

***Statements of Community  
District Needs  
and  
Community Board  
Budget Requests***

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Community District  
5**

# Letter from DCP Director Daniel Garodnick

To my fellow New Yorkers:

Every year, each of New York City's 59 community boards advocate for the needs of its residents and stakeholders by preparing a Statement of Community District (CD) Needs and Community Board Budget Requests. Through this process, community boards share the top issues impacting their neighborhoods and propose capital and expense requests to address those identified needs. I'd like to thank the volunteer members of our community boards and the District Managers who work so hard in leading this essential process and in preparing these reports.

The annual CD Needs process is the product of months of collaboration and public input and is a valuable tool for New Yorkers to participate in neighborhood planning. At the broadest levels, CD Needs offers a critical window into the challenges faced by New Yorkers, and how those challenges may differ across neighborhoods. At a granular level, it provides a forum through which community leaders specify those needs and make recommendations for spending -- which in turn are used by City agencies, elected officials, advocacy groups, and non-profit service providers, among others, to better understand and meet the individual needs of each community board.

Through this year's submissions, we heard the stories of our communities' biggest challenges, such as the human impacts of our housing crisis. In that vein, community boards again selected affordable housing as the most pressing issue citywide, followed by crime and public safety, and parks and open space. Through our online form, community boards generated more than 3,700 budget requests, and for each, one of 28 City agencies responded to indicate whether the request could be accommodated within the upcoming annual budget. This year, in line with our commitment to increasing transparency across the CD Needs process, we are publishing agency responses to these requests in the final section of these reports.

DCP deeply values our partnership with community boards. We remain committed to supporting them by increasing participation in, and improving the transparency of, the CD Needs process. We have received valuable feedback from our community board partners, and we are excited to work with them to continue improving our online submission form, to connect boards with agencies to advance budget request proposals, and to open the form earlier in the calendar year to allow more time for public input and preparation. We look forward to advancing this work with both community boards and City agencies to ensure this is a valuable and productive way to improve our City's neighborhoods and to respond to local community needs.

Sincerely,



## INTRODUCTION

The annual Statements of Community District Needs (CD Needs Statements) and Community Board Budget Requests (Budget Requests) are Charter mandates that form an integral part of the City's budget process. Together, they are intended to support communities in their ongoing consultations with city agencies, elected officials and other key stakeholders and influence more informed decision making on a broad range of local planning and budget priorities. This report also provides a valuable public resource for neighborhood planning and research purposes, and may be used by a variety of audiences seeking information about New York City's diverse communities.

## HOW TO USE THIS REPORT

This report represents the Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the community board, collected through an online form available to community boards from July to November, 2022.

Community boards may provide substantive supplemental information together with their Statements and Budget Requests. This supporting material can be accessed by clicking on the links provided in the document or by copying and pasting them into a web browser, such as Chrome, Safari or Firefox.

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This report is broadly structured as follows:

### 1. Overarching Community District Needs

Sections 1 – 4 provide an overview of the community district and the top three pressing issues affecting this district overall as identified by the community board. Any narrative provided by the board supporting their selection of their top three pressing issues is included.

### 2. Policy Area-Specific District Needs

Section 5 is organized by seven distinct policy areas aligned with the service and program areas of city agencies. For each policy area, community boards selected the most important issue for their districts and could provide a supporting narrative. The policy area section also includes any agency-specific needs and a list of relevant budget requests submitted by the community board. If the community board submitted additional information outside of a specific policy area, it may be found in Section 6.

### 3. Community Board Budget Requests

The final section includes the two types of budget requests submitted to the City for the FY24 budget cycle; one list for capital and another for expense budget requests. For each budget request, community boards were able to provide a priority number, explanation, location, and supporters. OMB remains the definitive source on budget requests submitted to city agencies.

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*Budget Requests:* Listed for informational purposes only. OMB remains the definitive source on budget requests and budget request responses.

*Budget Priorities:* Priority numbers apply to expense and capital Budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense and capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 7 of this document.

*Supporting Materials:* Some community boards provided substantive supplemental information. This supportive material can be accessed by clicking on the links provided in the document or by copying and pasting the links provided in the Appendix into a browser.

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## 1. COMMUNITY BOARD INFORMATION

Bronx Community Board 5

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## 2. 2020 CENSUS DATA

The following two pages contain data from the most recent 2020 Decennial Census, which includes basic demographic and housing characteristics for New York City, the borough, and this community district. The data also includes a view of change over time since 2010.

## New York City

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
<b>AGE</b>							
Total population	8,175,133	100.00	8,804,190	100.00	629,057	7.7	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	1,768,111	21.6	1,740,142	19.8	-27,969	-1.6	-1.8
<b>MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN</b>							
Total population	8,175,133	100.0	8,804,190	100.0	629,057	7.7	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	2,336,076	28.6	2,490,350	28.3	154,274	6.6	-0.3
White non-Hispanic	2,722,904	33.3	2,719,856	30.9	-3,048	-0.1	-2.4
Black non-Hispanic	1,861,295	22.8	1,776,891	20.2	-84,404	-4.5	-2.6
Asian non-Hispanic	1,028,119	12.6	1,373,502	15.6	345,383	33.6	3.0
Some other race, non-Hispanic	78,063	1.0	143,632	1.6	65,569	84.0	0.6
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	148,676	1.8	299,959	3.4	151,283	101.8	1.6
<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>							
Total housing units	3,371,062	100.0	3,618,635	100.0	247,573	7.3	0.0
Occupied housing units	3,109,784	92.2	3,370,448	93.1	260,664	8.4	0.9
Vacant housing units	261,278	7.8	248,187	6.9	-13,091	-5.0	-0.9

## The Bronx

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
<b>AGE</b>							
Total population	1,385,108	100.00	1,472,654	100.00	87,546	6.3	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	368,196	26.6	349,579	23.7	-18,617	-5.1	-2.9
<b>MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN</b>							
Total population	1,385,108	100.0	1,472,654	100.0	87,546	6.3	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	741,413	53.5	806,463	54.8	65,050	8.8	1.3
White non-Hispanic	151,209	10.9	130,796	8.9	-20,413	-13.5	-2.0
Black non-Hispanic	416,695	30.1	419,393	28.5	2,698	0.6	-1.6
Asian non-Hispanic	47,335	3.4	67,766	4.6	20,431	43.2	1.2
Some other race, non-Hispanic	12,494	0.9	19,866	1.3	7,372	59.0	0.4
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	15,962	1.2	28,370	1.9	12,408	77.7	0.7
<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>							
Total housing units	511,896	100.0	547,030	100.0	35,134	6.9	0.0
Occupied housing units	483,449	94.4	522,450	95.5	39,001	8.1	1.1
Vacant housing units	28,447	5.6	24,580	4.5	-3,867	-13.6	-1.1

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 and 2020 Census Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary Files  
Population Division, New York City Department of City Planning



**Bronx Community District 5**

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
<b>AGE</b>							
Total population	128,200	100.00	132,584	100.00	4,384	3.4	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	38,328	29.9	34,523	26	-3,805	-9.9	-3.9
<b>MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN</b>							
Total population	128,200	100.0	132,584	100.0	4,384	3.4	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	85,600	66.8	90,730	68.4	5,130	6.0	1.6
White non-Hispanic	1,791	1.4	1,991	1.5	200	11.2	0.1
Black non-Hispanic	36,795	28.7	34,598	26.1	-2,197	-6.0	-2.6
Asian non-Hispanic	1,902	1.5	1,888	1.4	-14	-0.7	-0.1
Some other race, non-Hispanic	991	0.8	1,536	1.2	545	55.0	0.4
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	1,121	0.9	1,841	1.4	720	64.2	0.5
<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>							
Total housing units	43,460	100.0	45,814	100.0	2,354	5.4	0.0
Occupied housing units	40,946	94.2	44,332	96.8	3,386	8.3	2.6
Vacant housing units	2,514	5.8	1,482	3.2	-1,032	-41.1	-2.6

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 and 2020 Census Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary Files  
Population Division, New York City Department of City Planning

**Statement on Data Accuracy**

Under Title 13 of the U.S. Code, the Census Bureau is legally bound to protect the privacy of individuals participating in the decennial census. To adhere to the law and to avoid the disclosure of information about individual respondents, the Census Bureau has historically applied a host of techniques, such as top- and bottom-coding, imputation, table- and cell-suppression, and data swapping. The Census Bureau is employing a new technique with the 2020 Census, referred to as the Disclosure Avoidance System (DAS), based on differential privacy. With this approach, the Census Bureau “infuses noise” systematically across census data and sets a quantified disclosure risk, referred to as the Privacy Loss Budget (PLB).

While the new DAS approach may diminish the risk of disclosure concerns, it comes at a cost to data accuracy. Consequently, 2020 Census data users should be aware that all sub-state counts, except for housing units (which are unaffected by the DAS), may be adjusted to protect the privacy of Census participants and may be subject to reduced accuracy. Because DAS noise infusion is randomized, it is impossible for data users to know the degree to which any individual statistic is altered. However, it is possible to say that in general the relative size of errors decreases as counts increase. Consequently, data users should have greater confidence in the accuracy of the data as counts get larger. Further, an evaluation of a Privacy-Protected Microdata File (PPMF), treated with a Disclosure Avoidance System like the one applied to 2020 redistricting data, showed that counts of 300 or more rarely have sizable errors (error beyond +/- 10% of the count). Therefore, while data users need to be cognizant of data accuracy limitations, they should have confidence in conclusions based on sizable counts, which are relatively unaffected by the Census Bureau’s latest disclosure avoidance method.

### 3. OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT

Bronx Community District 5, known as the West Tremont area, is located in the mid-West Bronx with a total land area of 1.4 square miles. It is bounded by the Harlem River to the West, in the Cross Bronx Expressway on the South, Webster Avenue on the East, and the northern boundary extends from Hall of Fame Terrace at Bronx Community College to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. and 183rd Street, East to Jerome Avenue and North to Fordham Road. The major streets running East to West are Fordham Road, Burnside and Tremont Avenues. The major streets running North and South are Jerome Avenue, Grand Concourse, Bainbridge, and 3rd Avenue. The Grand Concourse is a major North/South corridor. Our district overlaps with City Council districts 14, 15, and 16. Bronx Community District 5 is comprised of the following four neighborhoods: South Fordham, University Heights, Morris Heights, and Mount Hope. The overall population count in this district was 131,879 in 2012, the last year the data was made available, and its population density (1,000 persons per square mile) was 87.4. There was a 2.8 percent increase in the population from the year 2010. The racial diversity of our residents is rich and the majority of the population is Hispanic and Black/African American. According to the 2010-2012 American Community Survey (ACS) estimates, 68.6 percent of the population in this district is of Hispanic origin; 33.7 percent of the residents are Black/African American; 1.1 percent of the residents are Asian or Pacific Islander; 12.9 percent of the residents are White; 0.8 percent of the residents are American Indian or Alaska Native. The ACS estimated that of the Hispanic/Latino group, 6.4 percent of the residents are Mexican; 18.3 percent of the residents are Puerto Rican; 0.5 percent of the residents are Cuban; 43.5 percent of the residents identify themselves as part of another Hispanic or Latino group. There are also a significant proportion of residents that is foreign born. The population of foreign-born residents increased from 34.8 percent in 2000 to 43.4 percent in 2012. The ACS 2008-2012 data breaks down the region of birth of the foreign born population in our district: 12 percent of the foreign born population is African of which 11 percent is West African; 85 percent of the foreign born population is Latin American; 2 percent of the population is Asian; 1 percent of the population is European. The growth of our foreign born population and the large population of Hispanic or Latino residents has potentially impacted the primary languages represented in our district. Of the residents living in our district for five years and more, 70.2 percent speak a language other than English and Spanish speakers make up 62.3 percent of this group. In addition to race, the age groups contribute to the diversity of the residents living in this area. The population of residents in the 65 and older age group increased from 5 percent in 2000 to 8.2 percent in 2012. The households with children under 18 years old decreased from 55.4 percent to 43.9 percent from 2000 to 2012. Although there is a range in the socioeconomic makeup of the residents in the district, the percent of households living near the poverty line and who are considered to be low-income is high. The proportion of residents with a household income below \$20,000 increased from about 35 percent to about 46 percent from 2000 to 2012. The poverty rate also increased from 40.6 percent to 42.3 percent from 2000 to 2012. It was ranked as one of the community districts with the highest number of households with the total income below the poverty level. For the year 2012, the median household income was \$21,959 which is significantly less when compared to the Bronx overall (\$33,006) and New York City (\$51,750). It was ranked as one of the community districts with the lowest median household income levels. The percent unemployed is about 20.9 percent. The proportion of residents who used supplemental security income was 18.3 percent. The proportion of residents who needed cash public assistance income was 12.3 percent. The proportion of residents requiring food stamps/SNAP benefits was significant at 50.6 percent. Morris Heights is the lowest density area in District 5. Morris Heights is along the western ridge of the district, covering the area from Jerome Avenue valley to the Harlem River Valley. Here, the zoning ranges from R5 (typically 2 and 3-family row houses and small apartment buildings). In addition to the low density development, several high-rise developments including Sedgwick Houses, a NYC Housing Authority Development complex and several large private apartment towers along the Undercliff and Sedgwick Avenues, as well as River Park Towers along the Harlem River. University Heights is part of the same rock ridge that characterizes most of Morris Heights, and is similar, architecturally. One of the key landmarks in this area is the beautiful Bronx Community College Campus, which gives the neighborhood its name. This public facility is the highest geographic point in New York City. University Heights is the least dense area of the district and benefits from a large proportion of 1-4 family housing stock. The area East of Jerome Avenue and Fordham Road encompasses two neighborhoods: South Fordham, North of Burnside to Fordham Road, and Mount Hope, South of Burnside Avenue to the Cross Bronx Expressway. Both extend east to Webster Avenue. The Mount Hope/South Fordham neighborhoods are densely populated mostly with five and six-story housing. At the eastern edge of these neighborhoods is a large residential development known as Twin Parks West, consisting of four residential towers. At the northern portion of this area is the Fordham Road Shopping District, the third largest generator retail sales in

the City of New York. Fordham Road has approximately 1-million square feet of retail space. During these times of anxiety and financial stress, funding for the community's priorities are even more important.

