

Statements of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests

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**Queens
Community District
9**

Letter from DCP Director Daniel Garodnick

To my fellow New Yorkers:

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,



INTRODUCTION

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

HOW TO USE THIS REPORT

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

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

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This report is broadly structured as follows:

1. Overarching Community District Needs

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

2. Policy Area-Specific District Needs

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

3. Community Board Budget Requests

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

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

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

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

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1. COMMUNITY BOARD INFORMATION

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2. 2020 CENSUS DATA

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

New York City

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

Queens

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

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

Queens Community District 9

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
AGE							
Total population	143,317	100.00	152,839	100.00	9,522	6.6	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	33,974	23.7	31,566	20.7	-2,408	-7.1	-3.0
MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN							
Total population	143,317	100.0	152,839	100.0	9,522	6.6	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	58,662	40.9	63,620	41.6	4,958	8.5	0.7
White non-Hispanic	28,029	19.6	23,074	15.1	-4,955	-17.7	-4.5
Black non-Hispanic	11,996	8.4	10,224	6.7	-1,772	-14.8	-1.7
Asian non-Hispanic	31,222	21.8	38,802	25.4	7,580	24.3	3.6
Some other race, non-Hispanic	6,846	4.8	9,768	6.4	2,922	42.7	1.6
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	6,562	4.6	7,351	4.8	789	12	0.2
HOUSING OCCUPANCY							
Total housing units	47,999	100.0	50,877	100.0	2,878	6.0	0.0
Occupied housing units	44,810	93.4	48,117	94.6	3,307	7.4	1.2
Vacant housing units	3,189	6.6	2,760	5.4	-429	-13.5	-1.2

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

Statement on Data Accuracy

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

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

3. OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT

Community Board No. 9 consists of four communities, Woodhaven, Ozone Park, Richmond Hill and Kew Gardens (WORK). Each is very distinct, yet all the residents have similar concerns and needs. Community Board No. 9 is truly a microcosm of the borough of Queens where our diversity is our strength. The Covid 19 pandemic, the uncertainty of additional waves of infection and the adverse impact on the economy is of great concern. Like many New Yorkers, the constituents of Community Board 9 want safe streets, great schools, senior services, economic opportunity for local businesses, mobile rapid Covid testing in our communities and access to quality parks and recreation. Additionally, we must take care of our most vulnerable citizens. During this pandemic poverty, homelessness, hunger and mental health issues have increased. It is important to fund programs that will assist these individuals as they struggle through difficult times. Many City agencies have experienced severe budget cuts and they are struggling each day to deliver essential services. NYPD, Sanitation, Transportation, Parks and Department of Education are being asked to do more with less. Community Board 9 is still facing the construction of a community-based jail in Kew Gardens, a problematic hotel that is a haven for criminal activity and operational homeless shelter in Ozone Park. These facilities will impact our infrastructure and ability to deliver city services. Community Board 9 requests that the 102nd Police Precinct be considered for additional officers to combat the rise in crime and keep the growing diverse population of residents safe. We ask that Department of Sanitation's budget be restored so they can service litter baskets, address illegal dumping and keep local streets clean. The City must ensure that DOT has the resources to continue paving our streets and conduct traffic studies. Our educators, students and parents continue to adjust to the new remote educational model. They must be provided with the technology and equipment to succeed in the virtual classroom. School Safety protocols should be followed daily and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) must be readily available to all. We owe our seniors a great debt of gratitude. We have an important responsibility to ensure they have access to effective programs. Seniors also need technology and equipment so they participate in programs or seminars that are offered remotely. Our senior centers should be fully funded and equipped to protect their members while providing important services. Community Board 9 has strong retail corridors comprised of small business owners. These businesses have been financially destroyed during that pandemic. However, through true grit and determination businesses are making a comeback. The City must provide grants, low interest loans, consulting services and clear guidelines to get these business back on solid ground. It is equally important that we make these retail corridors clean, attractive and safe for customers. We encourage a Green Streets program along Woodhaven Boulevard and improve lighting along Jamaica and Liberty Avenues. During the pandemic, our parks provided a much-needed outlet for residents. Forest Park is an incredible asset to the borough of Queens. Community Board 9 requests that funding be allocated for pruning, fencing and more Park Enforcement Patrol officers for Forest Park. Additionally, we need Forestry continue their effective pruning schedule of trees that adorn our residential streets. Libraries provide access to technology, information and are a great gathering place for residents of all ages. It's a place to access computers, it is all-inclusive, safe and friendly environment, and a unique forum for social networking and reading groups. We request that the Woodhaven and Richmond Hill Libraries remain fully funded and the projects move forward in a timely manner. A multi-cultural Community Center would be a welcomed edition to the Community Board 9 community. We hope to work with the Queens Economic Development Corporation and interested non-for-profits to make this a reality. Although we are aware that the economic outlook FY2022 is bleak, our budget priority Capital and Expense Priority List targets many of the community needs and concerns. Community Board 9 respectfully calls on our esteemed elected officials to consider each request during their budget deliberations.

