

# ***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 Brooklyn Community Board 9's *Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020*. 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 2018.

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.

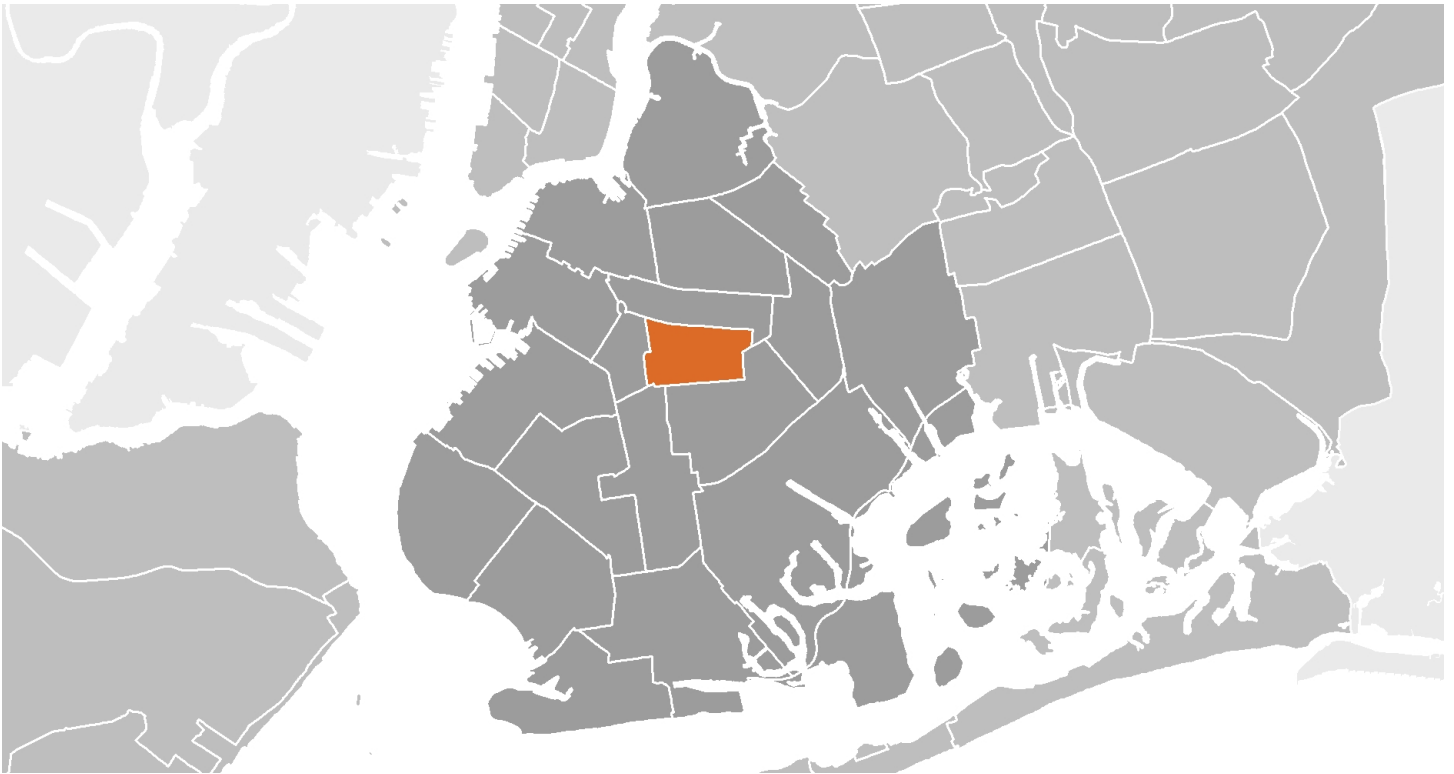
### **b) Policy Area - Specific District Needs**

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 FY20 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.

# Brooklyn Community Board 9



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*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

### Brooklyn Community Board 9

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## 2. Community District Profile

Visit the Community District Profiles to view data, maps, and other resources describing New York City's 59 community districts at: <https://communityprofiles.planning.nyc.gov/>

# Brooklyn Community District 9



**Neighborhoods**<sup>1</sup>: Crown Heights South, Prospect Lefferts Gardens, Wingate

POPULATION & DENSITY		
2000 <sup>2</sup>	2010 <sup>3</sup>	2000-2010
104,014	98,429	-5%
2012-2016 Estimate <sup>4</sup>		111,325
Square Miles		1.6
Population Density		61,518/sq mi



### COMMUNITY BOARD PERSPECTIVES

Top 3 pressing issues identified by Brooklyn Community Board 9 in 2018:

1. Affordable housing
2. Schools
3. Social services (incl. homeless)

To learn more, please read Brooklyn CD 9's Statements of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year 2020.

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Land Use Category	# Lots	% Lot Area
1 & 2 Family Bldgs	4,218	33%
Multifamily Walk-up	1,246	16%
Multifamily Elevator	200	12%
Mixed Use	789	10%
Commercial	106	3%
Industrial	21	1%
Transportation/Utility	17	1%
Public/Institutional	165	20%
Open Space	7	2%
Parking	59	2%
Vacant	116	1%
Other	22	0%

Click here for a more detailed land use map of Brooklyn CD 9

## A Snapshot of Key Community Indicators

COMMUNITY ASSETS <sup>5</sup>	
Public Schools	44
Public Libraries	3
Hospitals and Clinics	16
Parks	4
Click to visit the NYC Facilities Explorer	

RENT BURDEN <sup>4, 6</sup>	
Brooklyn CD 9	Brooklyn
<b>49%</b>	46%
of households spend 35% or more of their income on rent	NYC
	45%

ACCESS TO PARKS <sup>7</sup>	
Brooklyn CD 9	Citywide Target
<b>91%</b>	85%
of residents live within walking distance of a park or open space	

MEAN COMMUTE TO WORK <sup>4, 8</sup>	
Brooklyn CD 9	Brooklyn
<b>42</b>	42 minutes
minutes	NYC
	40 minutes

LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY <sup>4</sup>	
Brooklyn CD 9	Brooklyn
<b>12%</b>	23%
of residents 5 years or older have limited English proficiency	NYC
	23%

CRIME RATE <sup>9</sup>	
Brooklyn CD 9	Brooklyn
<b>12.5</b>	11.3
major felonies were reported per 1,000 residents in 2016	NYC
	11.8

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT <sup>4, 10</sup>	
Brooklyn CD 9	Brooklyn
<b>29%</b>	34%
of residents 25 years or older have earned a bachelor's degree or higher	NYC
	36%

