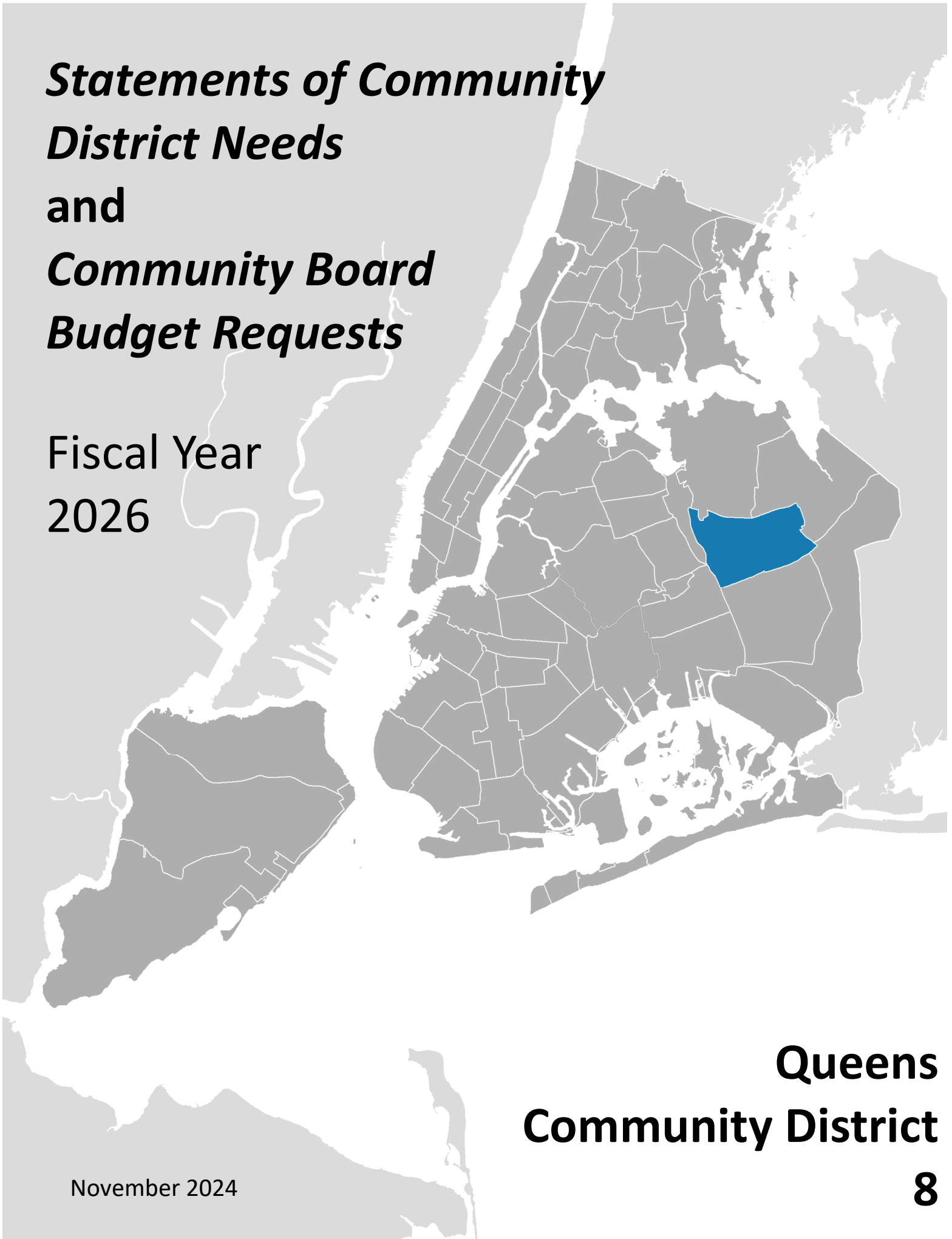


***Statements of Community
District Needs
and
Community Board
Budget Requests***

**Fiscal Year
2026**

**Queens
Community District
8**

November 2024



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) 2026. 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, 2024.

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

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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
AGE							
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
MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN							
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
HOUSING OCCUPANCY							
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

Queens

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
AGE							
Total population	2,230,722	100.00	2,405,464	100.00	174,742	7.8	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	461,901	20.7	455,995	19	-5,906	-1.3	-1.7
MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN							
Total population	2,230,722	100.0	2,405,464	100.0	174,742	7.8	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	613,750	27.5	667,861	27.8	54,111	8.8	0.3
White non-Hispanic	616,727	27.6	549,358	22.8	-67,369	-10.9	-4.8
Black non-Hispanic	395,881	17.7	381,375	15.9	-14,506	-3.7	-1.8
Asian non-Hispanic	508,334	22.8	656,583	27.3	148,249	29.2	4.5
Some other race, non-Hispanic	39,923	1.8	66,175	2.8	26,252	65.8	1.0
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	56,107	2.5	84,112	3.5	28,005	49.9	1.0
HOUSING OCCUPANCY							
Total housing units	835,127	100.0	896,333	100.0	61,206	7.3	0.0
Occupied housing units	780,117	93.4	847,210	94.5	67,093	8.6	1.1
Vacant housing units	55,010	6.6	49,123	5.5	-5,887	-10.7	-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

Queens Community District 8

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
AGE							
Total population	151,107	100.00	161,402	100.00	10,295	6.8	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	30,996	20.5	32,754	20.3	1,758	5.7	-0.2
MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN							
Total population	151,107	100.0	161,402	100.0	10,295	6.8	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	25,621	17.0	29,486	18.3	3,865	15.1	1.3
White non-Hispanic	52,871	35.0	44,302	27.4	-8,569	-16.2	-7.6
Black non-Hispanic	19,107	12.6	18,682	11.6	-425	-2.2	-1.0
Asian non-Hispanic	47,039	31.1	60,413	37.4	13,374	28.4	6.3
Some other race, non-Hispanic	1,908	1.3	3,200	2.0	1,292	67.7	0.7
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	4,561	3.0	5,319	3.3	758	16.6	0.3
HOUSING OCCUPANCY							
Total housing units	56,863	100.0	59,385	100.0	2,522	4.4	0.0
Occupied housing units	54,331	95.5	56,623	95.3	2,292	4.2	-0.2
Vacant housing units	2,532	4.5	2,762	4.7	230	9.1	0.2

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

Community Board 8, Queens is bounded by the Long Island Expressway to the north, Hillside Avenue to the south, Van Wyck Expressway to the west and the Clearview Expressway to the east. It includes the communities of Briarwood, Flushing Suburban, Flushing Heights, Fresh Meadows, Hillcrest, Hillcrest Estates, Holliswood, Jamaica Estates, Jamaica Hills, Kew Gardens Hills, Utopia and West Cunningham Park. It also includes parts of Hollis and Queens Village (north of Hillside Avenue). These communities are overwhelmingly residential with several commercial strips. There were over 160,000 residents counted during the 2020 Census who reside in Community District 8. There has been a moderate but steady increase in population. Our residents are mostly middle income, multi-ethnic, multi-racial individuals who own their own homes, condos and co-ops or are renters. The residences consist of one and two-family homes, garden apartments, large apartment buildings such as the Fresh Meadows Development, co-ops such as Electchester, Hilltop Village and Parkway Village. Our district also houses the New York City Housing Authority complex - Pomonok. It is important to understand that our population, as counted by the census, does not accurately represent the need for services in our district. Queens College, CUNY Law School, St. John's University and Lander College for Men are located within our borders. Thousands of students who are not counted by the US Census reside in our community while attending college/university from the months of August through May. Hillside Avenue is also a major transportation hub. Thousands of residents come from eastern Queens and Long Island to board the E and F train to Manhattan. The services that we receive should reflect the needs of these individuals along with those of our permanent residents. Community Board 8 residents are concerned with quality of life issues, upgrading the infrastructure, personal safety and security, education and maintaining their fair share of City services. TRANSPORTATION - Many of our roads are in poor condition. We continue to request an increase in asphalt allocation for street resurfacing. Some of our roads are sinking and need to be reconstructed. To this end, we are asking for increased funding for trench restoration. We request stand-alone funding for curb installation and replacement. There is a backlog of necessary curb repair and curb installation for over a decade. Currently, DOT replaces curbs only when the adjoining sidewalk is repaired. Homeowners choose to wait for DOT contractors to do the work instead of repairing their own sidewalks within 45 days of receiving the notice of violation. This is the only way to ensure that DOT replaces broken curbing. As a result, sidewalks remain damaged for a longer period of time and the danger to pedestrians is also prolonged. In addition, this will cost the City additional funds in case of lawsuits due to negligence. BUILDINGS - Much of Community Board 8's housing stock is residential with many one-family and two-family dwellings. Additional Buildings Department inspectors are necessary to enforce existing regulations and address quality of life violations. DOB introduced the Development Challenge Process initiative a many years ago. Additional plan examiners are needed to review and respond to these challenges and the many requests that we receive for audits. More plan examiners would eliminate the self-certification by architects and engineers. We receive our share of illegal conversion and illegal occupancy complaints. The lack of affordable, regulated housing is the root cause of the prevalence of illegal apartments. There are very few rent stabilized apartments within Community District 8. SANITATION - Although Community Board 8 has relatively clean streets, we have issues that need attention. With the steady increase in population, our superintendent must receive the support necessary to address our sanitation issues:

