

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 the Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the community board, collected through an online form available to community boards from August to November, 2020.

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 FY22 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

Brooklyn Community Board 3

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2. COMMUNITY DISTRICT PROFILE AND LAND USE MAP

For the most up-to-date information about your Community District's built environment, socioeconomic, and demographic conditions, please visit NYC Department of City Planning's Community District Profiles tool at communityprofiles.planning.nyc.gov.

Brooklyn Community District 3 - Land Use

- One & Two Family Buildings

MultiFamily Walkup Buildings

MultiFamily Elevator Buildings

Mixed Commercial/Residential Buildings

Commercial/Office Buildings

Industrial/Manufacturing

Transportation/Utility

Public Facilities & Institutions

Open Space

Parking Facilities

Vacant Land

All Others or No Data
- Community Districts

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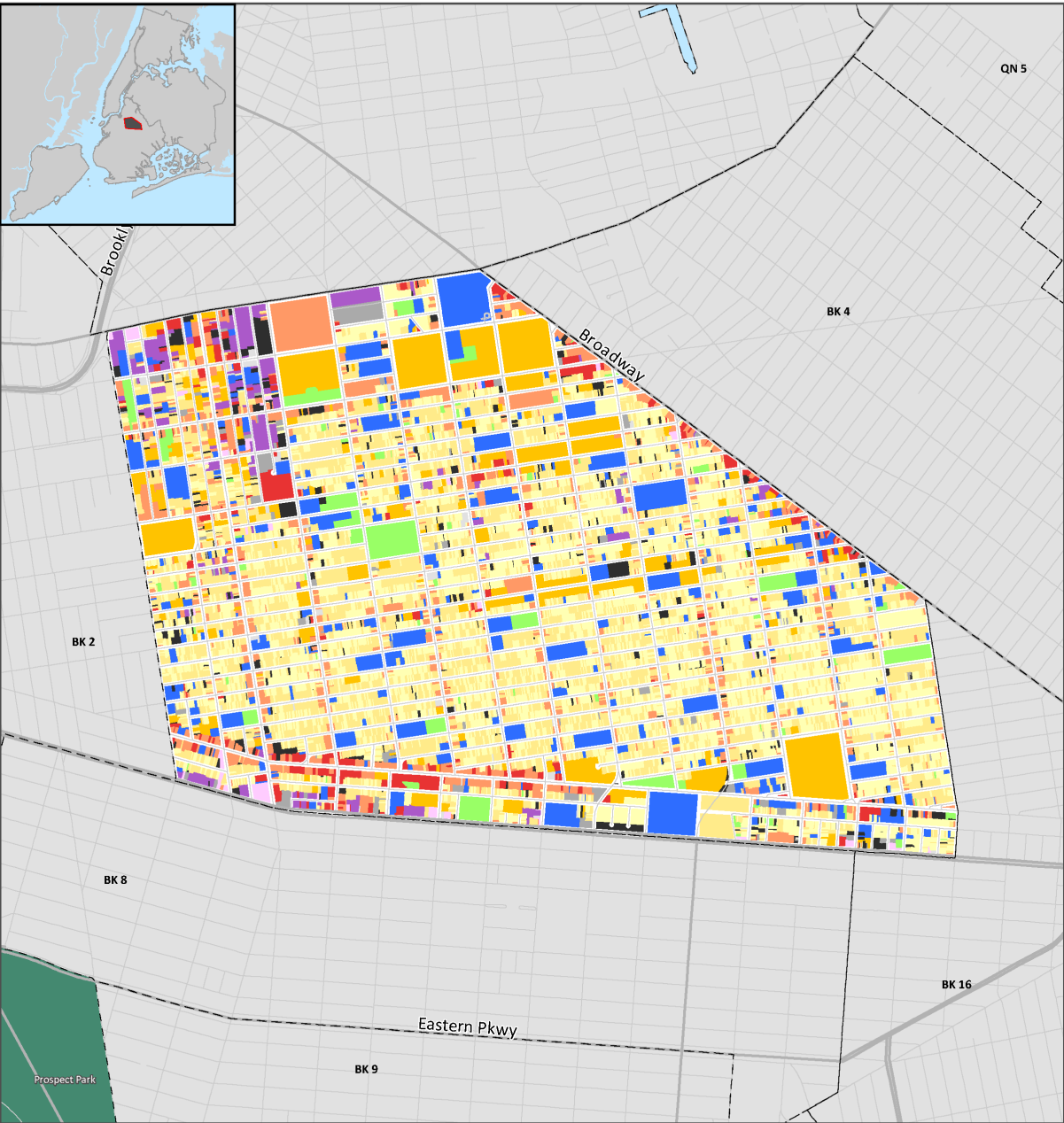
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3. OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT

Brooklyn's Community Board 3 is home to the neighborhood of Bedford-Stuyvesant. The community district is located in the northern section of central Brooklyn and bounded by Flushing Avenue and Broadway on the north, Saratoga Avenue on the east, Atlantic Avenue on the south, and Classon Avenue on the west. It borders community boards 1, 2, 4, 8, and 16.

A recent piece published by *TimeOut* magazine entitled "The 40 Coolest Neighborhoods in the World" ranked Bedford-Stuyvesant fourth. The neighborhood was noted for being "cloaked in history, with leafy residential streets that pulse with a sense of community and tradition: lively conversations between neighbors on stoops, blocks that feel like extended families and rows of ancient Victorian brownstones. However, this year, the area became New York's greatest incubator of the future."

Today's Bedford-Stuyvesant is an outgrowth the free Black community of Weeksville established three decades before the end of the Civil War. The Bedford and Stuyvesant Heights sections were developed with a large number of row houses for families in the second half of the nineteenth century. By the 1930s, the combined neighborhood known as Bedford-Stuyvesant had become the city's second largest Black community. During the mid-century, as white immigrant families left central Brooklyn for eastern Queens and Long Island, many Blacks migrating from the American South and others emigrating from the Caribbean found community in the neighborhood. Despite redlining, disinvestment, poverty, and other types of discrimination faced by residents, Bedford-Stuyvesant quickly became a center for Black business, cultural expression and production, homeownership, innovation, activism, and political power.

According to the most recent State of the City report published by NYU's Furman Center, by 2000 Bedford-Stuyvesant had a population just over 121,000 residents, three-quarters of whom were Black. In 2018, the neighborhood's population had grown by 28% to 155,177 but the Black share of the population had fallen to 46%. The decline represents a net loss of 20,000 Black residents while the population as a whole had grown by more than 34,000.

The demographic shift is the result of dramatic gentrification. A 2018 report by the New York State Comptroller found that:

"Most of the growth has been driven by an influx of new residents, which has changed the neighborhood's composition.

