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MTA New York City Transit Restores Historic City Hall Subway Station Following Removal of Encampment

31-Person Crew Deep-Cleaned and Restored Station Less Than 24 Hours After Removal of Encampment

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Less than 24 hours after the City's removal of an encampment near City Hall, crews from MTA New York City Transit successfully completed power washing and restoration of the Brooklyn Bridge-City Hall [4](#) [5](#) [6](#) subway station today, removing graffiti and debris and repairing or replacing damaged elements.

The 31-person cleaning crew and four supervisors successfully pressure washed the subway station of all graffiti and debris. Stairways and entrances were deep-cleaned to remove graffiti completely and clear any debris and dirt to prevent potential safety hazards to the public. Fare control areas were cleaned and detailed, and damaged station elements – such as an iconic green subway entrance globe – were repaired or replaced. Crew members used a variety of cleaning tools for this effort, including mobile wash pressure washing wands, scrubbing pads and hand tools.

"Ideally our crews are using their cleaning expertise to disinfect the station and trains for COVID-19 prevention but this unfortunate situation required a herculean cleaning effort and our team stepped up, as they always do," **said Sarah Feinberg, Interim President of New York City Transit.**

In total, 452 person-hours were needed to return the station to its original state, at a cost of approximately \$17,000.