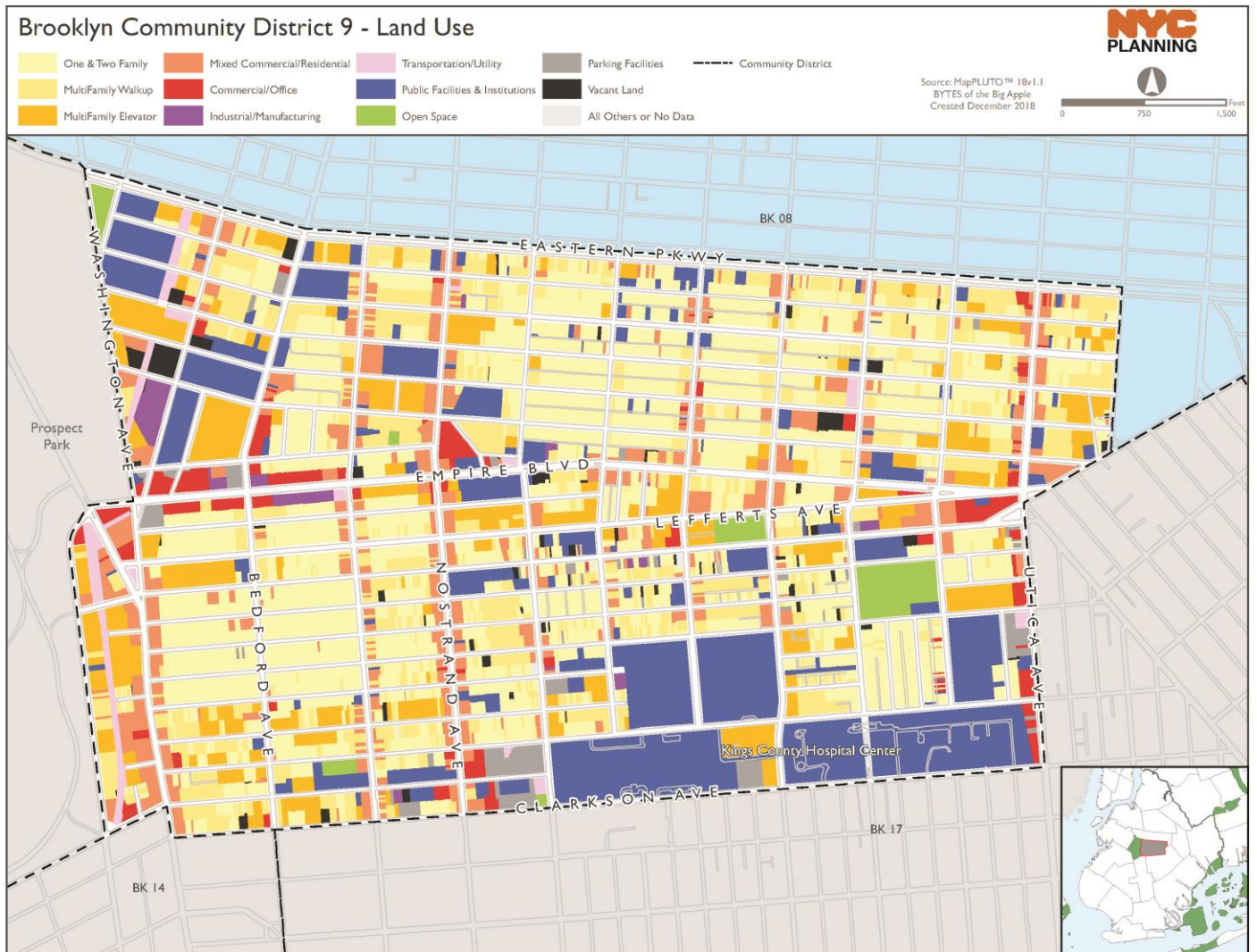
UNEMPLOYMENT <sup>4, 10</sup>	
Brooklyn CD 9	Brooklyn
<b>7.3%</b>	5.7%
of the civilian labor force was unemployed on average from 2012 to 2016	NYC
	5.5%

NYCgov POVERTY MEASURE <sup>11</sup>	
Brooklyn CD 9	Brooklyn
<b>22%</b>	22%
of residents have incomes below the NYCgov poverty threshold. See the federal poverty rate here.	NYC
	20%

<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 2012-2016 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

Brooklyn's Community District 9 encompasses a total land area of 1.7 sq. miles, and is one of New York's first humanly inhabited areas. The area was once the home of the Mareckkawicks (or Brooklyn Indians,) a branch of the Canarsie tribal community, which occupied Kings County and parts of Jamaica. The area was colonized by Dutch farmers from the Netherlands (Holland) in the early 17th century. Lefferts Homestead was relocated to Prospect Park from its original location on Midwood Street and Flatbush Avenue, and is a living reminder of this agricultural community which flourished in our district until the early 20th century.

Also of historic significance is Clove Road, snugly located in the middle of Montgomery Street/Empire Blvd/Nostrand Ave/New York Avenue, within Community District 9. A Phase 1A Archaeological Documentary Study of Clove Road, conducted by the RBA Group in 2002, found that Clove Road "... is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under Criteria A based upon its association with the establishment of Kings County's 19th Century public institutions, the Alms House, Hospital, Asylum, and Penitentiary, an event that significantly contributed to the broad pattern of New York's urban history."

Present day Community District 9 includes a portion of the neighborhoods known as Crown Heights, Flatbush, Prospect Lefferts Gardens, and Wingate. Bordered by Prospect Park (Ocean/Flatbush), Eastern Parkway, Lincoln Terrace Park (Rochester/Utica), and Clarkson Avenue, the district includes such prestigious cultural institutions as the Brooklyn Museum; the Brooklyn Botanic Garden; the Brooklyn Public Library; and the Jewish Children's Museum.

Other notable institutions in the district include Kings County Hospital Center; one of the largest hospital complexes in the world, SUNY Health Science Center at Brooklyn; Kingsboro Psychiatric Center; Kingsbrook Jewish Medical Center; the SUNY Downstate Advanced Biotechnology Incubator and the SUNY Parkside Dialysis Center. Collectively, these institutions form the southern-most boundary of the district.

Medgar Evers College of the City University of New York; four high schools; four intermediate schools; eleven elementary schools (including new small schools and charter schools) make up the District's public educational system. A significant number of private and parochial schools complete the educational picture.

Only minutes by car or public transportation from downtown Brooklyn, Community District 9 is home to numerous small and medium-sized businesses and the 98,429 residents (2010 census) who live along our tree lined residential streets. Our many religious institutions include a number of large Catholic churches, a number of the oldest Protestant churches in the borough, and the World Headquarters of the Chabad Lubavitch Jewish Movement.