"New residents are attracted to the neighborhood's brownstones, relatively low housing costs and close proximity to Manhattan. With a sharp decrease in crime and an increase in restaurants, cafés, bars, retail shops and live entertainment, Bedford-Stuyvesant is becoming a popular place to live and work.

"Many of the new residents are immigrants, white, or young, and are likely to have higher incomes than long-term residents. Their arrival has put pressure on housing costs, making it increasingly less affordable for long-term residents, especially seniors, to remain in the neighborhood."

The neighborhood's demographic shift has placed in sharp contrast the challenges we face in Bedford-Stuyvesant.

The Comptroller's report also revealed stark, and widening, disparities in median household income between new and long-term residents, with new residents' median household income (roughly \$60,000) nearly double that of their neighbors. Given the community's shifting demographics this disparity is racialized and contributes to neighborhood tensions. If this trend goes unaddressed, racialized income stratification will become even more entrenched in Bedford-Stuyvesant.

Three-quarters of residents are renters and over 55% of them are considered rent burdened, devoting more than 30% of their income to rent. About one-third of households dedicate more than half of their incomes to rent. With more than 20,000 NYCHA residents – almost exclusively Black and Latino – across its 15 developments and 8,240 units, Bedford-Stuyvesant has more NYCHA residents than any other community district in Brooklyn.

NYC Health Department reports that residents of Bedford-Stuyvesant suffer from chronic health problems at rate significantly above the city's average. The neighborhood ranks in top ten for rates of smoking, diabetes, new HIV diagnoses, obesity, stroke, mental health, alcohol hospitalizations and adult hospitalizations for asthma.

Impacts of COVID-19

The impact of the pandemic on Bedford-Stuyvesant has been deep and persistent but the resilience of neighbors has allowed for the community to find its resilience. The community was hard hit with infection and many residents succumbed to the virus.

Testing, Safety, and Treatment: The testing capacity has increased dramatically but still can improve. Bedford-Stuyvesant would benefit from more testing locations in the neighborhood including mobile test sites as well as guidance on when to be tested and how often. Access to PPE is abundant but as social distancing guidance (floor markings, plexiglass, etc.) has largely subsided. Residents are also skeptical of treatment options and many are fearful of vaccine prospects. The city must engage with trusted messengers on a massive community education effort when a safe vaccine is available for the public.

Food access and other services: Early on in the pandemic there was a surge of emergency food programs and other services which helped support residents' immediate needs. As the city slowly recovers the need for food programs persists because many more residents are sliding into food insecurity.

The stressors of the pandemic magnify the problems faced by vulnerable residents. Budget-related halting or closure of services has reduced access to mental health supports, domestic violence prevention, senior social interaction, activities for disconnected youth, cure violence and violence interruption programs, and other services that seek to strengthen the social infrastructure of our communities. Scaling back these services and programs has negatively impacted individual residents, families, and the community at large.

Jobs: A significant portion of residents are essential workers such as city employees, health care workers, transit workers, and grocery store and pharmacy clerks and staff. Many contracted or were exposed to COVID-19. Other residents were furloughed or laid off and have struggled to access (or have run out of) unemployment benefits pushing them into poverty.

Prior to the pandemic Bedford-Stuyvesant had an unemployment rate higher than city average. As the pandemic continues those residents are at risk of becoming part of a permanent underclass, locked out of economic opportunities and are severely housing insecure.

Open Space: Less than 3% of the land in Bedford-Stuyvesant is open or recreational space, placing it in the bottom 10 citywide and the second lowest in Brooklyn. In a time when social distancing is paramount the lack of open space has been a unique challenge in Bedford-Stuyvesant. Not only is open space vital for exercise, it's important for mental health and it affords residents opportunities to have responsible social gatherings that limit the spread of the virus.

Broadband and Wi-Fi: COVID-19 has centered the neighborhood's poor broadband and Wi-Fi infrastructure. Internet traffic from home has dramatically increased in Bedford-Stuyvesant since the start of the pandemic largely due to work-from-home and remote learning. The existing infrastructure constantly fails or performs such a slow pace that students and workers face enormous challenges when learning or trying to fulfill their duties.

CONCLUSION

Though Bedford-Stuyvesant is acknowledged as a leading incubator for the future without significant investment and programs to address the neighborhood's challenges, many disparities will deepen. They will further marginalize our neighborhood's most vulnerable – poor, Black and Latino, long-term residents, living in public or low-income housing.

Community Board 3 is committed to working with elected officials, government agencies, nonprofits, academia, the business community, civic leaders and groups, and others interested in addressing persistent and emergent issues and building a stronger, more resilient Bedford-Stuyvesant.

4. TOP THREE PRESSING ISSUES OVERALL

Brooklyn Community Board 3

The three most pressing issues facing this Community Board are:

Affordable housing

Stable housing that one can afford is a core social determinant of health. Studies show that affordability impacts housing stability for adults and children and helps them address challenges and pursue goals. Household with affordable rents generally have improved outcomes in employment, health, and education. The most recent data shows that 56.4% of renters in Bedford-Stuyvesant are rent burdened, paying more than 30% of the income toward rent. 27.4% are severely rent burdened allocated at least 50% of their income to rent. Rent burdened tenants are the most housing insecure and at high risk of homelessness if they experience job loss. With the median asking rent in 2018 at \$2,500 per month, housing costs are becoming less affordable for both low- and middle-income residents. Most families would need a minimum annual income of \$100,000 qualify to rent apartments at the median asking rent. The median rent for renters was \$46,600; an affordable rent rate would be \$1,165. Bedford-Stuyvesant needs a variety of affordable housing options, including rents from extremely low income through middle income as well as home-ownership opportunities, that will enable individuals and families to stable lives.

Schools

Schools in Community District 3 traverse three different community school districts 13, 14, and 16, with the large majority in district 16. The community's schools lag in achievement and enrollment - a cycle that is self-fulfilling. Parents and children in our community deserve high-quality neighborhood schools. The challenge facing local schools has come more into view during the COVID-19 pandemic. Dozens of schools are ill-equipped to provide remote learning, many students are falling behind and may never recover, and the devices provided to students have been woefully insufficient. It's critical for deeper investment in our community schools so that our young people are prepared for the STEM and green economy careers of the future.

Trash removal & cleanliness

Bedford-Stuyvesant's population has surged by 28% since 2000. The influx of people has impacted trash removal and street cleanliness. According to the Mayor's SCORECARD street cleanliness declined from 92.1% to 77.2% in the past year and behind the borough (83.8%) and citywide (91.9%) levels. Cuts to the Sanitation Department have significantly impacted neighborhood cleanliness and the cessation of organics recycling, which has never been expanded to Community Board 3, has not equipped residents with tools and practices that help reduce waste.

5. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND BUDGET REQUESTS

HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

Brooklyn Community Board 3

Most Important Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

Services for low-income and vulnerable New Yorkers

The impacts of COVID-19 have been most stark for low-income and vulnerable residents of Bedford-Stuyvesant. Whether it is a lower wage essential worker, families living in shelter, those living in crowded homes, the unemployed and underemployed, and those that with chronic illness, the pandemic has been most destabilizing for them and requires a surge in services (like food programs and other supports) that help them maintain sustenance.

Community District Needs Related to Health Care and Human Services

Needs for Health Care and Facilities

No comments

Needs for Older NYs

No comments

Needs for Homeless

No comments

Needs for Low Income NYs

No comments

Capital Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

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

Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

| Priority | Agency | Request | Explanation | Location |
|----------|--------|--|--|----------|
| 3/22 | DOHMH | Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize substance misuse and encourage treatment | <i>Stressors from the economic collapses and pandemic have intensified the need for substance misuse treatment. Many residents are self-medicating to cope with challenges. They are increasingly using opioids, K2/Spice and other synthetic cannabinoids. Support for efforts to de-stigmatize substance misuse and preventative programming will help mitigate addiction issues.</i> | |
| 5/22 | DOHMH | Animal and pest control requests including reducing rat and mosquito populations | <i>Due to the overwhelming development projects, infrastructure repairs and increased renovation on almost every street in the Bedford-Stuyvesant community - the increasing rat population besieges residents and businesses. This presents safety and health issues for this community.</i> | |
| 11/22 | DOHMH | Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment | <i>The pandemic has distressed all New Yorkers. Many of our most vulnerable residents, particularly senior citizens living alone, face social isolation and struggle with coping with the stresses of this new normal. Partnering with community institutions, like churches, to host social distanced mental health support groups and visiting elderly residents by mental health wellness visits.</i> | |
| 12/22 | DOHMH | Other programs to address public health issues requests | <i>The district requests creation and promotion of nutrition awareness and education on physical activity, etc. specific to CB3's most vulnerable populations (seniors and youth), programs to address public health issues in CB3 (i.e. SHOP Healthy Brooklyn), provide more HIV/AIDS information and outreach, and promotion of smoking cessation and anti-vaping programs.</i> | |

YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

Brooklyn Community Board 3

Most Important Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Youth workforce development and summer youth employment

Workforce opportunities for youth is critically needed in Bedford-Stuyvesant. While SYEP offers young people a chance to earn an income as they explore work and career opportunities, year-round opportunities would strengthen engagement with young people. Studies show that meaningfully engage youth with work increases their civic engagement and introduces them to new fields while decreasing the likelihood a young person to participate in petty crime. Work fosters self-confidence, builds skills, and provides necessary economic support for families.

Community District Needs Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Needs for Youth Education

No comments

Needs for Youth and Child Welfare

No comments

Capital Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

| Priority | Agency | Request | Explanation | Location |
|----------|--------|---|--|--|
| 8/24 | SCA | Provide technology upgrade | <i>Establish state-of-the-art, accessible Technology Labs in each DOE schools in Community Board 3. Each lab should be outfitted with laptops for two full class sets of students, 5G Broadband internet service, and lending library of Mi-Fi devices for families in need.</i> | |
| 22/24 | SCA | Renovate exterior building component | <i>The children's play area at PS 3 is in disrepair and no longer meets the needs of students and community residents. It needs a complete overhaul including adding better lighting and security cameras.</i> | 50 Franklin Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 24/24 | SCA | Renovate exterior building component | <i>The children's play area at MS 35 is in disrepair and no longer meets the needs of students and community residents. It needs a complete overhaul including adding better lighting and security cameras.</i> | 272 Decatur Street, Brooklyn, New York, NY |

Expense Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

| Priority | Agency | Request | Explanation | Location |
|----------|--------|---|---|----------|
| 9/22 | DYCD | Provide, expand, or enhance the Summer Youth Employment Program | <i>Summer is the best time to engage teens and young adults. between the ages of 14-24 years old in employment and career pathways opportunities as well as work readiness skills training. SYEP offers our young people an opportunity to "earn while they learn;" foster self-confidence, builds skills development, and economic support for their families. Request 14,000 SYEP additional SYEP slots in CB3.</i> | |
| 13/22 | DYCD | Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults) | <i>Beacon and Cornerstone programs provide essential services for community residents of all ages. An expansion of Beacon and Cornerstone will go a long way to meeting the neighborhood's needs.</i> | |

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| 19/22 | DYCD | Provide, expand, or enhance the out-of-school youth program for job training and employment services | <i>Bedford-Stuyvesant is experiencing an acute crisis of young adults (ages 18 to 26) who are "disconnected" (out-of-school and out-of-work). These young people are the most at-risk for experiencing homelessness and/or involvement in the criminal justice system. The community board requests deployment of a variety of programs and services designed to "reconnect" these young adults and help them build brighter futures.</i> |
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PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Brooklyn Community Board 3

Most Important Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Police-community relations

Community District 3 works in close partnership with the 79th and 81st precincts, the local precinct councils, and PSA3 to promote more meaningful engagement between police and community. The NYPD's neighborhood policing approach and the introduction of neighborhood coordination officers are critical to building a more collaborative relationship with the community. We support those efforts and look forward to continuing to build bridges of dialogue and collaboration.

Community District Needs Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Needs for Public Safety

No comments

Needs for Emergency Services

No comments

Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

| Priority | Agency | Request | Explanation | Location |
|----------|--------|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| 5/24 | NYPD | Provide surveillance cameras | <i>The area in and around Raymond Bush Playground has been a hot spot for gun violence and other violent activities. Installing closed circuit surveillance cameras would support efforts to curb violence as well as capture those incidents that do occur. Cameras should be installed within a quarter-mile of the playground.</i> | 308 Marcus Garvey Boulevard, Brooklyn, New York, NY |

Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

| Priority | Agency | Request | Explanation | Location |
|----------|--------|---|--|----------|
| 6/22 | NYPD | Increase resources for youth crime prevention programs | <i>In too many instances young people, from pre-teen to age 25, engage in activities that put that at risk for involvement in the criminal justice system. From petty street crime to more serious acts of violence, much of this activity is fueled by conflict between youth gangs and sets that starts on social media. Increasing resources for cure violence, violence interrupters, and other interveners will improve public safety, reduce incidents of violence, and limits involvement in the criminal justice system.</i> | |

CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

Brooklyn Community Board 3

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

Cleanliness/trash collection

Dumping in vacant lots and buildings, parks, in front of shuttered businesses, and at corner litter baskets is a rising problem throughout the community district. The dumping typically occurs late nights or in the early hours of the morning. It contributes to dirty sidewalks and rubbish around the community. The district's low sanitation cleanliness scores confirm the neighborhood's struggles and highlight a need for more enforcement. Without adequate enforcement covering multiple shifts the problem will persist.