## 4. TOP THREE PRESSING ISSUES OVERALL

### Bronx Community Board 5

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The three most pressing issues facing this Community Board are:

#### **Affordable housing**

Community Board #5 has an old housing stock with over half our housing built before 1930, and it is defined as a primarily a multi-dwelling bedroom community. The home ownership rate in our district is categorized as having the lowest rates in the New York City community districts. It has a homeownership rate of 2.8 percent. Also, our district is ranked as having the highest number of renter households whose gross rent was more than 50 percent of their pre-tax income. Other issues affecting housing quality are increasing utility costs for landlords and homeowners; the percentage of housing with five or more maintenance deficiencies has increased over 35 percent; a lack of code enforcement (this district ranks in the top 20 in serious housing code violations throughout the City); an increase in building debts due to over-financing. Approximately 44.4 percent of the rental housing units considered overcrowded (our district ranks 6th overall in the City). As the consequences of the Jerome Avenue Rezoning continue to be manifest, the need for affordable housing for the residents of the District has been enhanced.

#### **Schools**

There is a dearth of available school seats in our district, especially in elementary school seats. Community Board 5 encompasses School Districts 9 and 10. In CSD 9 the elementary school utilization rate is 118.23% In CSD 10 the rate is 122.06% (Jerome Avenue Rezoning EIS; p. 4-13). Community Board 5 was especially hard hit by the COVID-19 pandemic. There was prior to the health crisis a dearth of school seats in the District. Compounding the health-related deprivations is the looming and extant development related to the Jerome Avenue Rezoning. The lack of educational resources in the community are an impediment to the district's economic and social thriving. Redressing this deprivation would go a long way to improving the life-chances of our residents.

#### **Unemployment**

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## 5. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND BUDGET REQUESTS

### HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

#### Bronx Community Board 5

##### Most Important Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

##### **Chronic diseases prevention and management (diabetes, heart disease, etc.)**

Our community has a high incidence for asthma and diabetes. Among adults the rate of hospitalizations for asthma are 571 per 100,000 adults. For the Bronx this rate is 508 and the average city-wide is 249. For children the rate for hospitalization is 55 in our community per 10,000 children between the ages of 5-14 years old. The rate for such children throughout the Bronx is 72 and for New York City the rate is 36. In regards to diabetes hospitalizations for adults, our community ranks as the sixth highest in the city. Per 10,000 adults we have a hospitalization rate of 616. For the Bronx the corresponding rate is 503. The rate of hospitalizations for New York City is 312. Among the leading causes of death in Community Board 5 diabetes related causes ranks 5th (26.7 per 100,000 adults). The rate of infant mortality and premature death (before the age of 65) is higher than city-wide. The infant mortality rate in Community Board 5 is 5.4 per 1,000 live births. For the Bronx his rate is 5.7. The New York City this rate is 4.7. By comparison the rate of infant mortality in the Upper East Side is 1.0. In our community the rate of premature death is 266.2 per 100,000 adults. The rate for the Bronx is 238.9 and the City is 198.4.

##### Community District Needs Related to Health Care and Human Services

##### **Needs for Health Care and Facilities**

Within the Bronx, the infant mortality rate (IMR) remains extremely high for black women (including African American, African immigrants, and non-Hispanic Afro-Caribbean women) compared to the average IMR in the borough at the community level. This statistic is relevant for Community Board 5, since 33.7 percent of our residents are Black/African American. From 2007 to 2009, the IMR surpassed 10 deaths per 1,000 live births for black women under the age of 20 in the University/Morris Heights neighborhood. We urge the Department of Health Services to increase funding to address this health issue in our district. Also, Bronx Community Board 5 has the 4th highest number of asthma hospitalization in the City. Our district requests the DHS to increase funding for asthma treatment. Our other requests are an increase of funding for the expansion of the Pest Control Unit to add additional personnel and field inspectors/Exterminators, and to improve the teen pregnancy obesity programs in our district.

##### **Needs for Older NYs**

The elderly population in our district continues to increase. The proportion of the population group of 65 and older has increased from 5 percent to 8.2 percent from 2000 to 2012. We are requesting that the city provides for the special needs of our seniors especially for the recent seniors which require services that will keep them active. Community Board 5 is requesting that long range planning include housing, health and mental health care, home care and senior centers. With this approach, Community Board 5 feels we can improve their quality of life and prevent the isolation which many of our elderly are at risk for. Our priorities include: · Increase funding for the improvement of senior citizens' facilities in Community Board 5. · Increase funding for senior housing · Increase funding for innovative senior programs in Community Board District 5, such as a Naturally Occurring Retirement Community.

##### **Needs for Homeless**

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##### **Needs for Low Income NYs**

No comments

## Capital Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

The Community Board did not submit any Budget Requests in this category.

## Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/34	DOHMH	<b>Animal and pest control requests including reducing rat and mosquito populations</b>	<i>Expand Pest &amp; Animal Control Units to also include Animal Inspectors; additional Personnel Needed. CD5 is experiencing a major rat infestation. With major redevelopment, new construction and a growing population, rats are multiplying and moving into buildings/homes. Rats pose a health and safety danger with diseases they carry, especially to children.</i>	
5/34	HRA	<b>Other request for services for vulnerable New Yorkers</b>	<i>Requesting Funding for Special Needs Services for Immigrants. For example, citizenship applications, residency, employment applications, spousal waivers, accessing resources and other legal documents. The foreign born are more than one-third of the population in Community Board #5. By addressing these immigrant specific concerns will ultimately enable the foreign born to contribute even more to the economic vitality of the community.</i>	
6/34	HRA	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance educational programs for adults</b>	<i>Provide Independent Living Skills Programs for Single Mothers. Community Board #5 is in dire need of funding for the Independent Skills Services program in our district. This program will provide a solid support system to single mothers who are working to make the transition from public dependency to self sufficiency.</i>	
16/34	DFTA	<b>Enhance educational and recreational programs</b>	<i>Community Board #5 is Requesting funding for Stay Well exercising programs for seniors who are fit and for those with disabilities. Seniors are in dire need of Aerobic exercise as well as routines designed to enhance balance, build muscle strength and aid in the performance of task associated with daily living.</i>	

17/34	DFTA	<b>Other senior center program requests</b>	<i>Requesting funding for computer labs and training. This will assist seniors to navigate computer and complex systems. The elderly have been an integral part of this community for generations. Seniors today live longer and despite some disabilities generally live better overall than their counterparts of previous generations. Many older adults are isolated, frail, homebound, vulnerable to fraud and intimidation.</i>
18/34	DFTA	<b>Increase transportation services capacity</b>	<i>There is a dearth of access to the number 4 elevated train in our district. Through the length of Jerome Avenue in our district there is no access to the train for those with mobility impairments. We seek additional funding so that providers of services for the elderly can expand transportation services.</i>
34/34	HRA	<b>Expand, or enhance Emergency Food Assistance Program (EFAP)</b>	<i>The experience of the current pandemic has illustrated the vulnerability of our community to food insecurity. There has been an increase of 500% in demand for some of our food pantry/emergency food providers. There is a great need to expand the capacity of our Community Based Organizations to deliver emergency food for the community</i>



## YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

### Bronx Community Board 5

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#### Most Important Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

##### **School and educational facilities (Capacity)**

A large proportion of our residents fall under the youth category. The 2010 U.S. Census showed that about 42 percent of our population is under the age of 18. Also, Community Board 5 is ranked as the district with the 4th highest number of households with children under 18 years old. Students are performing at the lower levels of the city wide average scores in reading and math subjects; only 14.4 percent of the students were performing at grade level in math and only 12.3 percent of the students were performing at grade level in reading. Thus, it is very important for the Department of Education to assist our district to provide adequate services intended for this age group. We are requesting that as housing developments occur in our district, there are sufficient funds available for the needs of the youth.

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#### Community District Needs Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

##### **Needs for Youth Education**

No comments

##### **Needs for Youth and Child Welfare**

There is a dearth of programming for youth of all ages. We need further resourced for anti-gang/violence programs, especially trying to combat youth against the elderly crime prevention.

## Capital Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
33/41	SCA	<b>Renovate exterior building component</b>	<i>Community Board #5 requests that the schoolyard of MS 459X be renovated for use by the school community, as well as programs sponsored by Good Shepherd Services and B.R.A.G. The schoolyard includes basketball courts, handball courts and a play area and is need of rehabilitation and new fixtures and play equipment.</i>	120 East 184th Street

## Expense Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/34	DYCD	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)</b>	<i>Provide additional funds for CD 5 area youth programs: Fair Share Delinquency prevention, specialized programs and a Beacon School. Youth programs remain at funding levels of ten years ago. Youngsters make up approximately 40% of population. Needs far outweigh ability to provide services/programs.</i>	
21/34	DYCD	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)</b>	<i>The mission of the Featherbed Lane Improvement Assoc. two-fold: 1) to reduce the risk of alcohol, tobacco and other drug use / abuse, and 2) to assist socially and economically disadvantaged youth and young adults in attaining the skills, knowledge and motivation to become responsible self-sufficient citizens. The end result is stronger families and a better community. FLIA also utilizes evidence based program curriculums designed to help students develop self-control, communication skills, and acquire resources to help them resist drug use, improve decision making strategies, and develop the motivation not use drugs. The philosophy is to help children and families grow physically, healthy, emotionally strong, socially involved, educationally prepared, and more culturally aware.</i>	

22/34	DYCD	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance adolescent literacy programs and services</b>	<i>Community Board #5 requests that DYCD establish a Computer Coding Program in the district for residents, (Youth and Young Adults and senior citizens) to learn computer coding. This is a very important skill which leads to quality job opportunities and assists in their educational development.</i>
28/34	DYCD	<b>Other expense budget request for DYCD</b>	<i>There is a dearth of programming for youth of all ages. We need further resources for anti-gang/violence programs, especially trying to combat youth against the elderly crime prevention.</i>
30/34	DYCD	<b>Other expense budget request for DYCD</b>	<i>Youth have a dearth of recreational facilities in our community and there is significant gang violence. These factors combine to make our youth vulnerable to substance-abusing behaviors. It is for that reason that we are requesting enhanced services for anti-substance abuse programs in our community</i>

## PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

### Bronx Community Board 5

#### Most Important Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

##### **General crime**

Community residents feel that the 46th police pct physical appearance and chaotic parking, sanitation, are contributing to the quality life of local residents, like the broken window theory.

#### Community District Needs Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

##### **Needs for Public Safety**

Safety in our community is a major concern, and we believe more investment and efforts should be dedicated to strengthening the capacity of the police force in our district since District 5 still has some of the highest crime rates in the City. Also another primary objective is to expedite the process of acquiring and constructing a new 46th Precinct with parking facilities. This will definitely improve police department services and consequently improve the quality of life of our residents. In addition, we request that the local police precinct increase funding for the Operation Clean Hallways program. It should work with the City's Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) agency to stop indoor drug dealing and loitering. This has been a quality of life and public safety issue for our community. In order to maintain security and enhance livability in our community, we require that there be more attention focused on the indoor drug dealing issue in our district. Our priorities for the NYC Police Department in our district include: · Allocate funding to build a new front entrance ramp to make the existing 46th Police Precinct ADA accessible · Increase funding for 911 emergency dispatchers to improve response time · Increase funding to purchase noise meter devices and fire hydrant wrenches · Increase funding for Narcotics' Enforcement · Increase funding for School Crossing Guards to assist students to navigate the wide street crossing corridors such as the Grand Concourse, University Avenue, and W. Tremont Avenue. · Conduct a pilot initiative on Community Policing to enhance safety in our neighborhoods . Install security cameras along selected streets.

##### **Needs for Emergency Services**

Our priority for the NYC Fire Department is to increase funding for 911 dispatchers Emergency Response Time for Ambulance Services. The average response time from the 2013 Mayor's Management Report for the city was 4:06 for structural fires, and the response time in the Bronx was 4:12. We believe it is necessary to improve the capacity of our Fire Department to maintain the safety of our residents. We also request additional funding for carbon monoxide detectors, and medical kits for: each of our Engine Company and Juvenile fire setters program.

## Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/41	NYPD	<b>Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct</b>	<i>Construct New 46th Precinct Facility. The 46th Precinct is in need of a new facility. The current facility is old, dilapidated, archaic and most of the furniture is old &amp; broken. There is no space for parking, causing the streets to be congested with very little space for pedestrians. This situation must be improved not only for the working police officers, but also for the surrounding community.</i>	
5/41	NYPD	<b>Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses</b>	<i>Handicap Accessibility in Front of the 46th Precinct. Seniors and physically challenged residents are requesting a ramp and handrails to the entrance of the 46th Precinct to make it ADA accessible.</i>	
17/41	FDNY	<b>Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations</b>	<i>Fund Firehouse Renovations/Upgrades. Funding is needed for firehouse renovations and upgrades in CD5 such as new roof (waterproofing), apparatus floor replacements, emergency generators, window replacements, painting, electrical as well as kitchen and bathroom. Engine Company 42, Engine Company 43 and Engine Company 48</i>	
22/41	NYPD	<b>Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras</b>	<i>New York Police Department Surveillance Cameras along Burnside Avenue Shopping District from Grand Concourse to Harrison Avenue. Burnside Avenue Shopping district is Vibrant. Merchants and shoppers have concerns about public safety. Surveillance cameras would enhance public safety and would serve as deterrent.</i>	Burnside Avenue Grand Concourse Grand Concourse
27/41	NYPD	<b>Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras</b>	<i>Aqueduct Homeowners Request Surveillance Camera's for Grand Avenue, Davidson Avenue and West 181st Street. Homeowners have public safety concerns. Surveillance camera's would enhance public safety and quality life. Cameras will serve as a deterrent.</i>	West 181st Street Grand Avenue Grand Avenue

35/41	NYPD	<b>Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras</b>	<i>Security cameras are needed along Burnside Avenue between University Avenue and Sedgewick Avenue. This extension of security cameras would effectively extend our request for cameras along Burnside Avenue to our eastern most shopping hub.</i>	Burside Avenue University Avenue University Avenue
40/41	NYPD	<b>Add NYPD parking facilities</b>	<i>Parking near the 46th precinct is very constrained. Officers, precinct vehicles, residents and commercial vehicles all compete for constrained space. A means to alleviate this is to build parking decks on the lots operated and owned by NYPD at 2069 and 2119 Valentine Avenue.</i>	

### Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
9/34	NYPD	<b>Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests</b>	<i>Feasibility Study for the Expansion of the Existing 46th Precinct. Increase in personnel has made it extremely crowded in this old dilapidated and archaic building. This situation must be improved not only for the working police officers, but also for the surrounding community.</i>	
12/34	NYPD	<b>Other NYPD staff resources requests</b>	<i>Hire Additional Clerical Workers for the 46th Precinct. The addition of 100 new officers to the 46th Precinct over the next 24 months will require additional support staff to process paper work and service community requests/complaints.</i>	
15/34	FDNY	<b>Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives</b>	<i>Funding fire safety education outreach. The fire department needs to purchase smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors for distributing to the public.</i>	
24/34	NYPD	<b>Other NYPD programs requests</b>	<i>Community Board #5 requests that the city establish a Victim Support Services Program in the district which would deal with the victims of crimes or the families of victims of crime. The program would assist these victims and their family's with funeral arrangements, counseling, financial support and other needs of these residents.</i>	

## CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

### Bronx Community Board 5

#### Most Important Issue Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency.

##### **Cleanliness/trash collection**

Community Board #5 has been a lock down community board with custodial hydrant locks since the early nineties. For the past ten years we have been top three in complaints. In the past four years we have been chosen for the HEAP Initiative. Community Board #5 welcomes this initiative but with changes for example: 1. the initiative is not operational until July, we would like to see it implemented earlier either late April or early May. 2. DEP should incorporate a speakers bureau to consist of DEP, FDNY, NYPD personnel and Community Boards in order to speak on the impact full running hydrants have on public safety property damage and the exorbitant cost of the city. 3. CB #5 recommends DEP change its policy on what agency is issued hydrant wrenches e.g. DSNY hydrants can be shut during am hours.

#### Community District Needs Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency.

##### **Needs for Water, Sewers, and Environmental Protection**

No comments

##### **Needs for Sanitation Services**

Although sanitation has improved in the district, it still has the lowest sanitation score card rating in the borough related to sidewalk and street cleanliness. Sanitation has continued to be an important priority for Community Board 5 to improve the quality of life and economic stability and growth within our district. Therefore, we are requesting an increase of funding for cleaning personnel for our six commercial districts on Fordham Road, South Grand Concourse (Fordham Road), Burnside Avenue, West 183rd Street, West Tremont Avenue and University Avenue, and Featherbed Lane. Also, we request funding for our Canine Unit, additional personnel for the 13 Step Streets, cleaning personnel for Grand Concourse and University Malls, sanitation equipment (for cleaning the Grand Concourse and the University Malls, tree pruning, and weed whackers), and for personnel to service garbage baskets in our district (especially in commercial areas).

## Capital Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

The Community Board did not submit any Budget Requests in this category.

## Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
8/34	DSNY	<b>Other cleaning requests</b>	<i>Create a Step Street Task Force to Clean the City's 128 Step Streets. Until the recent use of Work Experience Program (WEP) workers for cleaning step streets, DOS had abandoned its responsibility for these public streets. CD5 has 12 step streets which are mad unsightly and dangerous by litter.</i>	
11/34	DEP	<b>Other expense budget request for DEP</b>	<i>DEP - Hire additional Inspectors for the Department of Environmental Protection. Personnel Inspectors to Monitor Fire Hydrants (Opening and Closing). Community District 5, for the last three years, has experienced the highest rate of hydrant openings in the borough of the Bronx. Ranking in the top three citywide.</i>	
13/34	DSNY	<b>Increase enforcement of illegal dumping laws</b>	<i>Increase Illegal Dumping Task Force from Current Low Level. Sanitation police personnel cannot serve the ire need of our district. Must improve ability of Department to conduct surveillance and apprehend illegal dumpers. his is a major quality of life concern in CD5.</i>	
31/34	DSNY	<b>Provide more frequent litter basket collection</b>	<i>Recently there has been an increased incidence of waste baskets overflowing. This has occured primarilty (but not exclusively) in our main commercial corridore, Burnside Avenue). Incerased basket pick-ups would help a great deal.</i>	
32/34	DSNY	<b>Expand opportunities for electronic waste collection and disposal</b>	<i>Bronx Community District 5 has no electronics waste recycling infrastructure. There is no collection point within the district. The Community District has been rezoned and residential development is accelerating. This will increase the volume of electronic waste. Our community thereby requests infrastructure for electronic waste disposal/recycling.</i>	



## HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

### Bronx Community Board 5

#### Most Important Issue Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

##### **Affordable housing preservation**

Community Board #5 has an old housing stock with over half our housing built before 1930, and it is defined as a primarily a multi-dwelling bedroom community. The home ownership rate in our district is categorized as having the lowest rates in the New York City community districts. It has a homeownership rate of 2.8 percent. Also, our district is ranked as having the highest number of renter households whose gross rent was more than 50 percent of their pre-tax income. Other issues affecting housing quality are increasing utility costs for landlords and homeowners; the percentage of housing with five or more maintenance deficiencies has increased over 35 percent; a lack of code enforcement (this district ranks in the top 20 in serious housing code violations throughout the City); an increase in building debts due to over-financing. Approximately 44.4 percent of the rental housing units considered overcrowded (our district ranks 6th overall in the City).

#### Community District Needs Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

##### **Needs for Land Use**

Jerome Avenue Neighborhood Study: Jerome Avenue is a major street in our district running North and South, and the section we wish to focus on is an auto-body corridor from the Burnside Avenue to the Cross Bronx Expressway. The physical appearance of this corridor has a negative impact on the residents' quality of life. Even though this corridor provides some employment opportunities (but not necessarily to residents in our community), we believe that the businesses should be relocated to another location. The objective is to change the existing C8 zoning along Jerome Avenue with the support of stakeholders and community members. We believe this is an opportunity area for mixed-use development, and request for a zoning change to residential with a commercial overlay. This is also an opportunity for affordable housing on Jerome Avenue, and the establishment of an Inclusionary Housing Program can be a tool to incentivize this type of housing development along the corridor. Many community stakeholders have suggested that Jerome Avenue be revitalized to meet existing area needs and plan for the future. Through the planning process, City Planning and sister agencies will seek to address the needs of local residents, businesses, and institutions. The study and resulting community plan will evaluate and identify opportunities to promote a range of elements to support community vitality: affordable housing, job growth and training, economic development, cultural activities, pedestrian safety, parks, schools and daycare, retail and services. The study and plan will promote coordinated investments in infrastructure and services to shape a resilient, sustainable community. The study and plan will include land use and zoning changes and the application of a mandatory Inclusionary Housing program within the area to promote affordable housing. Bronx Community Board #5 is waiting for the Department of City Planning zoning and planning framework for Jerome Avenue Neighborhood Study.

##### **Needs for Housing**

No comments

##### **Needs for Economic Development**

No comments

## Capital Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
10/41	EDC	<b>Other capital budget request for EDC</b>	<i>EDC - Requesting Phase II of Mount Hope Housing Inc. Project to Construct Indoor Gymnasium, Parking Facility as Well as a Useable Pavilion Roof top on City Owned Land. The Mount Hope Housing project has just completed phase I a state of the art Community Center. In order to make this facility viable it needs parking facilities to accommodate conference hall and gymnasium participants.</i>	
15/41	HPD	<b>Expand loan programs to rehabilitate multiple dwelling buildings</b>	<i>Increase Funds to 8A Loan Program for Upgrading and Ongoing Maintenance Needs in Rehabilitated Buildings. New focus is to preserve existing housing of what has been rehabilitated. HPD indicates the fund is drying up.</i>	

## Expense Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
23/34	EDC	<b>Expand programs to support MWBE-owned firms and businesses</b>	<i>Community Board #5 requests that a business incubator be established in the district to assist local business and Entrepreneurs to grow the businesses or establish new business ventures in technology, health care and retail areas, etc.. Possibly using Bronx Community College as a location for such an incubator.</i>	

## TRANSPORTATION

### Bronx Community Board 5

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#### Most Important Issue Related to Transportation and Mobility

##### **Bus service and quality (frequency, access, crowding, etc.)**

A large proportion of our residents, about 68.2 percent, use public transportation to commute to work. Other popular modes of commuting to work include driving to work alone (11.5 percent) or carpooling (5.8 percent), or walking (9.6 percent). The objective of Bronx Community Board 5 is to improve the existing transportation infrastructure. The resurfacing of our most important street, the Grand Concourse from 175th to Fordham Road, is an important priority for our district. The objective is to initiate a greening project which would be vital for enhancing the beautification and improving economic development in the area. Also, due to the heavily utilized major thoroughfares in our district (including Grand Concourse, Fordham Road, University Avenue, and Tremont Avenue), traffic mitigation efforts are of paramount importance. Sep street maintenance is important as the district's 13 step streets are a feature of significant aesthetic and pedestrian circulation value.

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#### Community District Needs Related to Transportation and Mobility

##### **Needs for Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure**

No comments

##### **Needs for Transit Services**

No comments

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## Capital Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/41	NYCTA	<b>Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.</b>	<i>Install an Elevator/Escalator at the IRT #4 Burnside Avenue Station. The IRT #4 Burnside Avenue Station is heavily used in Bronx Community Board 5. It is highly elevated facility having three sets of stairs before a passenger arrives at the mezzanine level. Disabled individuals, people with carriages/strollers and seniors have a difficult time getting to the platform of this station serves as a main gateway to Bronx Community College, Roberto Clemente State Park and other institutions in our district. The community has signed a petition with over 1000 signatures for an elevator/escalator at this station.</i>	
4/41	DOT	<b>Repair or build new step streets</b>	<i>Reconstruct Step Streets from Palisades Place to Sedgwick Avenue. Step Streets are important access points. These are in extremely dangerous condition which must be addressed promptly.</i>	Palisades Place Sedgwick Avenue Sedgwick Avenue
13/41	DOT	<b>Repair or provide new street lights</b>	<i>Install Higher Intensity Lighting along Jerome Avenue, from the Cross Bronx Expressway to Fordham Road. Special lighting is needed for streets with elevated rail lines. Presently, Jerome Avenue is dark and unsafe because of improper lighting. This is a public safety measure.</i>	Jerome Avenue Cross Bronx Expressway Cross Bronx Expressway
14/41	DOT	<b>Rehabilitate bridges</b>	<i>Reconstruct Grand Concourse Bridge over 175th Street-Walls over 175th Street/ Part of Subway System. Walls on east and west side of Grand Concourse over 175th Street have been damaged by years of leaking water. the community youth mural project is on hold as a result.</i>	

21/41	DOT	<b>Install streetscape improvements</b>	<i>The Placement One-for-One of regular COBRA-Head Street lights with "M" Pole-Type Distinctive Lamp Posts is an appropriate design that would be most compatible with the Vision for Residential, Burnside Avenue Shopping District from East Burnside Avenue &amp; Valentine Avenue to University Avenue &amp; Burnside Avenue. The "M" Pole-type of street lights is the preferred street amenities and streetscape enhancements in our neighborhood.</i>	University Avenue East Burnside Avenue East Burnside Avenue
23/41	DOT	<b>Repair or build new step streets</b>	<i>Rehabilitate Step Street at Davidson Avenue between Featherbed Lane and Davidson Avenue Proper is seriously deteriorated. Many steps are loose and pose a danger to pedestrian access to the subway station. Heavy pedestrian traffic, vandalism and weather have caused severe deterioration of the step street. Include hand railings and better lighting.</i>	Davidson Avenue Featherbed Lane Featherbed Lane
28/41	DOT	<b>Repair or build new step streets</b>	<i>Reconstruct Step Street from Sedgwick Avenue to Cedar avenue. Step Streets are important access points. This particular step street provides access form Sedgwick Avenue to Cedar Avenue which is the gateway to Roberto Clemente State Park. This location is in extremely poor condition and must be addressed promptly.</i>	Sedgwick Avenue Cedar Avenue Cedar Avenue
30/41	DOT	<b>Repair or build new step streets</b>	<i>Reconstruct Step Street from Marion Avenue to 187th Street. The Step Street has been seriously deteriorated. There is heavy pedestrian traffic e.g. students, patrons and residents. Request additional lighting.</i>	Marion Avenue 187th Street 187th Street
31/41	DOT	<b>Repair or build new step streets</b>	<i>Create Step Street at Kingsland Place (between West Tremont Avenue and Harrison Avenue) This location is in poor condition. DOT has paved and resurfaced this location in the prior fiscal year, however it remains unsafe and is heavily usedby pedestrians and children. Creating a step street would improve pedestrian mobility. Access now is dangerous for those that are mobility impaired. Repaving/reconstruction should make the step street ADA-compliant.</i>	Kingsland Place West Tremont Avenue West Tremont Avenue