- The paved center malls require year-round cleaning and more frequent seasonal weed-control.
- Retain the five day-a-week pick-ups at public schools and extra pick-ups at the Pomonok Houses.
- Sanitation Police are needed for night patrol to discourage illegal dumping especially on abandoned properties and entrances to and exits to Grand Central Parkway, Clearview Expressway, Long Island Expressway and Van Wyck Expressway.
- Additional agents for Sanitation Code Enforcement are needed to address the quality-of-life complaints that we receive. While the enforcement issues for residential properties are addressed, we noticed that enforcement of our commercial strips is insufficient (i.e. Hillside Avenue and Main

Street). While we do not want to stifle business by fining our small business owners, some of them are repeat offenders who show a total disregard for the community. The issuance of a violation is the only way to receive cooperation.

- Community Board 8 continues to support dedicated baskets for our commercial areas. We must be provided with seven-day service to ensure the cleanliness of our commercial strips. The Adopt-a-Basket program must be better promoted to encourage public and private sector partnerships. This should be promoted through public service announcements on television and radio.

SENIORS/YOUTH/EDUCATION/LIBRARIES - A civilization is best judged by the way it treats its most vulnerable members (seniors and youth). There has been a marked increase in the youth population in CB8 and such an increase demands additional services. Increased funding for after school programs, summer youth employment, senior transportation and NORCs are needed. Twenty percent of our population is under 18 years of age. Our schools must have the necessary equipment (smart boards, computers, iPads, etc.) for our students to compete. The pandemic showed the inequities that exists with so many students that were unable to fully participate remotely due to the lack of equipment and internet connections. In today's world, our libraries have become multimedia centers that provide access to computers and the internet for adults and children. They serve thousands of New Americans and English learners who do not have access to home computers and/or the internet. It is vital that additional funds be provided to our libraries so that they may be open seven days a week and have up to date software and hardware for our residents.

4. TOP THREE PRESSING ISSUES OVERALL

Queens Community Board 8

The three most pressing issues facing this Community Board are:

Parks and open space

PARKS - One of the most attractive characteristic of Community Board 8 is its suburban nature. Our residents value the many parks and playgrounds that we have within our borders. All of them are heavily used and, as such, they must be well maintained. The quality of our parks and park facilities is one of the most important issues facing our district. Community District 8 is fortunate to be home to many parks and numerous playgrounds. This is in addition to over 50 greenstreets. All of these park facilities require regular maintenance. There is always a need for new irrigation systems, updated playground equipment and safety resurfacing on a rolling basis. Our major parks: Cunningham Park, Captain Tilly Park, and Flushing Meadows Corona Park are used by thousands of our residents, those of neighboring districts and Nassau County. Our parks host major events such as an annual performance of the Philharmonic Orchestra attended by thousands of people. For many, our parks and playgrounds are the destination for families with children who have staycations. Some of our smaller parks/playgrounds such as Hoover/Manton Playground and Vleigh Playground, Playground Seventy-Five are in need of upgraded play equipment and/or safety resurfacing. We must keep our parks well maintained and safe havens for all our residents. To this end, funding for parks personnel and park facilities is a must.

Street conditions (roadway maintenance)

STREET CONDITION - Many of our roads are in need of trench restoration. Each passing car, delivery truck and New York City bus add pressure to the roads and undermine the streets. We asked for funding for trench restoration for several locations which have been on our list for many years. Goethals Avenue needs to be reconstructed. It is half built with vegetation growing on half of the road. This road abuts St. John's University which services close to 20,000 students..Several of our roads are bus routes. They have broken bus pads that require replacement. For instance, a plethora of NYC Transit buses (i.e. Q36, Q43, Q77, Q76, Q1, etc.) and Nassau buses traverse Hillside Avenue. These items have also been on our list for many years.

Street flooding

SANITATION - Community Board 8 has many center medians along its major thorough fare that are not properly maintained on a consistent basis. They are located along Hillside Avenue, Francis Lewis Boulevard, Union Turnpike, Queens Boulevard, Main Street, 164th Street, etc. Each year, we must request weeding and debris removal from these medians. Months pass before they are addressed. To make matters worse, the contract to spray them with herbicide has been suspended for several years which makes weed removal more difficult. This has been compounded by the reduction of funds and head count for the Lot Cleaning Unit that maintains them. With the return to organics collection, we noticed increased miss collection of regular garbage collection. The Leventhal Agreement that assigns responsibility for maintenance must be revisited. Medians that have grass and trees fall under the purview of the Department of Parks and Recreation. The concrete part of the median falls under the jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation. Concrete medians that have trees fall under the jurisdiction of the Department of Sanitation; unfortunately, this agency is not properly equipped to address weeds growing out of tree pits. Unless, they have a special division that has the funds, equipment, and the training to properly maintain these medians, we will continue to have these issues in our communities. Community Board 8 supports one percent of the overall New York City budget to go to the Department of Parks and Recreation. If these funds are added, maybe the responsibility to maintain all center medians may be better handled by that agency which has the equipmernt and experience to maintain tree pits/vegetation along center medians.

5. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND BUDGET REQUESTS

HEALTHCARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

Queens Community Board 8

Most Important Issue Related to Healthcare and Human Services

Other - Write In (Required)

Community Board 8 supports funding for the expansion of access to primary healthcare services for those within CD8. We endorse the new paradigm of healthcare, not just sick care, which must include the traditional care provided by physicians and midlevel health providers plus efforts to encourage healthy living. Some examples would be: nutritional education, programs for smoking cessation, exercise as part of one's routine and many others. Special emphasis must be placed on managing chronic diseases. Care managers should be utilized to ensure that individuals receive transdisciplinary health care with a goal toward controlling chronic disease, prevention of acute incidents, emergency room visits, hospitalization and optimizing independence. In today's world, we must also encourage every adult and eligible child to receive COVID-19 vaccinations and subsequent boosters.

Community District Needs Related to Healthcare and Human Services

Needs for Homeless

Any necessary services to improve the quality of life should be provided.

Needs for Health Care and Facilities

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Needs for Older NYs

According to the US Census of 2020 our population continues to increase. We understand that there are many benefits to seniors aging in place: 1) Keeping a familiar environment 2) Fostering community continuity 3) Maintaining their social networks 4) Strengthening of family ties 5) Fostering both their physical and mental wellbeing. We do not have any NORCs for our residents who reside in apartment buildings nor NORCs (WOW) for our 1-2 family residences within our district. We want our seniors to remain in their neighborhoods and the NORCs facilitate the desire of many seniors to age in place. These are done through the multi-faceted services that they provide.

Needs for Homeless

Community Board 8 has one family shelter in Briarwood and it is in dire need of air conditioning. The Briarwood shelter, when built was considered the model shelter for the City of New York. Unfortunately, this model shelter only has air conditioning in the areas where the staff works. There is no air conditioning where the residents sleep. We have asked for many years that air conditioning be provided for these families with children. The response received in FY 2016 was that DHS provides a cooling room in every shelter. When not available, the residents are given the location of other cooling rooms. How does that help the families with young children who cannot sleep at night

due to the heat? The last three fiscal years the responses given were that further study was necessary. Keep in mind that when we originally requested this in Fiscal Year 2010, the response was that this was being studied. How long does it take to study this before action is taken? The residents of this shelter have been waiting a long time for this much needed accommodation and we look forward to a plan of action this fiscal year. Heat kills people.

