

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

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## 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 Queens Community Board 9's *Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2019*. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the community board, collected through an online form available to community boards from June to November 2017.

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:

### **a) 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.

### **b) 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.

### **c) Community Board Budget Requests**

The final section includes the two types of budget requests submitted to the City for the FY19 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.

#### Disclaimer

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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

### Queens Community Board 9

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## 2. Community District Profile

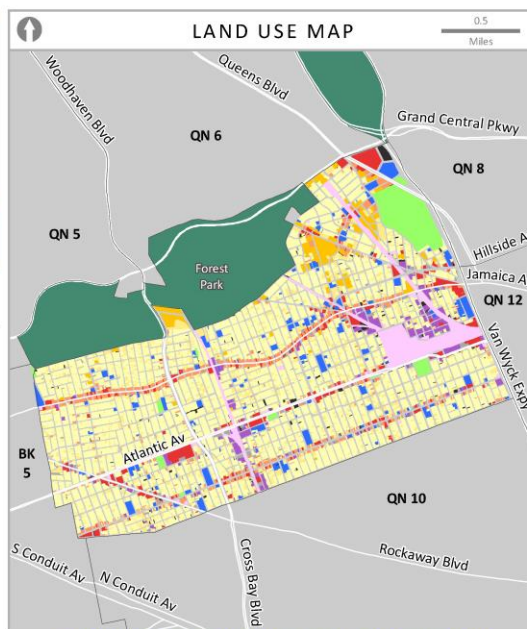
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# Queens Community District 9



**Neighborhoods<sup>1</sup>:** Kew Gardens, Ozone Park, Richmond Hill, Woodhaven

POPULATION & DENSITY		
2000 <sup>2</sup>	2010 <sup>3</sup>	2000-2010
141,608	143,317	+1%
2011-2015 Estimate <sup>4</sup>		153,164
Square Miles		3.8
Population Density		37,715/sq mi



### COMMUNITY BOARD PERSPECTIVES

Top 3 pressing issues identified by Queens Community Board 9 in 2017:

1. Affordable housing
2. Health care services
3. Senior services

To learn more, please read [Queens CD 9's Statements of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year 2018](#).

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Land Use Category	# Lots	% Lot Area
1 & 2 Family Bldgs	15,337	60%
Multifamily Walk-up	2,302	11%
Multifamily Elevator	96	3%
Mixed Use	1,284	5%
Commercial	349	5%
Industrial	192	3%
Transportation/Utility	100	3%
Public/Institutional	196	5%
Open Space	17	2%
Parking	266	2%
Vacant	260	1%
Other	23	<1%

[Click here for a more detailed land use map of Queens CD 9](#)

## A Snapshot of Key Community Indicators

COMMUNITY ASSETS <sup>5</sup>	
Public Schools	31
Public Libraries	2
Hospitals and Clinics	9
Parks	4
<a href="#">Click to visit the NYC Facilities Explorer</a>	

RENT BURDEN <sup>4, 6</sup>	
Queens CD 9	Queens
<b>48%</b>	48%
of households spend 35% or more of their income on rent	NYC
	45%

ACCESS TO PARKS <sup>7</sup>	
Queens CD 9	Citywide Target
<b>71%</b>	85%
of residents live within walking distance of a park or open space	

MEAN COMMUTE TO WORK <sup>4, 8</sup>	
Queens CD 9	Queens
<b>45</b>	43 minutes
minutes	NYC
	40 minutes

LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY <sup>4</sup>	
Queens CD 9	Queens
<b>26%</b>	29%
of residents 5 years or older have limited English proficiency	NYC
	23%

CRIME RATE <sup>9</sup>	
Queens CD 9	Queens
<b>7.4</b>	9.1
major felonies were reported per 1,000 residents in 2016	NYC
	11.8

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT <sup>4, 10</sup>	
Queens CD 9	Queens
<b>26%</b>	30%
of residents 25 years or older have earned a bachelor's degree or higher	NYC
	36%

