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**Brooklyn
Community District
17**



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

Brooklyn

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
AGE							
Total population	2,504,700	100.00	2,736,074	100.00	231,374	9.2	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	594,378	23.7	595,703	21.8	1,325	0.2	-1.9
MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN							
Total population	2,504,700	100.0	2,736,074	100.0	231,374	9.2	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	496,285	19.8	516,426	18.9	20,141	4.1	-0.9
White non-Hispanic	893,306	35.7	968,427	35.4	75,121	8.4	-0.3
Black non-Hispanic	799,066	31.9	729,696	26.7	-69,370	-8.7	-5.2
Asian non-Hispanic	260,129	10.4	370,776	13.6	110,647	42.5	3.2
Some other race, non-Hispanic	15,904	0.6	37,579	1.4	21,675	136.3	0.8
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	40,010	1.6	113,170	4.1	73,160	182.9	2.5
HOUSING OCCUPANCY							
Total housing units	1,000,293	100.0	1,077,654	100.0	77,361	7.7	0.0
Occupied housing units	916,856	91.7	1,009,804	93.7	92,948	10.1	2.0
Vacant housing units	83,437	8.3	67,850	6.3	-15,587	-18.7	-2.0

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

Brooklyn Community District 17

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
AGE							
Total population	155,252	100.00	162,446	100.00	7,194	4.6	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	35,611	22.9	31,612	19.5	-3,999	-11.2	-3.4
MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN							
Total population	155,252	100.0	162,446	100.0	7,194	4.6	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	10,536	6.8	13,313	8.2	2,777	26.4	1.4
White non-Hispanic	2,204	1.4	5,837	3.6	3,633	164.8	2.2
Black non-Hispanic	137,243	88.4	127,289	78.4	-9,954	-7.3	-10.0
Asian non-Hispanic	1,734	1.1	3,036	1.9	1,302	75.1	0.8
Some other race, non-Hispanic	1,057	0.7	2,301	1.4	1,244	117.7	0.7
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	2,478	1.6	10,670	6.6	8,192	330.6	5.0
HOUSING OCCUPANCY							
Total housing units	59,098	100.0	62,636	100.0	3,538	6.0	0.0
Occupied housing units	55,571	94.0	58,768	93.8	3,197	5.8	-0.2
Vacant housing units	3,527	6.0	3,868	6.2	341	9.7	0.2

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

Statement on Data Accuracy

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

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

3. OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT

Community District 17 is comprised of the following neighborhoods: East Flatbush, Northeast East Flatbush, Rugby, Farragut/Hyde Park, Remsen Village, Ditmas Village and Erasmus. The geographic district encompasses East New York Avenue from East 98 Street to Utica Avenue, South on Utica Avenue to Clarkson Avenue, West on Clarkson Avenue to Bedford Avenue, South on Bedford Avenue to the Long Island Railroad/Glenwood Road East along the Long Island Railroad to East 98 Street, then North on East 98 Street to East New York Avenue. Community District 17 is a culturally diverse community. Between 2010 and 2020 there was a 5% increase in our total population. According to the U.S. Census Bureau Population, the 2020 population count in CB 17 was reported to be 162,446: with 78% being Black, 8% Hispanic, 2% Asian, 4% White, 8% Other. The number of residents under 18 is reported to be 31,612, a 19 % decrease from 2010. We believe, the CB 17 community have many undocumented residents who, if counted, would probably increase the total population of the district.

4. TOP THREE PRESSING ISSUES OVERALL

Brooklyn Community Board 17

The three most pressing issues facing this Community Board are:

Affordable housing

The preservation and creation of low to moderate-income affordable housing units in our district are essential for CB 17 residents to enjoy a good quality of life in our city that is more equitable and currently enjoyed by our more affluent neighbors in other New York city communities. Our community is under siege, with luxury buildings being built throughout, causing the current residents to be priced out of our community. Community Board 17 has 62,636 housing units, with 58,768 occupied units and 3,868 unoccupied. In 2019, Community Board 17 had a homeownership rate of 32.4% compared to 29.8% borough-wide. During the COVID-19 crisis, many foreclosures happened in Brooklyn, the Bronx, and Queens. However, the highest rate of foreclosure filings took place in Community Board 17, with 10.5 per 1,000 1-4 family and condo properties. Hence, we believe it is necessary to preserve homeownership and encourage access to more first-time homeownership programs like the ones offered by IMPACCT and NHS, which can ultimately help to protect and create more affordable housing. We are aware that CB 17 is made up of predominantly 1-4 family homes. Many of them are not owned by developers and, in many ways, often offer more affordable rents than developments. As a result, we must ensure that we keep this symbiotic relationship intact to protect tenants. This can start by addressing the current abuse of the ERAP program. This is a much-needed service that assists renters who are behind on their rent due to unemployment or underemployment caused by the pandemic. When an applicant applies for assistance, the clock stops and they can not be evicted while their application is being processed. This would normally be a godsend for tenants facing some harsh realities during the pandemic because they get a chance for their rent to get paid and the landlord receives relief from the program too. However, there are a portion of our community who have figured out how to game the system. They file applications knowing that they are not eligible and that they can't be evicted while their applications are being processed. They repeat the process over and over thereby delaying their evictions while continuing to not pay the landlords and the tenant can apply as many times as they like without prejudice. This can be devastating to a small landlord who is dependent on the rent from the tenant and with no other means of assistance from the state or federal government they can end up behind in their mortgages and/or property taxes and be forced into a position where they may have to sell their homes (perhaps to developers) for pennies on the dollar. Then they are not able to pass the property down to family which ends up destroying this avenue to generational wealth. In 2019, Community Board 17's median household income was \$61,940, with 31.60% of households severely rent-burdened. As a result, CB 17 supports the expansion of rental assistance like the ERAP program. We believe that supporting rent-burdened community residents through rental assistance programs will allow residents to remain in their homes and move on to improving their quality of life. We also support the need for more access to a lawyer, like what is offered through the legal aid society when tenants face possible evictions because it has been shown that tenants with representation are more likely to be able to stay in their homes, thereby saving them from becoming homeless in our neighborhood. The pandemic has caused many financial hardships, but we don't want to see our neighbors end up in the street while working on getting back on their feet. It is also essential to ensure that there is ample assistance to help potential tenants applying to programs like HUD and section 8 or CityFHEPS for vouchers and the housing lottery on housing connect and, where possible, get these programs expanded to ensure that their applications are completed well; therefore, providing them with a better chance for success. We are aware that many residents within our community are elderly, English language learners, or may not understand the intricacies that go into many of these applications. As a result, it is essential to ensure that help is afforded to CB 17 residents who require it. We also need to get Our elected officials curb the request of real estate companies (and direct landlords) requiring potential tenants to make 3 (three) times the rent requested as this can sometimes edge someone out who could otherwise afford the rent asked. Furthermore, it is essential to note that increasing the affordable housing stock within our city and district should be paramount. There must be a solution to add more affordable units to our community, starting with our elected representatives. We need to work with our elected representatives to ensure that landlords/developers aren't "warehousing the apartments" stock by purposely leaving them off the market. At the same time, the owners wait for the rents to rise back to pre-pandemic rates. We

also need to have more rules to curb the landlord's/developers' use of short-term rental sites like Airbnb for the available apartments in our community. These units are not hotels, but as long as they are allowed to treat them as such, there will be fewer units to rent long-term because they can make more money on these sites with short-term rentals. Also, identifying vacant and abandoned lots and buildings is critical to ensure that more affordable housing is created in CB 17. Identifying these areas is vital to building more units, which is necessary within our city and district to increase the housing stock and ultimately create more affordable housing. Additionally, when making more units, it is irresponsible not to consider parking, as our neighborhood is where many residents rely on automobiles. Therefore, adding parking garages to new construction is an important consideration. Residents express immense concerns over gentrification and the neighborhood fabric of Community Board 17, as Brooklyn Community Board 17 has not faced a rezoning in 17 years. Such development pressure is not only a threat to the fabric of the neighborhood but also the well-being of residents and locally owned businesses. They are proving that such adversity is not “just” a zoning issue but an issue of social justice that contributes to the district's affordability, ownership, and public safety. Therefore, CB 17 believes that for us to maintain housing affordability, the effects of gentrification must be addressed. CB 17 is not against a diverse community. However, it is essential that the city is responsible for creating safeguards for residents and securing excellent and affordable housing even when drastic neighborhood change is imminent.