Needs for Low Income NYs

No comments

HEALTHCARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request

CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Priority	Agency	Title
1 / 40	DHS	Upgrade existing facilities for the homeless

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Priority	Agency	Title
12 / 24	DOHMH	Provide more tuberculosis information and services
13 / 24	DOHMH	Rat Mitigation
15 / 24	DFTA	Increase Transportation services capacity
17 / 24	DFTA	Other senior center program requests
24 / 24	DFTA	Enhance NORC programs and health services

YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

Queens Community Board 8

Most Important Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

After school programs

In today's world it is often vital that both parents have jobs to make ends meet. The two major problems that arise are access to affordable preschool child care and enough after-school programs to meet the needs of these parents. One in five youth in Community District 8 from kindergarten through 8th grade is obese. It is vital to provide athletic opportunities both in and out of schools to lower this outrageous number. We support the retention and expansion of Gifted and Talented Programs in our schools.

YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request

CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Priority	Agency	Title
12 / 40	SCA	Provide a new or expand an existing middle/intermediate school
13 / 40	SCA	Provide technology upgrade
20 / 40	SCA	Provide a new or expand an existing middle/intermediate school
21 / 40	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school
24 / 40	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a middle or intermediate school

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Priority	Agency	Title
5 / 24	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance the Summer Youth Employment Program
14 / 24	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Queens Community Board 8

Most Important Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Other - Write In (Required)

Additional Equipment, Vehicle Maintenance and Additional Police Officers --- Please see explanation under Needs for Public Safety and Needs for Emergency Services.

Community District Needs Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Needs for Public Safety

We would greatly benefit from additional police officers, as every summer, many officers are reassigned from our precinct to beach duty. In recent years, a certain number of our officers has been assigned to do tasks normally assigned to corrections officers at Rikers Island and lock-up in Queens Courts. This leaves a shortage of officers to address safety and quality of life issues in our district.

Needs for Emergency Services

About 20% of individuals who reside in Community District 8 are obese; hence, we must have the proper equipment to address their needs, such as two bariatric ambulances with lifts and special wheelchairs. We would also greatly benefit from a mobile emergency response vehicle (MERV), a rapid response vehicle and a mobile command vehicle for the borough. The MERV is to be used to shelter and treat individuals in one place in case of a disaster. The rapid response vehicle is needed to respond ahead with a liaison to coordinate during an emergency. The ability to enhance or reestablish communication and coordination during emergency incidents is a must. It is best to be prepared by having the right equipment, as we do not know when emergencies or disasters will occur.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request

CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Priority	Agency	Title
4 / 40	FDNY	Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations
7 / 40	NYPD	Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras
17 / 40	NYPD	Technology Upgrade
28 / 40	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances
29 / 40	FDNY	FDNY Trailers
30 / 40	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances
31 / 40	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances
34 / 40	FDNY	Life-sized Mannequins

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Priority	Agency	Title
1 / 24	NYPD	Hire additional uniformed officers

CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

Queens Community Board 8

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

Water runoff and flooding

Community Board 8Q's Sanitation & DEP Committee, in conjunction with the Area Chairs, have identified water runoff and flooding as the most important Core Infrastructure and City Services needed for CB8Q. In recent years, we have seen a surge of storms that have placed a great burden on our sewer system resulting in flooded streets. We have experienced serious flooding to our resident's and commercial establishment's basements and ponding of water on our streets throughout the Community District.

Some storms have created flooding where residents had to abandon their cars and take refuge on the roofs of their vehicles. Flooding is a threat to both human life and property. Ponding is increasingly a public health concern given the West Nile Virus and the possibility of future transmission of the Zika Virus. Given the trend toward warming climates, other mosquito transmitted viruses currently found further south may be an issue a few decades into the future. We choose water runoff and flooding as our most important issue; however, these are interrelated challenges that contribute to the city's capacity to handle increased rainfall.

Furthermore, we have several locations where water does not dissipate several days after regular rainfall. These locations have been on our list for capital funding for many years with no action taken by the Department of Environmental Protection to alleviate the problem.

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

Needs for Sanitation Services

SANITATION - Although Community Board 8 has relatively clean streets, we have issues that need attention. With the steady increase in population, our superintendent must receive the support necessary to address our sanitation issues. The paved center malls require year-round cleaning and more frequent seasonal weed-control. We must at least retain the five day-a-week pick-ups at public schools and extra pick-ups at the Pomonok Houses. Sanitation Police are needed for night patrol to discourage illegal dumping especially on abandoned properties and entrances to and exits to Grand Central Parkway, Clearview Expressway, Long Island Expressway and Van Wyck Expressway. In addition, there should be movable/portable cameras to catch illegal dumping. Additional agents for Sanitation Code Enforcement are needed to address the quality of life complaints that we receive. While we do not want to stifle business by fining our small business owners, some of them are repeat offenders who show a total disregard for the community. The issuance of a violation is the only way to receive cooperation. Community Board 8 continues to support dedicated baskets for our commercial areas. While the enforcement issues for residential properties are addressed, we noticed that enforcement of our commercial strips is insufficient (i.e. Hillside Avenue), especially due to the onslaught of illegal food vendor who litter and leave their cardboards and crates behind at the end of the day.

We must be provided with seven-day service to ensure the cleanliness of our commercial strips. The Adopt-a-Basket program must be better promoted to encourage public and private sector partnerships. This should be promoted through public service announcements on television and radio.

CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request

CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Priority	Agency	Title
22 / 40	DEP	Develop a capital project for specific street segments currently lacking sanitary sewers
23 / 40	DSNY	Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment
33 / 40	DSNY	Other capital budget request for DSNY

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Priority	Agency	Title
2 / 24	DEP	Clean catch basins
4 / 24	DSNY	Increase vacant lot cleaning
7 / 24	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection
16 / 24	DSNY	Other enforcement requests
20 / 24	DSNY	Other expense budget request for DSNY
21 / 24	DSNY	Other cleaning requests
23 / 24	DSNY	Weeds Removal Contract

Queens Community Board 8

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

Building code and/or zoning enforcement

The Building/Housing Committee recommended a few years ago that Building Code Enforcement be a top priority since it will protect homeowners, coop/condo owners and renters alike. To further support this request for Building Code Enforcement, in recent years the Borough of Queens has had the second highest number of requests for code enforcement in the City making it vital that additional code enforcement be provided to Queens.

Needs for Housing

See budget requests.

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

Needs for Housing

There is a need for affordable housing in Community District 8. There is a significant percentage of renters within our district who are rent burdened. According to the NYU Furman's Annual "State of the City's Housing and Neighborhoods," our median monthly rent in 2022 was \$1780. In addition, 26.0% of renter households in our community district were severely rent burdened (spent more than 50% of household income on rent). We are in dire need of affordable units set aside to address the great number of our rent burdened residents.

As of 2022, the homeownership rate in our district was 49.1%, which is higher than the citywide share of 32.7%; however, prices of residential properties have increased 74% since 2009, as per the Furman' Annual "State of the City's Housing and Neighborhoods." This may negatively affect the ability of our residents to become property owners in the future.

Needs for Economic Development

Our commercial strips could use a facelift by improving cleanliness and adding streetscape. We support giving small business owners incentives to improve their businesses located within our community district. We welcome the establishment of Business Improvement Districts to help revitalize our commercial strips.

HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request

CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Priority	Agency	Title
14 / 40	NYCHA	Fund Community Center Repairs

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Priority	Agency	Title
22 / 24	DOB	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)

TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY

Queens Community Board 8

Most Important Issue Related to Transportation and Mobility

Roadway maintenance

In looking at the traffic and transportation infrastructure in CB8, the Transportation Committee recognized that street maintenance is our highest priority. Our roadways are deteriorating. many have become hazardous to motorists, cyclist and pedestrians. Many of our streets have serious potholes, sinkholes, sinkholes and depressions caused by motorists and pedestrians. Many of our streets have serious potholes, sinkholes and depressions caused by inadequate repairs after street excavations. Patchwork repairs are the norm where what is needed is a comprehensive plan to improve and maintain our streets and roadways. In addition, damage caused by oversized trucks and heavy vehicles on non-commercial streets have resulted in significant deterioration to the roadbeds and their substructure. The results of this have been the breaking of subterranean pipes which has caused street collapses. In our district resurfacing has raised roadbeds and reduced curbs on streets, center islands and malls. This causes surface water to overflow the sidewalks during heavy storms, curbs and properties in our community. Our City must focus on improving the streets and roads in Queens and stop deferring their maintenance. These improvements are sorely needed and can be visible proof to residents of Queens that our tax dollars are being used to improve our infrastructure and their quality of life.

Needs for Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

See budget requests.

Community District Needs Related to Transportation and Mobility

Needs for Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

In addition to the stated needs for street resurfacing, sidewalk construction and street reconstruction, there has not been any funds allocated for separate curb repair in over a decade. When curbs are broken, this condition creates a trip hazard. This makes the City liable for tort claims. Water collects where there are missing curbs and ultimately undermines sidewalks. Pedestrian and traffic safety are items of concern, as well. We request adequate funding for the installation of stop signs, traffic lights, traffic signs and cameras.

Needs for Transit Services

Our community needs additional buses to service the growing population (i.e. Q76, Q30, Q20). The private bus lines were added to the Transit Authority fleet and still have no posted schedules (i.e. Q25, Q24 and Q65). This is a necessity for our seniors who are not technologically savvy and cannot use the MTA Bus Time App.

TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY

Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request

CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Priority	Agency	Title
2 / 40	DOT	Reconstruct streets
3 / 40	DOT	Repair or construct sidewalks, curbs, or pedestrian ramps
5 / 40	DOT	Repair or construct sidewalks, curbs, or pedestrian ramps
10 / 40	DOT	Reconstruct streets
15 / 40	DOT	Repair or construct medians, or other street assets
39 / 40	DOT	Upgrade or create new plazas
40 / 40	NYCTA	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Priority	Agency	Title
8 / 24	DOT	Other expense budget request for DOT
18 / 24	DOT	Other traffic improvement requests

PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Queens Community Board 8

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

Quality of parks and park facilities

One of the most attractive characteristic of Community Board 8 is its suburban nature. Our residents value the many parks and playgrounds that we have within our borders. All of them are heavily used and, as such, they must be well maintained. The quality of our parks and park facilities is one of the most important issues facing our district. Community District 8 is fortunate to be home to many parks and numerous playgrounds. This is in addition to over 50 greenstreets. All of these park facilities require regular maintenance. There is always a need for new irrigation systems, updated playground equipment and safety resurfacing on a rolling basis. Our major parks: Cunningham Park, Captain Tilly Park, and Flushing Meadows Corona Park are used by thousands of our residents, those of neighboring districts and Nassau County. Our parks host major events such as an annual performance of the Philharmonic Orchestra attended by thousands of people. For many, our parks and playgrounds are the destination for families with children who have staycations. Some of our smaller parks/playgrounds such as Hoover/Manton Playground, Vleigh Playground, Playground Seventy-Five are in need of upgraded play equipment and/or safety resurfacing. We must keep our parks well maintained and safe havens for all our residents. To this end, we support one percent of the general New York City budget set aside for the Department of Parks and Recreation to meet these demands.

Needs for Parks

See budget requests.

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

Needs for Parks

See our most important issue above.

Needs for Library Services

The Briarwood Branch Library must to be able to meet the needs of its residents. All the libraries would benefit from additional computers, books, bandwidth and bilingual materials due to the increase in our New American population. This would assist in their desire and ability to speak and write English.

Needs for Community Boards

We are requesting that the Office of Management and Budget Increase Community Board funding to facilitate merit raises, to keep our technology current and to maintain staffing levels. It is imperative to have well trained and experienced staff for the smooth operation of our Community Board office. In the past, the Community Boards have seen their budgets fluctuate. When this occurs, the staff believes that their jobs are insecure, they look for other opportunities. Once new staff is hired, this means that many working hours are now devoted to training. These hours could be better spent working to address the community's concerns. The COVID-19 pandemic showed that we must have hybrid meetings to reach most community members and make government more accessible. This adds to our technology cost. At present, to hold a hybrid meeting we must hire outside IT professionals in addition to paying for our meeting room rental. This costs our Board about \$600 more per meeting, which was unsustainable.

PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request

CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Priority	Agency	Title
6 / 40	DPR	Tennis Court Renovation
8 / 40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
9 / 40	DPR	Renovate P.S. 154 Playground
11 / 40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
16 / 40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
18 / 40	DPR	Other capital budget request for DPR
19 / 40	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
25 / 40	QL	Provide more or better equipment to a library
26 / 40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
27 / 40	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements
32 / 40	DPR	Pickle Ball Courts
35 / 40	DPR	New equipment for maintenance
36 / 40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park
37 / 40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
38 / 40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
CS	QL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library
CS	QL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
CS	QL	Provide more or better equipment to a library

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Priority	Agency	Title
3 / 24	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests
6 / 24	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance
9 / 24	DPR	Other park programming requests

10 / 24	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests
11 / 24	DPR	Other park programming requests
19 / 24	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests

6. OTHER BUDGET REQUESTS

Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request

CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

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

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

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

7. SUMMARY OF PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

1 of 32 Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct

NYPD

Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct

A new Precinct is needed in Community Board #7 based on crime stats the 109th Precinct is the #1 highest crime Precinct in the 5-Boroughs. Our request has been in our budget since (1984)

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

2 of 32 Reconstruct streets

DOT

Reconstruct streets

Location: 20th Avenue - Whitestone Expressway S/R to College Point Blvd & Whitestone Expressway S/R to College Point Blvd
Reconstruction of 20th Avenue from the Whitestone Expressway Service Rd. to College Point Boulevard, and 127th Street from 14th to 23rd Avenues. Severe flooding condition on 20th Ave. DOT-There is no active project for 20th Ave reconstruction and the initiation of a Capital project would require further study --- Flooding issues refer to DEP CB 7 will continue to support & believes that a combined project for roadwork restoration & sewer work. DEP needs to acknowledge this as a Capital Project or In-House.

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. DOT will continue to address issues using existing resources.

3 of 32 Other capital budget request for DEP

DEP

Other capital budget request for DEP

Location: 138th St. - from cross section at 31st Rd to 29th Rd & from cross section at 31st Rd to 29th Rd
The construction and reconstruction of sanitary, storm and combined sewers in the Mitchell Linden area. Specific streets have been identified in the explanation for this request. This project is included in SEQ 200541 which is currently in the Project Development Phase. (Same as Last Year) 138th St.btw 31st Rd & 32nd Ave storm sewer replacement work project is in Development. 139th ST from 28th Rd to 31st Rd & 31st Rd from 138th St & 139th St. 137th St from 31st Rd to Leavitt St - Project QED1056 is in Development FY'23 CB 7 will continue funding support for this request. (1984)

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

4 of 32 Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

DPR

Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

A-Meditation Garden Lighting needed for both around j& within the Garden B-Reconstruction of Kissena Corridor Park ball fields at Colden St & Elder Ave. Little League baseball field. D-Install sidewalk on 56tyh Ave side of Park. D-Construction of Comfort Station in close proximity to the Velodrome. A-B-C continue Funding D- Funded in the initial site investigation. Bundled with 3-other restrooms projects in the City as a pilot. DDC build project CB 7will continue funding support for these requests (1981)

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. The restroom near the Velodrome is funded and in design. There is no capital funding available for the other requests.