Families and institutions have thrived in Community District 9 for generations. Over the past five decades, this largely middle class community has undergone extensive demographic changes, creating a unique blend of people of American, Caribbean, European, Asian and Hispanic descent.

More recently, the district is seeing an emergent growth of a younger demographic: young families, as well as young single adults, have come to call this community home, due in large part to its affordability, character, and close proximity to cultural institutions, parks and public transportation.

Stimulated by an upturn in the economy and zoning that accommodates this type of construction, the district is seeing a feverish growth in new apartment building construction. While there is a very great need for housing in the district, the resulting availability of "affordable apartments" do not realistically address the needs of the district's population, 38% of whom are dependent on Federal income support, and more than half of residents spend more than 30% of their gross monthly income on rent.

Seeing the writing on the wall, the Community Board sought for the community to have a say in addressing the impact this type of growth would have on the district, by requesting a planning study, in an effort to achieve a more balanced growth/transformation of the district, and the need for realistically "affordable" housing. This study has not moved beyond the request stage.

### 3. Overview of Community District

Community Board 9 is acutely aware that this growth brings with it a concomitant escalation in the need for vital municipal services. Taking a critical look at our district's needs, the Board has embarked upon the formulation of a 197-a plan which sets out our vision for a better future for this community, the objectives of which are to improve the quality of life for residents through the following:

- The promotion of community safety and the reduction of crime;
- The promotion of new low-density/contextual residential development to provide both a humanly sealed built form and increased opportunity for neighborly social interaction;
- Social and cultural development;
- Improved health and social services;
- Support for the preservation, expansion and physical integration of the public parks system and educational institutions;
- Improved environment-neighborhood beautification and development of new open space resources;
- Promotion of employment and business opportunities through - The strengthening and expansion of existing retail commercial areas; - The improvement of local businesses and economic development; - A local hospital jobs program.
- The guiding of future physical and human development programs to enhance the lives of the residents.

#### 4. Top Three Pressing Issues Overall

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

- *Affordable housing*
- *Schools*
- *Social services (including services for the homeless)*

##### Affordable Housing

There is a critical need for real "affordable" housing. There is rapid development in the district that is changing the character of the community and causing a surge in rents. Long term tenants are being forced out of their apartments due to rising rents. The Area Median Income guidelines for "affordable" housing is not a realistic measure for affordability. Over half of residents in CD 9 currently spend 35% or more of their income on rent. That is a serious concern in this community. More efforts are needed to preserve the existing affordable housing available to low income residents. Community Board 9 supports the need for more realistic income guidelines that would allow the working poor, the low, and moderate income groups to be able to afford adequate housing. Additionally, the Mayor's Mandatory Inclusionary Housing Program needs to demand a larger percentage of affordable units in any new construction by developers. There is also a great need for the development of senior citizen housing as that population normally does not qualify for the affordable housing offered through the lottery system because of very low fixed income

##### Schools

The schools in the district are not meeting the needs of the children. Families with young children want to enroll their children in quality, local public schools in safe buildings. There is major overcrowding in all the schools, the buildings are in very poor condition and do not provide the type of environment that is conducive to learning. The school buildings are in critical need of wiring upgrades to bring them up to code and to enable the use of state of the art computer technology. The need for classrooms and afterschool space, gymnasium and auditorium upgrades and/or space (none exist in many of the district's schools, including high schools), library upgrades, handicap accessibility, Wi-Fi accessibility/upgrades, air conditioning and heating plants, among other necessities for quality education, is overwhelmingly critical.

##### Social Services (including services for the homeless)

Social services supports a population that would otherwise fall prey to other groups seeking to take advantage of them. Social services also many times enable homeless families and individuals to get back on their feet.



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

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

There is a critical need for funding for tenant support programs in Community District 9. Longtime community residents are falling prey to predatory landlords who often withhold repairs and basic services from low rent paying tenants as a means to force them out of the apartments so they can rent to higher rent paying tenants. Great efforts have to be undertaken to keep senior citizens in their homes as they are becoming the most vulnerable population for eviction due to being long term rent controlled or rent stabilized tenants. Other tenants are being offered cheap buy-outs to move, often leading to homelessness because these tenants oftentimes cannot find affordable apartments elsewhere and, once the one-time payouts run out, they cannot continue to pay the new higher rents. Lack of tenants' rights education has also led to illegal evictions. Therefore, funding for homelessness prevention programs for households at-risk such as free legal services, financial assistance, and case management are a must for our district.

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

The hospitals, health centers, long-term care facilities, nursing homes in Community District 9 need the necessary resources to be able to provide much needed preventive and managed care for chronic diseases. According to the Kings County Hospital 2016 Community Health Needs Assessment, diabetes, hypertension/high blood pressure, mental illness, heart disease, high cholesterol, stroke, and cancer are the most significant community health needs. In order for our health care facilities to expand their special outreach to low-income residents, the uninsured and underinsured, and those facing other barriers, for free screening, testing, intervention, resource education, preventive and managed care, they must be provided with the proper funding.

#### Supporting Materials:

The Community Board has provided the following supporting materials which can be accessed by clicking on the link(s) below or by copying and pasting the link(s) found in the Appendix into a browser.

[Kings County Stats](#)

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

The senior citizens population in Community District 9 are in dire need of subsidized senior citizens housing

### Community District Needs Related to Facilities and Services for the Homeless

Community District 9 has the highest concentration of shelters and transitional housing in the Borough. We require more resources to handle the increased needs of this population.

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
6/22	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	The Christopher Blenman Senior Center is in need of upgrade and renovation to provide a more comfortable environment for the seniors and staff members. Handicap accessibility lift is in dire need of repair or replacement. Paint is peeling off walls.	Christopher Blenman Senior Ctr. 720 East New York Avenue
8/22	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	Shalom Senior Center is in need of approximately 2000 sq. ft. of new floor covering to replace worn out one.	Shalom Senior Center 483 Albany Avenue



## Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/30	DOHMH	Reduce rat populations	There is increased building and construction work going on in the district which has helped to disturb the rat population. Rats can be seen in the street and in the subways.	Community Wide
11/30	DOHMH	Create or promote programs for education and awareness on nutrition, physical activity, etc.	Diabetes, hypertension/high blood pressure, heart disease, high cholesterol and obesity are problems facing our population - expanded education and awareness programs will assist in the fight to combat these illnesses with proper nutrition and exercise.	Community Wide
14/30	DFTA	Increase home delivered meals capacity	Community District 9's senior population is growing but their income is fixed, which creates an increase need for home delivered meals.	Community Wide
15/30	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	The four senior centers in CD 9 are in need of 100 padded banquet chairs with armrest; five 4-section steam table; one tabletop copy machine; and 1 commercial 2-door double stacked side-by-side freezer; in order to better service the seniors.	Community Wide
16/30	DFTA	Enhance educational and recreational programs	The four senior citizens center in CD 9 are in need of laptop computers with software and cases for their seniors' educational program. A passenger van to transport seniors to/from center and to recreational outings. A fold-up Ping-Pong table and exercise activity equipment for the seniors' recreational activities.	Community Wide
24/30	DHS	Improve safety at homeless shelters	This homeless shelter is in Community District 9 on the border with Community District 17. It is the source of numerous complaints from residents and homeowners, especially in CD 17, regarding homeless men, including sex offenders, who wander onto private property, congregate on corners, litter, urinate, and generally impact negatively on the environment. The clients at this shelter need to be provided with alternatives to this behavior, including job training, substance abuse counseling, etc., to avoid these problems being experienced by the community.	Kingsboro Men's Shelter 681 Clarkson Avenue



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

##### *After school programs*

After school programs are a critical factor in overall child-welfare. The after school programs create a safe environment for children and young adults to socially engage in a positive way, boosts student success and helps parents maintain employment. It has been demonstrated that participants achieve more, productivity goes up, and risky behaviors goes down. After school programs could possibly reduce the risk of human trafficking, which is prevalent in Brooklyn, and other predators. According to the report "America After 3PM: From Big Cities to Small Towns - New York City After 3PM", by JCPenney Afterschool and Afterschool Alliance, 28% of children are in after school programs. NYC has numerous city funded after school programs which have grown over several years. However, the report also notes that 23% of children are in self-care and 24% are in sibling care after 3PM. This demonstrates the need to continue to increase funding in this important area. After school programs also address a secondary pressing issue, Workforce Development. Using after school programs as a workforce development strategy is critical. Many after school programs, with adequate funding, can provide job placement, workplace etiquette training, and other employment related activities. After school programs should also be extended to later hours to reduce the number of hours that youth are left to their own devices. Most youth-related crime occurs between the hours of 3PM and 8PM. Not only are recreation related programs needed but academic related programs also, such as Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) enrichment.

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

School buildings in Community District 9 are in dire need of much needed resources and upgrading in the following areas: PS 92 - Upgrades to plumbing, library and auditorium; additional exterior lighting due to safety concerns; whiteboards; projectors for visual arts. PS 241 - Air conditioning in classrooms and auditorium; portable STEM labs; Technology and Wi-Fi update (Wi-Fi blocking issue); Electrical upgrade; handicap accessible auditorium; sound system in auditorium; expanded PreK (up to 6PM). PS 161 - New gymnasium; auditorium upgrade; electrical and heating upgrade; air conditioning; STEM labs; iPad carts; additional bathroom stalls; after school programs. PS 221 - Air conditioning in classrooms; auditorium upgrade; music and arts after school programs. MS 2 Parkside Prep Academy - Upgraded computer labs; Wi-Fi upgrade; culinary arts lab (only 4 stoves and refrigerator don't work so program is on hold); library upgrade; auditorium upgrade (sound system and lights specifically); cafeteria tables; space for afterschool; blind spots issues on cameras they already have. Medgar Evers Preparatory School - Need auditorium and gymnasium; additional classroom space (offices are being used as classrooms); Arts program; 3 Technology labs; Smart classrooms; Laptop carts; Saturday school. This school previously had 3 computer labs but it has been reduced to 1 - needs to get back to the 3 particularly in light of the AP courses the school offers. Although school has 2 elevators, only one is functioning. MS 61 - Upgraded auditorium (particularly air conditioning and new chairs); additional air conditioners for classroom; water coolers to replace outdated water fountains. The school also needs pest control due to rats running rampant through the auditorium and outside the school rummaging in the garbage bags placed outside for garbage pick up Brooklyn Institute for Liberal Arts - Electrical wiring upgrade; STEM labs; Technology upgrade; 3D printers, blind spots in outdoor cameras creates safety concerns.





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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/22	SCA	Provide a new or expand an existing elementary school	Public School 161 is a school without a gymnasium and has an auditorium that is in need of renovation. The school needs additional bathroom stalls to meet the needs of the large student body. The entire school needs rewiring to not only be up to code, but to also enable the use of state of the art computer technology; as well as heating and air conditioning.	PS 161 - The Crown 330 Crown Street
4/22	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a middle or intermediate school	MS 61 is in dire need of renovation. The auditorium needs air conditioning and new seats. Electrical wiring upgrade is needed throughout the school. The water fountains need replacement/upgrading.	M.S. 61 400 Empire Boulevard
5/22	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	Medgar Evers Prep School is in dire need of a gymnasium and an auditorium. This is a high school, and Physical Education is a requirement for graduation. The students are being denied the opportunity to participate in a proper physical education class. To fulfill these requirements, the students often do jumping jacks in the hallways and the basement; that is not acceptable.	Medgar Evers Preparatory School 1186 Carroll Street



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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/30	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for elementary school students (grades K-5)	P. S. 161 in CD 9 is in need of after school program such as Beacon.	PS 161 - The Crown 330 Crown Street
2/30	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)	PS 221 - Toussaint L-Ouverture is in need of an after school program such as Beacon Program.	Community Wide
4/30	DOE	Assign more teaching staff	An adequate number of teaching staff is a must! Not only to provide instruction, but consideration must be given to teachers who are often times overwhelmed by the huge number of students in their class. In addition, smaller classrooms mean that children will be provided with an atmosphere that is conducive to learning with teachers who are able to focus on them and can more efficiently manage their classrooms.	Community Wide
5/30	DOE	Assign more non-teaching staff, e.g., to provide social, health and other services	Providing all the resources for a well-balanced education is important. The need is not only there for academic instruction, but the support services of health (a nurse on the premises), guidance counselors, mediation counselors, etc., are also paramount.	Community Wide



## Public Safety and Emergency Services

Main Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services*Traffic violations and enforcement*

Traffic violations are occurring every day throughout CD 9 and putting our children and seniors at risk too often. The NYPD needs to do more about enforcement as we have too much double parking, violations of the speed limit, and drivers running red lights. With more frequent enforcement against speeding and reckless driving, NYPD can send a clear message that pedestrian safety is a priority.

Community District Needs Related to Policing and Crime

Community Board 9 still feels that more funding is needed for crime prevention programs, because of the increase in gun violence and crime activity overall. This is based on what we see and hear from our community residents and the NYPD CompStat weekly reports for our precinct. If we have more crime prevention programs that educate the community, especially our youth, work with our local precinct, elected officials, the district attorney office, than maybe we can prevent the tragedies and violence that happens in our community every year.

**Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/22	NYPD	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	The 71st Precinct is in need of renovation and upgrading. The roof leaks and needs replacement; new windows; increase service of amps in circuit breaker boxes; locker rooms floors to be redone and benches added; new lockers needed; new stove and fridge in kitchen; break room chairs; new bunk beds for Officers; replace all ceiling tiles; snake all drains in command; upgrade plumbing, heating, electrical and computer related wiring. Work stations in complaint room for victims to write on. Repave parking lot. Expand the garden area in front of the precinct. The garden is a memorial for 71st Precinct officers killed in the line of duty.	71st Precinct 421 Empire Boulevard
9/22	NYPD	Add NYPD parking facilities	Without question, the acquisition of space for garaging police vehicles is a critical need in the district. Currently, because of the lack of parking facilities, vehicles are parked on city streets, illegally parked on sidewalks outside the precinct making it unsafe for pedestrians. The agency must acquire the necessary space to remedy this situation	71st Precinct 421 Empire Boulevard
11/22	NYPD	Provide surveillance cameras	Additional surveillance cameras in Community District 9 will help to deter criminal activities, thus lower crime in the community.	Community Wide
18/22	FDNY	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	Provide additional vehicles in order for Community Affairs to expand outreach efforts.	Community Wide



## Public Safety and Emergency Services

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Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
10/30	NYPD	Provide resources to train officers, e.g. in community policing	Community Board 9 would like to see the expansion of Community Policing with the necessary training provided to police officers as they seek to carry out their duties.	Community Wide
12/30	NYPD	Assign additional uniformed officers	The residents of Community District 9 would like to see more uniformed officers patrolling the district's streets. We would like to see the enhancement of community policing in the district, hopefully leading to better relations between the officers and the general public	Community Wide
17/30	NYPD	Other NYPD programs requests	Additional funding is needed for the Auxiliary Program in order to successfully run this program: CB 9 advocates for funds for purchase of new bicycles; the purchase of new bullet resistant vests; purchase of additional vehicles; expandable batons for auxiliaries; and for purchase of Recruitment Materials and Banners.	Community Wide
18/30	FDNY	Provide more firefighters or EMS workers	Increase the number of Fire Marshalls in order to decrease the amount of time it takes to complete fire investigations. Increase FDNY uniformed personnel and Community Affairs staffing workforce to adequately service each community throughout the City of New York.	Community Wide
19/30	FDNY	Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives	The district has seen multiple fires which has not only destroyed property but lives over the past several years. Fire Safety and fire prevention education and outreach is critically important in making people aware how they can prevent fires and protect their families and property. Increase funding for the Get Alarmed NYC program to expand the program.	Community Wide
23/30	NYPD	Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles	The 71st Precinct Community Council is in need of a passenger van to transport senior citizens to the precinct's council meetings.	71st Precinct 421 Empire Boulevard
26/30	NYPD	Assign additional traffic enforcement officers	Additional traffic enforcement officers are needed in order to adequately address traffic violations, so that our streets can be safer.	Community Wide
27/30	FDNY	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	There should be regular inspections of fire hydrants throughout the City to ensure that water pressure adequately meets FDNY's needs during fires.	Community Wide
28/30	NYPD	Increase resources for youth crime prevention programs	Enhancing and expanding the Explorers Program, the PAL, as well as other youth crime prevention programs would greatly bolster efforts to prevent/reduce youth crime in the community.	Community Wide



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## Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
29/30	NYPD	Assign additional crossing guards	There are not enough crossing guards to be assigned to the schools in the district. For years and years, there have been shortages of school crossing guards. This is such a critical job! Surely the agency must have a very good idea why this shortage persists year after year. As such actions must be taken to correct the problems associated with filling and keeping school crossing guards. Our children's very lives depend on them.	Community Wide



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

##### *Cleanliness/trash collection*

It's essential that DSNY increase litter basket pick ups on all the main avenues in Community District 9. There are museums, tourists attractions, parades, marathons, and religious pilgrimages in Crown Heights, which draws hundreds of thousands of visitors yearly. A recent review by CB9's Environmental Protection Committee of Kingston Avenue, from Union to Montgomery Streets, documented large amounts of trash in the streets caused by container overflow. The same situation exists along Nostrand Avenue, from Eastern Parkway to Clarkson Avenue, and on Flatbush Avenue, from Empire Boulevard to Parkside Avenue. Additional personnel, trucks and litter baskets are needed; in addition to more frequent pick ups.

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

The population in Community District 9 is increasing due to the conversions of one and two-family homes into new 10 plus units apartment dwellings. The sewer system is therefore being overtaxed due to increased waste and water volumes.

#### Community District Needs Related to Sanitation Services

Sanitation enforcement needs to be more proactive in the issuance of violations when motorists do not adhere to the Alternate Side Parking rules and prevent the mechanical brooms from properly cleaning the streets. Mechanical brooms should also be properly filled with water to prevent leaves and dirt from blowing back onto sidewalks.

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/22	DSNY	Provide new or upgrade existing sanitation garages or other sanitation infrastructure	There are major problems with Community District 9's existing sanitation garage. Not only is it in an unsuitable location at 356 Winthrop Street (close proximity to Kings County Hospital, SUNY Downstate Medical Center; SUNY Dialysis Center; SUNY Biotech Facility) but it is also too small. The results being the parking of garbage filled sanitation trucks on the district's streets in close proximity to residences, as well as imposing unsafe conditions for pedestrians. This district has endured these problems for many years. We would like to see the allocation of funding to renovate and expand this facility to provide a much needed state of art facility to address the district's needs and eliminate the existing conditions which impact negatively on the community.	Bk09 Sanitation Garage 356 Winthrop Street





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

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6/30	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	Additional basket trucks are needed to address the constant overflow of litter baskets in the district	Community Wide
7/30	DSNY	Provide more on-street trash cans and recycling containers	Numerous schools and busy commercial strips in the district see more pedestrian traffic. Adding more on-street trash cans and recycling containers will help to improve littering and also to reduce overflowing on-street trash cans.	Community Wide
8/30	DSNY	Increase enforcement of alternate street parking cleaning rules	Provide additional Sanitation enforcement personnel to increase the issuance of violations when motorists do not adhere to the Alternate Side Parking rules and prevent the mechanical brooms from properly cleaning the streets.	Community Wide
9/30	DSNY	Other enforcement requests	Community Board 9 would like to see the enforcement of all of the DSNY Codes. Enforcement in the areas of ASP regulations; illegal dumping, dirty sidewalks, failure to recycle, failing to pick up after your dog, illegal posting. All of these violations impact negatively upon the cleanliness of the district. We would like the agency to provide the funding necessary to provide more effective enforcement of the	Community Wide

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

### Housing, Economic Development and Land Use



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

##### *Zoning review and enforcement*

Many residential blocks in Community District 9 lack proper zoning. As a result, the current zoning allows for one and two-family homes to be demolished and replaced with large market rate apartment dwellings that are not only changing the character of many of these affected residential blocks, but is leading to rapid development and tenant displacement.