4. TOP THREE PRESSING ISSUES OVERALL

Queens Community Board 9

The three most pressing issues facing this Community Board are:

Crime and public safety

Public safety and quality of life issues continue to be a major concern for the residents of Community Board 9. These crimes include but are not limited to gun violence, assaults, robberies, speeding ATV's and motorcycles. Our local precinct constantly responds to 311 quality of life complaints. Noise, drag racing, double parked cars, and menacing electric bicycles are impacting the tranquility of our quiet neighborhood streets. We do however, recognize that the police do an outstanding job but they need the resources, personnel and community support to keep our streets safe.

Land use trends (zoning, development, neighborhood preservation, etc.)

The preservation of our neighborhood is of paramount importance. Overdevelopment, Illegal conversions and unsafe basement apartments continue to put undue pressure on city services and present a danger to tenants. During Hurricane, 12 people who died in New York City. Eleven of those people, were in basements when they perished. The City must do a better job ensuring that all tenants live in a safe and secure apartment. The looming construction of a borough based jail in Kew Gardens is a top issue. Residents are concerned that the jail will put undue stresses on infrastructure, traffic, parking and public safety. Community Board 9 is committed to working with elected officials and the Department of City Planning to create developments projects that are a benefit to the community.

Trash removal & cleanliness

Our district is plagued with illegal dumping, trash accumulation along our retail corridors, and overall cleanliness on our streets. There must be a multi-agency approach to stop illegal dumping. The installation of surveillance cameras, the deployment of additional sanitation inspectors coupled with aggressive prosecution would help in stopping illegal dumping. Additionally, along our retail corridors litter baskets are being abused by some residents who drop their household garbage. The Department of Sanitation does an outstanding job responding to our numerous complaints, however we need to do a better job in preventing behavior that adversely impacts the cleanliness of our streets.

5. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND BUDGET REQUESTS

HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

Queens Community Board 9

Most Important Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

COVID-19 management (incl. vaccination, testing, outreach, education, etc.)

According to the NYC department of Health there is still COVID-19 transmission in New York City and around the U.S. This is largely due to the spread of the more contagious delta variant and the large number of people who are still unvaccinated. NYC must ensure that everyone has immediate access to testing and vaccinations. Additionally, there must be comprehensive outreach and education so residents can make informed judgments of how to keep safe.

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
1/24	HHC	Other health care facilities requests	<i>HHC Hospitals should have PPE supplies for all administrators, doctors, nurses and patients</i>	
3/24	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Increase information sharing with members of the community, city agencies and Community Boards to encourage testing and the adoption of the "core four" actions to prevent Covid</i>	
12/24	DFTA	Enhance educational and recreational programs	<i>Our seniors deserve programs that improve the mental, physical, financial and emotional health. It is important we increase funding to programs that will greatly improve the quality of life of our senior population.</i>	
15/24	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	<i>In this technologically advance environment and the use of various social media platforms can cause stress and anxiety in our children and young adults. There should access to mental health programs to help individuals cope with stress and depression.</i>	
16/24	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	<i>Many veterans return to civilian life that require mental health support. Issues can be dealing with PTSD, substance abuse or difficulties returning to civilian life. It is important that we have programs to help our veteran population.</i>	
18/24	HRA	Provide social services for domestic violence survivors (legal services, counseling, referral to supportive services, etc.)	<i>Domestic violence does not discriminate. Anyone of any race, age, sexual orientation, religion or gender can be a victim – or perpetrator – of domestic violence. It can happen to people who are married, living together or who are dating. It affects people of all socioeconomic backgrounds and education levels. We need programs to help these victims</i>	
19/24	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	<i>Assign Additional School Crossing Guards. Assign additional school crossing guards in all schools in Community Board 9.</i>	

YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

Queens Community Board 9

Most Important Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Support services for special needs youth (disabled, immigrant, non-English proficient, etc.)

Students of all backgrounds, including learning and physical disabilities should have access to a quality education. Every effort should be made to ensure that each school has the ability and resources to our special needs children and they satisfy all services detailed in each student's IEP.