36/41	DOT	<b>Repair or provide new street lights</b>	<i>Community Board members voiced concern about the lack of adequate lighting along Webster Avenue. A PAL is located at this corner so improved lighting would add to the security of youth and enhance the attraction of this youth recreation facility.</i>	Webster Avenue 182nd Street 182nd Street
39/41	DOT	<b>Repair or provide new street lights</b>	<i>The replacement of lighting from conventional lighting to LED will enhance the illumination of the street and increase the durability and service-life of such lights. An improvement in illumination will enhance this area as a commercial node.</i>	Sedgewick Avenue Cedar Avenue Cedar Avenue
41/41	DOT	<b>Repair or provide new street lights</b>	<i>Burnside Avenue is a primary commercial and pedestrian corridor for our community. Adequate street lighting is vital for both safety and business concerns.</i>	Burnside Avenue Walton Avenue Walton Avenue

#### Expense Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
10/34	NYCTA	<b>Other transit service requests</b>	<i>Create a NYC Transit Authority Clean Team. A special team is needed to clean and paint elevated subway line stations, fight graffiti and work with communities on anti-litter/anti-graffiti activities.</i>	
14/34	DOT	<b>Other traffic improvement requests</b>	<i>Increase Staff in Bureau of Highways Maintenance Division: Additional Staff Persons Needed. With an increase in the need to repair streets as well as sidewalks and radways, there is a serious need for additional manpower in the Bronx Highways Maintenance Division. One gang is not sufficient to address the street repair needs in the borough.</i>	

**Conduct traffic or  
parking studies**

*On Street Parking Study for Community Board 5 Area. On Street Parking is a priority Quality of Life issue for district 5. CB 5 is highly dense bedroom community. In addition, we have 7 Commercial Shopping Districts (Fordham Road, Webster Avenue, South Grand Concourse, Burnside Avenue, West 183rd Street, University Avenue/West Tremont Avenue and Featherbed Lane) and street parking is vital for our Community Board area.*

## PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES

### Bronx Community Board 5

#### Most Important Issue Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

##### **Library facilities and access**

The two libraries that serve our community, Francis Martin and Sedgwick Branch libraries are vital components of the cultural and educational resources in our community. The ongoing physical, programming and aesthetic accessibility of these branches are of vital concern. These libraries are hubs for community activity. They have also developed innovative programming through the 'Summer Reading in the park' program. Sunday/expanded hours would be of great benefit once the facilities are able to return to normal operations.

#### Community District Needs Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

##### **Needs for Parks**

No comments

##### **Needs for Cultural Services**

Immigration: The foreign born comprises more than one-third of the population within Community Board #5. In order to serve our immigrant residents a increase in funding is needed to enable our immigrant population to integrate into the social and economic fabric of Community Board #5.

##### **Needs for Library Services**

Community Board 5 (Bronx) has two branches of the New York Public Library (NYPL) system: Francis Martin and Sedgwick. These are vital resources for our community. • Based on a 2015 report from the Center for an Urban Future, libraries in the Bronx saw the biggest increase in program attendance and circulation out of the five boroughs. The Bronx has seen a 225 percent increase in program attendance and a 35 percent increase in circulation. Data shows that these statistics will continue to increase throughout the New York public Library system. • The libraries are especially important to low and moderate income residents who depend on the libraries for access to books, internet access, job search and film and as the only quiet place to read or do homework or other work. • Residents who have laptop computers but cannot afford internet fees use the library for internet access. • The arts and cultural programming along with English for Speakers of Other Languages and Out-of School Time programs in the neighborhood are extremely important to many residents, particularly families with children and seniors, who cannot otherwise afford access to commercial alternatives. An initiative that is being explored is to bring the library to local parks during the summer school break. We are exploring how the library at Francis Martin (to begin with) may bring materials and dedicate staff to a 'reading in the park' initiative. • The NYPL libraries within CB 5 (Bronx) are used extensively. The community relies on them to provide essential library services, as well as educational programs and community space. Many of the library locations are in need of critical upgrades, including mechanical systems, bathrooms, roofs, facades and ADA upgrades. While other locations are in need of a complete renovation • The NYPL will continue to work with the Mayor, Speaker, City Council and local elected officials to increase capital funding.

##### **Needs for Community Boards**

No comments



## Capital Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/41	DCAS	<b>Other capital budget request for DCAS</b>	<i>DCAS - Davidson Community Center is a DCAS leased property. The Center is seeking to renovate their existing space as well as potentially add 2 additional stories to the existing building. This space would be used for an expansion of youth and community services for the residents of the district. In addition, this renovation would add an elevator for handicap accessibility and add a kitchen for meal preparation.</i>	2038 Davidson Avenue
6/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Request Funding for Lighting Via Flood lights from the Light Post for the Steps of the park. Also funding Stage/Presentation/Community area at the top of the park. Restoration of walls, railings and update the fencing. To shift the current physical conditions and negative community perceptions of University Woods and help other communities use their parks to improve the conditions of the surrounding neighborhoods.</i>	
7/41	NYPL	<b>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)</b>	<i>The Library is seeking much-needed capital funding to ensure that our branches can continue to meeting the growing needs of our communities. Anticipated projects range from major renovations to targeted upgrades, including: -Heating and cooling system updates -New roof, windows and doors -Fire alarm, security and technology upgrades -ADA compliance -Elevator replacement -ADA Bathroom renovations</i>	2150 University Ave
8/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park</b>	<i>Improve &amp; Develop the Environment Walk at Aqueduct Land from Morton Place to Burnside Avenue. Build a Pedestrian Bridge, ADA Compliance Step Street or Ramp. Aqueduct Walk is adjacent to the newly constructed Morton Playground &amp; Morton Place Homeowners Association. Walkway is in dire need of improvement.</i>	

9/41	NYPL	<b>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)</b>	<i>Partial Renovation of Francis Martin Library Branch. Francis Martin Library Branch needs the front faade rehabilitated, HVAC replaced additional units), electrical system upgraded, PC Refresh and VoIP Technology, 1st floor and lower level, (including ADA compliance), including elevator and bathrooms upgraded.</i>	2150 University Ave
11/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park</b>	<i>Increase Funds to Parks Department for Miscellaneous Park Repairs. (P-245) Contract is Needed for Replacing Play Equipment-\$150k Per Borough. This funding is used for a variety of basic renovation efforts such as paving, fencing and benches. This line is primarily used to stress rehabilitation, rather than new construction.</i>	
12/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park</b>	<i>Replace Lighting in Aqueduct Park from Morton Place to Burnside Avenue. During the rehabilitation of this park the lighting was not replaced and subsequent vandalism has incapacitated all of the lights. It is necessary to replace all of the park lights in Aqueduct Park form Morton Place to Burnside Avenue.</i>	
16/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Acquire Block 3194, Lot 27 to Extend Existing Parks Managed Property/ West 181st Street &amp; Grand Avenue. Additional Funding to repair retaining wall. The retaining wall is crumbling and created dangerous conditions in the playground.</i>	
18/41	DPR	<b>Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Acquire &amp; Develop Empty Lot Block 2877, Lot 531 on Montgomery Avenue corner of Popham Avenue. This lot has been neglected for many years. The development of a tot lot at this location will enhance the quality of life for the children of our community.</i>	
19/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Community Board #5 is Requesting the Redesign of the University Avenue Park Malls. University Avenue from West Tremont Avenue to 175th Street. Community Board #5 is requesting that these malls be redesigned to accommodate some benches as well as some additional spaces for tree pits.</i>	University Avenue West Tremont Avenue West Tremont Avenue

20/41	DPR	<b>Other capital budget request for DPR</b>	<i>The Redesign and Expansion of existing Green Street Median on University Avenue, 174th Street and Cross Bronx Expressway. Community Board #5 feels that the existing median is too narrow, the location would be enhanced if medians were redesigned and expanded as a traffic calming device as well as provide a beautiful Green Street which will enhance the South West gateway presences of Community Board #5.</i>	University Avenue 174th Street 174th Street
24/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Phase II Construction for University Woods Park to Develop the Plaza/Stage area of the park. University Woods Park construction improvements will enhance public safety perception and will increase environmental and recreational programming activities within the park.</i>	
25/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Renovation of Galileo Playground. Galileo Playground is an outdoor science playground classroom with play equipment that stimulates children's imagination. It focuses on the Solar System and the individual planets. This playground is in disrepair and in need of capital improvement.</i>	
26/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Funding for Capital Reconstruction of Echo Park. Echo Park is in poor physical condition. We are requesting the following enhancements basketball courts, playground area, park house and construct an amphitheater. In addition improve parks natural landscaping, plant new shrubs and trees.</i>	
29/41	DCLA	<b>Other cultural facilities and resources requests</b>	<i>Site Acquisition of 1800-1808 Grand Concourse. 1800-1808 Grand Concourse is an art-deco property known as the United Pilgrim Church. This building has numerous outstanding violations. The Community Board has identified this site for the Mount Hope Center for the Arts. Currently, not one cultural arts center exists within the community board five area.</i>	1800-1808 Grand Concourse
32/41	DPR	<b>Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Transfer &amp; Develop the Greenthumb Property at Townsend Avenue &amp; East 175th Street to the Department of Parks &amp; Recreation. This Greenthumb, maintained by the Mount Hope Housing Company, is a beautiful resource with the potential of becoming a playground for neighborhood children.</i>	Townsend Avenue Townsend Avenue

34/41	DPR	<b>Other capital budget request for DPR</b>	<i>Request for 1801-1805 Davidson Avenue Property transferred from ACS to DCAS then be transferred to NYC Department of Parks and Recreation. 1801-1805 Davidson Avenue is extremely deteriorated, dangerous and eyesore in he community. Community Board #5 is in desperate need of open space</i>	1801-1805 Davidson Avenue
37/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Morris Community Garden is dilapidated and needs to be overhauled and maintained.</i>	2116 Morris Avenue
38/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>The gardens at Twin Park Southwest is dilapidated and needs renovation.</i>	2000 Valentine Avenue

#### Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/34	NYPL	<b>Extend library hours, expand library programs, and enhance library collections (NYPL)</b>	<i>New York Public Library Request the City Restore Funding. The New York Public Library requests that the City restore funding to provide robust six day service including increased hours, diverse programming, strong collections and sufficient staff to support these functions. in these challenging economic times, the services provided through the Library are needed by New Yorkers more than ever.</i>	
4/34	DPR	<b>Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)</b>	<i>Hire Parks Enforcement Police Officers for Bronx Parks. Our parks are becoming increasingly dangerous and are often unattended/un-patrolled by NYPD. Many parks are becoming havens for drug dealers.</i>	
7/34	DPR	<b>Improve the quality/staffing of existing programs offered in parks or recreational centers</b>	<i>Hire Parks Recreation Specialist-Consider Seasonal Hires for Cost Containment. Our parks and playgrounds are in dire need of adequate staff with which to provide recreational activities for the tens of thousands of young people using our parks. We presently have only one recreation staff person for all our parks and playgrounds.</i>	

19/34	DPR	<b>Other park maintenance and safety requests</b>	<i>Restore Parks Maintenance Employees (to include the Division of Forestry and a Greenthumb Crew). Bronx Community District #5 has several playgrounds and parks which need to be properly maintained. Essential increases in maintenance staff are needed.</i>	
25/34	DPR	<b>Plant new street trees</b>	<i>We are requesting tree plantings for the intersection of Sedgwick Avenue, Roberto Clement State park bridge and West Tremont Avenues. There are few plantings to this location and there are residencies at this location. Tree plantings would also aesthetically link the park with the nearby community.</i>	Sedgewick Ave R CLEMENTE STATE PARK BRDG R CLEMENTE STATE PARK BRDG
26/34	NYPL	<b>Extend library hours, expand library programs, and enhance library collections (NYPL)</b>	<i>We are requesting monies so that staff may be allocated to provide services outside the Francis Martin Library branch. The proposed project will provide one library staffer to supervise reading of library materials in the park abutting the Francis Martin library during summer hours.</i>	2150 University Avenue
27/34	NYPL	<b>Extend library hours, expand library programs, and enhance library collections (NYPL)</b>	<i>Extend the library's programming so that it may be open 6 days per week.</i>	1701 Martin Luther King Blvd.
29/34	NYPL	<b>Extend library hours, expand library programs, and enhance library collections (NYPL)</b>	<i>To extend the Francis Martin branch hours to 6 days per week.</i>	2150 University Avenue
33/34	DPR	<b>Other expense budget request for DPR</b>	<i>There is a lack of green space in Bronx Community Board 5. An identified resource that the community would like to expand and support so as to mitigate this deprivation is to expand the Community Garden program. This would include both greater outreach/recruiting efforts and also greater support for group formation and planning..</i>	

## 6. OTHER BUDGET REQUESTS

### Other Capital Requests

The Community Board did not submit any Budget Requests in this category.

### Other Expense Requests

The Community Board did not submit any Budget Requests in this category.