5 of 32 Reconstruct streets**DOT**

Reconstruct streets

Location: Union Street - Northern Blvd to 26th Avenue & Northern Blvd to 26th Avenue

Reconstruction of Union Street from Northern Boulevard to 25th Rd. which continues on to Willets Point Blvd from 25th Rd. to Parsons Blvd.. DOT (Same Answer AS LY) DOT will try to accommodate these issues with existing resources such as in-house milling & resurfacing. Pedestrian ramps are being upgraded at all locations. Citywide & scheduling often follows resurfacing. 1 Board 7 recommends keeping it in Capital budget until DOT starts working in-house on this project, Also Need To Know If This Roadway Needs Reconstruction? (2003)

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

6 of 32 Reconstruct streets**DOT**

Reconstruct streets

Reconstruction of Willets Point Phase II - Need to Reconstruct Streets DOT will coordinate reconstruction efforts with & EDC. (Same As Last Year) CB 7 will continue to supports request (2015)

Agency Response: Agency supports and can accommodate. This project is being managed by NYC EDC and includes roadway construction.

7 of 32 Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)**DPR**

Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Reconstruction for MacNeil Park is needed to include: (1) paths,(including cobblestone paths (2) playground, (3) installation of sidewalk abutting the Poppenhusen Avenue side of the park. Complete the reconstruction of seawall waterfront.Plus the construction of waterfront. Parks-Installation of the sidewalk is currently under construction. Parks need funding for the playground & cobblestone path renovations. CB 7 continued support for Funding.(1993)

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. The Seawall has capital funding. There is currently no capital funding available for the other requests.

8 of 32 Reconstruct streets**DOT**

Reconstruct streets

Location: Ulmer Street - from Whitestone Expy Svcs. Rd. to 25th Ave & from Whitestone Expy Svcs. Rd. to 25th Ave

Reconstruction of Ulmer Street from the Whitestone Expressway S/R to 25th Avenue. This street which is a main access road into College Point is collapsing causing drivers to lose control. The roadbed must be surcharged, and the sewers placed on piles in order for the street to not collapse again. DOT-(Same As Last Year) 10/05/22) supports this request but as previously mentioned funding has not yet been determined. CB 7 continue funding request for this project. (2015)

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. DOT supports this request but funding has not yet been determined.

9 of 32 Reconstruct streets**DOT**

Reconstruct streets

Location: 28th Avenue - from Linden Place to College Point Blvd. & from Linden Place to College Point Blvd.
Reconstruction of 28th Avenue from Linden Place to College Point Boulevard. This street is an access road into College Point as well as the Corporate park. The roadbed is collapsing and possibly causing drivers to lose control. The roadbed must be surcharged, and the sewers need to be placed on piles in order for the street not to collapse again. DOT-Supports request but funding has not been determined. (Same Answer As Last Year CB 7 request funding since the roadway has been in deplorable condition for over 25 years and worsening as the new NYPD Academy sidewalks & exterior wall is being compromised by condition of roadway. Also caused by Queens Bus Service Depot. 10/5/22 DOT supports request however funding has not yet been determined. Board 7 supports continued funding. (2016). .

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. DOT supports this request but funding has not yet been determined.

10 of 32 Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)**DPR**

Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Reconstruction of comfort station and the park house for Flushing Memorial Field including upgrade of basketball & handball courts. Parks have Capital Project in design to reconstruct the playgrounds but does not include the restrooms buildings basketball & handball courts. Need Funding for these projects. CB 7 Continue funding to support this request. (1984).

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. There is currently no capital funding available for this request.

11 of 32 Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming**DOT**

Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming

Location: 23rd Avenue/Linden Blvd - to intersection of 20th Ave & 132nd Street & to intersection of 20th Ave & 132nd Street
Ancillary airport road from 23rd Ave & Linden Pl. across Flushing airport to intersection of 20th Ave & 132nd St. (see continued support #1) DOT-The majority of recommendations for the 1998 traffic study have been implemented including the free-flowing U-turns under the Whitestone Expwy at Linden Pl. A U-turn at College Point Blvd. an extension of Linden Place to 23rd Ave 10/5/22 the remaining project is the extension of 132nd St. betw 20th & 23rd Aves. which is funded & managed by EDC. DOT recommends removing this request since the remaining project is funded & being managed by that agency. CB 7 continue funding support for this request. (1987)

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

12 of 32 Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)**DPR**

Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Reconstruct Frank Golden Fields Phase III-Drainage on the East end of Park by 135th St to 138th St. New recreation Needs a volleyball court etc. Not on Parks priority list & therefore request CB 7 to continue funding support for this project CB7 supports this request. (2022)

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. There is currently no capital funding available for this request.

13 of 32 Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)**DPR**

Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Reconstruct Kissena Park Phase III . Design and rehabilitate the Parkhouse abutting Kissena Lake, playground and outdoor athletic field. Phase IV is for the upgrade of the paths and landscaping throughout the park. Phase V is for the rehabilitation of outdated and unsafe playgrounds throughout the park. Specifically the playgrounds at 164th, 160th, and Booth Memorial Avenue. Parks Dep. does not have funding for the restroom & playground. Parks request CB for continued support for funding Parks does have funding for paths. CB 7 continues to support funding as well as contacting Elected Officials..(1993)

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. There is capital funding allocated to update the paths near the tennis courts and to create a greenway throughout Kissena and Kissena Corridor park. There is not capital funding available for the playground renovations.

14 of 32 Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations**FDNY**

Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations

Rehabilitate or renovate existing Fire Houses & EMS Stations. Engines 273, 274, 295, and 297. Fire Dept--No upgrades are scheduled for Eng. 273, Eng 274, Eng. 295, & Eng. 297 and have not been included in new needs. Funding is in place for multi component and component projects that are approximately 10M in FY'24, 20% of the capital budget will be dedicated to Queens Repair of facilities are as resources and priorities allow. In FY 2025 \$7Million will be available for capital improvements Citywide. Board 7 request funding for upgrades in these units. Eng. 295-Lad 144 Slated with upgrades (except Eng 274 Suggest money from Elected Officials discretionary funds. (1987)

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

15 of 32 Other transportation infrastructure requests**DOT**

Other transportation infrastructure requests

Location: 38th Avenue - Main & Prince Streets & Main & Prince Streets
Reconstruct/Redesign Muni Lot II to meet the demands & growth of the Flushing Community, located at 38th Avenue between Main & Prince plays an integral role in the economic development of the Flushing community. This request is not recommended for funding (Same Answer As Last Year) Again, CB7 refers to Elected Officials & Borough President. Support from Small Businesses & BID from the area - Continue fund 10/5/22 DOT recommends removal of this request as the agency is no longer construction multi-level parking garages (2016)

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

16 of 32 Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park**DPR**

Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park

Reconstruct or renovate the Willets Family Farm House in Fort Totten. An architectural & structural assessment needs to be done in order to stabilize the building, salvage the remaining details that dated to its original 1829 construction. Parks Dept has no funding for this project .The Willets Farm House will continue to be an important. contributing resource in the Fort Totten Historic District & testament to the early development of the borough. OMB supports this project but Parks Dept. funding insufficient recommended contacting Elected Officials & Boro Hall Board 7 continue funding support for this request. (2017)

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. There is currently no capital funding for this request.

17 of 32 Reconstruct streets Reconstruct streets	DOT
<p>Location: King ST; 36th Ave, 36th Rd, 37th Ave and 39th Ave - all to College Point Blvd. & all to College Point Blvd.</p> <p>Reconstruct streets in parts of Flushing - King Street, 36th Ave, 36th Rd, 37th Ave, and 39th Ave to College Point Blvd. DOT Contacted Borough Commissioner's to discuss request. Ongoing construction Builders Pavement Plan requirements & recent resurfacing have all taken place in the past few years. DOT can now focus on specific specific locations that the BID & CB7 have. CB7 still concerned with the current economic downfall due to the coronavirus development and is concerned that what DOT predicts, we continue request funding by agency to correct even if done.in-house (1992)</p>	<p><i>Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.</i></p>
18 of 32 Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field) Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	DPR
<p>Upgrade paths along the western road around Meadow Lake & paths in the core of the park need repaving lighting throughout Flushing Meadow Corona Park. Parks request funding the paths in the park as well as lighting in the Park which is not funded. Board 7 request funding from Elected Officials.(2012).</p>	<p><i>Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. There is currently no capital funding available for this request.</i></p>
19 of 32 Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	DPR
<p>Joe Michael's Mile needs additional lighting along the path as well as certain signage need to be installed and/or replaced. Need funding for additional lighting as well as specific signageCB 7 will continue funding support for this request. (2012)</p>	<p><i>Agency Response: This request has already been completed. There is capital funding to update the paths including lighting at Joe Michaels Mile.</i></p>
20 of 32 Renovate or upgrade an existing cultural facility Renovate or upgrade an existing cultural facility	DCLA
<p>Renovate or upgrade a cultural facility Poppenhusen Institute in College Point. Local Funding from Councilpersons for District \$65,000. Cultural Affairs has never provided an equalized funding for Queens for Cultural Institutions. The agency should re-evaluate funding stream for a better equalization for Queens County. CB7 will continue funding support for this request (2000) This Landmark facility should be funded by the city and not individual organizations as Poppenhusen falls under the Department of Cultural Affairs. for Qns. County. Board 7 supports funding for this request (2000)</p>	<p><i>Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.</i></p>
21 of 32 Renovate or upgrade an existing cultural facility Renovate or upgrade an existing cultural facility	DCLA
<p>Upgrade & renovate Queens Botanical Garden and the new Education Center. The Garden needs continued funding for its Education Building its design completed. Local Elected Officials & City Council provided 1.4 million funding to the Garden. Board 7 Continue funding request from agency Cultural Affairs (2013)</p>	<p><i>Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.</i></p>