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

Needs for Water, Sewers, and Environmental Protection

No comments

Needs for Sanitation Services

No comments

Capital Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

| Priority | Agency | Request | Explanation | Location |
|----------|--------|--|---|------------------------|
| CS | DSNY | Provide new or upgrade existing sanitation garages or other sanitation infrastructure | <i>The City has control of the site identified for the garage. The development of the scope of work for the Community Board # 3 Sanitation Garage was approved as an expense request two years ago and should be completed. To improve the environmental health in Community BD # 3, construction of the Sanitation Garage would be a Capital request. Have a co-terminus sanitation site in CB # 3 will reduce gas emissions by shortening the distance sanitation trucks must travel to service this community board.</i> | Nostrand & Park Avenue |

Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

| Priority | Agency | Request | Explanation | Location |
|----------|--------|---|---|----------|
| 4/22 | DSNY | Increase enforcement of dirty sidewalk/dirty area/failure to clean area laws | <i>We need additional staff to deal with dumping in lots, vacant buildings, parks, dog waste, closed businesses and even at our litter baskets. This happens late at night or in the early hours of the morning. All of this contributes to dirty sidewalks and a dirty looking community. Our low sanitation cleanliness scores confirm that we need more enforcement. Without adequate enforcement covering multiple shifts, this condition cannot be obliterated. Community Board 3 is requesting that funding be made available for more enforcement officers and request that Sanitation re-establish the signage unit to combat the increased violations of dog owners not picking up after their pets.</i> | |
| 15/22 | DSNY | Provide or expand NYC organics collection program | <i>Curbside organics collection was halted for fiscal year 2021 citywide because of budget cuts. Restore the program and finally expand it to community district 3. Organics recycle reduces waste and can significantly reduce the the rat population. Enabling residents to sort their organic waste into impenetrable bins with lids to that rats away. Presently, neighborhood organic waste is left for curbside collection in thin plastic bags, attracting rats and other pests.</i> | |

HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

Brooklyn Community Board 3

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

Affordable housing creation

The development of several parcels of land in the south eastern quadrant of Bedford-Stuyvesant, particularly on Fulton Street and Saratoga Avenue is crucial to the district, and we know that there are ongoing discussions regarding those parcels of land with HPD. The development of this land is an opportunity to create senior and affordable housing for the working people of Bedford Stuyvesant who are having a hard time finding affordable housing to raise their families in. A Community facility, startup incubator & general office space, a full service bank and a FRESH market can also be located within the new development. This development is an opportunity to incorporate sustainable features and practices in a mixed-use development project within Bedford Stuyvesant. We would like the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Economic Development and Rebuilding to direct a study to assess the need and impact of active manufacturing in northern sections of Bedford-Stuyvesant. Clear opportunities for either the attraction of industrial manufacturing and/or the protection of areas for manufacturing should be identified. Additionally the study should include an assessment for the attraction of a green industry cluster appropriate and contextual to the Bedford-Stuyvesant neighborhood.

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

Needs for Land Use

No comments

Needs for Housing

No comments

Needs for Economic Development

Community Board 3 encompasses a vast area with diverse needs. In the past decade, Bedford-Stuyvesant has seen a significant uptick in start-up businesses and businesses moving to the area, yet many are forced to shutter due to high commercial rents. We know that a thriving community is one where small business can grow and be sustained. We need particular attention to small business development along our secondary commercial corridors, which serves portions resident without easy access to Fulton Street. In addition, affordable homeownership remains a major obstacle in Bedford Stuyvesant. Studies show that the homeownership is the hallmark of a stable community. Rising home costs is making homeownership less achievable for many residents each day. Many long-time Bedford Stuyvesant residents find themselves unable to afford or maintain their homes, leaving them susceptible to foreclosure or unethical investors. These efforts disrupt the community's cohesion.

Capital Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

| Priority | Agency | Request | Explanation | Location |
|----------|--------|---|--|---|
| 1/24 | HPD | Provide more housing for medium income households | <i>The Department of Housing Preservation & Development Bedford-Stuyvesant Housing Initiative has identified large plots in the community district for development of affordable housing. We urge the agency to develop the RFP for the lots closest to Utica Avenue and on Myrtle Avenue. These developments will bring more than 300 affordable units on line. The Board strongly supports an RFP, to be awarded no later than FY2022 Q3, that develops affordable rental housing (from deeply affordable through middle income) and that agency prioritize proposals that commit to selecting MWBE contractors (beyond minimum levels) and incentives local hiring.</i> | |
| 2/24 | EDC | Other capital budget request for EDC | <i>The Empire State Development Corporation conducted a feasibility study on the 13th Regiment Armory on Marcus Garvey Blvd to maximize its use by the community. The community board requests that the Economic Development Corporation release an RFP that will fund the Study's recommended overhaul of the Armory.</i> | 357 Marcus Garvey Boulevard, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 9/24 | NYCHA | Increase energy efficiency and environmental performance of NYCHA developments | <i>Reducing the carbon footprint in public housing improves the lives of residents and those that live nearby the development. The agency must prioritize green infrastructure in its developments to sustain them for years to come.</i> | Brevoort Houses Building 1, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 12/24 | NYCHA | Increase energy efficiency and environmental performance of NYCHA developments | <i>Reducing the carbon footprint in public housing improves the lives of residents and those that live nearby the development. The agency must prioritize green infrastructure in its developments to sustain them for years to come.</i> | Classon Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 13/24 | NYCHA | Increase energy efficiency and environmental performance of NYCHA developments | <i>Reducing the carbon footprint in public housing improves the lives of residents and those that live nearby the development. The agency must prioritize green infrastructure in its developments to sustain them for years to come.</i> | Park Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |

Expense Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

| Priority | Agency | Request | Explanation | Location |
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| 1/22 | HPD | Other affordable housing programs requests | <i>Expansion of the agency's NIHOP program.</i> |
| 2/22 | HPD | Provide or enhance rental subsidies programs | <i>A majority of Bedford-Stuyvesant residents are rent burdened. The city should develop rent subsidy programs that will provide relief to renters across a wide range of incomes.</i> |
| 7/22 | HPD | Other expense budget request for HPD | <i>In recent years there's been an increase of deed and property fraud incidents in Bedford Stuyvesant. Many residents are being tricked into signing over their long-held homes and properties to unscrupulous dealers/agents. We requesting that the King County District Attorney Office work to continue to improve enforcement and strengthen outreach and awareness to owners and residents.</i> |
| 8/22 | EDC | Invest in tax incentive programs to help neighborhood businesses construct or improve space | <i>Active commercial corridors are an important element of a thriving community. Expansion and continued support of tax incentive programs that enable neighborhood businesses to improve their place of business including facade restoration, attributes that improve customer access, and that allow for social distance and comply with COVID-19 protocols (i.e. floor markings and plexiglass).</i> |
| 10/22 | SBS | Provide or expand occupational skills training programs | <i>Provide paid job training programs in core skill areas for young adults and returning citizens to create pipelines to stable job and career opportunities. A program that partners with local leaders, officials, business, and nonprofits to place trainees for paid internships would be ideal.</i> |
| 14/22 | SBS | Increase certification support for minority-, women-owned, local and emerging businesses | <i>Opening a satellite office in CB3 would support the promotion and certification of MWBE in Bedford-Stuyvesant and the greater Central Brooklyn area.</i> |

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| 18/22 | SBS | Support local, long-standing businesses | <i>A vibrant business community is an essential part of a strong, resilient neighborhood. Many long-standing businesses need to enhance technical skills in areas of social media marketing, modernize their point of sales systems, improve customer data security systems, and learn best practices to leverage technology for marketing, business administration and development so that they can remain local institutions. An SBS program to support long-standing businesses to upgrade their online presence, digital security, and business practices is vital in this new environment.</i> |
| 20/22 | EDC | Invest in financial incentives for job creation and retention | <i>Expand local job growth with public and private companies.</i> |

TRANSPORTATION

Brooklyn Community Board 3

Most Important Issue Related to Transportation and Mobility

Subway service and quality (frequency, access, crowding, etc.)

The subway lines that run in and through Community District 3 are major arteries (A, C, G, J, M, Z) and connect to other popular neighbors in the city. Subject crowding, particularly during the morning commute borders, on dangerous. Deteriorating service has negatively contributing service quality and dramatically increased crowding. An investment in crowding easing, including improving spacing between trains, will go a long way to improving quality.

Community District Needs Related to Transportation and Mobility

Needs for Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

No comments

Needs for Transit Services

No comments

Capital Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

| Priority | Agency | Request | Explanation | Location |
|----------|--------|---|---|---|
| 7/24 | DOT | Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.) | <i>The Broadway corridor is in dire need of repair. Despite a recent surface repavement it remains a roller coaster.</i> | Broadway Flushing Avenue Flushing Avenue |
| CS | DOT | Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.) | <i>There is a deep depression practically the full length of this block in the middle of the street. You literally have to drive on the side and hope you don't hit a parked car on your left or right, depending on which side you choose to drive on.</i> | Hancock Street Tompkins Avenue Tompkins Avenue |
| CS | DOT | Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.) | <i>In the middle of the block and near Stuyvesant Avenue there is a deep depression. It's so bad that the speed hump has actually sunk in.</i> | Macdonough Street Malcolm X Boulevard Malcolm X Boulevard |
| CS | DOT | Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.) | <i>Street has become a roller coaster with deep depression in the middle of the street running three quarters of the length of the block.</i> | Jefferson Avenue Stuyvesant Avenue Stuyvesant Avenue |

Expense Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

| Priority | Agency | Request | Explanation | Location |
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| 16/22 | DOT | Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming | <i>The Broadway corridor is in dire need of reconfiguration of traffic lights, pedestrian lighting and walkways - to support the Mayor's Vision Zero Initiatives on each intersection from Flushing to Saratoga Avenues.</i> | Broadway Flushing Avenue Saratoga Avenue |
| 17/22 | DOT | Other traffic improvement requests | <i>Intersection has a high rate of pedestrian and motorist injuries. High rate of pedestrian traffic due to Ralph Avenue C train stop, public school nearby and a NYCHA development at the corner. Crosswalk extensions, street markings, signal changes, and other safety improvements are requested to move vehicles safely, prevent injuries and improve quality of life in our commercial districts.</i> | Fulton Street Ralph Avenue |

PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Brooklyn Community Board 3

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

Quality of parks and park facilities

As a community we continue to advocate for the better parks and playgrounds. Parks have always assisted our community in child development, community engagement through family events, physical activities, and a resource for our educators and their students. There are several assets in our district that require capital funding: • Improvements of Charlie's Place ball field and hand ball court, • Improvements of comfort stations at Saratoga Park and Taffee playground, • Renovation of kitchen at Von King Culture Center, • Renovation of Kosciusko Pool into a year round facility, for which a feasibility study has been completed, and • A feasibility study on St. Andrew Park/Playground.

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

Needs for Parks

No comments

Needs for Cultural Services

No comments

Needs for Library Services

No comments

Needs for Community Boards

No comments

Capital Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

| Priority | Agency | Request | Explanation | Location |
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| 3/24 | DPR | Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field) | <i>St. Andrews Park, even in its current condition remains a pivotal recreation destination in the Bedford Stuyvesant community where it resides and for several organizations throughout the borough that also use it. It has the potential to be a jewel of a park. Our funding requests are as follows: completely reconstruct playground and spray shower; convert asphalt field to a more modern asphalt surface including Mondo perimeter track and fencing; reconstruct basketball/handball courts, adults fitness area, fencing and repair drainage; add bleachers near ballfield, and reconstruct comfort station and perimeter sidewalks.</i> | Atlantic Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 6/24 | DPR | Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field) | <i>Jackie Robinson Park is unsafe and outdated; new play equipment is needed. That playground is attached to an elementary school and surrounded by several public housing units.</i> | Chauncey Street, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 10/24 | DPR | Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park | <i>Von King Recreation Center would be transformed into a state-of-the-art center with an upgrade that includes a kitchen and pottery kiln. These additions would establish the space as a training facility for culinary studies and pottery.</i> | 670 Lafayette Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 14/24 | DPR | Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field) | <i>El-Shabazz Playground is another park in the district with high usage by families. This park needs new and updated equipment. The current equipment there is old and dangerous.</i> | Macon Street, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 15/24 | DPR | Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park | <i>It has been years since the comfort station at Saratoga Park has been upgraded. With the increase in population of the community which has led to an increase of usage of the park, we need for this facility to be renovated.</i> | Halsey Street, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 16/24 | DPR | Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field) | <i>It has been many years since Potomac Playground has been renovated. The need for play and green space has increased as the area's population grows due to the influx of families with small children. There are several developments that include apartment buildings within one to two blocks of the playground.</i> | 446 Tompkins Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |

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| 17/24 | DPR | Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field) | <i>The request to convert Hancock Playground to a green park space to include updated, resident friendly fences and hedges which would create a more inviting environment; upgrade and expand the existing children's play equipment/sprinkler area; add perimeter race track and sitting areas.</i> | Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 18/24 | BPL | Provide more or better equipment to a library | <i>Our library branches can better serve the needs of low-vision and visually impaired patrons by providing assistive technology devices such as magnifiers, scanners, lighting and software. These tools, like SARA CE and Clearview C, create greater accessibility and make available a broad swath of materials that are not available in Braille. We are requesting multiple devices are the Bedford, Marcy, and Macon branches.</i> | |
| 19/24 | BPL | Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library | <i>The Marcy Library has several large capital needs. They include ADA compliant bathrooms, safety and security enhancements, exterior renovation, interior renovation including initial outfitting, furniture, fixtures and equipment, and roof renovation. Fully funding this work will immensely improve the Marcy branch.</i> | 617 De Kalb Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 20/24 | BPL | Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library | <i>The Bedford Library needs a significant exterior renovation and window restoration. Fully funding this work will immensely improve the Bedford branch.</i> | 496 Franklin Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 21/24 | BPL | Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library | <i>The Macon Library has two major capital needs. They are repair of the retaining wall and repair/replacement of HVAC system. Fully funding this work will immensely improve the Macon branch.</i> | 361 Lewis Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 23/24 | DPR | Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park | <i>Convert the Kosciuszko Pool to a year-round facility. The Kosciuszko Pool (K-Pool) is an vital community resource that is only used for 2 to 3 months a year. Similar to the project the convert the McCarren Pool in Greenpoint/Williamsburg to year-round facility, our community would benefit from a similar project at the Kosciuszko Pool. The most recent feasibility on the space found that the K-Pool facility is an underused resource in an ever-expanding community.</i> | Dekalb Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |

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| CS | DPR | Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field) | <i>Community Board 3 is pleased that Charlie's Place Playground was renovated, except for the basketball courts and the garden. Our request is to have those two components completed as well. Charlie's Place Playground is adjacent to PS 373K, Brooklyn Transitional Center for developmentally challenged students ages 9-12. It is named after Charles Lubin, the founder of Sara Lee. It is situated in a relatively new community of families with young children. This playground is situated in the middle of two NYCHA developments and other playgrounds in the area are an uncomfortable distance away, where parents would not feel secure sending their children.</i> | Hopkins Street, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| CS | DPR | Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park | <i>The community requests continued support of the current project , an overhaul of Von King Park's Recreation Center which includes making the theater ADA accessible and correcting all violations.</i> | 670 Lafayette Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |

Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

| Priority | Agency | Request | Explanation | Location |
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| 22/22 | BPL | Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs | <i>Grow and expand the African American Heritage Center at the Macon Library collection and programming.</i> | 361 Lewis Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |

6. OTHER BUDGET REQUESTS

Other Capital Requests

| Priority | Agency | Request | Explanation | Location |
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| 4/24 | Other | Other capital budget request | <i>The COVID-19 pandemic has forced massive amounts of remote learning and work-from-home and it exposed a glaring infrastructure problem and a digital access divide in Bedford-Stuyvesant. Many residents experienced unreliable internet connectivity with constant signal drops and throttled service. We need DOITT to provide expansive access to high-speed 5G Broadband and Wi-Fi throughout Bedford Stuyvesant including all city-owned properties, that serve the public, libraries and parks.</i> | |
| 11/24 | Other | Other capital budget request | <i>The 13th Regiment Armory on Marcus Garvey Blvd built in the 1890s is the borough's largest armory. It is modeled after the Chapultepec Castle in Mexico City, home of the country's National History Museum. The armory's architectural features include a block-wide Norman keep and two large towers in the front of the building. In recent years the building has fallen into disrepair. The exterior facade should be repaired and restored by the Department of Design and Construction in ways that amplify its original features.</i> | 357 Marcus Garvey Boulevard, Brooklyn, New York, NY |

Other Expense Requests

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| 21/22 | Other | Other expense budget request | <i>The pandemic, due to remote learning/work and excess free time, has significantly increased screen time in front of computers and other devices. Health effects from this shift will be longlasting and chronic for some. The Department of Health must invest in programs that offer broad access to vision and auditory screening services for children and adults, including establish a mobile clinic services.</i> | |

7. SUMMARY OF PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

Capital Budget Requests

| Priority | Agency | Request | Explanation | Location |
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| 1/24 | HPD | Provide more housing for medium income households | <i>The Department of Housing Preservation & Development Bedford-Stuyvesant Housing Initiative has identified large plots in the community district for development of affordable housing. We urge the agency to develop the RFP for the lots closest to Utica Avenue and on Myrtle Avenue. These developments will bring more than 300 affordable units on line. The Board strongly supports an RFP, to be awarded no later than FY2022 Q3, that develops affordable rental housing (from deeply affordable through middle income) and that agency prioritize proposals that commit to selecting MWBE contractors (beyond minimum levels) and incentives local hiring.</i> | |
| 2/24 | EDC | Other capital budget request for EDC | <i>The Empire State Development Corporation conducted a feasibility study on the 13th Regiment Armory on Marcus Garvey Blvd to maximize its use by the community. The community board requests that the Economic Development Corporation release an RFP that will fund the Study's recommended overhaul of the Armory.</i> | 357 Marcus Garvey Boulevard, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 3/24 | DPR | Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field) | <i>St. Andrews Park, even in its current condition remains a pivotal recreation destination in the Bedford Stuyvesant community where it resides and for several organizations throughout the borough that also use it. It has the potential to be a jewel of a park. Our funding requests are as follows: completely reconstruct playground and spray shower; convert asphalt field to a more modern asphalt surface including Mondo perimeter track and fencing; reconstruct basketball/handball courts, adults fitness area, fencing and repair drainage; add bleachers near ballfield, and reconstruct comfort station and perimeter sidewalks.</i> | Atlantic Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |

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| 5/24 | NYPD | Provide surveillance cameras | <i>The area in and around Raymond Bush Playground has been a hot spot for gun violence and other violent activities. Installing closed circuit surveillance cameras would support efforts to curb violence as well as capture those incidents that do occur. Cameras should be installed within a quarter-mile of the playground.</i> | 308 Marcus Garvey Boulevard, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 6/24 | DPR | Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field) | <i>Jackie Robinson Park is unsafe and outdated; new play equipment is needed. That playground is attached to an elementary school and surrounded by several public housing units.</i> | Chauncey Street, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 7/24 | DOT | Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.) | <i>The Broadway corridor is in dire need of repair. Despite a recent surface repavement it remains a roller coaster.</i> | Broadway Flushing Avenue Flushing Avenue |
| 8/24 | SCA | Provide technology upgrade | <i>Establish state-of-the-art, accessible Technology Labs in each DOE schools in Community Board 3. Each lab should be outfitted with laptops for two full class sets of students, 5G Broadband internet service, and lending library of Mi-Fi devices for families in need.</i> | |
| 9/24 | NYCHA | Increase energy efficiency and environmental performance of NYCHA developments | <i>Reducing the carbon footprint in public housing improves the lives of residents and those that live nearby the development. The agency must prioritize green infrastructure in its developments to sustain them for years to come.</i> | Brevoort Houses Building 1, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 10/24 | DPR | Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park | <i>Von King Recreation Center would transformed into a state-of-the-art center with an upgrade that includes a kitchen and pottery kiln. These additions would establish the space a a training facility for culinary studies and pottery.</i> | 670 Lafayette Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |

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| 11/24 | Other | Other capital budget request | <i>The 13th Regiment Armory on Marcus Garvey Blvd built in the 1890s is the borough's largest armory. It is modeled after the Chapultepec Castle in Mexico City, home of the country's National History Museum. The armory's architectural features include a block-wide Norman keep and two large towers in the front of the building. In recent years the building has fallen into disrepair. The exterior facade should be repaired and restored by the Department of Design and Construction in ways that amplify its original features.</i> | 357 Marcus Garvey Boulevard, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 12/24 | NYCHA | Increase energy efficiency and environmental performance of NYCHA developments | <i>Reducing the carbon footprint in public housing improves the lives of residents and those that live nearby the development. The agency must prioritize green infrastructure in its developments to sustain them for years to come.</i> | Classon Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 13/24 | NYCHA | Increase energy efficiency and environmental performance of NYCHA developments | <i>Reducing the carbon footprint in public housing improves the lives of residents and those that live nearby the development. The agency must prioritize green infrastructure in its developments to sustain them for years to come.</i> | Park Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 14/24 | DPR | Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field) | <i>El-Shabazz Playground is another park in the district with high usage by families. This park needs new and updated equipment. The current equipment there is old and dangerous.</i> | Macon Street, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 15/24 | DPR | Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park | <i>It has been years since the comfort station at Saratoga Park has been upgraded. With the increase in population of the community which has led to an increase of usage of the park, we need for this facility to be renovated.</i> | Halsey Street, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 16/24 | DPR | Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field) | <i>It has been many years since Potomac Playground has been renovated. The need for play and green space has increased as the area's population grows due to the influx of families with small children. There are several developments that include apartment buildings within one to two blocks of the playground.</i> | 446 Tompkins Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 17/24 | DPR | Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field) | <i>The request to convert Hancock Playground to a green park space to include updated, resident friendly fences and hedges which would create a more inviting environment; upgrade and expand the existing children's play equipment/sprinkler area; add perimeter race track and sitting areas.</i> | Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |

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| 20/24 | BPL | Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library | <i>The Bedford Library needs a significant exterior renovation and window restoration. Fully funding this work will immensely improve the Bedford branch.</i> | 496 Franklin Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 21/24 | BPL | Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library | <i>The Macon Library has two major capital needs. They are repair of the retaining wall and repair/replacement of HVAC system. Fully funding this work will immensely improve the Macon branch.</i> | 361 Lewis Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 22/24 | SCA | Renovate exterior building component | <i>The children's play area at PS 3 is in disrepair and no longer meets the needs of students and community residents. It needs a complete overhaul including adding better lighting and security cameras.</i> | 50 Franklin Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 23/24 | DPR | Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park | <i>Convert the Kosciuszko Pool to a year-round facility. The Kosciuszko Pool (K-Pool) is an vital community resource that is only used for 2 to 3 months a year. Similar to the project the convert the McCarren Pool in Greenpoint/Williamsburg to year-round facility, our community would benefit from a similar project at the Kosciuszko Pool. The most recent feasibility on the space found that the K-Pool facility is an underused resource in an ever-expanding community.</i> | Dekalb Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
| 24/24 | SCA | Renovate exterior building component | <i>The children's play area at MS 35 is in disrepair and no longer meets the needs of students and community residents. It needs a complete overhaul including adding better lighting and security cameras.</i> | 272 Decatur Street, Brooklyn, New York, NY |

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| CS | DSNY | Provide new or upgrade existing sanitation garages or other sanitation infrastructure | <i>The City has control of the site identified for the garage. The development of the scope of work for the Community Board # 3 Sanitation Garage was approved as an expense request two years ago and should be completed. To improve the environmental health in Community BD # 3, construction of the Sanitation Garage would be a Capital request. Have a co-terminus sanitation site in CB # 3 will reduce gas emissions by shortening the distance sanitation trucks must travel to service this community board.</i> | Nostrand & Park Avenue |
| CS | DOT | Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.) | <i>There is a deep depression practically the full length of this block in the middle of the street. You literally have to drive on the side and hope you don't hit a parked car on your left or right, depending on which side you choose to drive on.</i> | Hancock Street Tompkins Avenue Tompkins Avenue |
| CS | DOT | Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.) | <i>In the middle of the block and near Stuyvesant Avenue there is a deep depression. It's so bad that the speed hump has actually sunk in.</i> | Macdonough Street Malcolm X Boulevard Malcolm X Boulevard |
| CS | DOT | Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.) | <i>Street has become a roller coaster with deep depression in the middle of the street running three quarters of the length of the block.</i> | Jefferson Avenue Stuyvesant Avenue Stuyvesant Avenue |
| CS | DPR | Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field) | <i>Community Board 3 is pleased that Charlie's Place Playground was renovated, except for the basketball courts and the garden. Our request is to have those two components completed as well. Charlie's Place Playground is adjacent to PS 373K, Brooklyn Transitional Center for developmentally challenged students ages 9-12. It is named after Charles Lubin, the founder of Sara Lee. It is situated in a relatively new community of families with young children. This playground is situated in the middle of two NYCHA developments and other playgrounds in the area are an uncomfortable distance away, where parents would not feel secure sending their children.</i> | Hopkins Street, Brooklyn, New York, NY |