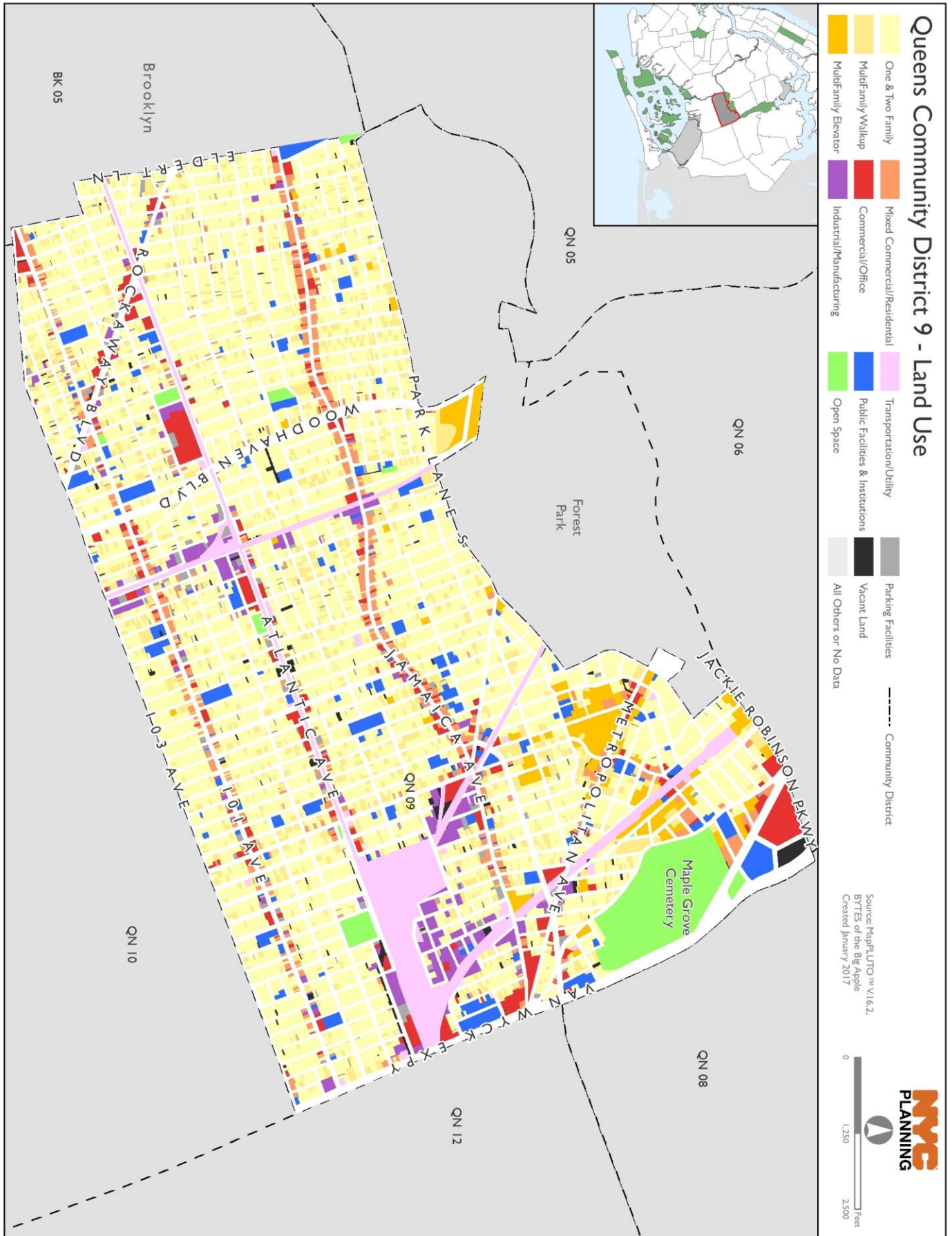
UNEMPLOYMENT <sup>4, 10</sup>	
Queens CD 9	Queens
<b>9.2%</b>	8.6%
of the civilian labor force was unemployed on average from 2011 to 2015	NYC
	9.5%

NYCgov POVERTY MEASURE <sup>11</sup>	
Queens CD 9	Queens
<b>22%</b>	18%
of residents have incomes below the NYCgov poverty threshold. See the federal poverty rate here.	NYC
	21%

<sup>1</sup>Neighborhoods may be in multiple districts. Names and boundaries are not officially designated. <sup>2</sup>2000 US Census; <sup>3</sup>2010 US Census; <sup>4</sup>American Community Survey 2011-2015 5-Year Estimates, calculated for Public Use Microdata Areas (PUMAs). PUMAs are geographic approximations of community districts. <sup>5</sup>NYC Dept of City Planning Facilities Database (2017); <sup>6</sup>Differences of less than 3 percentage points are not statistically meaningful. <sup>7</sup>NYC Dept of Parks and Recreation (DPR) (2016). DPR considers walking distance to be 1/4 mile for parks less than 6 acres, and 1/2 mile for larger parks and pools. <sup>8</sup>Differences of less than 2 minutes are not statistically meaningful. <sup>9</sup>NYPD CompStat, Historic Complaint Data (2017); <sup>10</sup>Differences of less than 2 percentage points are not statistically meaningful. <sup>11</sup>2011-2015 NYCgov Poverty Measure by PUMA. This metric from the Mayor's Office for Economic Opportunity accounts for NYC's high cost of housing, as well as other costs of living and anti-poverty benefits.