## 7. SUMMARY OF PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

### Capital Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/41	NYPD	<b>Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct</b>	<i>Construct New 46th Precinct Facility. The 46th Precinct is in need of a new facility. The current facility is old, dilapidated, archaic and most of the furniture is old &amp; broken. There is no space for parking, causing the streets to be congested with very little space for pedestrians. This situation must be improved not only for the working police officers, but also for the surrounding community.</i>	
2/41	NYCTA	<b>Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.</b>	<i>Install an Elevator/Escalator at the IRT #4 Burnside Avenue Station. The IRT #4 Burnside Avenue Station is heavily used in Bronx Community Board 5. It is highly elevated facility having three sets of stairs before a passenger arrives at the mezzanine level. Disabled individuals, people with carriages/strollers and seniors have a difficult time getting to the platform of this station serves as a main gateway to Bronx Community College, Roberto Clemente State Park and other institutions in our district. The community has signed a petition with over 1000 signatures for an elevator/escalator at this station.</i>	
3/41	DCAS	<b>Other capital budget request for DCAS</b>	<i>DCAS - Davidson Community Center is a DCAS leased property. The Center is seeking to renovate their existing space as well as potentially add 2 additional stories to the existing building. This space would be used for an expansion of youth and community services for the residents of the district. In addition, this renovation would add an elevator for handicap accessibility and add a kitchen for meal preparation.</i>	2038 Davidson Avenue
4/41	DOT	<b>Repair or build new step streets</b>	<i>Reconstruct Step Streets from Palisades Place to Sedgwick Avenue. Step Streets are important access points. These are in extremely dangerous condition which must be addressed promptly.</i>	Palisades Place Sedgwick Avenue Sedgwick Avenue



5/41	NYPD	<b>Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses</b>	<i>Handicap Accessibility in Front of the 46th Precinct. Seniors and physically challenged residents are requesting a ramp and handrails to the entrance of the 46th Precinct to make it ADA accessible.</i>	
6/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Request Funding for Lighting Via Flood lights from the Light Post for the Steps of the park. Also funding Stage/Presentation/Community area at the top of the park. Restoration of walls, railings and update the fencing. To shift the current physical conditions and negative community perceptions of University Woods and help other communities use their parks to improve the conditions of the surrounding neighborhoods.</i>	
7/41	NYPL	<b>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)</b>	<i>The Library is seeking much-needed capital funding to ensure that our branches can continue to meeting the growing needs of our communities. Anticipated projects range from major renovations to targeted upgrades, including: -Heating and cooling system updates -New roof, windows and doors -Fire alarm, security and technology upgrades -ADA compliance -Elevator replacement -ADA Bathroom renovations</i>	2150 University Ave
8/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park</b>	<i>Improve &amp; Develop the Environment Walk at Aqueduct Land from Morton Place to Burnside Avenue. Build a Pedestrian Bridge, ADA Compliance Step Street or Ramp. Aqueduct Walk is adjacent to the newly constructed Morton Playground &amp; Morton Place Homeowners Association. Walkway is in dire need of improvement.</i>	
9/41	NYPL	<b>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)</b>	<i>Partial Renovation of Francis Martin Library Branch. Francis Martin Library Branch needs the front faade rehabilitated, HVAC replaced additional units), electrical system upgraded, PC Refresh and VoIP Technology, 1st floor and lower level, (including ADA compliance), including elevator and bathrooms upgraded.</i>	2150 University Ave



10/41	EDC	<b>Other capital budget request for EDC</b>	<i>EDC - Requesting Phase II of Mount Hope Housing Inc. Project to Construct Indoor Gymnasium, Parking Facility as Well as a Useable Pavilion Roof top on City Owned Land. The Mount Hope Housing project has just completed phase I a state of the art Community Center. In order to make this facility viable it needs parking facilities to accommodate conference hall and gymnasium participants.</i>	
11/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park</b>	<i>Increase Funds to Parks Department for Miscellaneous Park Repairs. (P-245) Contract is Needed for Replacing Play Equipment-\$150k Per Borough. This funding is used for a variety of basic renovation efforts such as paving, fencing and benches. This line is primarily used to stress rehabilitation, rather than new construction.</i>	
12/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park</b>	<i>Replace Lighting in Aqueduct Park from Morton Place to Burnside Avenue. During the rehabilitation of this park the lighting was not replaced and subsequent vandalism has incapacitated all of the lights. It is necessary to replace all of the park lights in Aqueduct Park form Morton Place to Burnside Avenue.</i>	
13/41	DOT	<b>Repair or provide new street lights</b>	<i>Install Higher Intensity Lighting along Jerome Avenue, form the Cross Bronx Expressway to Fordham Road. Special lighting is needed for streets with elevated rail lines. Presently, Jerome Avenue is dark and unsafe because of improper lighting. This is a public safety measure.</i>	Jerome Avenue Cross Bronx Expressway Cross Bronx Expressway
14/41	DOT	<b>Rehabilitate bridges</b>	<i>Reconstruct Grand Concourse Bridge over 175th Street-Walls over 175th Street/ Part of Subway System. Walls on east and west side of Grand Concourse over 175th Street have been damaged by years of leaking water. he community youth mural project is on hold as a result.</i>	
15/41	HPD	<b>Expand loan programs to rehabilitate multiple dwelling buildings</b>	<i>Increase Funds to 8A Loan Program for Upgrading and Ongoing Maintenance Needs in Rehabilitated Buildings. New focus is to preserve existing housing of what has been rehabilitated. HPD indicates the fund is drying up.</i>	

16/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Acquire Block 3194, Lot 27 to Extend Existing Parks Managed Property/ West 181st Street &amp; Grand Avenue. Additional Funding to repair retaining wall. The retaining wall is crumbling and created dangerous conditions in the playground.</i>	
17/41	FDNY	<b>Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations</b>	<i>Fund Firehouse Renovations/Upgrades. Funding is needed for firehouse renovations and upgrades in CD5 such as new roof (waterproofing), apparatus floor replacements, emergency generators, window replacements, pointing, electrical as well as kitchen and bathroom. Engine Company 42, Engine Company 43 and Engine Company 48</i>	
18/41	DPR	<b>Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Acquire &amp; Develop Empty Lot Block 2877, Lot 531 on Montgomery Avenue corner of Popham Avenue. This lot has been neglected for many years. The development of a tot lot at this location will enhance the quality of life for the children of our community.</i>	
19/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Community Board #5 is Requesting the Redesign of the University Avenue Park Malls. University Avenue from West Tremont Avenue to 175th Street. Community Board #5 is requesting that these malls be redesigned to accommodate some benches as well as some additional spaces for tree pits.</i>	University Avenue West Tremont Avenue West Tremont Avenue
20/41	DPR	<b>Other capital budget request for DPR</b>	<i>The Redesign and Expansion of existing Green Street Median on University Avenue, 174th Street and Cross Bronx Expressway. Community Board #5 feels that the existing median is too narrow, the location would be enhanced if medians were redesigned and expanded as a traffic calming device as well as provide a beautiful Green Street which will enhance the South West gateway presences of Community Board #5.</i>	University Avenue 174th Street 174th Street

21/41	DOT	<b>Install streetscape improvements</b>	<i>The Placement One-for-One of regular COBRA-Head Street lights with "M" Pole-Type Distinctive Lamp Posts is an appropriate design that would be most compatible with the Vision for Residential, Burnside Avenue Shopping District from East Burnside Avenue &amp; Valentine Avenue to University Avenue &amp; Burnside Avenue. The "M" Pole-type of street lights is the preferred street amenities and streetscape enhancements in our neighborhood.</i>	University Avenue East Burnside Avenue East Burnside Avenue
22/41	NYPD	<b>Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras</b>	<i>New York Police Department Surveillance Cameras along Burnside Avenue Shopping District from Grand Concourse to Harrison Avenue. Burnside Avenue Shopping district is Vibrant. Merchants and shoppers have concerns about public safety. Surveillance cameras would enhance public safety and would serve as deterrent.</i>	Burnside Avenue Grand Concourse Grand Concourse
23/41	DOT	<b>Repair or build new step streets</b>	<i>Rehabilitate Step Street at Davidson Avenue between Featherbed Lane and Davidson Avenue Proper is seriously deteriorated. Many steps are loose and pose a danger to pedestrian access to the subway station. Heavy pedestrian traffic, vandalism and weather have caused severe deterioration of the step street. Include hand railings and better lighting.</i>	Davidson Avenue Featherbed Lane Featherbed Lane
24/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Phase II Construction for University Woods Park to Develop the Plaza/Stage area of the park. University Woods Park construction improvements will enhance public safety perception and will increase environmental and recreational programming activities within the park.</i>	
25/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Renovation of Galileo Playground. Galileo Playground is an outdoor science playground classroom with play equipment that stimulates children's imagination. It focuses on the Solar System and the individual planets. This playground is in disrepair and in need of capital improvement.</i>	

26/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Funding for Capital Reconstruction of Echo Park. Echo Park is in poor physical condition. We are requesting the following enhancements basketball courts, playground area, park house and construct an amphitheater. In addition improve parks natural landscaping, plant new shrubs and trees.</i>	
27/41	NYPD	<b>Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras</b>	<i>Aqueduct Homeowners Request Surveillance Camera's for Grand Avenue, Davidson Avenue and West 181st Street. Homeowners have public safety concerns. Surveillance camera's would enhance public safety and quality life. Cameras will serve as a deterrent.</i>	West 181st Street Grand Avenue Grand Avenue
28/41	DOT	<b>Repair or build new step streets</b>	<i>Reconstruct Step Street from Sedgwick Avenue to Cedar avenue. Step Streets are important access points. This particular step street provides access form Sedgwick Avenue to Cedar Avenue which is the gateway to Roberto Clemente State Park. This location is in extremely poor condition and must be addressed promptly.</i>	Sedgwick Avenue Cedar Avenue Cedar Avenue
29/41	DCLA	<b>Other cultural facilities and resources requests</b>	<i>Site Acquisition of 1800-1808 Grand Concourse. 1800-1808 Grand Concourse is an art-deco property known as the United Pilgrim Church. This building has numerous outstanding violations. The Community Board has identified this site for the Mount Hope Center for the Arts. Currently, not one cultural arts center exists within the community board five area.</i>	1800-1808 Grand Concourse
30/41	DOT	<b>Repair or build new step streets</b>	<i>Reconstruct Step Street from Marion Avenue to 187th Street. The Step Street has been seriously deteriorated. There is heavy pedestrian traffic e.g. students, patrons and residents. Request additional lighting.</i>	Marion Avenue 187th Street 187th Street
31/41	DOT	<b>Repair or build new step streets</b>	<i>Create Step Street at Kingsland Place (between West Tremont Avenue and Harrison Avenue) This location is in poor condition. DOT has paved and resurfaced this location in the prior fiscal year, however it remains unsafe and is heavily usedby pedestrians and children. Creating a step street would improve pedestrian mobility. Access now is dangerous for those that are mobility impaired. Repaving/reconstruction should make the step street ADA-compliant.</i>	Kingsland Place West Tremont Avenue West Tremont Avenue

32/41	DPR	<b>Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Transfer &amp; Develop the Greenthumb Property at Townsend Avenue &amp; East 175th Street to the Department of Parks &amp; Recreation. This Greenthumb, maintained by the Mount Hope Housing Company, is a beautiful resource with the potential of becoming a playground for neighborhood children.</i>	Townsend Avenue Townsend Avenue
33/41	SCA	<b>Renovate exterior building component</b>	<i>Community Board #5 requests that the schoolyard of MS 459X be renovated for use by the school community, as well as programs sponsored by Good Shepherd Services and B.R.A.G. The schoolyard includes basketball courts, handball courts and a play area and is need of rehabilitation and new fixtures and play equipment.</i>	120 East 184th Street
34/41	DPR	<b>Other capital budget request for DPR</b>	<i>Request for 1801-1805 Davidson Avenue Property transferred from ACS to DCAS then be transferred to NYC Department of Parks and Recreation. 1801-1805 Davidson Avenue is extremely deteriorated, dangerous and eyesore in he community. Community Board #5 is in desperate need of open space</i>	1801-1805 Davidson Avenue
35/41	NYPD	<b>Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras</b>	<i>Security cameras are needed along Burnside Avenue between University Avenue and Sedgewick Avenue. This extension of security cameras would effectively extend our request for cameras along Burnside Avenue to our eastern most shopping hub.</i>	Burside Avenue University Avenue University Avenue
36/41	DOT	<b>Repair or provide new street lights</b>	<i>Community Board members voiced concern about the lack of adequate lighting along Webster Avenue. A PAL is located at this corner so improved lighting would add to the security of youth and enhance the attraction of this youth recreation facility.</i>	Webster Avenue 182nd Street 182nd Street
37/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Morris Community Garden is dilapidated and needs to be overhauled and maintained.</i>	2116 Morris Avenue
38/41	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>The gardens at Twin Park Southwest is dilapidated and needs renovation.</i>	2000 Valentine Avenue

39/41	DOT	<b>Repair or provide new street lights</b>	<i>The replacement of lighting from conventional lighting to LED will enhance the illumination of the street and increase the durability and service-life of such lights. An improvement in illumination will enhance this area as a commercial node.</i>	Sedgewick Avenue Cedar Avenue Cedar Avenue
40/41	NYPD	<b>Add NYPD parking facilities</b>	<i>Parking near the 46th precinct is very constrained. Officers, precinct vehicles, residents and commercial vehicles all compete for constrained space. A means to alleviate this is to build parking decks on the lots operated and owned by NYPD at 2069 and 2119 Valentine Avenue.</i>	
41/41	DOT	<b>Repair or provide new street lights</b>	<i>Burnside Avenue is a primary commercial and pedestrian corridor for our community. Adequate street lighting is vital for both safety and business concerns.</i>	Burnside Avenue Walton Avenue Walton Avenue



