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## Thanksgiving Parade 2019: Cleaning the “Leftovers” at this Year’s Parade

Did you know that Santa is not the last one on the Thanksgiving Day parade route? It is actually one of the 102 Sanitation employees responsible for cleaning and removing the tons of debris left behind by the millions of spectators lining the street. While the parade-goers start heading home to their Thanksgiving meals, our workers are starting to clear the route.

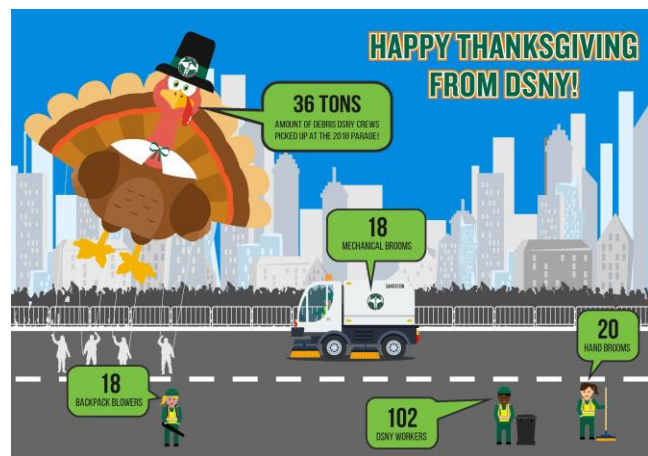
This year, the DSNY clean-up team will consist of:

- 85 Sanitation Workers
- 15 Officers
- 2 Deputy Chiefs

The crews will use:

- 18 mechanical brooms,
- 20 hand brooms,
- 18 backpack blowers, and
- 10 collection trucks.

Last year, the DSNY crews picked up more than 36 tons of debris.



“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,” said Sanitation Commissioner Kathryn Garcia. “I’m thankful for their work, today, and every day.”

### 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 705 salt 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.