## 2. Community District Land Use



### 3. Overview of Community District

Community Board 9 Queens is a vibrant community made up of People from all over the world. We truly are a Multicultural Community. In our neighborhoods you can literally eat from every country,i.e. Guyana, India, Dominican Republic, South America, Spain, Italy, Asia, China, Russia, Germany,etc. Our residents hail from India, Guyana, Latin America, Asia, etc.



#### 4. Top Three Pressing Issues Overall

The three most pressing issues facing Queens Community Board 9 are:

- *Affordable housing*
- *Schools*
- *Senior services*

Access to affordable Healthcare is getting harder and harder for people to attain. We are in need of more senior Services, i.e. Senior Centers, Cultural Facilities, and After School Programs for our Youth.. We need access to Healthy Food and Life Style programs to combat Chronic Disease i.e. \*Diabetes, Heart Disease, and Obesity. CB9 has Maintenance defects which is associated with Negative health Outcomes, including Asthma and other respiratory illnesses, injuries and poor mental health.

Affordable housing is crucial as many of our constituents are unable to purchase their own homes and have to rent apartments which can lead to poorly maintained housing. Maintenance defects include water leaks, cracks, holes, inadequate heating, presence of rats and mice, peeling paint and toilet breakdown's.

Air pollution is also a concern in our district.

Quality of Life issues i.e. Noise, Graffiti.



### Main Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

#### *Access to healthy food and lifestyle programs*

Maintaining physical fitness, eating right, etc. is a very important issue and is essential to living a healthy and happy long life. Adults in CB9Q are more likely to eat fruits and vegetables compared to adults citywide. Current Smokers rank 26th compared to East Flatbush who rank 59th. 1 or more 12oz sugary drink per day (cb9Q) 33% of residents ranks 19th. 93% of CB9Q residents has at least one serving of fruits or vegetables per day. Physical activity in the last 30 Days. Cb9Q residents ranks 76%. Obesity can lead to serious health problems such as diabetes and heart disease. At 24% the rate of obesity in CB9Q is three times the rate in Stuyvesant Town and Turtle Bay. Alcohol related hospitalization (per 100, 000 adults) cb9Q has 773 hospitalizations re;. Drug related hospitalizations in CB9Q is 315.

### Community District Needs Related to Health Care Facilities and Programming

In CB9Q one in five adults has no health insurance and one in Eight go without medial care. 21% have no Health Insurance. 12% went without needed medical care. 8.2% had late or no prenatal care. CB9 Teenage girls are less likely to receive the full human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine series. 38% of girls ages 13-17 years have received all 3 doses of the HPV vaccine. 37% of Adults have gotten the Flue vaccination. High Blood Pressure is the leading risk factor for stroke and it very important to control. Hospitalizations due to stroke( per 100,00 adults) 310 residents in CB9Q were hospitalized due to stroke. 400 people in CB9Q have been hospitalized for Psychiatric reasons. The rate of Asthma hospitalizations among children ages 5 to 14 is lower then the citywide rate.

### Community District Needs Related to Facilities and Programming for Older New Yorkers

We currently have two thriving Senior Centers one in Kew Gardens and one in Ozone Park. They are in need of programs such as: computer programs and new computers. Need for progams for immigrants & seniors in general to learn new skills. We have a Senior Center in Ozone Park Address: 103-02 101st Avenue Ozone Park, NY 11416 the Center in Kew Gardens Address: 88-02 Kew Gardens Rd. Kew Gardens, Ny 11415

### **Capital Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
11/15	DFTA	Create a new senior center or other facility for seniors	Fund Senior Centers Throughout District 9 Additional funding to expand and create new senior centers within the CB9Q.	Community Wide

### **Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/19	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	Fund Senior Centers Throughout District 9 To secure funding to continue services at all senior centers in Community Bd 9.	Community Wide



### Youth, Education and Child Welfare

#### Main Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

##### *After school programs*

There is a tremendous need for more afterschool programs as most families work and children need a place they can be safe in and get assistance in homework, tutoring, etc. Afterschool programs must be funded in order to ensure all students remain in a secure environment and receive remedial help, homework assistance and physical fitness.

