

WHAT IS STREET SWEEPING?



The City of San Diego's Stormwater Department works to protect and enhance San Diego's vibrant communities through exceptional public service and modern infrastructure that reflects the importance of clean water and flood control. Street sweeping helps keep our neighborhoods clean while strategically targeting trash and pollution at its source.

pollution prevention

Removal of trash, sediment, metals and other pollutants that can be harmful to wildlife and water quality helps the City protect waterways and meet Clean Water Act obligations.



protects from flooding

Street sweeping reduces flood risk by removing debris from streets that can clog storm drains and channels resulting in costly maintenance downstream.



enhanced efficiency

Investing in the replacement of older sweepers with vacuum sweepers and enhanced sweeping routes can increase efficiency by more than 30%.



✓ DID YOU KNOW?

The City's fleet of **20** sweepers routinely cover **2,700** miles of streets annually, removing **220,000** pounds of trash and debris. That is equivalent to the weight of **23** million single use, disposable cups.



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HOW DOES STREET SWEEPING WORK?



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Street sweeping is a pollution prevention service that protects the City's waterways and infrastructure. It also provides a community benefit by cleaning, beautifying and making city streets safer.

debris removal

Street sweepers outfitted with water sprayers, rotating brushes and a vacuum remove pollutants like pesticides and trash from roads while keeping dust levels low.

resource protection

The removal of trash and debris from roads reduces storm drain maintenance needs, protects water quality, and reduces flooding risk.

parking regulation

Car-less streets and parking restrictions are critical to ensure the efficiency of sweeping to reach the curb, especially in high traffic areas where street parking is extremely common.

Visit the City's interactive map to learn more about street sweeping schedules and posted routes: <https://tinyurl.com/ycwn5cjp>

results driven

Data on street miles traveled and amount of debris removed are tracked to systematically target sweeping where it's needed most.



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