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DSNY's "Run Down" of Marathon-Related Cleaning and Recycling; Tons of Material to be Diverted from Landfills

After the 50,000 runners taking part in this weekend's TCS New York City marathon cross the finish line, the Department of Sanitation begins our own race, as we work to collect the discarded clothing, drinking cups and other assorted debris left behind.

In 2016, DSNY removed:

- 82.68 tons of litter and debris;
- 4.7 tons of paper;
- 2.08 tons of metal, glass and plastic; and
- 84 tons of textiles

To help create a cleaner and greener city, DSNY focuses its efforts with recycling in mind. Each year, runners discard thousands of pieces of clothing before the start of the 26.2 mile race. The Department of Sanitation, DonateNYC and Goodwill Industries of Greater New York & Northern New Jersey work together to collect the discarded garments and keep them out of landfills.

A graphic for the "Find the BLUE BIN!" campaign. It features a runner icon on the left, a blue bin icon on the right, and a green arrow pointing from the runner to the bin. Text above the graphic reads "Running the TCS New York City Marathon? Find the BLUE BIN!". Below the graphic, text says "Donate your unneeded clothing in the BLUE BINS BEFORE the start of the race. You will help Goodwill keep 116,000 pounds of clothing out of our landfills!". Logos for Goodwill NY NJ, the Department of Sanitation, and donate NYC are at the bottom.

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2017 DSNY Employees and Equipment:

- 277 uniformed Sanitation Workers;
- 34 Supervisors;
- 4 Superintendents;
- 64 collection trucks;
- 61 mechanical brooms;
- 41 dump trucks; and
- a combined 30 push brooms, blowers, front end loaders, and haulsters to get the job done.

"The city shines on marathon day, and we are proud to play our part," said Sanitation Commissioner Kathryn Garcia. "While we collect all the material that's left behind, some of it can be recycled or reused. We are happy to help get tons of clothing to Goodwill for reuse. Every ton that gets diverted is a ton of material that does not go to landfill, and it's another step towards our zero by 30 goal."

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.