Crime and public safety

Public safety is a concern city-wide, with Mayor Adams campaigning to end gun violence. Community Board 17, which falls in the 67th precinct, calls for more anti-violence initiatives as struggles in 2021, a 9 percent jump in significant crimes. The Deputy of the 67th precinct calls for relationship-building and interaction with the community regarding public safety and well-being. We believe that more community-based officers are essential in curbing the rise of crime and that this should be a priority. But we are also advocates for anti-violence efforts conducted by non-profits such as Elite Learners, Basketball Tournaments at Tilden High School, and summer employment programs for youth, where an increase in funding is also necessary. Post-secondary workforce development would also be a deterrence to concerns of public safety as well. Other efforts to cut down violence also include removing guns from the streets. In January, the 67th precinct pulled 37 guns from the community. Community outreach, social media postings, skills training, and increased funding can be streamlined to continue such initiatives. Community Board 17 believes land use, sanitation, and housing impact public safety. CB17 lacks open green space and community spaces in neighboring areas such as Prospect Heights. The reasons for this involve questions of equity and systemic injustices. The limited recreational space and opportunities for the Community Board can lead individuals to other unhealthy avenues. Parks such as Tilden Park should be renovated, especially the basketball court. Other parks that require maintenance include the Railroad playground and the park by Nazareth High. A straightforward fix for the gardens is to extend the hours of operation and keep the bathrooms unlocked. While open space can be limited, the community board can work with private and public entities to get creative on how the community views public space. There are questions on the relationship between public safety and mental health. Allocating resources towards mental health, people with disabilities, and senior populations would make for a stronger, more harmonious community. Community Board 17 is a naturally occurring retirement community with a scarcity of supermarkets. Measures need to be taken to promote food equity, not only in terms of distance but also in food quality. Creating more farmers' market opportunities, perhaps on corridors where safety is a concern, could bring more people to such areas and provide equal access and community. Vibrancy through place-making, whether farmer's markets or community installations, could help to integrate new community facilities and build relationships. In addition, there need to be more resources allocated to areas causing crime, such as poverty and migration effects, and research on restorative justice techniques to prevent them.

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

Community Board 17 has faced harassment from developers seeking interest in one to two-family homes within the district. In addition, home ownership has been known to vary significantly between boroughs and different racial groups. Considering the demographics of Community Board 17, it stands that developers buying up existing properties from homeowners will have a racial impact and affect an individual's ability to have a stake in their community, as homeownership can be used to build wealth. As of now, much of the community is rent burdened. New York City has a past with discriminatory real estate practices where loans were not given to lower-income communities of color. Neighborhoods were labeled as a “risk” to loan corporations and color-coded on maps.

