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DSNY Announces Major Expansion of NYC Organics Program

By End of Year, Curbside Collection of Food Scraps, Food-Soiled Paper and Yard Waste will be Available to 3.3 Million City Residents

WHAT: The New York City Department of Sanitation will announce the neighborhoods to be included in a major expansion of the NYC Organics curbside collection program. The curbside program is already available to nearly one million residents; the 2017 expansion will bring the program to an additional 2.2 million residents.

The NYC Organics curbside collection program collects food scraps, food-soiled paper and yard waste and turns them into compost or renewable energy.

VISUALS: Bags of DSNY-made compost, made from previously collected food scraps, will be spread in the garden by Commissioner Garcia and special guests.

WHO: Sanitation Commissioner Kathryn Garcia
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WHEN: Thursday, March 23
1 p.m.

WHERE: La Casita Verde (Community garden)
451 Bedford Ave, at Division Ave
Brooklyn

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.