#### Community District Needs Related to Housing Needs and Programming

There is a great need for the preservation of the existing rent stabilized units within Community District 9 and the creation of affordable housing for low and moderate-income families and the senior population.

#### Community District Needs Related to Economic Development

Community Board 9 has four major commercial strips: Utica Avenue, Kingston Avenue, Nostrand Avenue and Flatbush Avenue. The revitalization of these strips to transform them into more attractive places for customers and attract viable businesses will help create jobs and economic growth.

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

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7/22	HPD	Provide more housing for extremely low and low income households	There is a critical need for housing for low and moderate income individuals and families. In addition, there is also a critical need for senior citizen housing. There is presently city owned property on the grounds of Kingsboro Psychiatric Center that can be used for the provision of new homes for this segment of our population. The site is currently unused and begging for development. Community Board 9 would much prefer that this property be used to address the desperate need for housing that is truly affordable to our constituents.	Kingsboro Psychiatric Center 681 Clarkson Avenue
12/22	HPD	Provide more housing for special needs households, such as seniors, or the formerly homeless	There is a critical need for senior citizens housing as this populations is generally excluded from the affordable housing lotteries being offered due to very low fixed income.	Community Wide

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25/30	NYCHA	Improve public housing maintenance and cleanliness	The agency has a responsibility to repair and renovate the thousands of apartments that are in absolutely disgusting and deplorable conditions under which families with children and senior citizens currently live. This is unacceptable. Adequate funding must be provided to address and correct these deplorable conditions.	William Reid Apartments 718 East New York Avenue
30/30	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	There is a need for truly affordable housing in the overall area of community board 9. The area has experience rapid gentrification and as a result many long time residents have been displaced. Beyond the minimal MIH set asides and insufficient affordability calculations, we require affordability for a variety of income brackets and household sizes. Generally, a household should not be spending more than 25-30% of their income on housing, we need affordability that meets that standard for all income brackets.	Community Wide



## Transportation

### Main Issue Related to Transportation

#### *Traffic congestion*

The elimination of traffic lanes, the 7AM to 7PM Buses Only lanes, and changes in traffic patterns have resulted in severe traffic congestion throughout Community District 9 as motor vehicles usage has not decreased but appears to increase due to population growth in the district. Double parking on the thoroughfares is also a contributing factor.

### **Capital Requests Related to Transportation**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
14/22	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	The streets of the city continue to be dangerous for pedestrians and motorists alike. Community Board 9 feels that the installation of traffic enforcement cameras will help to reduce the incidences of drivers running red lights, not stopping for a stopped school bus, not giving pedestrians the right of way in crosswalks, and numerous other violations. Being aware that a camera is recording the violation will, we think, force drivers to comply.	Community Wide
17/22	NYCTA	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	The subway stations in Community District 9 are in need of repair and upgrade to correct leaks, and make stairs and platforms safe, as well as improve lighting, replace missing wall tiles, etc.	Community Wide
20/22	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	As pedestrians, cyclists and motorists jostle for use of our neighborhood streets, the streets have become more unsafe. Additional traffic safety measures can be taken to allow for the safe use of the street by all. Community Board 9 has requested that the Department of Transportation do a traffic calming study of the district but, to date, DOT has not agreed to begin one. In the meantime the installation of speed humps on random streets has not really given us a sense of "calmed traffic".	Community Wide
21/22	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	Many streets in Community District 9 are in need of resurfacing resulting from damage caused by winter salting and general wear and tear. Community District 9 would like to see an increase in the district's asphalt allocation and the number of streets that are resurfaced.	Community Wide
22/22	DOT	Other traffic improvements requests	Although the speed limit has been reduced to 25 mph, motorists are still speeding throughout the district. Additional traffic enforcement cameras are necessary to alleviate this problem.	Community Wide

**Transportation****Expense Requests Related to Transportation**

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## Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

Main Issue Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities*Access to and quality of cultural programming*

We could use more promotion and location resources for cultural events especially since the district's population is very diverse.

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
10/22	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Community District 9 has long been advocating for a community center to provide badly needed recreational space for the youth in the community.	Community Wide
13/22	BPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	The Brooklyn Central Public Library is in need of the following: Abatement; ADA bathrooms; Air delivery System; Art and Music; Building Faade; Building-wide FF&E; Ceiling & Wall Restoration; Dweck Entrance Canopy; Environmental Controls on Decks; Escalator Upgrade; Exterior Exits & Plaza Cheek Walls; Exterior Lighting; Exterior Roof Access Doors Replacement; Exterior Sitework & Landscaping; Glass Block Wall Restoration & Waterproofing; Lighting; Multilingual Center; New flooring finishes throughout; Parapets; Plumbing System; Restore All Wood Finishes; Science & Industry; Skylight Rehab; Social Science; System Upgrade; Window Restoration	Brooklyn Central Library 10 Grand Army Plaza
15/22	BPL	Provide more or better equipment to a library	The Crown Heights Library is in need of the following: Boiler; HVAC & Controls; Roof; Safety & Security Enhancement.	Crown Heights Library 560 New York Avenue
16/22	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Acquire property at Brooklyn Avenue to expand Wingate Park	Wingate Park Brooklyn Avenue & Rutland Road
19/22	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Mount Prospect Park is in need of handicap accessibility to provide amenities and open access to the park by all residents of the community. The steps leading to the park from Eastern Parkway renders the park inaccessible to some residents.	Mount Prospect Park Eastern Parkway





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22/30	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	The ground at the entrance on Sterling Street needs leveling as there is currently a dip that causes a ponding condition when it rains. This is a health hazard as ponding attracts mosquitoes.	Marc and Jason's Playground Sterling St/Empire Blvd/NY Ave

