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FLEET SPOTLIGHT: BENJAMIN ANATSUI, NYPD FLEET

We continue this week with fleet spotlights in honor of Black History Month. This week we present Benjamin Anatsui, Supervisor of Mechanical Equipment (SOME) at NYPD Shop 4 in Queens.

In 2006, Ben was working in the service department of a Saturn dealership in Queens when he opted for a change and joined NYPD Fleet Services. Ben started as an Auto Service

Worker and worked his way up the ranks to Auto Mechanic. Late last year, he was promoted to SOME.

Ben worked at a number of fleet shops around the city. He first started with the salvage unit at NYPD Central Repair Shop (CRS) and has also worked at the old Shop 9 on Randalls Island, the new Shop 9, and Shop 7 in the Bronx. Ben is now at Shop 4 where he manages day to day repair operations and supervises 21 employees.

When asked about his time at NYPD, Ben said "it a great job, challenges arise every day that you must resolve." Ben is a graduate of Bronx Community College (BCC) with a degree in automotive technology. BCC has a great automotive program and fleet partners with them on a number of efforts.

Ben currently resides in Manhattan with his wife Edwige and his children Victoria and Benjamin. Many thanks for your dedicated service to the City, NYPD, and citywide fleet.

FLEET TALKS PROCUREMENT

NYC has one of the largest fleets in North America and spends nearly \$1 billion annually on fleet related services. Procurement of vehicles, trucks, parts, fuel, and services is a critical dimension of our citywide fleet program. On February 15, 2018 DCAS Fleet, for the first time, presented on the fleet program to the regular meeting of all Agency Chief Contracting Officers (ACCOs) as organized by the Mayor's Office of Contract Services (MOCS).

The City's Fleet Manual structures the procurement rules for fleet and related services. NYC also has 17 Local Laws that govern fleet procurement and operations, particularly Local Law 38 of 2005 which requires the most fuel efficient vehicles be purchased for each type of unit.

As importantly, both Mayor de Blasio's Vision Zero and NYC Clean Fleet initiatives have critical procurement aspects. Through our Safe Fleet Transition Plan, the City will now specify and procure the safest possible vehicles in the marketplace for all vehicle types. Through NYC Clean Fleet, we are making the transition to buying electric plug in vehicles and biofuels.

As with all aspects of City operations, fleet relies on effective procurement services from MOCS, our Office of Citywide Procurement at DCAS, and as supported by all the City agency ACCOs. We hope today's presentation will lead to even closer and better coordination in the future. Thanks to Dan Symon, Ryan Murray, and Nadia Quddus from MOCS for inviting fleet to present.







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