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## DCAS REPORTS ON FLEET AND CAR SHARE INITIATIVES

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At a City Council hearing on February 10, 2015 DCAS provided an update on NYC's fleet and car share initiatives which are now in their third year. In July 2012 the City entered into a partnership with Zipcar to implement a car sharing service. There are two distinct components to the program.

The first provides to all City agencies access to the vast inventory of privately-owned Zipcar vehicles in the City in the same manner that any private citizen can access these vehicles. Agencies which use Zipcars include DOT, DSNY, FDNY, Parks, ACS, DEP, DCAS, Landmarks, and the Mayor's Office. In just one recent example, agencies were able to quickly attain extra 4x4 SUVs to use during the recent snow storms.

We have also installed Zipcar's sharing technology Fast Fleet in City-owned vehicles. This technology allows City vehicles to be pooled and shared just like Zipcars, using card keys instead of car keys to open the cars. Employees go online to reserve the vehicles.

Fast Fleet is now available in 580 sedans and SUVs at Parks, DEP, Health, DCAS, and DOT. This is the largest fleet share project in the country and has led to dramatically improved fleet reporting on vehicle use and optimization. Over 1,800 City staff now use car or fleet share. We will also soon welcome Correction to the list of agencies using fleet share.

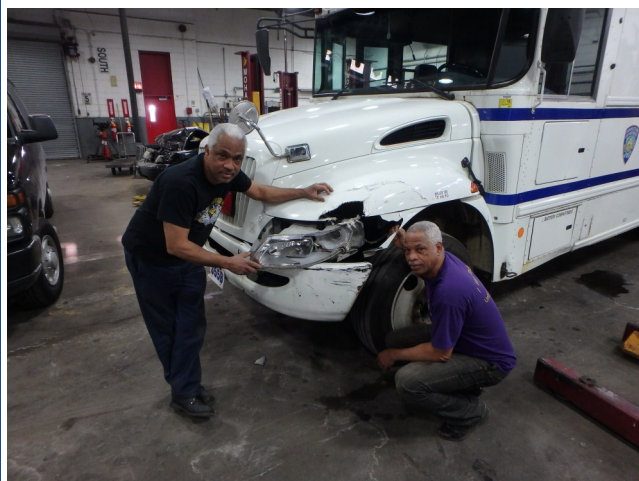
## SPOTLIGHT: ALISTER AND JOY GARRETT AT DOC FLEET SERVICES

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We complete our Black History Month features this week with two brothers, Alister and Joy Garrett. Both serve as Auto Body Workers at the New York City Department of Correction (DOC) Fleet Services shop on Rikers Island.

Joy started working at DOC in 2002 and Alister soon joined him there in 2006. Fleet Services at DOC maintains a fleet of over 500 vehicles to support New York's Boldest including over 100 inmate transport buses that are their most critical fleet assets and which the department depends on to safely transport inmates to and from court.

Due to vehicle collisions, incidents, or wear and tear, there is a constant stream of auto body work at the Rikers Island Shop. This location is among few City-owned garages with the capacity to complete body work, a highly specialized trade that both Alister and Joy excel in. They perform work such as simonizing, welding, and painting on all types of fleet units including busses and box and cube trucks. They also fabricate and outfit transport units with critical security cages.



The Garrett brothers grew up together in Grenada where they worked in their father's vehicle repair shop. The only time they have been separated was when Alister left Grenada to come to the U.S. in 1977 and Joy soon followed in 1980.

Prior to working for Correction, the brothers owned and operated a body shop for over two decades in Brooklyn where they still live with their respective families. "It's great, we have worked together since I was 18 years old," says Joy. Alister added, "Joy is my best friend and we do as much as we can together."