#### Community District Needs Related to Educational Facilities and Programs

PS 90 Requests an indoor Gym . We need Adequate funding for Universal Pre-K Programs in all Public Elementary Schools as well as home based Pre K. We need to ensure that all who apply for Pre- k have enough seats for all. CB9Q continues to advocate for increased funding to Our Beacon Program at JHS 210 and to fund all Beacon programs in NYC. Beacon program provide students with homework help, test preparation, recreation, Physical Fitness, nutritional programs, etc. CB9Q is also in desperate need for the construction of new schools in District 27,28 & 24 as many of our children who live in the district go to schools in Dist 24. Our board needs more School Crossing Guards. There are very dangerous conditions at our schools during morning arrival and afternoon dismissal. Many people have no regard for traffic rules and there is chaos when irresponsible drivers, etc. speed and don't abide my traffic laws For our growing Communities there is: 1) complete absence of any complete community center to serve the needs of Indo-Caribbean and South Asian children and families. 2) Lack of legal affordable housing options 3) Not enough youth and academic programs for children from ages 6-18 especially when the drop out rate at high sch total disregard for our children & residents safety.

#### Community District Needs Related to Services for Children and Child Welfare

1) Construct Community center to serve the needs of Indo-Caribbean, South Asian Children and families. 2) Expand youth and academic programs for children from ages 6-18 especially when the drop out rate at high school is about 50%

#### Community District Needs Related to Youth and Community Services and Programs

Construct Community center to serve the needs of Indo-Caribbean, South Asian Children and families. 2) Expand youth and academic programs for children from ages 6-18 especially when the drop out rate at high school is about 50%

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
4/15	SCA	<i>Provide a new or expand an existing high school</i>	<i>Construct New Public Schools Buildings. Conduct site selection for new public and specialized schools due to extreme overcrowding in Community School Districts 27 &amp; 28.</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>
8/15	SCA	<i>Renovate other site component</i>	<i>Request for an Indoor Gym. P. S. 90 requests an indoor gym.</i>	<i>PS 90</i>



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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
10/19	DOE	Other educational programs requests	Adequate Funding for Universal Pre-K Programs in all Public Elementary Schools Ensure that all the existing Universal Pre-K programs in CB9 have enough seats to accommodate all eligible children who apply. The board has been made aware of children in the district who were rejected from the program because of lack of seats. Ensure that programs are run and supervised by certified teachers and follow NYC education curricula.	Community Wide
11/19	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)	Continue to Fund Beacon Program at Middle School 210 This program began in March of 1998 and is desperately needed in the community. We request funding be increased or maintained at current levels.	M.S. 210
18/19	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	Upgrade Various Departments at Richmond Hill High School Specifically, electric; 19 lights removed, temporary classroom units, install and maintain additional lavatories.	Richmond Hill High School

## 5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests



### Public Safety and Emergency Services

#### Main Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

##### *Crime prevention programs*

Our Precinct- the 102nd does a great job in keeping our district safe and it is imperative to maintain our safety and the quality of life and this will thrive with the addition of additional Police Officers. Increasing Funding for Domestic Violence Prevention Programs is essential in educating the public and to provide programs that help Families.

#### Community District Needs Related to Policing and Crime

Increase Resources for domestic violence prevention programs as this is a serious issue and incidents are on the rise.

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

<b>Priority</b>	<b>Agency</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>Explanation</b>	<b>Location</b>
2/19	NYPD	<i>Assign additional uniformed officers</i>	<i>Increase Police Manpower. Since 9/11, there is constant drain on manpower and a rise in crime in the 102nd precinct. We must receive our fair share of Police Officers. Our district includes Queens Borough Hall, Forest Park, and a number of churches, synagogues and temples that are in need of constant attention.</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>
3/19	NYPD	<i>Provide surveillance cameras</i>	<i>Install Security Cameras. Install security cameras in high risk corridors in Community Board 9, i.e. Jamaica Ave., Woodhaven Blvd. &amp; Forest Park. Continue to increase Police manpower by hiring more Officers. Purchase Auxiliary Police Vans. Our precinct, the 102nd, requires two vehicles to meet the communitys needs.</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>
4/19	NYPD	<i>Assign additional crossing guards</i>	<i>Assign Additional School Crossing Guards. Assign additional school crossing guards in all schools in Community Board 9.</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>
12/19	NYPD	<i>Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles</i>	<i>Purchase Auxiliary Police Vans Provide coverage when Police are otherwise engaged. They require two vehicles to meet the Communities need.</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>

## 5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests



### Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

#### Main Issue Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

##### *Sewer capacity*

It is imperative that we have Sewers that are at full capacity and able to avoid over flowing water & flooding.

#### Community District Needs Related to Water, Sewers and Environmental Protection

We need Catch basins that will help to keep water flowing properly. Maintain and clean catch basins on a regular basis.

