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## “Sweeping in” 2020 in Times Square

Every New Year’s Eve, revelers gather in Times Square to ring in the new year. Party hats, noisemakers, confetti, paper streamers and other pieces of New Year’s joy help make a festive night, but all the material left behind must be cleaned by daybreak! As the throngs of celebrants begin to head home, an army of Sanitation employees from the New York City Department of Sanitation are ready to “sweep in” to clean up the aftermath of one of New York’s most fun events.

This year, DSNY’s Times Square cleanup will include:

- 177 Sanitation Workers, and
- 33 Supervisors and Chiefs on duty.

They will use:

- 18 collection trucks,
- 28 mechanical brooms,
- six rack trucks,
- two haulsters,
- 53 back pack blowers and
- 41 hand brooms.

Last year, DSNY removed more than 65 tons of debris.

“There’s nothing like ushering in the new year in Times Square,” said Sanitation Commissioner Kathryn Garcia. “New Year’s Eve in New York City brings not only millions of people to the Times Square area, but also tons of debris. Thanks to our dedicated Sanitation employees, every last piece of confetti will be quickly cleaned and only a memory by morning.”



### 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 705 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.