“Good” candidates for investment were shaded green and blue. At the same time, “risk” candidates were colored yellow and red. Community Board 17, known as C 13, was yellow. While white families could purchase homes and see such homes increase in value, policies have systematically discriminated against families of color who desired the same path. New York City’s gentrification has resulted in further displacement, eviction, or modern-day redlining as developers are building for the top of the real estate market. Development and zoning disproportionately affect communities of color, and this is not a new concept. Public Advocate Jumaane Williams was the first proponent of a racial impact requirement for developers and has expressed that “the more we have tools [...], the more we can sift through what’s just noise and what’s serious and needs to be addressed.” New York City has approved the requirement for racial-equity impact studies before land-use rezoning efforts to protect neighborhoods like Gowanus, Bushwick, Inwood, Two Bridges, and Community Board 17. While the Land Use Committee has responded to growing concerns of out-of-context development and homeowner harassment, dating back to a letter sent to the Brooklyn Office of the New York City Department of City Planning in June of 2018, there still needs to be an increase in anti-displacement programs in East Flatbush. The Land Use Committee has hosted several community workshops and surveys in the past during an initiative titled “We Shall Not Be Moved” to educate residents on the board’s growing concern about displacement and encroaching development. In February 2020, Community Board 17’s Land Use Committee and Consultants from WXY met with the Brooklyn Office of the New York City Department of City Planning to share a community-led rezoning proposal. A few weeks after the meeting with the New York City Department of City Planning was the unexpected COVID- 19 pandemic. In July 2020, the Land Use Committee sent the Brooklyn Office of the New York City Department of City Planning a memorandum explaining how the COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated existing inequity within New York City and shows more than ever, the need for rezoning in Community Board 17. A future rezoning could increase public investment, which is imperative. Developer engagement should also be put into legislation and planning processes. Allowing mixed-use buildings, where the community has a stake in what vendors are provided, can let more childcare opportunities, banks, and schools. Rapid development occurs predominantly in the northeast and eastern side of Community Board 17. Developments with more units are found on Linden Boulevard and Lenox Road between Flatbush Avenue and Nostrand Avenue. Other pockets of developments currently in the approval process are happening where Flatbush and Nostrand intersect as well as by New York Ave and Foster. There are developments at the start of Remsen Avenue and between Utica Avenue and Kings Highway. A specific 900- unit housing project at Clarkson & Albany has been a point of contention. The development will include rebuilding two of the three homeless shelters that sit near Clarkson & Albany and creating approximately 300 supportive housing units. Other notable sites where community residents fear rapid displacement include Clinton Boulevard, Linden Boulevard, and Farragut Avenue. Community Board 17 needs support from local non-profits to commit to a zoning amendment. Support from the board and the community will provide a clear and collective message to the city that the Mayor needs to expedite the rezoning process and acknowledge the adverse effects of real estate development. Residents also believe research on how increasing congestion in CB17 will affect schools, the power grid, hospitals, and public transportation is imperative. Suggestions on how to collect such data include the creation of a database and more conducted surveys. In addition, open lines of communication between the community district and other city agencies can help to prevent tax liens and evictions. Community Board 17’s Contextual Rezoning Plan should provide an inventory of suitable land for residential development and detail the community’s maintenance, preservation, sustainability, and housing development goals. If development is going to happen, communities should be given grants to community nonprofits and educational centers to ensure community investment. The Contextual Rezoning Plan could include multi-family and mixed-use developments by allowing accessory dwelling units (ADUs) to increase housing supply but not contribute to out-of-context development. Seattle has recently rezoned several single-family neighborhoods as “small residential lots.” The classified zoning allows for multifamily housing that is not as dense and matches the fabric of the community. Placing development priority on vacant and underutilized land can also increase housing options without harassing homeowners. Community Board 17 could also advocate for interventions that promote rent regulation and short-term rentals to help residents and prevent displacement. Community Board 17 should also explore ways to adopt laws protecting residents from evictions. Units should be offered below market rate to renters of different income brackets. Other ways to stabilize include a community benefits agreement where non-profits and on-ground- organizations can help to keep development in line with the community’s vision for the future. Community Land-trusts also help to give people a stake in their community.

5. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND BUDGET REQUESTS

HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

Brooklyn Community Board 17

Most Important Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

Chronic diseases prevention and management (diabetes, heart disease, etc.)

COVID-19, while devastating to our community, has been layered on preexisting and ongoing health issues plaguing our community. Access to Health Care and information that will empower our community to make healthier informed choices for healthcare remains a focus for this community. While diabetes, obesity, and hypertension are just as high or higher in our community as compared to the entire City of New York, we have an additional obligation to ensure our mental health needs remain at the forefront of any services being provided to the community and those services must include awareness, acceptance, and access. The latest data available at the time of this narrative was released from The NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene in April and May of 2020 found “New Yorkers to be experiencing stress, anxiety, and depression, and parents reported the emotional or behavioral health of children as being negatively affected by COVID-19”. We are in the aftermath of these occurrences, and the Mayor’s Office of Community Mental Health states one in five New Yorkers experiences mental illness each year. That’s about 65% of Brooklynites.

Community District Needs Related to Health Care and Human Services

Needs for Health Care and Facilities

Access to Health Care, and Prevention Screening are two health related issues that affects the East Flatbush district. As noted in the NYC DOHMH Community Health Survey. A lack of quality health care can lead to negative health outcomes and more intensive treatment such as avoidable hospitalizations. Adults in The same can be said for Prevention and Screening of various illnesses, such as Breast Cancer, HPV, Flu and HIV testing. When screening is applied it can be most effective in people living longer, healthier lives. We support the creation and promotion of programs that increase awareness and encourage treatment of mental health. The many components of ThriveNYC, which aims to reduce mental illness stigma and close the gap in behavioral health services by integrating mental health care into primary care practices needs to be expanded to more low-income neighborhoods. It is difficult for physicians to ascertain the living conditions in which their patients come from and return to after clinic visits and especially after hospitalization. Increased services could help individuals cope with stressful situations.