22 of 32 Upgrade communication equipment to improve emergency response Upgrade communication equipment to improve emergency response	FDNY
<p>Upgrade communication equipment to improve emergency response (E.R.S. call boxes upgrade) this will cut down on false alarms and provide better services in times of real emergencies. Will eliminate wear and tear and waste of diesel fuel on the rigs.OMB (Same Answer As Last Year) further study by the agency is required. Continue funding support for this request. (2011)</p>	<p><i>Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.</i></p>
23 of 32 Renovate or upgrade a senior center Renovate or upgrade a senior center	DFTA
<p>Create a new Senior Center or other facilities for Seniors. Reinstate the Mitchell Linden Senior Center.Cultural Affairs request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds-Centers are based on demographics & numbers in the area. Dept of Aging states that any new request will have to wait to an RFP is issued and the CB needs to respond-DOA will notify CB's when new RFP's are issued. Board 7 continue requesting Center for this area via Elected Officials & Boro Hall. (2011)</p>	<p><i>Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. NYC Aging will seek additional funding for this request.</i></p>
24 of 32 Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	NYPD
<p>Renovation of 109th Pct. to replace or repair Precinct driveway due to continued vehicle traffic from patrol vehicle scooters, rack trucks & heavy ESU rescue apparatus. Supervisors & Male locker rooms to be upgraded. At present locker rooms are old and must be updated. Female locker rooms are updated.Plumbing (hot water system needs upgrading or replaced due to increased personnel for a Super Precinct. Board 7 continue support 10/5/22 called & e-mailed NYPD not had a response.as yet. The agency will accommodate part of this request with in existing resources (1984)</p>	<p><i>Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.</i></p>
25 of 32 Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc. Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	NYCTA
<p>Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevator, escalators, at the #7 Subline. Provide access to Prince Street . MTA we are moving forward with our planned project to increase customers capacity at Flushing Main Street 7-Line station by additional staircase for pedestrians. MTA goal is to have 95% of their station with pedestrian circulation improvements by 2055. MTA At this time there are no plans to expand the mezzanine area at Main St. or Prince St. At this time there are no plans to expand mezzanine area at Main St. or Prince St.. New stairwell project at Main St. & Roosevelt Ave. in progress with monthly updates (2014)</p>	<p><i>Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.</i></p>
26 of 32 Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field) Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	DPR
<p>Reconstruction and upgrade of College Point Sport Park on Ulmer St. d.Grading & stabilization for ground from the flag pole to the Comfort Station is necessary. College Point Fields Sprots Complex Construction - anticipated completion June 2024. Football field lighting & parking lot. Funding needed for flagpole and comfort station. The Soccer Field construction in design January 2024. (2016)</p>	<p><i>Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. There is currently no capital funding allocated for the grading near the restroom building and flagpole.</i></p>

27 of 32 Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)**DPR**

Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Improve access to George Hugh Harvey Park on Service Rd. from 20th Ave. to the edge of the Park near 14th Ave. Visited site & would not support extended sidewalk due to narrowness of sidewalk requiring fortifying of adjacent hill as well as do not own property near 14th Ave Parks request further conversation with the CB. Request funding for this project. Service Rd sidewalk must be FIXED & made Legal Grade (2002)

Agency Response: Agency does not support but can address the need alternatively. This requires further conversation with CB. The requested location of a sidewalk seems to go through a very steep grade that is not Parks' property.

28 of 32 Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct**NYPD**

Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct

A new NYPD facility in Bay Terrace & FMCP is needed. Over the years crime has increased in CB7 area. The Pct, surrounding FMCP are too busy to assist with regard to park security. If an incident was to occur within the park the response time would be significantly improved with the establishment of a satellite Pct. Safety must be our number one priority for the myriad of families utilizing the park on a daily basis. NYPD will accommodate part of this request within existing resources.. Board 7 continues support 10/5/22 called & e-mailed NYPD with no response from support services. Board 7 continue funding support for this request (2001)

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

29 of 32 Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)**DPR**

Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Construction of a new playground in Little Bay Park The area is heavily used by children and families and their is no playground for the youth at this location. Further discussion on this location due to the fact a new playground has been approved at the Water's Edge within the vicinity. CB 7 continue funding for this project due to the fact that the New Park at Water's Edge Drive is separated by a Hugh Berm as well as the Cross-Island Parkway. The new park will not service Little Bay area. Recommends to contact Local Elected Officials. Board 7 supports this request (2021).

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. There is currently no capital funding available for this request. Parks would prioritize existing playgrounds that need to be renovated in the vicinity.

30 of 32 Roadway maintenance (resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)**DOT**

Roadway maintenance (resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)

Location: Cross Island Pkwy S/R from 201st St. S212nd St - contin; Cross Island Pkwy S/R turns into Bell Blvd at 212nd St. to 14th Avenue & contin; Cross Island Pkwy S/R turns into Bell Blvd at 212nd St. to 14th Avenue Reconstruction/Resurface Cross Island Parkway S/R East/Bound from 201th St. to 212th St. and continuing to Cross Island Parkway S/R turns into Bell Blvd. at 212nd Street to 14th Avenue. Need to be moved to DEP Area experiences sever flooding. Roadway needs to be evaluated due to heavy wear & tear on road surface as well as extensive flooding through this location. DEP recommends submitting as Capital project 10/5/22 DOT recommends removal of request as in-house resurfacing is not a Capital Budget request Board 7 NOTE with the addition of the DEP now need DOT to re-evaluate this statement for a complete DEP& DOT reconstruction. Board 7 continue funding to support request. Confirm from DEP that this is in their capita project section (2021)

Agency Response: Agency supports and can accommodate. DOT is actively investigating this location for mitigations and long term capital improvements.

31 of 32	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field) Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	DPR
<p>Replace- repair playground equipment at Bay Terrace Playground at Bell Blvd & 23rd Ave Phase II. Playground equipment needs replacement or repair. CB 7 request funding for this project.</p>		<p><i>Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. There is currently no capital funding available for this project.</i></p>
32 of 32	Invest in infrastructure that will support growth in commercial business districts Invest in infrastructure that will support growth in commercial business districts	EDC
<p>EDC This request is not recommended for funding at this time Should EDC release an RFP on site,they will acknowledge CB 7s request for passive & recreational uses. (1980)</p>		<p><i>Agency Response: The agency does not understand the request as written and requires more clarification. More information is requested from the Community Board. It is unclear which site the CB is referring to.</i></p>
CS	Invest in infrastructure that will support growth in commercial business districts Invest in infrastructure that will support growth in commercial business districts	EDC
<p>Reconstruct streets-expansion and upgrading of Flushing Airport (FA308), EDC having problem with some permits but should be ready for construction summer 2024 (1998)</p>		<p><i>Agency Response: Agency supports and can accommodate. NYCEDC released an RFP for the Flushing Airport site that will consider a wide range of uses. Respondents may propose a program that includes any one or any combination of uses outlined in the Development Program section of the RFP. Respondents may also propose uses that do not appear in this section. NYCEDC will evaluate each Proposal according to the selection criteria outlined in the Selection Criteria section of the RFP.</i></p>
CS	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	NYCTA
<p>Reconstruction & Correct drainage system at Casey Stengel Bus Depot located at 40-15 126th Street Flushing MTA is responsible. NYC-Transit to MTA 's knowledge there is no current issue with the drainage at the depot. Will look into it and advise. (1980).</p>		<p><i>Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.</i></p>

