

Adopt a Basket!



The NYC Department of Sanitation keeps New York City healthy, safe and clean – and New Yorkers, businesses and organizations can partner with DSNY by adopting a litter basket!

Volunteers in our **Adopt-a-Basket Program** help protect our health and quality of life by keeping many of the City's 25,000 litter baskets from overflowing.

Why Volunteer?

Litter Baskets in busy commercial corridors are sometimes filled quickly. Unfortunately, overflowing garbage can make its way to our streets, waterways and shores. Clean sidewalks are also better for our neighborhoods – and businesses.

Participants can highlight that they're doing their share for their community! The Department presents all participants with a Certificate of Appreciation, which can be put on display.

How Do I Help?

Sanitation provides a regular supply of free plastic liners, a collection schedule, work gloves, a dust bin and broom.

To help, monitor your litter baskets; when they're three-quarters full, remove the used plastic liners, tie them, leave them next to the basket and insert a new liner. If you run out of plastic liners before your next delivery, just call 311 to request more.

Sponsor a Basket, Too!

To reduce litter and improve our streetscape, sponsors purchase deluxe, heavier-duty litter baskets – which Sanitation teams regularly empty.

In the Sponsor-a-Basket Program, businesses, organizations and New Yorkers supply pre-approved baskets to replace the City's standard design. These higher-end baskets include a logo or name to highlight the sponsor's commitment to maintaining the community's quality of life. (Of course, you can sponsor and adopt a basket, too!)

To sponsor a basket or learn more about this initiative, email **CustomerService@dsny.nyc.gov**.



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