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The Last Group on the Thanksgiving Day Parade Route

While many people might think Santa's sleigh is the traditional end to the annual Thanksgiving Day parade, there is actually one more important group waiting to take to the parade route – the Sanitation Workers responsible for cleaning and collecting the tons of debris left behind by the millions of spectators lining the street.

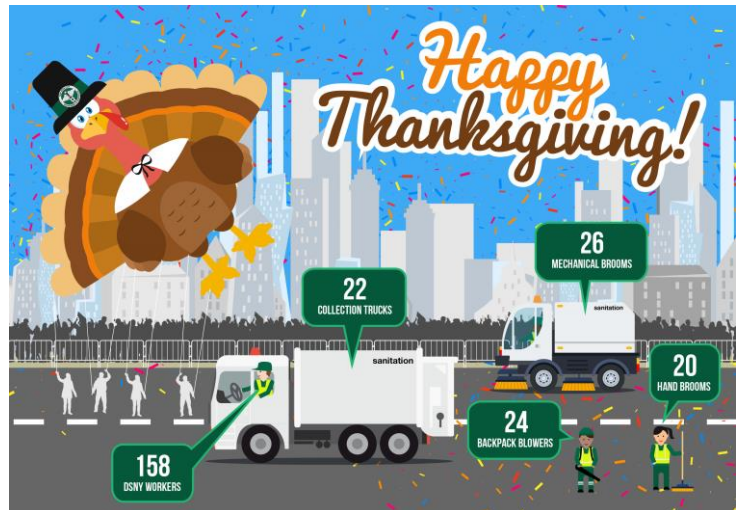
This year, the DSNY clean-up team will consist of:

- 131 Sanitation Workers
- 27 Officers

The crews will use:

- 26 mechanical brooms
- 20 hand brooms
- 24 backpack blowers
- 22 collection trucks

Last year, the DSNY crews picked up 32.5 tons of debris.



“The Thanksgiving Day parade is enjoyed by millions of people, and is anticipated all year long,” said Sanitation Commissioner Kathryn Garcia. “The hardworking men and women of the Department of Sanitation are the ones responsible for keeping the city safe, healthy and clean, even on holidays.”

About the New York City Department of Sanitation

The Department of Sanitation (DSNY) promotes a healthy environment through the efficient management of solid waste and the development of environmentally sound long-range planning for handling refuse, including recyclables. The Department operates 59 district garages and manages a fleet of more than 2,000 rear-loading collection trucks, 450 mechanical brooms and 689 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.