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Expense Budget Requests

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| 1/22 | HPD | Other affordable housing programs requests | <i>Expansion of the agency's NIHOP program.</i> | |
| 2/22 | HPD | Provide or enhance rental subsidies programs | <i>A majority of Bedford-Stuyvesant residents are rent burdened. The city should develop rent subsidy programs that will provide relief to renters across a wide range of incomes.</i> | |
| 3/22 | DOHMH | Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize substance misuse and encourage treatment | <i>Stressors from the economic collapses and pandemic have intensified the need for substance misuse treatment. Many residents are self-medicating to cope with challenges. They are increasingly using opioids, K2/Spice and other synthetic cannabinoids. Support for efforts to de-stigmatize substance misuse and preventative programming will help mitigate addiction issues.</i> | |
| 4/22 | DSNY | Increase enforcement of dirty sidewalk/dirty area/failure to clean area laws | <i>We need additional staff to deal with dumping in lots, vacant buildings, parks, dog waste, closed businesses and even at our litter baskets. This happens late at night or in the early hours of the morning. All of this contributes to dirty sidewalks and a dirty looking community. Our low sanitation cleanliness scores confirm that we need more enforcement. Without adequate enforcement covering multiple shifts, this condition cannot be obliterated. Community Board 3 is requesting that funding be made available for more enforcement officers and request that Sanitation re-establish the signage unit to combat the increased violations of dog owners not picking up after their pets.</i> | |
| 5/22 | DOHMH | Animal and pest control requests including reducing rat and mosquito populations | <i>Due to the overwhelming development projects, infrastructure repairs and increased renovation on almost every street in the Bedford-Stuyvesant community - the increasing rat population besieges residents and businesses. This presents safety and health issues for this community.</i> | |

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| 6/22 | NYPD | Increase resources for youth crime prevention programs | <i>In too many instances young people, from pre-teen to age 25, engage in activities that put that at risk for involvement in the criminal justice system. From petty street crime to more serious acts of violence, much of this activity is fueled by conflict between youth gangs and sets that starts on social media. Increasing resources for cure violence, violence interrupters, and other interveners will improve public safety, reduce incidents of violence, and limits involvement in the criminal justice system.</i> |
| 7/22 | HPD | Other expense budget request for HPD | <i>In recent years there's been an increase of deed and property fraud incidents in Bedford Stuyvesant. Many residents are being tricked into signing over their long-held homes and properties to unscrupulous dealers/agents. We requesting that the King County District Attorney Office work to continue to improve enforcement and strengthen outreach and awareness to owners and residents.</i> |
| 8/22 | EDC | Invest in tax incentive programs to help neighborhood businesses construct or improve space | <i>Active commercial corridors are an important element of a thriving community. Expansion and continued support of tax incentive programs that enable neighborhood businesses to improve their place of business including facade restoration, attributes that improve customer access, and that allow for social distance and comply with COVID-19 protocols (i.e. floor markings and plexiglass).</i> |
| 9/22 | DYCD | Provide, expand, or enhance the Summer Youth Employment Program | <i>Summer is the best time to engage teens and young adults. between the ages of 14-24 years old in employment and career pathways opportunities as well as work readiness skills training. SYEP offers our young people an opportunity to "earn while they learn;" foster self-confidence, builds skills development, and economic support for their families. Request 14,000 SYEP additional SYEP slots in CB3.</i> |
| 10/22 | SBS | Provide or expand occupational skills training programs | <i>Provide paid job training programs in core skill areas for young adults and returning citizens to create pipelines to stable job and career opportunities. A program that partners with local leaders, officials, business, and nonprofits to place trainees for paid internships would be ideal.</i> |

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| 11/22 | DOHMH | Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment | <i>The pandemic has distressed all New Yorkers. Many of our most vulnerable residents, particularly senior citizens living alone, face social isolation and struggle with coping with the stresses of this new normal. Partnering with community institutions, like churches, to host social distanced mental health support groups and visiting elderly residents by mental health wellness visits.</i> | |
| 12/22 | DOHMH | Other programs to address public health issues requests | <i>The district requests creation and promotion of nutrition awareness and education on physical activity, etc. specific to CB3's most vulnerable populations (seniors and youth), programs to address public health issues in CB3 (i.e. SHOP Healthy Brooklyn), provide more HIV/AIDS information and outreach, and promotion of smoking cessation and anti-vaping programs.</i> | |
| 13/22 | DYCD | Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults) | <i>Beacon and Cornerstone programs provide essential services for community residents of all ages. An expansion of Beacon and Cornerstone will go a long way to meeting the neighborhood's needs.</i> | |
| 14/22 | SBS | Increase certification support for minority-, women-owned, local and emerging businesses | <i>Opening a satellite office in CB3 would support the promotion and certification of MWBE in Bedford-Stuyvesant and the greater Central Brooklyn area.</i> | |
| 15/22 | DSNY | Provide or expand NYC organics collection program | <i>Curbside organics collection was halted for fiscal year 2021 citywide because of budget cuts. Restore the program and finally expand it to community district 3. Organics recycle reduces waste and can significantly reduce the the rat population. Enabling residents to sort their organic waste into impenetrable bins with lids to that rats away. Presently, neighborhood organic waste is left for curbside collection in thin plastic bags, attracting rats and other pests.</i> | |
| 16/22 | DOT | Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming | <i>The Broadway corridor is in dire need of reconfiguration of traffic lights, pedestrian lighting and walkways - to support the Mayor's Vision Zero Initiatives on each intersection from Flushing to Saratoga Avenues.</i> | Broadway Flushing Avenue Saratoga Avenue |

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| 17/22 | DOT | Other traffic improvement requests | <i>Intersection has a high rate of pedestrian and motorist injuries. High rate of pedestrian traffic due to Ralph Avenue C train stop, public school nearby and a NYCHA development at the corner. Crosswalk extensions, street markings, signal changes, and other safety improvements are requested to move vehicles safely, prevent injuries and improve quality of life in our commercial districts.</i> | Fulton Street Ralph Avenue |
| 18/22 | SBS | Support local, long-standing businesses | <i>A vibrant business community is an essential part of a strong, resilient neighborhood. Many long-standing businesses need to enhance technical skills in areas of social media marketing, modernize their point of sales systems, improve customer data security systems, and learn best practices to leverage technology for marketing, business administration and development so that they can remain local institutions. An SBS program to support long-standing businesses to upgrade their online presence, digital security, and business practices is vital in this new environment.</i> | |
| 19/22 | DYCD | Provide, expand, or enhance the out-of-school youth program for job training and employment services | <i>Bedford-Stuyvesant is experiencing an acute crisis of young adults (ages 18 to 26) who are "disconnected" (out-of-school and out-of-work). These young people are the most at-risk for experiencing homelessness and/or involvement in the criminal justice system. The community board requests deployment of a variety of programs and services designed to "reconnect" these young adults and help them build brighter futures.</i> | |
| 20/22 | EDC | Invest in financial incentives for job creation and retention | <i>Expand local job growth with public and private companies.</i> | |
| 21/22 | Other | Other expense budget request | <i>The pandemic, due to remote learning/work and excess free time, has significantly increased screen time in front of computers and other devices. Health effects from this shift will be longlasting and chronic for some. The Department of Health must invest in programs that offer broad access to vision and auditory screening services for children and adults, including establish a mobile clinic services.</i> | |

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| 22/22 | BPL | Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs | <i>Grow and expand the African American Heritage Center at the Macon Library collection and programming.</i> | 361 Lewis Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY |
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