Capital Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
5/23	DYCD	Other capital budget request for DYCD	<i>DYCD to advise and assist local community to construct a new community center with indoor pool in Richmond Hill and Ozone Park where none exist. This is a heavy populated community with very limited activities and service for local residents</i>	
9/23	SCA	Renovate interior building component	<i>Richmond Hill High School requests the construction of a Greenhouse on school property (outside) and Hydroponics Classroom. Students will be able to develop an idea of sustainability Students will be offered the opportunity to engage in hands on learning/Project based learning Students will gain an alternative opportunity to engage in NY Regents approved labs Real World Application of Standards based instruction</i>	89-30 114th St, Queens, NY 11418

Expense Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/24	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>Expand 3k program and enrollment opportunities</i>	
13/24	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)	<i>Continue to fund Beacon Program at Middle School 210 and expand to other district schools. The Beacon Program provides educational, sports and mentoring opportunities outside normal classroom hours. Funding should be maintained or increased.</i>	
14/24	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>Students of all backgrounds, including learning and physical disabilities should have access to a quality education. Every effort should be made to ensure that each school has the ability and resources to our special needs children.</i>	

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Queens Community Board 9

Most Important Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

General crime

Gun violence remains a pervasive issue in small pockets of neighborhoods around New York City. The data shows that a limited number of communities have accounted for roughly 50% of NYC's shooting incidents. Community Board 9 had multiple shooting incidents in the district. The Police do an outstanding job protecting the community, however Public safety is a shared responsibility and to build stronger relations between community, anti-violence groups and police.

Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
10/23	NYPD	Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras	<i>Request the installation of Argus surveillance cameras at problematic or high crime locations.</i>	
15/23	NYPD	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	<i>The parking lot adjacent to the 102nd Precinct building needs to be resurfaced and repair. This will provide adequate parking for police office and free up street parking in front of residential property</i>	87 118 Street, Queens, New York, NY
19/23	FDNY	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	<i>9" DeWalt battery Operated concrete saw (DCS690X2) for all FDNY Fire Engines</i>	
20/23	FDNY	Other capital budget request for FDNY	<i>These ambulances used by FDNY are designed with lifts and special wheel chairs to be used for individuals over 500 pounds</i>	
22/23	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances	<i>To be used by FDNY for disasters to shelter and treat individuals in one place</i>	
23/23	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances	<i>This FDNY equipment is used to respond ahead with a liaison coordinator</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
17/24	NYPD	Hire additional uniformed officers	<i>We must receive our fair share of Police Officers. Our district will be home to high-rise community jail and also includes Queens Borough Hall, Forest Park, and a number of churches, synagogues and temples that are in need of constant attention.</i>	
20/24	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	<i>Welcome Signs for Community Board 9. Signs for Woodhaven, Ozone Park, Richmond Hill, and Kew Gardens.</i>	

CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

Queens Community Board 9

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

Sewer capacity

During recent severe storms it was clear that our current sewer and storm drainage infrastructure is antiquated and not able to mitigate flooding. It is imperative that the city install new sewers, catch basins, and storm drains that function to avoid over flowing water & flooding to protect residents and their properties.

Capital Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

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

Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
4/24	DSNY	Other garbage collection and recycling requests	<i>Maintaining and increasing litter basket service</i>	
5/24	DSNY	Other expense budget request for DSNY	<i>Maintaining and increasing MLP services to address illegal drop off and dump out conditions</i>	
6/24	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	<i>Maintaining and cleaning center median cleaning</i>	
7/24	DSNY	Increase vacant lot cleaning	<i>Maintaining and increasing funding levels for vacant lot cleaning</i>	
8/24	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up	<i>Maintaining curbside recycling program</i>	
9/24	DSNY	Provide or expand NYC organics collection program	<i>Resuming the curbside organics collection program</i>	
10/24	DSNY	Expand opportunities for electronic waste collection and disposal	<i>Restore the Curbside E-Waste collection program</i>	
11/24	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up for schools and institutions	<i>Continuation of funds for school truck services, assistance to schools to maximize recycling and assist schools comply with collection schedules</i>	

HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

Queens Community Board 9

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

Land use and zoning

Community Board 9 wants to strengthen its partnership with NYC City Planning. There must be a mutual respect for the ULURP process and the important role community boards play in the decision making process. Some large scale developments can have a beneficial impact and others can have negative effects on the district. Consequently, it is imperative that the process remain transparent, fair and scrupulous.

Capital Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

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

Expense Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

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

TRANSPORTATION

Queens Community Board 9

Most Important Issue Related to Transportation and Mobility

Parking operations

In Community Board 9, finding a parking spot can be a daunting task. Derelict vehicles are parked in the same spot for months frustrating residents as they drive around for hours looking for a legal parking spot. DOT is expanding the carshare program which will take away even more parking. We need to find ways to increase parking to alleviate residents' frustration.

