- Has a land area of 630 Km²
- Amalgamated from 6 municipalities in 1998
- 49 City Divisions
- ~5700 fleet assets







About Fleet Services

- Asset Management and Maintenance of approximately 5,700 vehicles and equipment
- Training and licensing drivers and operators of City vehicles and equipment
- Maintaining the City's CVOR in good standing by ensuring safe fleet operations
- Manage City fuel site operations





Solid Waste Management Services at a Glance

- About 870,000 homes and non-residential establishments
- 7 transfer stations, 160 closed landfill sites, 1 active landfill, 3 work yards
- Half of the City's residential single home collection is completed by City staff
- 690 fleet assets used by the division









How can We Leverage Data to Benefit the City?

- Holistic integration with technology, infrastructure and equipment.
- Meet Vision Zero objectives
- Asset Management
 - Acquisition, maintenance, monitoring, and disposal
- Better decision making for operations
 - Optimized level of service, risk, safety and return on investment
- Enhance driver behaviours
 - Training, commercial vehicles pre-trip inspection



Our Telematics Implementation

- In 2021, the City centralized telematics program under Fleet Services
- **Telematics** = telecommunications + informatics
- Data that can now be analyzed and monitored in real time:
 - Receive alerts and generate reports
 - E.g. Dispensing of salt transportation services, snow plough down, location of snow ploughs for public information
- Ability to establish baselines, thresholds, and targets



Data Analytics – Fleet Management

Asset Management

- Location, utilization (engine hours & mileage), frequency of use, and etc.
- Enhance Lifecycle analysis & Return on Investment

• Maintenance

- OEM alerts, engine codes, improve vehicle uptime, enhance driver behaviour & safety
- Improved diagnostics and time to repair
- Advanced alert about status of filters and fluids through wireless monitoring system
- Improved preventive maintenance, telematics catch problems early
- Condition and risk based maintenance practice
- Proactive and predictive maintenance scheduling based on real time available data along with advanced alerts for high probability failures

• Fleet Performance

- Improved Mileage, Fuel economy (GHG emissions) & idling
- Improved CVOR rating
- Improved vehicle uptime and prolonged life
- Reduced maintenance and downtime cost
- Improved reliability, availability and overall fleet safety

• Reduce risk

• Enhance driver behaviour and public safety



Data Analytics – Fleet Management

Below is a snapshot of an available dashboard

- Asset and Device data (vehicles and equipment and hardware devices)
- GPS data (Location, Trips, Routes, Zones)
- Engine data (Odom, Diagnostics, Engine Fault, Engine status)
- Fuel and EV energy usage (EV charging, Fuel fill-ups)
- Material Management (e.g. winter operations salt dispensing)



Data Analytics - Operations

- Fleet Safety: recording truck movement, speed, braking, seat belt violations, backing up, etc.
- **Operation Efficiency**: monitor metrics such as collection pick ups completed per day and do further studies on the type of vehicles to use.
- **Optimizing Routes:** time of day, type of vehicles to use for different streets, closest transfer station





Data Analytics - Operations

- **Customer Service:** responding to service calls, looking at potential pick-up times for large bulk items.
- Notifications: Queries such as when vehicles return to transfer stations, etc.
- Driver Safety Cards
- Driving feedback can be used a coaching tool.



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What's Next & Further Uses

- Look into buying other data packages and Equipment
- TransformTO Goals
 - Emissions monitoring
 - Support Fleet Electrification
- Safety
 - Incorporate a 360 camera system
 - Sharing information with the public





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Thank you! Any Questions?



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