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DSNY Publishes 2014-2015 Biennial Report

The New York City Department of Sanitation has published its 2014-2015 Biennial Report, highlighting the service provided to all New Yorkers and outlining the Agency's strategy to build a more sustainable City.

The report is available here: <http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dsny/downloads/pdf/studies-and-reports/20142015AnnualReport.pdf>.

"Over the next five years, we're changing our operations with one focus: make it easier for New Yorkers to divert waste from landfills," Sanitation Commissioner Kathryn Garcia noted in the report. "Recovering these resources is best for our environment – and we're proud to lead New Yorkers to contribute zero waste to landfills by 2030," she continued.

The report details new and changing programs to help the City reach its zero-waste-to-landfills goal by simplifying curbside recycling, encouraging recycling at schools and in NYCHA communities, promoting re-use, and expanding access to recycling programs for electronics, textiles, hazardous items and organic materials.

Additionally, the report highlights the Department's work to eliminate its fleet's greenhouse gas emissions and the City's shrinking reliance on long-haul trucking as rail and marine transfer stations open as part of the Solid Waste Management Plan.

In a Mayor's Message, Mayor Bill de Blasio noted, "I commend DSNY for its dedication each day and in positioning New Yorkers for a vibrant and strong future – one that will keep our City a great place to live, work and visit."

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 2,022 rear-loading collection trucks, 450 mechanical brooms and 365 salt/sand spreaders. The Department clears litter, snow and ice from approximately 6,000 miles of City streets and removes debris from vacant lots as well as abandoned vehicles from City streets.