Capital Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
13/23	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	<i>New lighting on Jamaica Ave from Lefferts Boulevard to Eldert Lane. Better lighting on all sidewalks is needed in Forest Park. There are too many dark areas where pedestrians become targets for theft, assault, and etc.</i>	Jamaica Avenue Lefferts Boulevard Eldert Lane
16/23	DOT	Upgrade or create new greenways	<i>Incorporate Greenstreets Program on Woodhaven Blvd. Additional tree plantings on Woodhaven Blvd. from Myrtle Ave. to 103 Ave. and gardens where appropriate.</i>	Woodhaven Blvd Myrtle Ave Myrtle Ave
17/23	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Funding for new contract to replace or repair damaged curbs in residential and commercial areas in Woodhaven, Ozone Park, Richmond Hill and Kew Gardens</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

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

PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Queens Community Board 9

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

Community board resources (offices, staff and equipment)

Community Boards are the front lines of dealing with a variety of community issues. It is important that each board has the resources to achieve its purpose to encourage and facilitate the participation of citizens within City government within their communities, and the efficient and effective organization of agencies that deliver municipal services in local communities and boroughs.

Capital Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/23	DPR	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	Community is requesting security cameras for Phil Rizzuto Park to increase safety	
2/23	DPR	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	Community is requesting security cameras for London Planetree Playground to increase safety	
3/23	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Community is requesting the construction of new running/walking track	
4/23	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	New synthetic turf and running track for Victory Field	
6/23	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Community is requesting the reconstruction of ballfield/athletic field	
7/23	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Upgrades to dog run (Barking Lot) located in The Overlook including new K9 friendly turf, canine drinking fountain and drainage system	
8/23	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Community is requesting additional benches and replace existing benches along Park Lane south and in the interior of park	
18/23	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Create a memorial garden at 102nd Street and Park Lane South	102nd Street Park Lane South Park Lane South

21/23	DPR	New equipment for maintenance	<i>Secure New Equipment for Forest Park Maintenance Workers. Secure Crew Cub Dump Truck with Plow & Salt Spreader.</i>
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Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
21/24	DPR	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	<i>Install plank fencing along Freedom Drive in Forest Park . This fence will provide safety for pedestrian and also help control litter accumulation</i>	Freedom Drive
22/24	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	<i>Fund Park Enforcement Patrol Unit for Forest Park. Forest Park is host to many athletic facilities, recreational programs, and special events. It also has 543 acres of forest, which feature numerous hiking trails and a 4-mile equestrian path. Our park has a high volume of events and activities. Problems such as user conflicts permit violations, crowd control, vandalism, deviant behavior and other enforcement issues are in need of attention. Often, PEP nits are not available to respond to Forest Parks needs due to citywide distribution of their staff, and summer staffing of pools and beaches. This has created a rise in misuse of and vandalism to park facilities, damage to the landscape, criminal activity and mischief.</i>	
23/24	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	<i>Fund Pruning Contract for Forest Park This is now a safety issue. Branches have fallen during park concerts and events. It is only a matter of time before someone is seriously injured or killed. The 543-acre park has large mature trees that are 150 years plus. We desperately need a PIP (Parks Inspection Project) funded along with pruning dollars.</i>	
24/24	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	<i>Fund Maintenance Workers & Equipment. Maintenance workers are funded for eight months only. During the winter they are laid off. When they return they have a backlog of winter work, i.e. painting, cement work, repairs etc., that can be done during the winter.</i>	

6. OTHER BUDGET REQUESTS

Other Capital Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
11/23	Other	Other capital budget request	<i>Capital improvements to LIRR property between Babbage and Bessemer Streets, bounded by Hillside and 84th Avenues, and 126th Street and Metropolitan Avenue (security fencing, improved lighting, façade repair and security cameras).</i>	Babbage Street Hillside Avenue 84 Avenue
12/23	Other	Other capital budget request	<i>DCAS-Capital improvements to DCAS property currently rented by businesses on 100th Street between 103 Avenue and 101st Avenue</i>	100 Street 103 Avenue 103 Avenue
14/23	Other	Other capital budget request	<i>Installation of time clock for the Q37 bus stop at Union Turnpike and Queens Boulevard</i>	Union Turnpike Queens Boulevard Kew Gardens Road

Other Expense Requests

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

7. SUMMARY OF PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

Capital Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/23	DPR	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	Community is requesting security cameras for Phil Rizzuto Park to increase safety	
2/23	DPR	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	Community is requesting security cameras for London Planetree Playground to increase safety	
3/23	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Community is requesting the construction of new running/walking track	
4/23	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	New synthetic turf and running track for Victory Field	
5/23	DYCD	Other capital budget request for DYCD	DYCD to advise and assist local community to construct a new community center with indoor pool in Richmond Hill and Ozone Park where none exist. This is a heavy populated community with very limited activities and service for local residents	
6/23	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Community is requesting the reconstruction of ballfield/athletic field	
7/23	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Upgrades to dog run (Barking Lot) located in The Overlook including new K9 friendly turf, canine drinking fountain and drainage system	

