



## Quarterly Awards

Congratulations to this quarter's winners of the Commissioner's Awards for Excellence! **Commissioner Garcia** hosted a congratulatory breakfast for the winners.

They were:

Enforcement Agent **Benjamin Soto** maintains the Enforcement Posting Unit's high standards with his critical understanding of New Yorkers' concerns and proactively working with respondents. Health Care Facility Registered Nurse **Magalie Coty** assists employees through the LODI process, making a difficult time in their lives easier. Office of Employee Disciplinary Matters **Laverne Williams-Hickman** navigated a particularly busy quarter, managing the borough offices, districts, Local 831 through a continually changing schedule, thanks to snow. Queens West Sanitation Worker **James Rex** was honored for his outstanding work ethic behind a mechanical broom and communication of changing street conditions. Queens East 7 Supervisor **Michael Vohs** skillfully oversaw the section roll-out of the organics program and is a driving force for the program's success. Brooklyn Borough General Superintendent **Christopher Linares'** performance was exemplary during Storm Grayson, and the more hectic conditions became, the more focused and professional was his leadership.

Quarterly and annually, the Commissioner's Awards for Excellence honor our outstanding colleagues. Know someone whose work should be recognized? Nominate for this quarter or this year!

## Social Scene



## Waste is a Design Flaw

**NYC  
X DESIGN**  
**MAY 11-23  
2018**

NYC Sanitation presents  
**PANEL: WASTE IS A DESIGN FLAW**

May 14th 5:00 PM  
151 West 42nd Street, 21st floor  
RSVP required.



**Kathryn Garcia**  
Commissioner  
NYC Sanitation



**Heron Preston**  
Designer  
NYC Sanitation



**Clare Miflin**  
Architect  
AIANY



**Jessica Lax**  
Director of Competitions  
Van Alen Institute

New York City's design community is featuring us! During the city's official design week, Commissioner Garcia will be discussing how designers can re-think their projects with an eye toward reducing garbage. She'll be joined by designer Heron Preston and others.

## Women of DSNY



We recognized our many female employees, both civilian and uniformed, at our Women's History Month luncheon. Denise Patrick from Teach Lead Inspire empowered our female workforce at our "Beyond All Limits, Journey to Success" event.

**Have ideas you want to share with us?  
Send them to [suggestionbox@dsny.nyc.gov](mailto:suggestionbox@dsny.nyc.gov)**

# Act of Heroism



We are pleased to announce the appointment of Kisha Shrouder as the new DSNY Director of Human Resources. Kisha began her city service in 1997 and was a member of DSNY from 2000 to 2001. She returned to Sanitation in May of 2015 as the Deputy Director. Recently, she spearheaded Commissioner Garcia's mandate to improve HR's employee engagement and organizational development. Please congratulate Kisha in her new role.

## Take Care!



Needle sticks are a serious daily concern for our employees. While injuries are usually minor, they can be serious including contracting skin infections, allergic reactions, deep tissue wounds, and Hepatitis A, B, or C.

Here are some helpful ways to protect yourself:

- Always wear protective equipment such as gloves;
- Get the Hepatitis A or B vaccinations; and
- Employees who engage with New Yorkers should educate them on proper needle disposal.

Stuck by a needle? Get immediate help. Contact our healthcare facility at 212 437-4457.

## Share Your DSNY Memorabilia



We're collecting historical DSNY documents—uniforms, equipment and etc. so you can be part of the vision for the Foundation for New York's Strongest Museum.

Email any reference photos or files to [museum@nystrongest.org](mailto:museum@nystrongest.org). For more information, reach out to Maggie Lee at (646) 885-4518 or [maggie@nycstrongest.org](mailto:maggie@nycstrongest.org).

## EDI Visits the NY Stock Exchange



In celebration of National Financial Literacy Month, our EDI office visited the New York Stock Exchange to tour one of the world's largest financial investment exchanges. Consumer credit history is one of several categories our EDI protects against employment discrimination.

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