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
19/19	DSNY	<i>Other cleaning requests</i>	<i>Request for Street Cleaning on: 101st Ave between 111th St and Van Wyck Expressway Service Rd; Myrtle Ave on the corner of Hillside Ave and Lefferts Blvd.</i>	<i>101st Ave 111th St Van Wyck Expwy</i>





#### Main Issue Related to Land Use, Housing and Economic Development

##### *Affordable housing programs*

Affordable housing is essential to Community Board 9. People want to live in a safe and thriving community and want to have choices as to where they want to live & access to great schools for their children and Real Estate development that understands constituent needs, i.e. safe neighborhoods, good schools, Illegal conversions are a serious issue in CB9Q and we need more Enforcement. NYC trend now is that most housing issues and sales of homes are affordable. But to who?

#### Community District Needs Related to Land Use

Queens Community District 9 is very concerned with NYC "Affordable Housing". It seems that many residents are unable to reach their dream of home ownership as prices of Homes, Condo's etc. are out of reach for many.



## Transportation

### Main Issue Related to Transportation

*Accessibility (crowded or obstructed sidewalks and other public thoroughfares)*

### Community District Needs Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

The Department of Transportation's Select Bus Service (SBS) has been a controversial issue in CB9Q as residents are upset that DOT has not listened to their constituents and have reconfigured where people get on buses, i.e. middle median on Woodhaven Blvd. Routes would reconfigure lanes and eliminate left turns at major intersections as well as install bus stops in the median of Woodhaven Boulevard, which opponents fear will create unsafe conditions along the corridor and interrupt flow of traffic. Local Elected officials, i.e. State Sen. Joe Addabbo (D-Howard Beach), State Assemblyman Mike Miller (D-Woodhaven), and the Woodhaven Residents' Block Association, the Business Improvement District, the Greater Woodhaven Development Corporation, and a Task Force for a Better Woodhaven gathered on Woodhaven Blvd to express their frustrations and concerns regarding the SBS Plan.

### Capital Requests Related to Transportation

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/15	DOT	<i>Upgrade or create new greenways</i>	<i>Incorporate Greenstreets Program on Woodhaven Blvd. Additional tree plantings on Woodhaven Blvd. from Myrtle Ave. to 103 Ave. and gardens where appropriate.</i>	<i>Woodhaven Blvd Myrtle Ave 103 Ave</i>
6/15	DOT	<i>Repair or provide new street lights</i>	<i>Improve and Upgrade Lighting to Kelvin Scale. Better lighting on all sidewalks is needed in Forest Park. There are too many dark areas where pedestrians become targets for theft, assault, and etc.</i>	<i>Forest Park</i>

### Expense Requests Related to Transportation

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
7/19	DOT	<i>Add street signage or wayfinding elements</i>	<i>Welcome Signs for Community Board 9. Signs for Woodhaven, Ozone Park, Richmond Hill, and Kew Gardens.</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>



### Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

#### Main Issue Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

*Access to and quality of park programming*

#### Community District Needs Related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming

Please see previous page.

#### Community District Needs Related to Library Facilities and Programming

Increase funding for Libraries and expand weekend service at Richmond Hill, Woodhaven and all Libraries in Community Board 9 Queens.

#### Community District Needs Related to Community Boards

Increase operating Budget of Community Boards. We are requesting an increase to \$250,000 a portion of which will be used to upgrade and maintain our Computer System, Complaint system, fund website, a postage increase and to provide technical support for these functions. In addition to record and support live streaming of our meetings.