8/23	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Community is requesting additional benches and replace existing benches along Park Lane south and in the interior of park</i>	
9/23	SCA	Renovate interior building component	<i>Richmond Hill High School requests the construction of a Greenhouse on school property (outside) and Hydroponics Classroom. Students will be able to develop an idea of sustainability Students will be offered the opportunity to engage in hands on learning/Project based learning Students will gain an alternative opportunity to engage in NY Regents approved labs Real World Application of Standards based instruction</i>	89-30 114th St, Queens, NY 11418
10/23	NYPD	Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras	<i>Request the installation of Argus surveillance cameras at problematic or high crime locations.</i>	
11/23	Other	Other capital budget request	<i>Capital improvements to LIRR property between Babbage and Bessemer Streets, bounded by Hillside and 84th Avenues, and 126th Street and Metropolitan Avenue (security fencing, improved lighting, façade repair and security cameras).</i>	Babbage Street Hillside Avenue 84 Avenue
12/23	Other	Other capital budget request	<i>DCAS-Capital improvements to DCAS property currently rented by businesses on 100th Street between 103 Avenue and 101st Avenue</i>	100 Street 103 Avenue 103 Avenue
13/23	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	<i>New lighting on Jamaica Ave from Lefferts Boulevard to Eldert Lane. Better lighting on all sidewalks is needed in Forest Park. There are too many dark areas where pedestrians become targets for theft, assault, and etc.</i>	Jamaica Avenue Lefferts Boulevard Eldert Lane
14/23	Other	Other capital budget request	<i>Installation of time clock for the Q37 bus stop at Union Turnpike and Queens Boulevard</i>	Union Turnpike Queens Boulevard Kew Gardens Road
15/23	NYPD	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	<i>The parking lot adjacent to the 102nd Precinct building needs to be resurfaced and repair. This will provide adequate parking for police office and free up street parking in front of residential property</i>	87 118 Street, Queens, New York, NY

16/23	DOT	Upgrade or create new greenways	<i>Incorporate Greenstreets Program on Woodhaven Blvd. Additional tree plantings on Woodhaven Blvd. from Myrtle Ave. to 103 Ave. and gardens where appropriate.</i>	Woodhaven Blvd Myrtle Ave Myrtle Ave
17/23	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Funding for new contract to replace or repair damaged curbs in residential and commercial areas in Woodhaven, Ozone Park, Richmond Hill and Kew Gardens</i>	
18/23	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Create a memorial garden at 102nd Street and Park Lane South</i>	102nd Street Park Lane South Park Lane South
19/23	FDNY	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	<i>9" DeWalt battery Operated concrete saw (DCS690X2) for all FDNY Fire Engines</i>	
20/23	FDNY	Other capital budget request for FDNY	<i>These ambulances used by FDNY are designed with lifts and special wheel chairs to be used for individuals over 500 pounds</i>	
21/23	DPR	New equipment for maintenance	<i>Secure New Equipment for Forest Park Maintenance Workers. Secure Crew Cub Dump Truck with Plow & Salt Spreader.</i>	
22/23	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances	<i>To be used by FDNY for disasters to shelter and treat individuals in one place</i>	
23/23	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances	<i>This FDNY equipment is used to respond ahead with a liaison coordinator</i>	

Expense Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/24	HHC	Other health care facilities requests	<i>HHC Hospitals should have PPE supplies for all administrators, doctors, nurses and patients</i>	
2/24	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>Expand 3k program and enrollment opportunities</i>	
3/24	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Increase information sharing with members of the community, city agencies and Community Boards to encourage testing and the adoption of the "core four" actions to prevent Covid</i>	
4/24	DSNY	Other garbage collection and recycling requests	<i>Maintaining and increasing litter basket service</i>	
5/24	DSNY	Other expense budget request for DSNY	<i>Maintaining and increasing MLP services to address illegal drop off and dump out conditions</i>	
6/24	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	<i>Maintaining and cleaning center median cleaning</i>	
7/24	DSNY	Increase vacant lot cleaning	<i>Maintaining and increasing funding levels for vacant lot cleaning</i>	
8/24	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up	<i>Maintaining curbside recycling program</i>	
9/24	DSNY	Provide or expand NYC organics collection program	<i>Resuming the curbside organics collection program</i>	
10/24	DSNY	Expand opportunities for electronic waste collection and disposal	<i>Restore the Curbside E-Waste collection program</i>	
11/24	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up for schools and institutions	<i>Continuation of funds for school truck services, assistance to schools to maximize recycling and assist schools comply with collection schedules</i>	