## Expense Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/34	DYCD	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)</b>	<i>Provide additional funds for CD 5 area youth programs: Fair Share Delinquency prevention, specialized programs and a Beacon School. Youth programs remain at funding levels of ten years ago. Youngsters make up approximately 40% of population. Needs far outweigh ability to provide services/programs.</i>	
2/34	DOHMH	<b>Animal and pest control requests including reducing rat and mosquito populations</b>	<i>Expand Pest &amp; Animal Control Units to also include Animal Inspectors; additional Personnel Needed. CD5 is experiencing a major rat infestation. With major redevelopment, new construction and a growing population, rats are multiplying and moving into buildings/homes. Rats pose a health and safety danger with diseases they carry, especially to children.</i>	
3/34	NYPL	<b>Extend library hours, expand library programs, and enhance library collections (NYPL)</b>	<i>New York Public Library Request the City Restore Funding. The New York Public Library requests that the City restore funding to provide robust six day service including increased hours, diverse programming, strong collections and sufficient staff to support these functions. in these challenging economic times, the services provided through the Library are needed by New Yorkers more than ever.</i>	
4/34	DPR	<b>Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)</b>	<i>Hire Parks Enforcement Police Officers for Bronx Parks. Our parks are becoming increasingly dangerous and are often unattended/un-patrolled by NYPD. Many parks are becoming havens for drug dealers.</i>	
5/34	HRA	<b>Other request for services for vulnerable New Yorkers</b>	<i>Requesting Funding for Special Needs Services for Immigrants. For example, citizenship applications, residency, employment applications, spousal waivers, accessing resources and other legal documents. The foreign born are more than one-third of the population in Community Board #5. By addressing these immigrant specific concerns will ultimately enable the foreign born to contribute even more to the economic vitality of the community.</i>	

6/34	HRA	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance educational programs for adults</b>	<i>Provide Independent Living Skills Programs for Single Mothers. Community Board #5 is in dire need of funding for the Independent Skills Services program in our district. This program will provide a solid support system to single mothers who are working to make the transition from public dependency to self sufficiency.</i>
7/34	DPR	<b>Improve the quality/staffing of existing programs offered in parks or recreational centers</b>	<i>Hire Parks Recreation Specialist-Consider Seasonal Hires for Cost Containment. Our parks and playgrounds are in dire need of adequate staff with which to provide recreational activities for the tens of thousands of young people using our parks. We presently have only one recreation staff person for all our parks and playgrounds.</i>
8/34	DSNY	<b>Other cleaning requests</b>	<i>Create a Step Street Task Force to Clean the City's 128 Step Streets. Until the recent use of Work Experience Program (WEP) workers for cleaning step streets, DOS had abandoned its responsibility for these public streets. CD5 has 12 step streets which are made unsightly and dangerous by litter.</i>
9/34	NYPD	<b>Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests</b>	<i>Feasibility Study for the Expansion of the Existing 46th Precinct. Increase in personnel has made it extremely crowded in this old dilapidated and archaic building. This situation must be improved not only for the working police officers, but also for the surrounding community.</i>
10/34	NYCTA	<b>Other transit service requests</b>	<i>Create a NYC Transit Authority Clean Team. A special team is needed to clean and paint elevated subway line stations, fight graffiti and work with communities on anti-litter/anti-graffiti activities.</i>
11/34	DEP	<b>Other expense budget request for DEP</b>	<i>DEP - Hire additional Inspectors for the Department of Environmental Protection. Personnel Inspectors to Monitor Fire Hydrants (Opening and Closing). Community District 5, for the last three years, has experienced the highest rate of hydrant openings in the borough of the Bronx. Ranking in the top three citywide.</i>



12/34	NYPD	<b>Other NYPD staff resources requests</b>	<i>Hire Additional Clerical Workers for the 46th Precinct. The addition of 100 new officers to the 46th Precinct over the next 24 months will require additional support staff to process paper work and service community requests/complaints.</i>
13/34	DSNY	<b>Increase enforcement of illegal dumping laws</b>	<i>Increase Illegal Dumping Task Force from Current Low Level. Sanitation police personnel cannot serve the ire need of our district. Must improve ability of Department to conduct surveillance and apprehend illegal dumpers. his is a major quality of life concern in CD5.</i>
14/34	DOT	<b>Other traffic improvement requests</b>	<i>Increase Staff in Bureau of Highways Maintenance Division: Additional Staff Persons Needed. With an increase in the need to repair streets as well as sidewalks and radways, there is a serious need for additional manpower in the Bronx Highways Maintenance Division. One gang is not sufficient to address the street repair needs in the borough.</i>
15/34	FDNY	<b>Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives</b>	<i>Funding fire safety education outreach. The fire department needs to purchase smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors for distributing to the public.</i>
16/34	DFTA	<b>Enhance educational and recreational programs</b>	<i>Community Board #5 is Requesting funding for Stay Well exercising programs for seniors who are fit and for those with disabilities. Seniors are in dire need of Aerobic exercise as well as routines designed to enhance balance, build muscle strength and aid in the performance o task associated with daily living.</i>
17/34	DFTA	<b>Other senior center program requests</b>	<i>Requesting funding for computer labs and training. This will assist seniors to navigate computer and complex systems. The elderly have been an integral part of this community for generations. Seniors today live longer and despite some disabilities generally live better overall than their counterparts of previous generations. Many older adults are isolated, frail, homebound, vulnerable to fraud and intimidation.</i>

18/34	DFTA	<b>Increase transportation services capacity</b>	<i>There is a dearth of access to the number 4 elevated train in our district. Through the length of Jerome Avenue in our district there is no access to the train for those with mobility impairments. We seek additional funding so that providers of services for the elderly can expand transportation services.</i>
19/34	DPR	<b>Other park maintenance and safety requests</b>	<i>Restore Parks Maintenance Employees (to include the Division of Forestry and a Greenthumb Crew). Bronx Community District #5 has several playgrounds and parks which need to be properly maintained. Essential increases in maintenance staff are needed.</i>
20/34	DOT	<b>Conduct traffic or parking studies</b>	<i>On Street Parking Study for Community Board 5 Area. On Street Parking is a priority Quality of Life issue for district 5. CB 5 is highly dense bedroom community. In addition, we have 7 Commercial Shopping Districts (Fordham Road, Webster Avenue, South Grand Concourse, Burnside Avenue, West 183rd Street, University Avenue/West Tremont Avenue and Featherbed Lane) and street parking is vital for our Community Board area.</i>
21/34	DYCD	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)</b>	<i>The mission of the Featherbed Lane Improvement Assoc. two-fold: 1) to reduce the risk of alcohol, tobacco and other drug use / abuse, and 2) to assist socially and economically disadvantaged youth and young adults in attaining the skills, knowledge and motivation to become responsible self-sufficient citizens. The end result is stronger families and a better community. FLIA also utilizes evidence based program curriculums designed to help students develop self-control, communication skills, and acquire resources to help them resist drug use, improve decision making strategies, and develop the motivation not use drugs. The philosophy is to help children and families grow physically, healthy, emotionally strong, socially involved, educationally prepared, and more culturally aware.</i>

22/34	DYCD	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance adolescent literacy programs and services</b>	<i>Community Board #5 requests that DYCD establish a Computer Coding Program in the district for residents, (Youth and Young Adults and senior citizens) to learn computer coding. This is a very important skill which leads to quality job opportunities and assists in their educational development.</i>	
23/34	EDC	<b>Expand programs to support MWBE-owned firms and businesses</b>	<i>Community Board #5 requests that a business incubator be established in the district to assist local business and Entrepreneurs to grow the businesses or establish new business ventures in technology, health care and retail areas, etc.. Possibly using Bronx Community College as a location for such an incubator.</i>	
24/34	NYPD	<b>Other NYPD programs requests</b>	<i>Community Board #5 requests that the city establish a Victim Support Services Program in the district which would deal with the victims of crimes or the families of victims of crime. The program would assist these victims and their family's with funeral arrangements, counseling, financial support and other needs of these residents.</i>	
25/34	DPR	<b>Plant new street trees</b>	<i>We are requesting tree plantings for the intersection of Sedgwick Avenue, Roberto Clement State park bridge and West Tremont Avenues. There are few plantings ta this location and there are residencies at this location. Tree plantings would also aesthetically link the park with the nearby community.</i>	Sedgewick Ave R CLEMENTE STATE PARK BRDG R CLEMENTE STATE PARK BRDG
26/34	NYPL	<b>Extend library hours, expand library programs, and enhance library collections (NYPL)</b>	<i>We are requesting monies so that staff may be allocated to provide services outside the Francis Martin Library branch. The proposed project will provide one library staffer to supervise reading of library materials in the park abutting the Francis Martin library during summer hours.</i>	2150 University Avenue
27/34	NYPL	<b>Extend library hours, expand library programs, and enhance library collections (NYPL)</b>	<i>Extend the library's programming so that it may be open 6 days per week.</i>	1701 Martin Luther King Blvd.

28/34	DYCD	<b>Other expense budget request for DYCD</b>	<i>There is a dearth of programming for youth of all ages. We need further resources for anti-gang/violence programs, especially trying to combat youth against the elderly crime prevention.</i>	
29/34	NYPL	<b>Extend library hours, expand library programs, and enhance library collections (NYPL)</b>	<i>To extend the Francis Martin branch hours to 6 days per week.</i>	2150 University Avenue
30/34	DYCD	<b>Other expense budget request for DYCD</b>	<i>Youth have a dearth of recreational facilities in our community and there is significant gang violence. These factors combine to make our youth vulnerable to substance-abusing behaviors. It is for that reason that we are requesting enhanced services for anti-substance abuse programs in our community</i>	
31/34	DSNY	<b>Provide more frequent litter basket collection</b>	<i>Recently there has been an increased incidence of waste baskets overflowing. This has occurred primarily (but not exclusively) in our main commercial corridor, Burnside Avenue). Increased basket pick-ups would help a great deal.</i>	
32/34	DSNY	<b>Expand opportunities for electronic waste collection and disposal</b>	<i>Bronx Community District 5 has no electronics waste recycling infrastructure. There is no collection point within the district. The Community District has been rezoned and residential development is accelerating. This will increase the volume of electronic waste. Our community thereby requests infrastructure for electronic waste disposal/recycling.</i>	
33/34	DPR	<b>Other expense budget request for DPR</b>	<i>There is a lack of green space in Bronx Community Board 5. An identified resource that the community would like to expand and support so as to mitigate this deprivation is to expand the Community Garden program. This would include both greater outreach/recruiting efforts and also greater support for group formation and planning..</i>	

**Expand, or enhance  
Emergency Food  
Assistance Program  
(EFAP)**

*The experience of the current pandemic has illustrated the vulnerability of our community to food insecurity. There has been an increase of 500% in demand for some of our food pantry/emergency food providers. There is a great need to expand the capacity of our Community Based Organizations to deliver emergency food for the community*

## 8. COMMUNITY BOARD BUDGET REQUESTS *WITH AGENCY RESPONSES*

### Capital Requests

PRIORITY	AGENCY	CB REQUEST	REASON	AGENCY RESPONSE
01/41	NYPD	Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct	<i>Construct New 46th Precinct Facility. The 46th Precinct is in need of a new facility. The current facility is old, dilapidated, archaic and most of the furniture is old &amp; broken. There is no space for parking, causing the streets to be congested with very little space for pedestrians. This situation must be improved not only for the working police officers, but also for the surrounding community.</i>	Requests to advance site acquisition funding was not approved by OMB. However, approval has been granted to proceed in a search for a site to construct a new precinct.
02/41	NYCTA	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	<i>Install an Elevator/Escalator at the IRT #4 Burnside Avenue Station. The IRT #4 Burnside Avenue Station is heavily used in Bronx Community Board 5. It is highly elevated facility having three sets of stairs before a passenger arrives at the mezzanine level. Disabled individuals, people with carriages/strollers and seniors have a difficult time getting to the platform of this station serves as a main gateway to Bronx Community College, Roberto Clemente State Park and other institutions in our district. The community has signed a petition with over 1000 signatures for an elevator/escalator at this station.</i>	For information on this capital project, please contact the agency.
03/41	DCAS	Other capital budget request for DCAS	<i>DCAS - Davidson Community Center is a DCAS leased property. The Center is seeking to renovate their existing space as well as potentially add 2 additional stories to the existing building. This space would be used for an expansion of youth and community services for the residents of the district. In addition, this renovation would add an elevator for handicap accessibility and add a kitchen for meal preparation.</i>	DCAS Real Estate Services has not received a Space Request Form from the Community Board. A completed form is required in order for DCAS to begin to initiate a new project review. The CB should contact DCAS Real Estate Services, Fabiana Meacham at <a href="mailto:FabMeacham@dcas.nyc.gov">FabMeacham@dcas.nyc.gov</a> for information on completing a Space Request Form
04/41	DOT	Repair or build new step streets	<i>Reconstruct Step Streets from Palisades Place to Sedgwick Avenue. Step Streets are important access points. These are in extremely dangerous condition which must be addressed promptly.</i>	Capital funding constraints, project capacity and City-wide priorities preclude this project at this time.
05/41	NYPD	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	<i>Handicap Accessibility in Front of the 46th Precinct. Seniors and physically challenged residents are requesting a ramp and handrails to the entrance of the 46th Precinct to make it ADA accessible.</i>	A comprehensive city-wide ADA renovation project is in progress, and the 46th Precinct is included.
06/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Request Funding for Lighting Via Flood lights from the Light Post for the Steps of the park. Also funding Stage/Presentation/Community area at the top of the park. Restoration of walls, railings and update the fencing. To shift the current physical conditions and negative community perceptions of University Woods and help other communities use their parks to improve the conditions of the surrounding neighborhoods.</i>	Parks Department funds are insufficient for this purpose. We recommend this request be brought to the attention of your Council Members.

