Self-Powered Exhaust Filtration System

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The Problem:

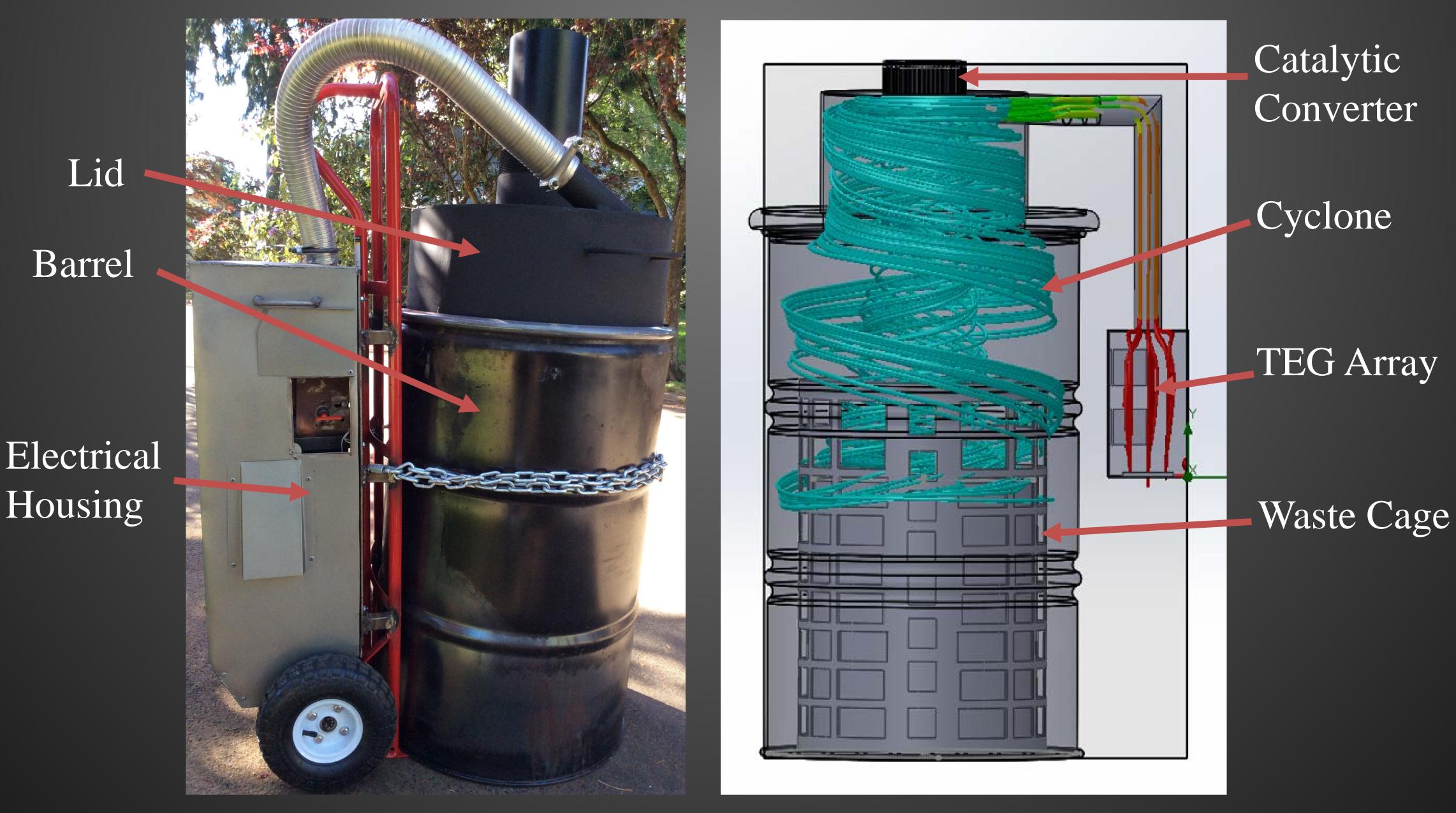
Open pit burning in 55 gallon drums is the most common practice of waste management in developing countries, subjecting locals to harmful toxins. The Consequences:

According to the WHO, about 12.6 million people die annually as a result of an unhealthy environment caused by air pollution.

Our Solution:

The Self-Powered Exhaust Filtration System (SPEFS) attaches to the top of a

55 gallon drum and contains a two step filtration system to remove particles and toxic pollutants from the exhaust. The filtration system requires a fan which will be powered by the temperature differential produced by the system.



Design Objectives:

- 1. Reduce air born toxins produced during burning of waste
- 2. Produce power from the temperature difference
- 3. Reliable and maintainable design
- 4. Operate at temperatures for clean combustion of waste

By using the SPEFS during waste incineration, trash will be reduced in developing countries and the quality of life will improve.