12/24	DFTA	Enhance educational and recreational programs	<i>Our seniors deserve programs that improve the mental, physical, financial and emotional health. It is importation we increase funding to programs that will greatly improve the quality of life of our senior population.</i>
13/24	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)	<i>Continue to fund Beacon Program at Middle School 210 and expand to other district schools. The Beacon Program provides educational, sports and mentoring opportunities outside normal classroom hours. Funding should be maintained or increased.</i>
14/24	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>Students of all backgrounds, including learning and physical disabilities should have access to a quality education. Every effort should be made to ensure that each school has the ability and resources to our special needs children.</i>
15/24	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	<i>In this technologically advance environment and the use of various social media platforms can cause stress and anxiety in our children and young adults. There should access to mental health programs to help individuals cope with stress and depression.</i>
16/24	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	<i>Many veterans return to civilian life that require mental health support. Issues can be dealing with PTSD, substance abuse or difficulties returning to civilian life. It is important that we have programs to help our veteran population.</i>
17/24	NYPD	Hire additional uniformed officers	<i>We must receive our fair share of Police Officers. Our district will be home to high-rise community jail and also includes Queens Borough Hall, Forest Park, and a number of churches, synagogues and temples that are in need of constant attention.</i>
18/24	HRA	Provide social services for domestic violence survivors (legal services, counseling, referral to supportive services, etc.)	<i>Domestic violence does not discriminate. Anyone of any race, age, sexual orientation, religion or gender can be a victim – or perpetrator – of domestic violence. It can happen to people who are married, living together or who are dating. It affects people of all socioeconomic backgrounds and education levels. We need programs to help these victims</i>

19/24	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	<i>Assign Additional School Crossing Guards. Assign additional school crossing guards in all schools in Community Board 9.</i>	
20/24	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	<i>Welcome Signs for Community Board 9. Signs for Woodhaven, Ozone Park, Richmond Hill, and Kew Gardens.</i>	
21/24	DPR	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	<i>Install plank fencing along Freedom Drive in Forest Park . This fence will provide safety for pedestrian and also help control litter accumulation</i>	Freedom Drive
22/24	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	<i>Fund Park Enforcement Patrol Unit for Forest Park. Forest Park is host to many athletic facilities, recreational programs, and special events. It also has 543 acres of forest, which feature numerous hiking trails and a 4-mile equestrian path. Our park has a high volume of events and activities. Problems such as user conflicts permit violations, crowd control, vandalism, deviant behavior and other enforcement issues are in need of attention. Often, PEP nits are not available to respond to Forest Parks needs due to citywide distribution of their staff, and summer staffing of pools and beaches. This has created a rise in misuse of and vandalism to park facilities, damage to the landscape, criminal activity and mischief.</i>	
23/24	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	<i>Fund Pruning Contract for Forest Park This is now a safety issue. Branches have fallen during park concerts and events. It is only a matter of time before someone is seriously injured or killed. The 543-acre park has large mature trees that are 150 years plus. We desperately need a PIP (Parks Inspection Project) funded along with pruning dollars.</i>	
24/24	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	<i>Fund Maintenance Workers & Equipment. Maintenance workers are funded for eight months only. During the winter they are laid off. When they return they have a backlog of winter work, i.e. painting, cement work, repairs etc., that can be done during the winter.</i>	

8. COMMUNITY BOARD BUDGET REQUESTS *WITH AGENCY RESPONSES*

Capital Requests

PRIORITY	AGENCY	CB REQUEST	REASON	AGENCY RESPONSE
01/23	DPR	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	<i>Community is requesting security cameras for Phil Rizzuto Park to increase safety</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
02/23	DPR	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	<i>Community is requesting security cameras for London Planetree Playground to increase safety</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
03/23	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Community is requesting the construction of new running/walking track</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
04/23	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>New synthetic turf and running track for Victory Field</i>	Parks Department funds are insufficient for this purpose. We recommend this request be brought to the attention of your Council Members.
05/23	DYCD	Other capital budget request for DYCD	<i>DYCD to advise and assist local community to construct a new community center with indoor pool in Richmond Hill and Ozone Park where none exist. This is a heavy populated community with very limited activities and service for local residents</i>	DYCD has increased funding in this service area.
06/23	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Community is requesting the reconstruction of ballfield/athletic field</i>	Parks Department funds are insufficient for this purpose. We recommend this request be brought to the attention of your Council Members.
07/23	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Upgrades to dog run (Barking Lot) located in The Overlook including new K9 friendly turf, canine drinking fountain and drainage system</i>	Parks Department funds are insufficient for this purpose. We recommend this request be brought to the attention of your Council Members.
08/23	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Community is requesting additional benches and replace existing benches along Park Lane south and in the interior of park</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
09/23	DOE	Renovate interior building component	<i>Richmond Hill High School requests the construction of a Greenhouse on school property (outside) and Hydroponics Classroom. Students will be able to develop an idea of sustainability Students will be offered the opportunity to engage in hands on learning/Project based learning Students will gain an alternative opportunity to engage in NY Regents approved labs Real World Application of Standards based instruction</i>	This request is not recommended for funding.

