

*“Although all of us are not the cause of the problem, we all have a responsibility to be a part of the solution. If we keep aiming for a better and better Staten Island, there’s no telling how great this borough can be.”*

**-BP ODDO**

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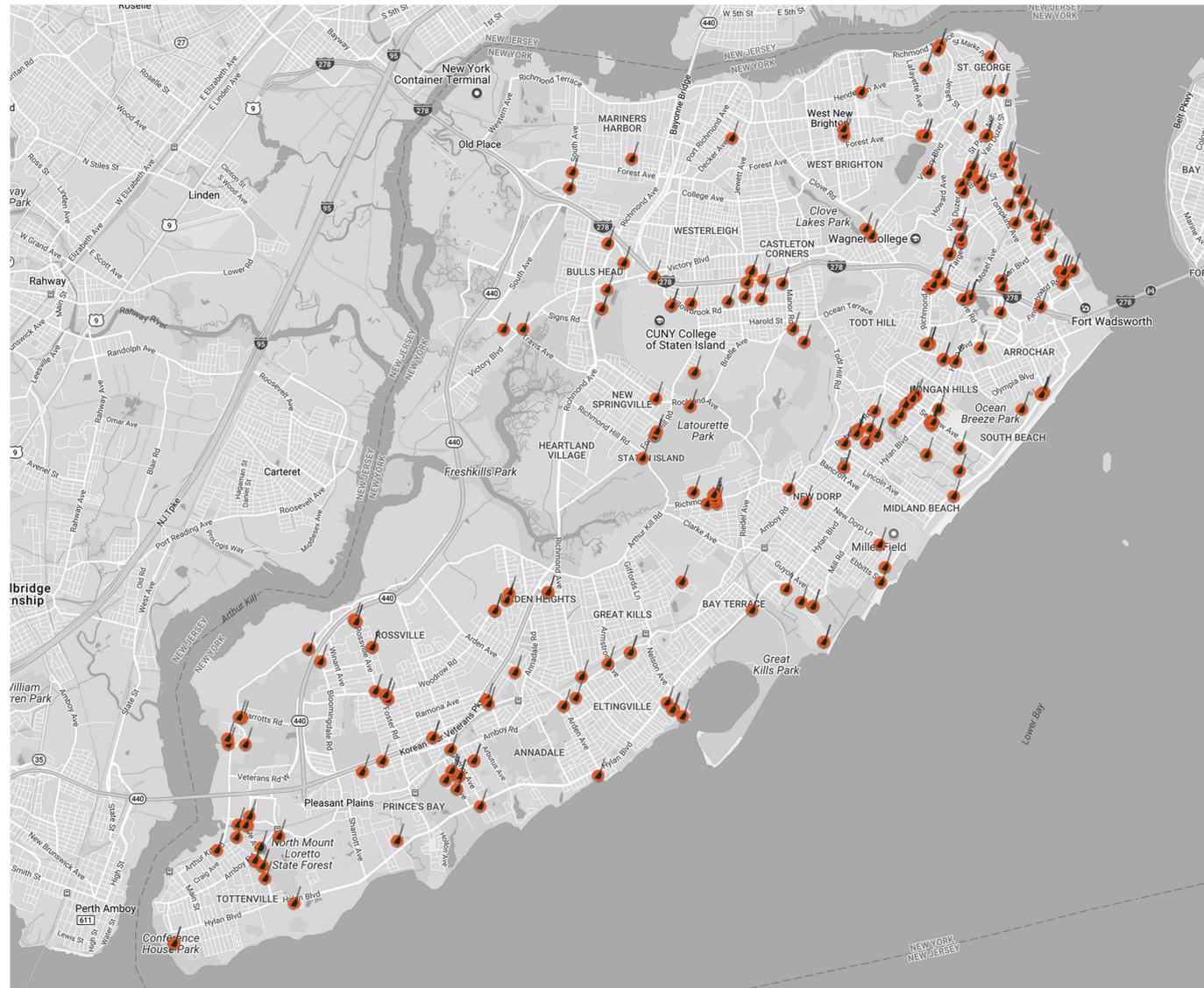
**2017** was a very busy year for the Borough Hall Clean Team, which visited and cleaned over 300 locations, most of them multiple times. Our Clean Team worked tirelessly to get out to reported locations as quickly as possible, while also working to form partnerships with the private sector.

In addition to our work cleaning up litter, we’ve continued our partnership with Pratt Industries and the Jason Learning Project. Jason Learning is designed to implement a recycling and litter prevention curriculum in our schools, with the hopes of preventing the next generation from becoming “litterjerks.” This resulted in a borough-wide elementary school art contest to promote recycling and prevent litter, with the winning art displayed on Sanitation trucks.

Our office also worked closely with the Department of Sanitation, which assisted our office in managing the increase of illegal dumping. We also worked with the Parks Department, which closed some public roads in order for our Clean Team to do effective cleanups in areas that are difficult to maintain.



A location our Clean Team tackled.



The Borough Hall Clean Team visited and cleaned over 300 Staten Island locations in 2017. The map above shows a partial list of the locations.

In 2017, we launched our “Own the 18” Campaign. This initiative was a call to action for our fellow Staten Islanders to uphold the law that requires home and business owners to remove litter from their property, as well as 18 inches into the street. We encouraged folks to participate and set a positive example for their neighbors, family, and friends.

A new year brings a new litter season, and we will continue our litter removal efforts with renewed determination. Staten Island can and will be clean again, but it must be a group effort led by “litterheroes.” We have made great progress over the past four years and look forward to combatting this troublesome problem with fresh ideas in 2018.



BP Oddo’s “Own The 18” Press Conference.

# We Are Our Borough’s Keeper

A CLEANER STATEN ISLAND IS UP TO YOU...AND ME TOO