## 5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests



### Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/15	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Install Handicapped Accessible Bathroom at the Visitors Center -Forest Park. This is located at the corner of W. Main Drive and Woodhaven Blvd.	Forest Park W Main Dr and Woodhaven Blvd
5/15	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Fund Rehabilitation of the Greenhouse Playground. Upgrade equipment, swings, slides, and safety surface, etc. Repair and construction of all sewer basins, sidewalks, and roadway of Forest Park Drive.	Greenhouse Playground
7/15	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	Purchase Equipment for Maintenance & Operation District 9 Secure new equipment for Forest Park Maintenance Workers. Our district is still in need of the following pieces of equipment: 1 crew-cab pick-up truck with powerlift gate; 1 mini sweeper for drives, parking lots, sidewalks and mall cleaning; 3 snow blowers, 3 weed trimmers, an 1800 series dump truck; 1 tractor driven giant vac-blower as well as a 3 grass cutting Yazzos and 1 grass cutting gravelly unit with blower attachment.	Community Wide
9/15	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Resurface Tennis Courts at Park Lane South & 90th Street.	Forest Park Tennis Court 89-20 Park Ln S
10/15	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Phil Rizzuto Park - Repair and replace existing Ball Fields & installation of a new Track. This Park is utilized by many residents who use the ball fields for numerous sports activities (i.e. Cricket, baseball, football, soccer etc.) The current field is in poor condition and is need of immediate renovation. The installation of a Track will enhance the parks usage.	Phil Rizzuto Park
12/15	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	A Walk Over Bridge Connecting Victory Field and the Carousel & Band Shell Side. Due to the increasing traffic on Woodhaven Blvd., this would provide a much safer way for everyone. This would also alleviate crowds on the corners where there are bus stops and sidewalks that were not designed to handle the volume of people who are now using the parks.	Victory Field
13/15	DCLA	Purchase equipment for cultural facility	Fund Additional Computers The Community Center in Kew Gardens operates an instructional program and helps seniors and immigrants learn new skills. The computers are outdated and were last upgraded in 2004. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials.	Kew Gardens Community Center
15/15	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	New Park Benches Request. Install new benches adjacent to the sidewalk of Forest Park at Park Lane South between 117-01 Park Lane South and Abingdon Rd.	Park Lane South Abingdon Rd

## 5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests



### Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
5/19	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	Fund Park Enforcement Patrol Unit for Forest Park. Forest Park is host to many athletic facilities, recreational programs, and special events. It also has 543 acres of forest, which feature numerous hiking trails and a 4-mile equestrian path. Our park has a high volume of events and activities. Problems such as user conflicts permit violations, crowd control, vandalism, deviant behavior and other enforcement issues are in need of attention. Often, PEP nits are not available to respond to Forest Parks needs due to citywide distribution of their staff, and summer staffing of pools and beaches. This has created a rise in misuse of and vandalism to park facilities, damage to the landscape, criminal activity and mischief.	Forest Park
6/19	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	Secure Mounted Unit and PEP Officers for Forest Park. A rash of crimes have occurred in the park and we are in need of a regular presence.	Forest Park
8/19	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	Secure New Equipment for Forest Park Maintenance Workers.	Forest Park
9/19	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Fund Pruning Contract for Forest Park This is now a safety issue. Branches have fallen during park concerts and events. It is only a matter of time before someone is seriously injured or killed. The 543-acre park has large mature trees that are 150 years plus. We desperately need a PIP (Parks Inspection Project) funded along with pruning dollars.	Forest Park
13/19	OMB	Other community board facilities and staff requests	Increase Operating Budget of Community Boards We are requesting an increase to \$250,000 a portion of which will be used to upgrade and maintain our Computer system, Complaint system, fund a postage increase and to provide technical support for these functions.	Community Wide
15/19	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	Fund Maintenance Workers & Equipment. Maintenance workers are funded for eight months only. During the winter they are laid off. When they return they have a backlog of winter work, i.e. painting, cement work, repairs etc., that can be done during the winter.	Community Wide
16/19	DPR	Other park programming requests	Restore Recreation Personnel The need for Recreation Personnel in our parks is great, especially constraints, the availability of funds is uncertain.	Community Wide

## 6. Additional Information and Other Budget Requests

### Other Capital Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/15	DYCD	Youth & Community Cultural Centers	Construct new community center with an Indoor Pool in Richmond Hill and Ozone Park where none exist. This is a heavy-populated community with no activities for its residents.	Community Wide
14/15	DYCD	Funding for Community and Cultural Centers	Funding for Community and Cultural Centers . A Community/Cultural Space that will allow the members of this diverse area to address the shortage of affordable spaces for community groups (i.e. meeting rooms) for youth, adults, educational programs, art galleries, small performances, and rental of administrative space.	Community Wide

### Other Expense Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
14/19	DYCD	Increase Funding for Youth Programs	Increase Funding for Youth Programs This is extremely important as agencies are faced with budget constraints and shrinking funds for youth programs. Both the Dept. of Education and DYCD are facing ever-mounting cuts.	Community Wide
17/19	DYCD	Fund Youth Theatre Group	Fund Holy Child Jesus Teen Drama Group They are in need of two spotlights for their annual production at a cost of \$2,000.	Community Wide



## 7. Summary of Prioritized Budget Requests

### Queens Community Board 9 Capital Requests

Queens Community Board 9 submitted 15 capital budget requests, organized by priority.