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#### Priority / Continued

Support (CS)	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
1/22	NYPD	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	The 71st Precinct is in need of renovation and upgrading. The roof leaks and needs replacement; new windows; increase service of amps in circuit breaker boxes; locker rooms floors to be redone and benches added; new lockers needed; new stove and fridge in kitchen; break room chairs; new bunk beds for Officers; replace all ceiling tiles; snake all drains in command; upgrade plumbing, heating, electrical and computer related wiring. Work stations in complaint room for victims to write on. Repave parking lot. Expand the garden area in front of the precinct. The garden is a memorial for 71st Precinct officers killed in the line of duty.	71st Precinct 421 Empire Boulevard	Hon. Laurie Cumbo; Hon. Darlene Mealy
2/22	DSNY	Provide new or upgrade existing sanitation garages or other sanitation infrastructure	There are major problems with Community District 9's existing sanitation garage. Not only is it in an unsuitable location at 356 Winthrop Street (close proximity to Kings County Hospital, SUNY Downstate Medical Center; SUNY Dialysis Center; SUNY Biotech Facility) but it is also too small. The results being the parking of garbage filled sanitation trucks on the district's streets in close proximity to residences, as well as imposing unsafe conditions for pedestrians. This district has endured these problems for many years. We would like to see the allocation of funding to renovate and expand this facility to provide a much needed state of art facility to address the district's needs and eliminate the existing conditions which impact negatively on the community.	Bk09 Sanitation Garage 356 Winthrop Street	Hon. Mathieu Eugene; Hon. Darlene Mealy; Hon. Laurie Cumbo

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3/22	SCA	Provide a new or expand an existing elementary school	Public School 161 is a school without a gymnasium and has an auditorium that is in need of renovation. The school needs additional bathroom stalls to meet the needs of the large student body. The entire school needs rewiring to not only be up to code, but to also enable the use of state of the art computer technology; as well as heating and air conditioning.	PS 161 - The Crown 330 Crown Street	Hon. Laurie Cumbo; PS 161 Parent Teachers Association
4/22	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a middle or intermediate school	MS 61 is in dire need of renovation. The auditorium needs air conditioning and new seats. Electrical wiring upgrade is needed throughout the school. The water fountains need replacement/upgrading.	M.S. 61 400 Empire Boulevard	Council Member Laurie Cumbo; Council Member Mathieu Eugene
5/22	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	Medgar Evers Prep School is in dire need of a gymnasium and an auditorium. This is a high school, and Physical Education is a requirement for graduation. The students are being denied the opportunity to participate in a proper physical education class. To fulfill these requirements, the students often do jumping jacks in the hallways and the basement; that is not acceptable.	Medgar Evers Preparatory School 1186 Carroll Street	Hon. Laurie Cumbo; Hon. Mathieu Eugene
6/22	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	The Christopher Blenman Senior Center is in need of upgrade and renovation to provide a more comfortable environment for the seniors and staff members. Handicap accessibility lift is in dire need of repair or replacement. Paint is peeling off walls.	Christopher Blenman Senior Ctr. 720 East New York Avenue	Hon. Darlene Mealy

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8/22	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	Shalom Senior Center is in need of approximately 2000 sq. ft. of new floor covering to replace worn out one.	Shalom Senior Center 483 Albany Avenue	Council Member Darlene Mealy
9/22	NYPD	Add NYPD parking facilities	Without question, the acquisition of space for garaging police vehicles is a critical need in the district. Currently, because of the lack of parking facilities, vehicles are parked on city streets, illegally parked on sidewalks outside the precinct making it unsafe for pedestrians. The agency must acquire the necessary space to remedy this situation	71st Precinct 421 Empire Boulevard	Hon. Laurie Cumbo; Hon. Mathieu Eugene, Hon. Darlene Mealy
10/22	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Community District 9 has long been advocating for a community center to provide badly needed recreational space for the youth in the community.	Community Wide	Hon Mathieu Eugene; Hon. Darlene Mealy; Hon. Laurie Cumbo
11/22	NYPD	Provide surveillance cameras	Additional surveillance cameras in Community District 9 will help to deter criminal activities, thus lower crime in the community.	Community Wide	
12/22	HPD	Provide more housing for special needs households, such as seniors, or the formerly homeless	There is a critical need for senior citizens housing as this populations is generally excluded from the affordable housing lotteries being offered due to very low fixed income.	Community Wide	

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15/22	BPL	Provide more or better equipment to a library	The Crown Heights Library is in need of the following: Boiler; HVAC & Controls; Roof; Safety & Security Enhancement.	Crown Heights Library 560 New York Avenue	Council Member Mathieu Eugene; Council Member Darlene Mealy
16/22	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Acquire property at Brooklyn Avenue to expand Wingate Park	Wingate Park Brooklyn Avenue & Rutland Road	Hon. Mathieu Eugene; Hon. Darlene Mealy; Hon. Laurie Cumbo

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17/22	NYCTA	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	The subway stations in Community District 9 are in need of repair and upgrade to correct leaks, and make stairs and platforms safe, as well as improve lighting, replace missing wall tiles, etc.	Community Wide	Hon. Mathieu Eugene, Hon. Laurie Cumbo; Hon. Darlene Mealy
18/22	FDNY	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	Provide additional vehicles in order for Community Affairs to expand outreach efforts.	Community Wide	
19/22	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Mount Prospect Park is in need of handicap accessibility to provide amenities and open access to the park by all residents of the community. The steps leading to the park from Eastern Parkway renders the park inaccessible to some residents.	Mount Prospect Park Eastern Parkway	Council Member Laurie Cumbo
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1/30	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for elementary school students (grades K-5)	P. S. 161 in CD 9 is in need of after school program such as Beacon.	PS 161 - The Crown 330 Crown Street	Council Member Laurie Cumbo; Council Member Mathieu Eugene
2/30	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)	PS 221 - Toussaint L-Ouverture is in need of an after school program such as Beacon Program.	Community Wide	Council Member Darlene Mealy; Council Member Mathieu Eugene
3/30	DOHMH	Reduce rat populations	There is increased building and construction work going on in the district which has helped to disturb the rat population. Rats can be seen in the street and in the subways.	Community Wide	Hon. Mathieu Eugene; Hon. Darlene Mealy; Hon. Laurie Cumbo
4/30	DOE	Assign more teaching staff	An adequate number of teaching staff is a must! Not only to provide instruction, but consideration must be given to teachers who are often times overwhelmed by the huge number of students in their class. In addition, smaller classrooms mean that children will be provided with an atmosphere that is conducive to learning with teachers who are able to focus on them and can more efficiently manage their classrooms.	Community Wide	
5/30	DOE	Assign more non-teaching staff, e.g., to provide social, health and other services	Providing all the resources for a well-balanced education is important. The need is not only there for academic instruction, but the support services of health (a nurse on the premises), guidance counselors, mediation counselors, etc., are also paramount.	Community Wide	
6/30	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	Additional basket trucks are needed to address the constant overflow of litter baskets in the district	Community Wide	Hon. Darlene Mealy, Hon. Mathieu Eugene; Hon. Laurie Cumbo

