

NYC Sanitation Trash Talk



Make Food, Not Waste

For the first time ever, the Foundation for New York's Strongest held its NYC Food Waste Fair, bringing together local businesses and food waste experts – and taking NYC closer to zero waste. More than 1,100 attendees and more than 80 exhibitors shared best practices to prevent, recover and recycle food. Learn more at nyc.gov/strongestnyc.

From the Commissioner



As the largest city in the United States with the largest organics curbside collection program, it's fitting that we're positioning the NYC Department of Sanitation as a thought leader in environmentalism and waste management.

Last week, DSNY's nonprofit organization – The Foundation for New York's Strongest – tried something new for a government sanitation department: hosting a conference bringing together virtually every corner of the food industry. The NYC Food Waste Fair was an astounding success, with more than 1,100 people browsing exhibitor booths, meeting with City agencies that regulate food, joining break-out lectures on specialized topics, attending a thought-provoking panel discussion and watching live food demonstrations on how to get

the most out of food. Office managers connected with vendors, restaurateurs discovered products and entrepreneurs found new audiences. This – and last year's Fashion Week event – are examples of how we're using new strategies to change New Yorkers' habits. Have a unique or fun idea on how to spread our sustainability message? Share it with Trash Talk.

Plus, this week marks a major milestone in recycling. We're now enforcing the business recycling rules that went into effect last year – requirements for establishments that are served by private carters. These new requirements are key to helping businesses in New York City reduce the waste they produce, while demonstrating that DSNY is truly evolving into an environmental organization.

Thank you for all that you do in keeping New York City healthy, safe, clean and sustainable.



Recycling rules for commercial establishments are now being enforced. In effect since August 2016, all businesses served by private carting companies must recycle all beverage containers, plus paper, plastic, metal and glass. Some businesses may also be required to recycle textiles, plant waste or organics.

In Case You Missed It



Help the New York City Rescue Mission this month!

- By Aug. 8th, purchase raffle tickets at 125 Worth St., win prizes like food baskets and gift certificates!
- Join the Swap Sale on Aug. 9th at 125 Worth St.,. Bring clean, reusable items like clothing and books.



Community Affairs hosted a Touch-a-Truck at the Brownsville Medical Center Summerfest in Brooklyn — a proud participant in our curbside organics collection!



Community Affairs also attended the Health and Wellness Fair at The Prince George in Manhattan. The organization services the homeless, seniors, veterans and low-income individuals.

Have a story to share? Tell us at TrashTalk@dsny.nyc.gov.

In the Hopper



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DSNY Night Subway Series

Yankees? Mets? Who's your favorite? Root for YOUR team on Tuesday, August 15th @ Yankee Stadium at 7:05 PM for this year's Subway Series. The Yankees are extending a special DSNY ticket discount for the game.

The Social Scene