Priority /  
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Support (CS)	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
1/15	DYCD	Youth & Community Cultural Centers	Construct new community center with an Indoor Pool in Richmond Hill and Ozone Park where none exist. This is a heavy-populated community with no activities for its residents.	Community Wide	
2/15	DOT	Upgrade or create new greenways	Incorporate Greenstreets Program on Woodhaven Blvd. Additional tree plantings on Woodhaven Blvd. from Myrtle Ave. to 103 Ave. and gardens where appropriate.	Woodhaven Blvd Myrtle Ave 103 Ave	
3/15	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Install Handicapped Accessible Bathroom at the Visitors Center -Forest Park. This is located at the corner of W. Main Drive and Woodhaven Blvd.	Forest Park W Main Dr and Woodhaven Blvd	
4/15	SCA	Provide a new or expand an existing high school	Construct New Public Schools Buildings. Conduct site selection for new public and specialized schools due to extreme overcrowding in Community School Districts 27 & 28.	Community Wide	
5/15	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Fund Rehabilitation of the Greenhouse Playground. Upgrade equipment, swings, slides, and safety surface, etc. Repair and construction of all sewer basins, sidewalks, and roadway of Forest Park Drive.	Greenhouse Playground	
6/15	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	Improve and Upgrade Lighting to Kelvin Scale. Better lighting on all sidewalks is needed in Forest Park. There are too many dark areas where pedestrians become targets for theft, assault, and etc.	Forest Park	
7/15	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	Purchase Equipment for Maintenance & Operation District 9 Secure new equipment for Forest Park Maintenance Workers. Our district is still in need of the following pieces of equipment: 1 crew-cab pick-up truck with powerlift gate; 1 mini sweeper for drives, parking lots, sidewalks and mall cleaning; 3 snow blowers, 3 weed trimmers, an 1800 series dump truck; 1 tractor driven giant vac-blower as well as a 3 grass cutting Yazzos and 1 grass cutting gravelly unit with blower attachment.	Community Wide	
8/15	SCA	Renovate other site component	Request for an Indoor Gym. P. S. 90 requests an indoor gym.	PS 90	
9/15	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Resurface Tennis Courts at Park Lane South & 90th Street.	Forest Park Tennis Court 89-20 Park Ln S	

## 7. Summary of Prioritized Budget Requests

### Queens Community Board 9 Capital Requests

Queens Community Board 9 submitted 15 capital budget requests, organized by priority.

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Support (CS)	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
10/15	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Phil Rizzuto Park - Repair and replace existing Ball Fields & installation of a new Track. This Park is utilized by many residents who use the ball fields for numerous sports activities (i.e. Cricket, baseball, football, soccer etc.) The current field is in poor condition and is need of immediate renovation. The installation of a Track will enhance the parks usage.	Phil Rizzuto Park	
11/15	DFTA	Create a new senior center or other facility for seniors	Fund Senior Centers Throughout District 9 Additional funding to expand and create new senior centers within the CB9Q.	Community Wide	
12/15	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	A Walk Over Bridge Connecting Victory Field and the Carousel & Band Shell Side. Due to the increasing traffic on Woodhaven Blvd., this would provide a much safer way for everyone. This would also alleviate crowds on the corners where there are bus stops and sidewalks that were not designed to handle the volume of people who are now using the parks.	Victory Field	
13/15	DCLA	Purchase equipment for cultural facility	Fund Additional Computers The Community Center in Kew Gardens operates an instructional program and helps seniors and immigrants learn new skills. The computers are outdated and were last upgraded in 2004. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials.	Kew Gardens Community Center	
14/15	DYCD	Funding for Community and Cultural Centers	Funding for Community and Cultural Centers . A Community/Cultural Space that will allow the members of this diverse area to address the shortage of affordable spaces for community groups (i.e. meeting rooms) for youth, adults, educational programs, art galleries, small performances, and rental of administrative space.	Community Wide	
15/15	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	New Park Benches Request. Install new benches adjacent to the sidewalk of Forest Park at Park Lane South between 117-01 Park Lane South and Abingdon Rd.	Park Lane South Abingdon Rd	

## 7. Summary of Prioritized Budget Requests

### Queens Community Board 9 Expense Requests

Queens Community Board 9 submitted 19 expense budget requests, organized by priority.

