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CITY TO START GRAFFITI REMOVAL SERVICE

Helps residents and businesses remove unwanted tags from property

Mayor Carlo DeMaria Jr., Code Enforcement Director Frank Nuzzo, and City Services Director Brian Zaniboni announce the availability of a graffiti removal service for residents and businesses. The program was designed to help residents and building owners avoid Code Enforcement violations, which carry fines of over \$300 for not removing graffiti from property.

Any resident or business can contact Code Enforcement and request assistance. City Services will visit the site and determine if the graffiti can be removed without damaging the owner's property. Some surfaces, such as painted brick or painted cement, cannot be removed with the City Services apparatus. Homeowners and businesses will then need to seek an alternative removal service.

City Services will require all who participate to sign a liability waiver before they do the job. City Services will maintain the list of sites, and will schedule workers when appropriate.

For additional information please contact Code Enforcement at 617-394-2264

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