

Mayor Bloomberg falls short on 2009 goals, ready to try again with State of the City address on tap

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Smith for News Mayor Bloomberg will give his State of the City address on Wednesday.

[Mayor Bloomberg](#) sets out his 2010 agenda Wednesday in his ninth State of the City address, outlining new programs and goals despite the city's budget crunch.

Here's how Bloomberg has done on 10 of his

promises from last year's address:

JOBS: "Retain and create as many jobs as possible now and 400,000 jobs over the next six years." - [New York](#) expects to lose 100,000 fewer jobs during the recession than it feared a year ago.

CRIME: "Identifying the 12 worst repeat quality-of-life offenders in each borough - the 'Dirty Dozen' ... and seek the maximum possible penalties." - The 67 worst weren't publicly shamed. Prosecutors and judges did not often apply maximum penalties.

PENSION REFORM: "People are living longer and longer, yet we're still offering full retirement benefits after only 20 years of service." - Unions have successfully fought plans to require new city workers to work 30 years for a full pension.

CARS: "Cutting the city's nonemergency car fleet by 10%." - The city planned to cut 685 cars and ended up cutting 741. A new car-sharing program eliminates the need for some city workers to have individual vehicles.

FORECLOSURES: "A (\$62) million fund, paid for with federal dollars, to buy, renovate, and resell recently foreclosed homes." It's a good idea, but the city and property owners often can't agree on price, said [Sarah Gerecke](#) of NYU's [Furman Center](#).

ENVIRONMENT: "We'll ... 'green' our building code and enact the nation's first law to require existing private sector buildings to improve their energy efficiency." - Code was significantly changed, but the real estate industry blocked mandatory improvements to existing buildings.

WORLD TRADE CENTER: "We'll continue pushing the Port Authority to keep the [Freedom Tower](#), memorial, and the rest of the site on schedule."

Latest ETA is 2018.

HOMELESS: "By restructuring financial incentives for shelter operators, more families will return to their home communities more quickly." - Homeless population hovers at 37,000, about where it was six years ago.

HEALTH: "Since 2002, we've cut AIDS-related deaths by more than a third. Over the next four years, we'll cut those deaths another 20 percent." - Latest stats show a 4% drop to 1,073. But the number of gay men, particularly young ones, being diagnosed with the disease is on the rise.

SCHOOLS: "Parents will be able to call 311, identify themselves as a parent or guardian, and get answers - the right ones - without getting the run-around." - Parents have said they still struggle to get straight answers from the administration.

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