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
1/19	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	Fund Senior Centers Throughout District 9 To secure funding to continue services at all senior centers in Community Bd 9.	Community Wide	
2/19	NYPD	Assign additional uniformed officers	Increase Police Manpower. Since 9/11, there is constant drain on manpower and a rise in crime in the 102nd precinct. We must receive our fair share of Police Officers. Our district includes Queens Borough Hall, Forest Park, and a number of churches, synagogues and temples that are in need of constant attention.	Community Wide	
3/19	NYPD	Provide surveillance cameras	Install Security Cameras. Install security cameras in high risk corridors in Community Board 9, i.e. Jamaica Ave., Woodhaven Blvd. & Forest Park. Continue to increase Police manpower by hiring more Officers. Purchase Auxiliary Police Vans. Our precinct, the 102nd, requires two vehicles to meet the communitys needs.	Community Wide	
4/19	NYPD	Assign additional crossing guards	Assign Additional School Crossing Guards. Assign additional school crossing guards in all schools in Community Board 9.	Community Wide	
5/19	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	Fund Park Enforcement Patrol Unit for Forest Park. Forest Park is host to many athletic facilities, recreational programs, and special events. It also has 543 acres of forest, which feature numerous hiking trails and a 4-mile equestrian path. Our park has a high volume of events and activities. Problems such as user conflicts permit violations, crowd control, vandalism, deviant behavior and other enforcement issues are in need of attention. Often, PEP nits are not available to respond to Forest Parks needs due to citywide distribution of their staff, and summer staffing of pools and beaches. This has created a rise in misuse of and vandalism to park facilities, damage to the landscape, criminal activity and mischief.	Forest Park	
6/19	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	Secure Mounted Unit and PEP Officers for Forest Park. A rash of crimes have occurred in the park and we are in need of a regular presence.	Forest Park	
7/19	DOT	Add street signage or wayfinding elements	Welcome Signs for Community Board 9. Signs for Woodhaven, Ozone Park, Richmond Hill, and Kew Gardens.	Community Wide	
8/19	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	Secure New Equipment for Forest Park Maintenance Workers.	Forest Park	
9/19	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Fund Pruning Contract for Forest Park This is now a safety issue. Branches have fallen during park concerts and events. It is only a matter of time before someone is seriously injured or killed. The 543-acre park has large mature trees that are 150 years plus. We desperately need a PIP (Parks Inspection Project) funded along with pruning dollars.	Forest Park	

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Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
10/19	DOE	<i>Other educational programs requests</i>	<i>Adequate Funding for Universal Pre-K Programs in all Public Elementary Schools Ensure that all the existing Universal Pre-K programs in CB9 have enough seats to accommodate all eligible children who apply. The board has been made aware of children in the district who were rejected from the program because of lack of seats. Ensure that programs are run and supervised by certified teachers and follow NYC education curricula.</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>	
11/19	DYCD	<i>Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)</i>	<i>Continue to Fund Beacon Program at Middle School 210 This program began in March of 1998 and is desperately needed in the community. We request funding be increased or maintained at current levels.</i>	<i>M.S. 210</i>	
12/19	NYPD	<i>Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles</i>	<i>Purchase Auxiliary Police Vans Provide coverage when Police are otherwise engaged. They require two vehicles to meet the Communities need.</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>	
13/19	OMB	<i>Other community board facilities and staff requests</i>	<i>Increase Operating Budget of Community Boards We are requesting an increase to \$250,000 a portion of which will be used to upgrade and maintain our Computer system, Complaint system, fund a postage increase and to provide technical support for these functions.</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>	
14/19	DYCD	<i>Increase Funding for Youth Programs</i>	<i>Increase Funding for Youth Programs This is extremely important as agencies are faced with budget constraints and shrinking funds for youth programs. Both the Dept. of Education and DYCD are facing ever-mounting cuts.</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>	
15/19	DPR	<i>Provide better park maintenance</i>	<i>Fund Maintenance Workers &amp; Equipment. Maintenance workers are funded for eight months only. During the winter they are laid off. When they return they have a backlog of winter work, i.e. painting, cement work, repairs etc., that can be done during the winter.</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>	
16/19	DPR	<i>Other park programming requests</i>	<i>Restore Recreation Personnel The need for Recreation Personnel in our parks is great, especially constraints, the availability of funds is uncertain.</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>	
17/19	DYCD	<i>Fund Youth Theatre Group</i>	<i>Fund Holy Child Jesus Teen Drama Group They are in need of two spotlights for their annual production at a cost of \$2,000.</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>	
18/19	SCA	<i>Renovate or upgrade a high school</i>	<i>Upgrade Various Departments at Richmond Hill High School Specifically, electric; 19 lights removed, temporary classroom units, install and maintain additional lavatories.</i>	<i>Richmond Hill High School</i>	
19/19	DSNY	<i>Other cleaning requests</i>	<i>Request for Street Cleaning on: 101st Ave between 111th St and Van Wyck Expressway Service Rd; Myrtle Ave on the corner of Hillside Ave and Lefferts Blvd.</i>	<i>101st Ave 111th St Van Wyck Expwy</i>	