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

1 of 24	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs) Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)	DOB
<p>Due to the increase of construction in CB 7, there is a need to increase the number of qualified inspectors to expand the administrative staff to deal with the volume of violations.Increase the number of inside personnel to 8 to assist the Board 7 staff, additional administrative staff and additional inspectors are needed. OMB supports the Agency's position Buildings - this request is not recommended for funding CB-7 continues to support for funding due to backlog of complaints caused by the pandemic. Community Board 7 has the highest number of complaints of the 14 Boards in Queens.. (2003)</p>		<p><i>Agency Response: Agency supports and can accommodate. The agency will accommodate request with current budget. If it is determined that additional funding DOB will discuss with OMB.</i></p>

2 of 24 Provide better park maintenance**DPR**

Provide better park maintenance

CB#7-Qns supports an increase in regular, & seasonal personnel in order to maintain park locations, proper tree maintenance which include pruning & removal, as well as outsourcing contracts for Tennis Courts Upgrades (Astro-turf & clay) Operated Parks, PEP Workers, Green street location & playgrounds. A tremendous amount of parkland in CB#7 seasonal workers and 21 POP workers will eliminate the full time and part time gardeners. Additional monies needed for sidewalk tree programs, maintenance & recreational staff & an operator for Parks Dept. Team. OMB supports this Agency's position. The agency states due to fiscal constraints, the availability of funds is uncertain. Please continue to support. CB 7 continues support for funding (2003)

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. Please continue to advocate for parks.

3 of 24 Investigate noise complaints at specific location**DEP**

Investigate noise complaints at specific location

Investigate noise complaints at specific locations. DEP will try to accommodate with existing resources (SAME ANSWER AS LAST YEAR). CB 7 will continue funding request. Noise Inspectors are based on Citywide Complaints Money must be allocated to purchase noise mitigation equipment for the Agency to measure the sound levels of pile driving & jack hammering. With the accelerated new construction going on in our district we have been receiving an increase in complaints from area residents regarding noise which presently is being monitored & enforced by DEP. Investigating noise complaints at specific locations is needed. Other agencies also issued tickets ie: NYPD (2005)

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

4 of 24 Other traffic improvement requests**DOT**

Other traffic improvement requests

THE SAME ANSWER AS LAST YEAR Traffic improvements-Fund a curb replacement program. Additional funding is needed to continue and accelerate a curb replacement contract in conjunction with the Highways IFA resurfacing program to include three crews which would include cement masons and A.C.H.R's crew personnel. There are quite a number of locations within CB7s District that are missing curbs or substandard ones. This program will help the homeowners.10/05/22 DOT-ADDITIONAL FUNDING IS WELCOMED BUT DOT's CURB REPAIRS CURRENTLY ARE PREFORMED VIA THE PRIOR NOTICE SIDEWALK VIOLATION REPAIR CONTRACTS. CB7 recommends as well as a specific location, develop a grid section system similar to the Parks Dept. tree pruning program.(1993)

*Agency Response: Agency supports and can accommodate. Please log any specific locations in the webform here:
<https://www.nyc.gov/html/dot/html/contact/contact-form.shtml>. DOT will seek to address with existing resources.*

5 of 24 Clean catch basins**DEP**

Clean catch basins

DEP will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources. (SAME ANSWER AS LAST YEAR) DEP's water & sewer construction contractors are available to assist with emergency infrastructure repairs. Increase maintenance staff is needed to handle the increase number of street collapses and to perform odor control monitoring at water plants & staff to handle repairs for the general cleaning and repairing of catch basins. CB 7 supports this item (2005)

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

6 of 24 Other enforcement requests**DSNY**

Other enforcement requests

Additional personnel to handle basket pick-ups on Saturday, Sunday & Holidays on commercial strips. Maintain 5-day school collection & twice weekly recycling collection & sweepers. The City Council increased basket collection funding by \$22Million to provide 2X daily basket service and continue through FY '24. School Garbage & Recycling will be maintained Monday through Friday for organic Collection & Monday, Wednesday & Friday for paper. Every Qns. Dist. has a dedicated basket service. CB7 Continue support basket collections in Commercial area (2016)

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. Although the Department of Sanitation supports this request, due to fiscal constraints the availability of funds is uncertain.

7 of 24 Other senior center program requests**DFTA**

Other senior center program requests

DFTA During FY 24 received \$59.6 Million in new funds -FY 23Home delivered meals 1140 clients CW. FY 24 Case Management served 334 clients CW. Elder Justice Program awarded contracts constant with previous year. Now provided 2 Ride Share programs. 1st My Ride program RFP put out contract awards CW 2nd omdovodia; trans[portatopm services that are provided by independent Older Adult Centers. Provide services for trips to adult centers as well as the My Ride provides services to Dr. appointments, shopping, etc. CB7 maintains continued support for Senior Centers. (1994)

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. NYC Aging will seek additional funding for this request. DFTA MYRIDE was a federal funded program, that was a pilot program. The contract selected for the program could not meet the needs of the contract.

8 of 24 Hire additional uniformed officers**NYPD**

Hire additional uniformed officers

Allocate additional personnel for the 109th Precinct also to replace SIU in Flushing Meadow Corona Park, and to address quality of life complaints, noise, illegal truck traffic/parking due to fiscal constraints, the availability of funds is uncertain. Due to heavy retirements in this Agency additional personnel is needed. CB7 is a Super District & personnel is needed to accommodate the Precinct's large administrative boundaries ESPECIALLY SINCE THE 109 PCT. IS THE HIGHEST IN CRIME PRECINCT IN THE CITY. Maintain the DARE program (workshop on drug education for school children). Plus civilian personnel to relieve officers assigned to the 109th precinct, school crossing guards. In addition, the K9 unit dogs at Fort Totten are capable of sniffing out drugs and bombs.(2002)

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

9 of 24 Other park programming requests**DPR**

Other park programming requests

Increase supplies and equipment for Parks. Items and programs for arts and crafts. As well as tools and equipment in order to maintain our parks, ie mowers, Bobcats vehicles, weed whackers, hand held blowers zero turn mowers. Parks states due to fiscal constraints the availability of funds is uncertain, please continue to support. CB7continue fund for supplies and programs CB7 has over 64 Parks locations and has a high volume of children utilizing the programs from the Parks Dept. (2002)

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. Funding cannot be determined at this time

10 of 24 Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests**NYPD**

Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests

Funds needed for BOOTS FOR COMMERCIAL TRUCKS that park overnight in residential areas as well a heavy duty tow truck for 18 wheelers. in addition Plate Readers,computers for both Precinct & vehicles; a gator snow plow for precinct to handle snow removal and cell phones. OMB supports the agency but The NYPD cannot fund this request at this time recommends board to contact Local Legislators CB7 continued funding is necessary to handle the additional personnel for this Super District as well as to up grade equipment for the Precinct. (2002)

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

11 of 24 Other traffic improvement requests**DOT**

Other traffic improvement requests

Traffic improvement requests for deteriorated Bus Pads Community Board #7 with its 13 miles of streets and 24 bus lines, many of the bus pads in the area are deteriorated - they have either sunk or crumbled. The replacement program must be accelerated in order not to create a major liability for the city. DOT stated while existing funding request are welcome the agency will try to accommodate this request with existing resources as they become available. (SAME ANSWER AS LAST YEAR) CB7 recommends continue support due to the extensive bus system for our District which includes many bus stops. (2003)

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. DOT will try to accommodate this request with existing resources as they become available.

12 of 24 Conduct traffic or parking studies**DOT**

Conduct traffic or parking studies

Fund personnel for traffic and parking studies, 10/05/22 DOT stated that they will try to accommodate our request with existing resources as they become available. CB7 recommends maximum funding for this request especially request in house resources including milling sufficient funding for this Unit is critical to address our Capital project. In addition Support Transportation personnel for field studies, crews for handling replacement of missing and worn traffic signs, lane marking, ridge maintenance milling and resurfacing. (2003).