10/23	NYPD	Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras	<i>Request the installation of Argus surveillance cameras at problematic or high crime locations.</i>	Argus cameras are funded via allocations from elected officials for use within their districts. Specific location recommendations should be provided to the local precinct commander for submission to the Information Technology Bureau once funding is allocated. The NYPD will attempt to accommodate specific location requests whenever funding is provided, but reserves the right to place cameras as appropriate due to current crime trends and operational needs.
11/23	NYCTA	Other capital budget request	<i>Capital improvements to LIRR property between Babbage and Bessemer Streets, bounded by Hillside and 84th Avenues, and 126th Street and Metropolitan Avenue (security fencing, improved lighting, fa ade repair and security cameras).</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.
12/23	DCAS	Other capital budget request	<i>DCAS-Capital improvements to DCAS property currently rented by businesses on 100th Street between 103 Avenue and 101st Avenue</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
13/23	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	<i>New lighting on Jamaica Ave from Lefferts Boulevard to Eldert Lane. Better lighting on all sidewalks is needed in Forest Park. There are too many dark areas where pedestrians become targets for theft, assault, and etc.</i>	Work on this project/program has either been completed or will be finished in FY 2024.
14/23	NYCTA	Other capital budget request	<i>Installation of time clock for the Q37 bus stop at Union Turnpike and Queens Boulevard</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.
15/23	NYPD	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	<i>The parking lot adjacent to the 102nd Precinct building needs to be resurfaced and repair. This will provide adequate parking for police office and free up street parking in front of residential property</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
16/23	DOT	Upgrade or create new greenways	<i>Incorporate Greenstreets Program on Woodhaven Blvd. Additional tree plantings on Woodhaven Blvd. from Myrtle Ave. to 103 Ave. and gardens where appropriate.</i>	Please contact the Borough Commissioner's office to discuss this request.
17/23	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Funding for new contract to replace or repair damaged curbs in residential and commercial areas in Woodhaven, Ozone Park, Richmond Hill and Kew Gardens</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
18/23	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Create a memorial garden at 102nd Street and Park Lane South</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
19/23	FDNY	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	<i>9" DeWalt battery Operated concrete saw (DCS690X2) for all FDNY Fire Engines</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
20/23	FDNY	Other capital budget request for FDNY	<i>These ambulances used by FDNY are designed with lifts and special wheel chairs to be used for individuals over 500 pounds</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.

21/23	DPR	New equipment for maintenance	<i>Secure New Equipment for Forest Park Maintenance Workers. Secure Crew Cub Dump Truck with Plow & Salt Spreader.</i>	Parks Department funds are insufficient for this purpose. We recommend this request be brought to the attention of your Council Members.
22/23	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances	<i>To be used by FDNY for disasters to shelter and treat individuals in one place</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
23/23	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances	<i>This FDNY equipment is used to respond ahead with a liaison coordinator</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.

Expense Requests

PRIORITY	AGENCY	CB REQUEST	REASON	AGENCY RESPONSE
01/24	HHC	Other health care facilities requests	<i>HHC Hospitals should have PPE supplies for all administrators, doctors, nurses and patients</i>	Requested project has been completed using hospital's existing resources.
02/24	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>Expand 3k program and enrollment opportunities</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.
03/24	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Increase information sharing with members of the community, city agencies and Community Boards to encourage testing and the adoption of the "core four" actions to prevent Covid</i>	The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.
04/24	DSNY	Other garbage collection and recycling requests	<i>Maintaining and increasing litter basket service</i>	More information is needed from the community board. The community board should contact the agency to report specific information regarding areas/locations of concern.
05/24	DSNY	Other expense budget request for DSNY	<i>Maintaining and increasing MLP services to address illegal drop off and dump out conditions</i>	This program is currently funded and the Department of Sanitation recommends its continued support.
06/24	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	<i>Maintaining and cleaning center median cleaning</i>	This program is currently funded and the Department of Sanitation recommends its continued support.
07/24	DSNY	Increase vacant lot cleaning	<i>Maintaining and increasing funding levels for vacant lot cleaning</i>	Resources are available to clean vacant lots. The turn-around time for cleaning vacant lots depends on whether the lot is owned by NYC or a private owner and whether or not the lot is accessible. If the vacant lot is privately owned and not accessible to DOS equipment, a court order is required to gain entry into the lot . The legal process for obtaining these court orders delays the process further. If you have specific locations that need to be processed, contact DOS.
08/24	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up	<i>Maintaining curbside recycling program</i>	This program is currently funded and the Department of Sanitation recommends its continued support.
09/24	DSNY	Provide or expand NYC organics collection program	<i>Resuming the curbside organics collection program</i>	This program is currently funded and the Department of Sanitation recommends its continued support.
10/24	DSNY	Expand opportunities for electronic waste collection and disposal	<i>Restore the Curbside E-Waste collection program</i>	Although the Department of Sanitation supports this program, due to fiscal constraints the availability of funds is uncertain.
11/24	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up for schools and institutions	<i>Continuation of funds for school truck services, assistance to schools to maximize recycling and assist schools comply with collection schedules</i>	This program is currently funded and the Department of Sanitation recommends its continued support.
12/24	DFTA	Enhance educational and recreational programs	<i>Our seniors deserve programs that improve the mental, physical, financial and emotional health. It is importation we increase funding to programs that will greatly improve the quality of life of our senior population.</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.

