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**See the Better Bin Finalists!**

## **Redesigned Litter Baskets Set for Trial on City Streets**

### **WHAT:**

The New York Department of Sanitation, along with its Better Bin Competition collaborators, will unveil new prototype litter baskets.

The Better Bin Competition offered designers an opportunity to reimagine New York City's iconic green wire mesh litter basket. Two Competition finalists were chosen, and each produced prototype baskets for litter and recycling. These baskets will be placed on city streets for a minimum of 30 days.

### **WHO:**

Sanitation Acting Commissioner Steven Costas  
Representatives from Group Project and Smart Design, the competition finalists

### **WHEN:**

Thursday, June 27, 2019  
11 a.m.

### **WHERE:**

Southwest corner of West 43<sup>rd</sup> Street and 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Manhattan

### **About the New York City Department of Sanitation**

The Department of Sanitation (DSNY) keeps New York City healthy, safe and clean by collecting, recycling and disposing of waste, cleaning streets and vacant lots, and clearing snow and ice. The Department operates 59 district garages and manages a fleet of more than 2,000 rear-loading collection trucks, 450 mechanical brooms and 695 salt/sand spreaders. The Department clears litter, snow and ice from approximately 6,500 miles of City streets and removes debris from vacant lots as well as abandoned vehicles from City streets.