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10/30	NYPD	Provide resources to train officers, e.g. in community policing	Community Board 9 would like to see the expansion of Community Policing with the necessary training provided to police officers as they seek to carry out their duties.	Community Wide	Hon. Laurie Cumbo; Hon. Darlene Mealy
11/30	DOHMH	Create or promote programs for education and awareness on nutrition, physical activity, etc.	Diabetes, hypertension/highblood pressure, heart disease, high cholesterol and obesity are problems facing our population - expanded education and awareness programs will assist in the fight to combat these illnesses with proper nutrition and exercise.	Community Wide	Hon. Mathieu Eugene; Hon. Darlene Mealy, Hon. Laurie Cumbo
12/30	NYPD	Assign additional uniformed officers	The residents of Community District 9 would like to see more uniformed officers patrolling the district's streets. We would like to see the enhancement of community policing in the district, hopefully leading to better relations between the officers and the general public	Community Wide	

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14/30	DFTA	Increase home delivered meals capacity	Community District 9's senior population is growing but their income is fixed, which creates an increase need for home delivered meals.	Community Wide	Hon. Laurie Cumbo; Hon. Mathieu Eugene and Hon. Darlene Mealy
15/30	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	The four senior centers in CD 9 are in need of 100 padded banquet chairs with armrest; five 4-section steam table; one tabletop copy machine; and 1 commercial 2-door double stacked side-by-side freezer; in order to better service the seniors.	Community Wide	Council Member Darlene Mealy
16/30	DFTA	Enhance educational and recreational programs	The four senior citizens center in CD 9 are in need of laptop computers with software and cases for their seniors' educational program. A passenger van to transport seniors to/from center and to recreational outings. A fold-up Ping-Pong table and exercise activity equipment for the seniors' recreational activities.	Community Wide	
17/30	NYPD	Other NYPD programs requests	Additional funding is needed for the Auxiliary Program in order to successfully run this program: CB 9 advocates for funds for purchase of new bicycles; the purchase of new bullet resistant vests; purchase of additional vehicles; expandable batons for auxiliaries; and for purchase of Recruitment Materials and Banners.	Community Wide	

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18/30	FDNY	Provide more firefighters or EMS workers	Increase the number of Fire Marshalls in order to decrease the amount of time it takes to complete fire investigations. Increase FDNY uniformed personnel and Community Affairs staffing workforce to adequately service each community throughout the City of New York.	Community Wide	
19/30	FDNY	Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives	The district has seen multiple fires which has not only destroyed property but lives over the past several years. Fire Safety and fire prevention education and outreach is critically important in making people aware how they can prevent fires and protect their families and property. Increase funding for the Get Alarmed NYC program to expand the program.	Community Wide	Hon. Mathieu Eugene; Hon. Darlene Mealy; Hon. Laurie Cumbo
20/30	OMB	Provide more community board staff	Increase funding to Community Boards to hire additional staff; particularly, a city planner to address the district's zoning, land use and overall planning needs. This is something that would be beneficial to all community boards.	Community Wide	Hon Mathieu Eugene, Hon. Laurie Cumbo; Hon. Darlene Mealy
21/30	NYCTA	Improve subway station or train cleanliness, safety and maintenance	Increasing the frequency of cleaning the subway tracks and stations should help with the current littering problem on the tracks and stations, as well as the infestation of rodents.	Community Wide	Hon. Mathieu Eugene; Hon. Darlene Mealy; Hon. Laurie Cumbo
22/30	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	The ground at the entrance on Sterling Street needs leveling as there is currently a dip that causes a ponding condition when it rains. This is a health hazard as ponding attracts mosquitoes.	Marc and Jason's Playground Sterling St/Empire Blvd/NY Ave	Council Member Mathieu Eugene; Council Member Laurie Cumbo
23/30	NYPD	Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles	The 71st Precinct Community Council is in need of a passenger van to transport senior citizens to the precinct's council meetings.	71st Precinct 421 Empire Boulevard	Council Member Laurie Cumbo; Council Member Mathieu Eugene

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Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
24/30	DHS	Improve safety at homeless shelters	This homeless shelter is in Community District 9 on the border with Community District 17. It is the source of numerous complaints from residents and homeowners, especially in CD 17, regarding homeless men, including sex offenders, who wander onto private property, congregate on corners, litter, urinate, and generally impact negatively on the environment. The clients at this shelter need to be provided with alternatives to this behavior, including job training, substance abuse counseling, etc., to avoid these problems being experienced by the community.	Kingsboro Men's Shelter 681 Clarkson Avenue	Hon. Darlene Mealy
25/30	NYCHA	Improve public housing maintenance and cleanliness	The agency has a responsibility to repair and renovate the thousands of apartments that are in absolutely disgusting and deplorable conditions under which families with children and senior citizens currently live. This is unacceptable. Adequate funding must be provided to address and correct these deplorable conditions.	William Reid Apartments 718 East New York Avenue	Hon. Mathieu Eugene, Hon. Darlene Mealy; Hon. Laurie Cumbo
26/30	NYPD	Assign additional traffic enforcement officers	Additional traffic enforcement officers are needed in order to adequately address traffic violations, so that our streets can be safer.	Community Wide	
27/30	FDNY	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	There should be regular inspections of fire hydrants throughout the City to ensure that water pressure adequately meets FDNY's needs during fires.	Community Wide	
28/30	NYPD	Increase resources for youth crime prevention programs	Enhancing and expanding the Explorers Program, the PAL, as well as other youth crime prevention programs would greatly bolster efforts to prevent/reduce youth crime in the community.	Community Wide	Hon. Mathieu Eugene; Hon. Laurie Cumbo
29/30	NYPD	Assign additional crossing guards	There are not enough crossing guards to be assigned to the schools in the district. For years and years, there have been shortages of school crossing guards. This is such a critical job! Surely the agency must have a very good idea why this shortage persists year after year. As such actions must be taken to correct the problems associated with filling and keeping school crossing guards. Our children's very lives depend on them.	Community Wide	Hon. Mathieu Eugene; Hon. Darlene Mealy

## 6. Summary of Prioritized Budget Requests

### Brooklyn Community Board 9 Expense Requests

Brooklyn Community Board 9 submitted 30 expense budget requests, organized by priority.

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
30/30	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	There is a need for truly affordable housing in the overall area of community board 9. The area has experience rapid gentrification and as a result many long time residents have been displaced. Beyond the minimal MIH set asides and insufficient affordability calculations, we require affordability for a variety of income brackets and household sizes. Generally, a household should not be spending more than 25-30% of their income on housing, we need affordability that meets that standard for all income brackets.	Community Wide	

## Appendix - Supporting Materials

The Community Board has provided the following supporting materials which can be accessed by clicking on the link(s) below or by copying and pasting the link(s) into a browser.

### Health Care and Human Services



Kings County Stats

<https://a002-oom03.nyc.gov/IRM/Handlers/Campaign/Attachments.ashx?attachmentId=FAF57F78-A539-4E68-AFF5-D7181BD0434F>