*Agency Response: Agency supports and can accommodate. Please log any requests in the webform here:
<https://www.nyc.gov/html/dot/html/contact/contact-form.shtml>. DOT will seek to address with existing resources.*

13 of 24 Other traffic improvement requests**DOT**

Other traffic improvement requests

Fund Additional equipment for DOT vehicles for inspections,utility trucks, bucket trucks vehicles for Arterial highways , DOT stated while existing funding request are welcome the Agency will try to accommodate this request with existing resources as they become available. (SAME ANSWER AS LAST YEAR) CB7 recommends continue funding request. (2003)

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. DOT will continue to address issues using existing resources.

14 of 24 Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives**FDNY**

Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives

Funds for Fire Department personnel Training, Fire Prevention Civilian Inspectors Fire Safety Unit, Marine Units, Hazmat.Weekend & nighttime inspections have been authorized based on staffing. New processes in place on improving productivity through better documentation analyzation & material flows. Plan Examination Unit was a decrease in waiting time. Continue aggressively to hire FIRE, EMS & Civilian Inspectors as well as other Civilian Ranks.CB7 Still request funding for training & hiring additional Civilian Fire Inspectors to accommodate backlog of requested Fire Inspections. Plus MAINTAIN funding for after hour & weekend Fire Inspections. (2012)

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

15 of 24 Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives**FDNY**

Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives

Funding for Fire Department Equipment Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Detectors, CPR Kits for Fire Safety Education Unit. backup generators, The above provides fire safety education to more than 700,000 New Yorkers and visitors annually. Events include classroom, group presentations alarm installation efforts & a digital curriculum for school aged & adult populations highlighting all aspects of residential fire safety issues. CB 7 Fund FD units in CB7 District with backup house generators are: Eng 273,297 & EMS station 52. continue support funding. (2012)

Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.

16 of 24 Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up**DSNY**

Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up

Maintaining the weekly recycling program is a necessity with the increasing population, building growth and new products-i.e.: all plastics, clothing and food waste. It's extremely important to have weekly collections in order to accommodate the anticipated growth of the agency/population. Quota numbers need to be increased. OMB Program is currently funded & DOS recommend it continue support CB7 continue funding especially for Sanitation Enforcement(1993)

Agency Response: This request has already been completed. DSNY funding continues to allow for weekly recycling collection in addition to the newly rolled out citywide curbside composting program collection.

17 of 24 Support nonprofit cultural organizations**DCLA**

Support nonprofit cultural organizations

Continued support Nonprofit Cultural Organizations -Flushing Council on Culture and the Arts, Lewis Latimer House, Queens Botanical Garden, Poppenhusen Institute Bowne House and the Kingsland House, Bayside Historical Society,. Request MORE funding for these institutes, In the City-Wide picture, Queens receives the least amount for our Cultural institutions than any of the other 4 Boroughs. Queens should be getting it fair share. OMB recommends this be brought to the attention of our Elected Officials and City Council provided 1.4 Million to Qns. Botanical Garden for their projects. CB 7 is request funding from the Dept. of Cultural Affairs. For years, this agency has not provided proper proportional funding to Queens , increasing funding is needed. (1983)

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. The Cultural Development Fund (CDF) is DCLA's annual, competitive, peer-evaluated grant process that supports a NYC-based nonprofit organizations for their arts and cultural project activity and is managed by the agency's Programs Unit under supervision of the Commissioner. CDF Applications are submitted online each year through DCLA's website. The Department of Cultural Affairs recommends this project be brought to the attention of your local elected official, i.e. Borough President or City Council member to request additional funding.

18 of 24 Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs**QL**

Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs

Extend library hours enhance and expand programs and increase book budget CB#7 is one of the most ethnically diverse communities in the city. It is necessary for our Libraries to have book and electronic equipment not only in English, but in the languages familiar to our newly arrived population. OMB's funding for this request cannot be determined a this time. CB7 request funding for these programs. Queens Libraries are heavily used by its patrons both Seniors & Children. Our Main St. Library is the most used in the country.(1995)

Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. The agency agrees with this request, but funding cannot be determined at this time.

19 of 24 Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives	FDNY
<p>Maintain Funding for and training especially the Juvenile Fire Setters' intervention Program & Arson Task force. Promoted a class of Fire Marshals in anticipated FY 2024. Youth Fire Setters Intervention program conducts approx. 135 interventions a year educating children up to 12 years. Auto Fraud Squad conducts investigation into ALL motor vehicle fires in NYC. FDNY K-9 program established in 2017 continues to evolve. Presently have 5 working K-9 of which 4 are dual trained in detecting ignitable liquids & conduct live search & rescue. CB7 Continues to support funding. (2005)</p>	<p><i>Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.</i></p>
20 of 24 Other educational programs requests Other educational programs requests	DOE
<p>OMB supports agency 's position but states further study is required. CB7 recommends funding by both agencies equally. DOE continues to evade responsibility for Parks that are next to DOE property. (1994)</p>	<p><i>Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.</i></p>
21 of 24 Provide more community board staff Provide more community board staff	OMB
<p>NEW address is: 30-50 Whitestone Expressway, Suite 205, Flushing, NY 11354 To increase CB7 budget for staffing. OMB response is that Community Board budget is \$267,056. ALL CBs rent comes from DCASat \$107,253. (City requesting a 6% reduction for all agencies) This office must run with three full timers in order to facilitate the needs of over 300,000 constituents. CB7 is the largest Community Board in the City and most populated therefore warrants and increase. Recommend continue support</p>	<p><i>Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. As of the FY 2026 Preliminary Budget, each Community Board's budget is being maintained.</i></p>
22 of 24 Expand programs to support MWBE-owned firms and businesses Expand programs to support MWBE-owned firms and businesses	EDC
<p>Support Dept. of Small Business Services Programs to assist local businesses. Especially assisting them with recovery from the Pandemic. Funding is needed for the Local Businesses to assist them with the current rising cost of business especially assisting them with recovery from the pandemic. OMB supports the agency's position as follows: The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources. (Dept of Small Business Services). CB7 request funding</p>	<p><i>Agency Response: Agency supports but cannot accommodate. The Department of Small Business Services provides access to financial assistance for small businesses through their NYC funds finder program. NYCEDC offers two capacity-building programs for M/W/DBEs: ConstructNYC and the Waterfront Pathways Program. The programs are designed to assist M/W/DBE in navigating the current and upcoming opportunities on NYCEDC projects and we encourage businesses to</i></p>
23 of 24 Provide, expand, or enhance programs for housing inspections to correct code violations Provide, expand, or enhance programs for housing inspections to correct code violations	HPD
<p>Increase staff at the Dept. of Housing Preservation and Development. Funding for Staff Attorneys to handle the backlog of cases. HPD currently assigned 23 Housing Inspectors & 2 Associates (6%of the Boro allocation --last year 17 & 3 additional 96 Insp & 17 Assoc.assigned to CWHPD works with the Center for NYC Neighborhoods (the Center) Program will provide one-stop shop for all NYC homeowners --receive support on a range of issues ile. foreclosure prevention, flood resiliency, estate planning & deed theft. The Help Desk will connect homeowners with local community based org. to obtain on-on-one housing financial & legal counseling. Recently HPD hired 26 Inspectors CB7 continues to request funding. (2011)</p>	<p><i>Agency Response: Agency does not support and cannot accommodate. Please contact the agency directly and promptly for more information.</i></p>

Provide, expand, or enhance food assistance, such as Food Stamps / SNAP

Provide, expand or enhance food assistance, like SNAP Please note, particularly during the COVID pandemic, HRA benefits are available on-line through Access HRA. HRA has hundreds of community partners that enroll community residents in a vast number of programs through this portal which is more efficient than in-person transactions. The organization can utilize the portal itself to help its residents expeditiously including enrollment in SNAP & assistance finding other benefits such as food pantries. CB7 recommends contacting Federal Elected Officials for funding. (2017)

Agency Response: This request has already been completed. HRA continues to maintain funding for CFC (formerly EFAP). NYC opposes cuts to SNAP and calls on congress to maintain or increase SNAP funding levels. SNAP provides critical nutritional support to low income families and individuals. We encourage community boards to reach out to local congressional representatives.