07/41	NYPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)	<i>The Library is seeking much-needed capital funding to ensure that our branches can continue to meeting the growing needs of our communities. Anticipated projects range from major renovations to targeted upgrades, including: -Heating and cooling system updates -New roof, windows and doors -Fire alarm, security and technology upgrades -ADA compliance - Elevator replacement -ADA Bathroom renovations</i>	NYPL is in favor of this project; however, restored City capital funding is required. NYPL will continue to work through the City's budget process for needed funding. Please contact NYPL for additional information.
08/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	<i>Improve &amp; Develop the Environment Walk at Aqueduct Land from Morton Place to Burnside Avenue. Build a Pedestrian Bridge, ADA Compliance Step Street or Ramp. Aqueduct Walk is adjacent to the newly constructed Morton Playground &amp; Morton Place Homeowners Association. Walkway is in dire need of improvement.</i>	Parks Department funds are insufficient for this purpose. We recommend this request be brought to the attention of your Council Members.
09/41	NYPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)	<i>Partial Renovation of Francis Martin Library Branch. Francis Martin Library Branch needs the front faade rehabilitated, HVAC replaced additional units), electrical system upgraded, PC Refresh and VoIP Technology, 1st floor and lower level, (including ADA compliance), including elevator and bathrooms upgraded.</i>	NYPL is in favor of this project; however, restored City capital funding is required. NYPL will continue to work through the City's budget process for needed funding. Please contact NYPL for additional information.
10/41	EDC	Other capital budget request for EDC	<i>EDC - Requesting Phase II of Mount Hope Housing Inc. Project to Construct Indoor Gymnasium, Parking Facility as Well as a Useable Pavilion Roof top on City Owned Land. The Mount Hope Housing project has just completed phase I a state of the art Community Center. In order to make this facility viable it needs parking facilities to accommodate conference hall and gymnasium participants.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
11/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	<i>Increase Funds to Parks Department for Miscellaneous Park Repairs. (P-245) Contract is Needed for Replacing Play Equipment-\$150k Per Borough. This funding is used for a variety of basic renovation efforts such as paving, fencing and benches. This line is primarily used to stress rehabilitation, rather than new construction.</i>	The agency recommends funding this expense budget request in FY 2024, but at this time the availability of funds is uncertain.
12/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	<i>Replace Lighting in Aqueduct Park from Morton Place to Burnside Avenue. During the rehabilitation of this park the lighting was not replaced and subsequent vandalism has incapacitated all of the lights. It is necessary to replace all of the park lights in Aqueduct Park form Morton Place to Burnside Avenue.</i>	Parks Department funds are insufficient for this purpose. We recommend this request be brought to the attention of your Council Members.



13/41	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	<i>Install Higher Intensity Lighting along Jerome Avenue, from the Cross Bronx Expressway to Fordham Road. Special lighting is needed for streets with elevated rail lines. Presently, Jerome Avenue is dark and unsafe because of improper lighting. This is a public safety measure.</i>	Wattage/lumen changes of street lights are not permissible. The number of street lights can only be increased if the request is accompanied by funding to cover all equipment and construction costs and a Maintenance Agreement is signed with a City Chartered organization willing and able to pay for the associated maintenance cost of electricity, repairs, etc. - i.e. Business Improvement District.
14/41	DOT	Rehabilitate bridges	<i>Reconstruct Grand Concourse Bridge over 175th Street- Walls over 175th Street/ Part of Subway System. Walls on east and west side of Grand Concourse over 175th Street have been damaged by years of leaking water. The community youth mural project is on hold as a result.</i>	Please contact the Borough Commissioner's office to discuss this request.
15/41	HPD	Expand loan programs to rehabilitate multiple dwelling buildings	<i>Increase Funds to 8A Loan Program for Upgrading and Ongoing Maintenance Needs in Rehabilitated Buildings. New focus is to preserve existing housing of what has been rehabilitated. HPD indicates the fund is drying up.</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
16/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Acquire Block 3194, Lot 27 to Extend Existing Parks Managed Property/ West 181st Street &amp; Grand Avenue. Additional Funding to repair retaining wall. The retaining wall is crumbling and created dangerous conditions in the playground.</i>	This project has been completed in this fiscal year, or a previous fiscal year.
17/41	FDNY	Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations	<i>Fund Firehouse Renovations/Upgrades. Funding is needed for firehouse renovations and upgrades in CD5 such as new roof (waterproofing), apparatus floor replacements, emergency generators, window replacements, pointing, electrical as well as kitchen and bathroom. Engine Company 42, Engine Company 43 and Engine Company 48</i>	Emergency generators are being installed throughout firehouses on a yearly basis, priority established by Fire Operations, funding is reliant on Federal Grants. Repairs and upgrades to facilities must be scheduled carefully so overall (and local/neighborhood) emergency response operations are not negatively impacted. Additionally, these requests must be prioritized so more critical issues (e.g., health and safety or operational response issues) are addressed first. We repair all facilities as resources and priorities allow.
18/41	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Acquire &amp; Develop Empty Lot Block 2877, Lot 531 on Montgomery Avenue corner of Popham Avenue. This lot has been neglected for many years. The development of a tot lot at this location will enhance the quality of life for the children of our community.</i>	This property is not under Parks' jurisdiction. Please contact the appropriate agency.



19/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Community Board #5 is Requesting the Redesign of the University Avenue Park Malls. University Avenue from West Tremont Avenue to 175th Street. Community Board #5 is requesting that these malls be redesigned to accommodate some benches as well as some additional spaces for tree pits.</i>	Parks Department funds are insufficient for this purpose. We recommend this request be brought to the attention of your Council Members.
20/41	DPR	Other capital budget request for DPR	<i>The Redesign and Expansion of existing Green Street Median on University Avenue, 174th Street and Cross Bronx Expressway. Community Board #5 feels that the existing median is too narrow, the location would be enhanced if medians were redesigned and expanded as a traffic calming device as well as provide a beautiful Green Street which will enhance the South West gateway presences of Community Board #5.</i>	This property is not under Parks' jurisdiction. Please contact the appropriate agency.
21/41	DOT	Install streetscape improvements	<i>The Placement One-for-One of regular COBRA-Head Street lights with "M" Pole-Type Distinctive Lamp Posts is an appropriate design that would be most compatible with the Vision for Residential, Burnside Avenue Shopping District from East Burnside Avenue &amp; Valentine Avenue to University Avenue &amp; Burnside Avenue. The "M" Pole-type of street lights is the preferred street amenities and streetscape enhancements in our neighborhood.</i>	Standard street lights can only be replaced if the request is accompanied by funding to cover all equipment, construction, and additional electrical costs and a Maintenance Agreement is signed with a City Chartered organization willing and able to pay for the associated maintenance cost-i.e. Business Improvement District.
22/41	NYPD	Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras	<i>New York Police Department Surveillance Cameras along Burnside Avenue Shopping District from Grand Concourse to Harrison Avenue. Burnside Avenue Shopping district is Vibrant. Merchants and shoppers have concerns about public safety. Surveillance cameras would enhance public safety and would serve as deterrent.</i>	Argus cameras are funded via allocations from elected officials for use within their districts. Specific location recommendations should be provided to the local precinct commander for submission to the Information Technology Bureau once funding is allocated. The NYPD will attempt to accommodate specific location requests whenever funding is provided, but reserves the right to place cameras as appropriate due to current crime trends and operational needs.
23/41	DOT	Repair or build new step streets	<i>Rehabilitate Step Street at Davidson Avenue between Featherbed Lane and Davidson Avenue Proper is seriously deteriorated. Many steps are loose and pose a danger to pedestrian access to the subway station. Heavy pedestrian traffic, vandalism and weather have caused severe deterioration of the step street. Include hand railings and better lighting.</i>	This project was funded in a prior fiscal year and the preliminary design contract has been let.
24/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Phase II Construction for University Woods Park to Develop the Plaza/Stage area of the park. University Woods Park construction improvements will enhance public safety perception and will increase environmental and recreational programming activities within the park.</i>	Parks Department funds are insufficient for this purpose. We recommend this request be brought to the attention of your Council Members.

25/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Renovation of Galileo Playground. Galileo Playground is an outdoor science playground classroom with play equipment that stimulates children's imagination. It focuses on the Solar System and the individual planets. This playground is in disrepair and in need of capital improvement.</i>	Parks Department funds are insufficient for this purpose. We recommend this request be brought to the attention of your Council Members.
26/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Funding for Capital Reconstruction of Echo Park. Echo Park is in poor physical condition. We are requesting the following enhancements basketball courts, playground area, park house and construct an amphitheater. In addition improve parks natural landscaping, plant new shrubs and trees.</i>	Parks Department funds are insufficient for this purpose. We recommend this request be brought to the attention of your Council Members.
27/41	NYPD	Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras	<i>Aqueduct Homeowners Request Surveillance Camera's for Grand Avenue, Davidson Avenue and West 181st Street. Homeowners have public safety concerns. Surveillance camera's would enhance public safety and quality life. Cameras will serve as a deterrent.</i>	Argus cameras are funded via allocations from elected officials for use within their districts. Specific location recommendations should be provided to the local precinct commander for submission to the Information Technology Bureau once funding is allocated. The NYPD will attempt to accommodate specific location requests whenever funding is provided, but reserves the right to place cameras as appropriate due to current crime trends and operational needs.
28/41	DOT	Repair or build new step streets	<i>Reconstruct Step Street from Sedgwick Avenue to Cedar avenue. Step Streets are important access points. This particular step street provides access form Sedgwick Avenue to Cedar Avenue which is the gateway to Roberto Clemente State Park. This location is in extremely poor condition and must be addressed promptly.</i>	Capital funding constraints, project capacity and City-wide priorities preclude this project at this time.
29/41	DCLA	Other cultural facilities and resources requests	<i>Site Acquisition of 1800-1808 Grand Concourse. 1800-1808 Grand Concourse is an art-deco property known as the United Pilgrim Church. This building has numerous outstanding violations. The Community Board has identified this site for the Mount Hope Center for the Arts. Currently, not one cultural arts center exists within the community board five area.</i>	The organization does not meet City capital funding requirements for cultural projects.
30/41	DOT	Repair or build new step streets	<i>Reconstruct Step Street from Marion Avenue to 187th Street. The Step Street has been seriously deteriorated. There is heavy pedestrian traffic e.g. students, patrons and residents. Request additional lighting.</i>	Capital funding constraints, project capacity and City-wide priorities preclude this project at this time.
31/41	DOT	Repair or build new step streets	<i>Create Step Street at Kingsland Place (between West Tremont Avenue and Harrison Avenue) This location is in poor condition. DOT has paved and resurfaced this location in the prior fiscal year, however it remains unsafe and is heavily usedby pedestrians and children. Creating a step street would improve pedestrian mobility. Access now is dangerous for those that are mobility impaired. Repaving/reconstruction should make the step street ADA-compliant.</i>	Capital funding constraints, project capacity and City-wide priorities preclude this project at this time.

32/41	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Transfer &amp; Develop the Greenthumb Property at Townsend Avenue &amp; East 175th Street to the Department of Parks &amp; Recreation. This Greenthumb, maintained by the Mount Hope Housing Company, is a beautiful resource with the potential of becoming a playground for neighborhood children.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
33/41	DOE	Renovate exterior building component	<i>Community Board #5 requests that the schoolyard of MS 459X be renovated for use by the school community, as well as programs sponsored by Good Shepherd Services and B.R.A.G. The schoolyard includes basketball courts, handball courts and a play area and is in need of rehabilitation and new fixtures and play equipment.</i>	Unable to prioritize funding for this project request at this time.
34/41	DPR	Other capital budget request for DPR	<i>Request for 1801-1805 Davidson Avenue Property transferred from ACS to DCAS then be transferred to NYC Department of Parks and Recreation. 1801-1805 Davidson Avenue is extremely deteriorated, dangerous and eyesore in the community. Community Board #5 is in desperate need of open space</i>	This project was funded in a prior fiscal year and the construction contract has been let.
35/41	NYPD	Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras	<i>Security cameras are needed along Burnside Avenue between University Avenue and Sedgewick Avenue. This extension of security cameras would effectively extend our request for cameras along Burnside Avenue to our eastern most shopping hub.</i>	Argus cameras are funded via allocations from elected officials for use within their districts. Specific location recommendations should be provided to the local precinct commander for submission to the Information Technology Bureau once funding is allocated. The NYPD will attempt to accommodate specific location requests whenever funding is provided, but reserves the right to place cameras as appropriate due to current crime trends and operational needs.
36/41	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	<i>Community Board members voiced concern about the lack of adequate lighting along Webster Avenue. A PAL is located at this corner so improved lighting would add to the security of youth and enhance the attraction of this youth recreation facility.</i>	Please contact the Borough Commissioner's office to discuss this request.
37/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Morris Community Garden is dilapidated and needs to be overhauled and maintained.</i>	Parks Department funds are insufficient for this purpose. We recommend this request be brought to the attention of your Council Members.
38/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>The gardens at Twin Park Southwest is dilapidated and needs renovation.</i>	This property is not under Parks' jurisdiction. Please contact the appropriate agency.
39/41	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	<i>The replacement of lighting from conventional lighting to LED will enhance the illumination of the street and increase the durability and service-life of such lights. An improvement in illumination will enhance this area as a commercial node.</i>	LED conversions scheduled for 2021 in the Bronx.