13/24	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)	<i>Continue to fund Beacon Program at Middle School 210 and expand to other district schools. The Beacon Program provides educational, sports and mentoring opportunities outside normal classroom hours. Funding should be maintained or increased.</i>	DYCD has increased funding in this service area.
14/24	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>Students of all backgrounds, including learning and physical disabilities should have access to a quality education. Every effort should be made to ensure that each school has the ability and resources to our special needs children.</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.
15/24	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	<i>In this technologically advance environment and the use of various social media platforms can cause stress and anxiety in our children and young adults. There should access to mental health programs to help individuals cope with stress and depression.</i>	DOHMH funds a variety of services related to mental health, alcohol, drug abuse, and depression. We will review and assess the request for additional programming, which would be contingent upon available resources.
16/24	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	<i>Many veterans return to civilian life that require mental health support. Issues can be dealing with PTSD, substance abuse or difficulties returning to civilian life. It is important that we have programs to help our veteran population.</i>	Please contact the Office of Veteran's Affairs directly.
17/24	NYPD	Hire additional uniformed officers	<i>We must receive our fair share of Police Officers. Our district will be home to high-rise community jail and also includes Queens Borough Hall, Forest Park, and a number of churches, synagogues and temples that are in need of constant attention.</i>	NYPD's total uniformed staffing levels depend on decisions made in the Preliminary and Executive Budget process. Allocation of uniformed personnel is scheduled by the agency only after graduation of police classes from the Academy.
18/24	HRA	Provide social services for domestic violence survivors (legal services, counseling, referral to supportive services, etc.)	<i>Domestic violence does not discriminate. Anyone of any race, age, sexual orientation, religion or gender can be a victim ? or perpetrator ? of domestic violence. It can happen to people who are married, living together or who are dating. It affects people of all socioeconomic backgrounds and education levels. We need programs to help these victims</i>	HRA continues to maintain funding for Domestic Violence clients.
19/24	NYPD	Other senior center program requests	<i>Assign Additional School Crossing Guards. Assign additional school crossing guards in all schools in Community Board 9.</i>	Based on the latest budget, the NYPD has a specific budgeted headcount. The agency is working on filling vacancies in order to get to that headcount.
20/24	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	<i>Welcome Signs for Community Board 9. Signs for Woodhaven, Ozone Park, Richmond Hill, and Kew Gardens.</i>	This is not a budget request.
21/24	DPR	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	<i>Install plank fencing along Freedom Drive in Forest Park . This fence will provide safety for pedestrian and also help control litter accumulation</i>	The agency recommends funding this expense budget request in FY 2024, but at this time the availability of funds is uncertain.

22/24	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	<i>Fund Park Enforcement Patrol Unit for Forest Park. Forest Park is host to many athletic facilities, recreational programs, and special events. It also has 543 acres of forest, which feature numerous hiking trails and a 4-mile equestrian path. Our park has a high volume of events and activities. Problems such as user conflicts permit violations, crowd control, vandalism, deviant behavior and other enforcement issues are in need of attention. Often, PEP nits are not available to respond to Forest Parks needs due to citywide distribution of their staff, and summer staffing of pools and beaches. This has created a rise in misuse of and vandalism to park facilities, damage to the landscape, criminal activity and mischief.</i>	The agency recommends funding this expense budget request in FY 2024, but at this time the availability of funds is uncertain.
23/24	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	<i>Fund Pruning Contract for Forest Park This is now a safety issue. Branches have fallen during park concerts and events. It is only a matter of time before someone is seriously injured or killed. The 543-acre park has large mature trees that are 150 years plus. We desperately need a PIP (Parks Inspection Project) funded along with pruning dollars.</i>	The agency recommends funding this expense budget request in FY 2024, but at this time the availability of funds is uncertain.
24/24	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	<i>Fund Maintenance Workers & Equipment. Maintenance workers are funded for eight months only. During the winter they are laid off. When they return they have a backlog of winter work, i.e. painting, cement work, repairs etc., that can be done during the winter.</i>	The agency recommends funding this expense budget request in FY 2024, but at this time the availability of funds is uncertain.