40/41	NYPD	Add NYPD parking facilities	<i>Parking near the 46th precinct is very constrained. Officers, precinct vehicles, residents and commercial vehicles all compete for constrained space. A means to alleviate this is to build parking decks on the lots operated and owned by NYPD at 2069 and 2119 Valentine Avenue.</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.
41/41	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	<i>Burnside Avenue is a primary commercial and pedestrian corridor for our community. Adequate street lighting is vital for both safety and business concerns.</i>	Please contact the Borough Commissioner's office to discuss this request.

## Expense Requests

PRIORITY	AGENCY	CB REQUEST	REASON	AGENCY RESPONSE
01/34	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)	<i>Provide additional funds for CD 5 area youth programs: Fair Share Delinquency prevention, specialized programs and a Beacon School. Youth programs remain at funding levels of ten years ago. Youngsters make up approximately 40% of population. Needs far outweigh ability to provide services/programs.</i>	DYCD has increased funding in this service area.
02/34	DOHMH	Animal and pest control requests including reducing rat and mosquito populations	<i>Expand Pest &amp; Animal Control Units to also include Animal Inspectors; additional Personnel Needed. CD5 is experiencing a major rat infestation. With major redevelopment, new construction and a growing population, rats are multiplying and moving into buildings/homes. Rats pose a health and safety danger with diseases they carry, especially to children.</i>	DOHMH continues to increase the number of inspections performed annually. We also continue to respond to all 311 complaints and readily participate in walk-through events requested by the community in areas of concern. Feel free to contact us to request a walk-through. Additional services would be contingent upon available resources.
03/34	NYPL	Extend library hours, expand library programs, and enhance library collections (NYPL)	<i>New York Public Library Request the City Restore Funding. The New York Public Library requests that the City restore funding to provide robust six day service including increased hours, diverse programming, strong collections and sufficient staff to support these functions. in these challenging economic times, the services provided through the Library are needed by New Yorkers more than ever.</i>	NYPL is in favor of this project but added or restored City funding is required for all expense budget costs and any needed capital costs. NYPL will continue to work through the City's budget process for needed funding. Contact NYPL for more information.
04/34	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	<i>Hire Parks Enforcement Police Officers for Bronx Parks. Our parks are becoming increasingly dangerous and are often unattended/un-patrolled by NYPD. Many parks are becoming havens for drug dealers.</i>	The Parks Department would support this request for personnel.
05/34	HRA	Other request for services for vulnerable New Yorkers	<i>Requesting Funding for Special Needs Services for Immigrants. For example, citizenship applications, residency, employment applications, spousal waivers, accessing resources and other legal documents. The foreign born are more than one-third of the population in Community Board #5. By addressing these immigrant specific concerns will ultimately enable the foreign born to contribute even more to the economic vitality of the community.</i>	The Agency funds programs to address the special needs of the immigrant population, this includes legal services.
06/34	HRA	Provide, expand, or enhance educational programs for adults	<i>Provide Independent Living Skills Programs for Single Mothers. Community Board #5 is in dire need of funding for the Independent Skills Services program in our district. This program will provide a solid support system to single mothers who are working to make the transition from public dependency to self sufficiency.</i>	HRA's Career Services provides services to clients to assist them in developing job skills, obtaining employment, financial counseling and building sustainable careers that provide a path out of poverty.

07/34	DPR	Improve the quality/staffing of existing programs offered in parks or recreational centers	<i>Hire Parks Recreation Specialist-Consider Seasonal Hires for Cost Containment. Our parks and playgrounds are in dire need of adequate staff with which to provide recreational activities for the tens of thousands of young people using our parks. We presently have only one recreation staff person for all our parks and playgrounds.</i>	The Parks Department would support this request for personnel.
08/34	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	<i>Create a Step Street Task Force to Clean the City's 128 Step Streets. Until the recent use of Work Experience Program (WEP) workers for cleaning step streets, DOS had abandoned its responsibility for these public streets. CD5 has 12 step streets which are made unsightly and dangerous by litter.</i>	This program is currently funded and the Department of Sanitation recommends its continued support.
09/34	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	<i>Feasibility Study for the Expansion of the Existing 46th Precinct. Increase in personnel has made it extremely crowded in this old dilapidated and archaic building. This situation must be improved not only for the working police officers, but also for the surrounding community.</i>	NYPD will formally request OMB to allow the Department of Citywide Administration Services (DCAS) to conduct a survey of available properties.
10/34	NYCTA	Other transit service requests	<i>Create a NYC Transit Authority Clean Team. A special team is needed to clean and paint elevated subway line stations, fight graffiti and work with communities on anti-litter/anti-graffiti activities.</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.
11/34	DEP	Other expense budget request for DEP	<i>DEP - Hire additional Inspectors for the Department of Environmental Protection. Personnel Inspectors to Monitor Fire Hydrants (Opening and Closing). Community District 5, for the last three years, has experienced the highest rate of hydrant openings in the borough of the Bronx. Ranking in the top three citywide.</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
12/34	NYPD	Other NYPD staff resources requests	<i>Hire Additional Clerical Workers for the 46th Precinct. The addition of 100 new officers to the 46th Precinct over the next 24 months will require additional support staff to process paper work and service community requests/complaints.</i>	NYPD total staffing levels depend on decisions made in the Preliminary and Executive budget process. Allocation of uniformed personnel is scheduled by the NYPD only after graduation of Police classes from the Academy. The availability of future funding for civilian personnel depends on the decisions made in the Preliminary and Executive budget process.
13/34	DSNY	Increase enforcement of illegal dumping laws	<i>Increase Illegal Dumping Task Force from Current Low Level. Sanitation police personnel cannot serve the need of our district. Must improve ability of Department to conduct surveillance and apprehend illegal dumpers. This is a major quality of life concern in CD5.</i>	This program is currently funded and the Department of Sanitation recommends its continued support.
14/34	DOT	Other traffic improvement requests	<i>Increase Staff in Bureau of Highways Maintenance Division: Additional Staff Persons Needed. With an increase in the need to repair streets as well as sidewalks and roadways, there is a serious need for additional manpower in the Bronx Highways Maintenance Division. One gang is not sufficient to address the street repair needs in the borough.</i>	Funding constraints preclude the hiring of additional personnel at this time.

15/34	FDNY	Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives	<i>Funding fire safety education outreach. The fire department needs to purchase smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors for distributing to the public.</i>	The FDNY Foundation provides funds to assist the Department in meeting these needs.
16/34	DFTA	Enhance educational and recreational programs	<i>Community Board #5 is Requesting funding for Stay Well exercising programs for seniors who are fit and for those with disabilities. Seniors are in dire need of Aerobic exercise as well as routines designed to enhance balance, build muscle strength and aid in the performance o task associated with daily living.</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
17/34	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	<i>Requesting funding for computer labs and training. This will assist seniors to navigate computer and complex systems. The elderly have been an integral part of this community for generations. Seniors today live longer and despite some disabilities generally live better overall than their counterparts of previous generations. Many older adults are isolated, frail, homebound, vulnerable to fraud and intimidation.</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
18/34	DFTA	Increase transportation services capacity	<i>There is a dearth of access to the number 4 elevated train in our district. Through the length of Jerome Avenue in our district there is no access to the train for those with mobility impairments. We seek additional funding so that providers of services for the elderly can expand transportation services.</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
19/34	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	<i>Restore Parks Maintenance Employees (to include the Division of Forestry and a Greenthumb Crew). Bronx Community District #5 has several playgrounds and parks which need to be properly maintained. Essential increases in maintenance staff are needed.</i>	The Parks Department would support this request for personnel.
20/34	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>On Street Parking Study for Community Board 5 Area. On Street Parking is a priority Quality of Life issue for district 5. CB 5 is highly dense bedroom community. In addition, we have 7 Commercial Shopping Districts (Fordham Road, Webster Avenue, South Grand Concourse, Burnside Avenue, West 183rd Street, University Avenue/West Tremont Avenue and Featherbed Lane) and street parking is vital for our Community Board area.</i>	Please contact the Borough Commissioner's office to discuss this request.



21/34	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)	<i>The mission of the Featherbed Lane Improvement Assoc. two-fold: 1) to reduce the risk of alcohol, tobacco and other drug use / abuse, and 2) to assist socially and economically disadvantaged youth and young adults in attaining the skills, knowledge and motivation to become responsible self-sufficient citizens. The end result is stronger families and a better community. FLIA also utilizes evidence based program curriculums designed to help students develop self-control, communication skills, and acquire resources to help them resist drug use, improve decision making strategies, and develop the motivation not use drugs. The philosophy is to help children and families grow physically, healthy, emotionally strong, socially involved, educationally prepared, and more culturally aware.</i>	Program siting decisions are based on the Request for Proposals process, area needs and available funding. Sign up at DYCD's website to learn when solicitations for services are released
22/34	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance adolescent literacy programs and services	<i>Community Board #5 requests that DYCD establish a Computer Coding Program in the district for residents, (Youth and Young Adults and senior citizens) to learn computer coding. This is a very important skill which leads to quality job opportunities and assists in their educational development.</i>	Presently, there are a variety of agency-funded programs in the district for this target population. Additional programs are contingent upon available funding and will be distributed through an RFP process. Organizations are encouraged to apply.
23/34	EDC	Expand programs to support MWBE-owned firms and businesses	<i>Community Board #5 requests that a business incubator be established in the district to assist local business and Entrepreneurs to grow the businesses or establish new business ventures in technology, health care and retail areas, etc.. Possibly using Bronx Community College as a location for such an incubator.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
24/34	NYPD	Other NYPD programs requests	<i>Community Board #5 requests that the city establish a Victim Support Services Program in the district which would deal with the victims of crimes or the families of victims of crime. The program would assist these victims and their family's with funeral arrangements, counseling, financial support and other needs of these residents.</i>	This is outside of the NYPD's jurisdiction. However, there is a State Agency designed to compensate innocent victims of crime for their out of pocket expenses. <a href="https://ovs.ny.gov/">https://ovs.ny.gov/</a>
25/34	DPR	Plant new street trees	<i>We are requesting tree plantings for the intersection of Sedgwick Avenue, Roberto Clement State park bridge and West Tremont Avenues. There are few plantings ta this location and there are residencies at this location. Tree plantings would also aesthetically link the park with the nearby community.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
26/34	NYPL	Extend library hours, expand library programs, and enhance library collections (NYPL)	<i>We are requesting monies so that staff may be allocated to provide services outside the Francis Martin Library branch. The proposed project will provide one library staffer to supervise reading of library materials in the park abutting the Francis Martin library during summer hours.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.



27/34	NYPL	Extend library hours, expand library programs, and enhance library collections (NYPL)	<i>Extend the library's programming so that it may be open 6 days per week.</i>	With the support of community boards, the Mayor, and the City Council, all NYPL branches offer 6 day service. NYPL needs continued board support to maintain this level of service.
28/34	DYCD	Other expense budget request for DYCD	<i>There is a dearth of programming for youth of all ages. We need further resources for anti-gang/violence programs, especially trying to combat youth against the elderly crime prevention.</i>	Presently, there are a variety of agency-funded programs in the district for this target population. Additional programs are contingent upon available funding and will be distributed through an RFP process. Organizations are encouraged to apply.
29/34	NYPL	Extend library hours, expand library programs, and enhance library collections (NYPL)	<i>To extend the Francis Martin branch hours to 6 days per week.</i>	With the support of community boards, the Mayor, and the City Council, all NYPL branches offer 6 day service. NYPL needs continued board support to maintain this level of service.
30/34	DOHMH	Other expense budget request	<i>Youth have a dearth of recreational facilities in our community and there is significant gang violence. These factors combine to make our youth vulnerable to substance-abusing behaviors. It is for that reason that we are requesting enhanced services for anti-substance abuse programs in our community.</i>	DOHMH contracts with and oversees a wide variety of mental health and substance abuse services throughout NYC. Feel free to contact the Department with specific questions about services.
31/34	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	<i>Recently there has been an increased incidence of waste baskets overflowing. This has occurred primarily (but not exclusively) in our main commercial corridor, Burnside Avenue). Increased basket pick-ups would help a great deal.</i>	Although the Department of Sanitation supports this program, due to fiscal constraints the availability of funds is uncertain.
32/34	DSNY	Expand opportunities for electronic waste collection and disposal	<i>Bronx Community District 5 has no electronics waste recycling infrastructure. There is no collection point within the district. The Community District has been rezoned and residential development is accelerating. This will increase the volume of electronic waste. Our community thereby requests infrastructure for electronic waste disposal/recycling.</i>	Although the Department of Sanitation supports this program, due to fiscal constraints the availability of funds is uncertain.
33/34	DPR	Other expense budget request for DPR	<i>There is a lack of green space in Bronx Community Board 5. An identified resource that the community would like to expand and support so as to mitigate this deprivation is to expand the Community Garden program. This would include both greater outreach/recruiting efforts and also greater support for group formation and planning.</i>	This would require a larger expense budget.
34/34	HRA	Expand, or enhance Emergency Food Assistance Program (EFAP)	<i>The experience of the current pandemic has illustrated the vulnerability of our community to food insecurity. There has been an increase of 500% in demand for some of our food pantry/emergency food providers. There is a great need to expand the capacity of our Community Based Organizations to deliver emergency food for the community</i>	HRA continues to maintain funding for EFAP. During the COVID pandemic funds have been added to the budget to purchase additional food.