Needs for Older NYs

We request that the Department For The Aging implement funded programs. There is a need for C2 housing to meet the needs of our aging population, namely: assisted living, independent living, and dependent living. Our population continues to age like the rest of the country; the frail and elderly are growing more numerous. There is a desperate need for additional senior centers and programs throughout the district. In addition, nutritional resources for older adults implemented during the pandemic should be maintained.

Needs for Homeless

Provide rental assistance/vouchers for permanent housing. The gap between affordable and unaffordable continues to rise. Families are facing eviction into homelessness due to rent increases and factors such as low-wage work. CB17 requests that programs be implemented to accommodate families and singles who, due to their income range, fall within the borders of unaffordability thus deeming them unable to apply for affordable units. We believe the income range is a disadvantage to many residents in our district.

Needs for Low Income NYs

Other Work Experience Program Requests: With the phasing out of the Work Experience Program, participants seeking independence and self-support must be provided with alternatives that continue to improve the skills they already possess and allow them opportunities to develop new abilities that increase their chances of employment. Support the maintenance of resources for those unemployed due to the current market instability.

Capital Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
8/36	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>The Board supports the funding and installation of a kitchen at the Senior Center located at 3304 Clarendon Road. Having a kitchen on site will greatly enhance the quality of food service to the seniors and eliminate the daily hassle of transporting meals to the center.</i>	3304 Clarendon Road
10/36	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>Installation of a commercial kitchen at Remsen Senior Center to provide hot meal preparation for seniors who attend the center.</i>	3304 Clarendon Road, Brooklyn, New York, NY
15/36	DFTA	Other capital budget request for DFTA	<i>Department For The Aging: Our population continues to age like the rest of the country. There is a desperate need for additional centers throughout the district as the District is currently serviced by only one senior center in the Community .</i>	Community District 17

Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/28	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	<i>Senior Kitchen : Additional assistance with food staff is needed. Food and space for seniors are needed in the community.</i>	
6/28	HHC	Other health care facilities requests	<i>Health+Wellness pharmacy. All pharmacies are more then a 1/4 mile away from this location. It is difficult for people who have physical limitations to gain access.</i>	Avenue D Albany Avenue Utica
8/28	DFTA	Enhance home care services	<i>There should be outreach services to homebound older adults n elderly to allow them to age in place. Many cannot afford long term care of independent senior housig/communities</i>	

11/28	DFTA	Enhance home care services	<i>It is often difficult for physicians to ascertain the living conditions of their patients, especially seniors. Additionally, the restrictions of Medicare vs. Medicaid insurance has negatively impacted home health aide services. Some older adults experience difficulties ambulating, lack of elevators/working elevators and obtaining door-to-door transportation. Funding is needed for MD's home visits, home physical/occupational therapy, visiting nurse services for medication, review/administration, wound care etc. In addition to outreach services to homebound older adults and elderly to allow the to age in place as many cannot afford long term care or independent senior housing/communities.</i>
14/28	HRA	Other request for services to support low-income New Yorkers	<i>Housing, education, job assistance, health care and other human services are investment in our human resources that have been underfunded because we are so woefully undercounted. With the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, more access and reliability in the HRA system for services are essential to low income residents in our community.</i>
20/28	HRA	Enhance cash assistance programs	<i>College students attending classes, interns and/or graduates seeking employment, MTA fare becomes a burden and creates a financial hardship.</i>
27/28	DFTA	Increase home delivered meals capacity	<i>The impact of COVID-19 and the closing of the Senior Centers has caused an increased demand for Meals on Wheels service to the many seniors and shut-in. DFTA was able to establish emergency procurement contracts that provided meals directly to the seniors. We request continued funding for this needed program. Additionally, we request screening of the applicants applying for the contracts. CB17 received numerous reports of food being delivered on some steps and porches unknown to the seniors. Many were unable to use the food after squirrels and cats tore the bags and scattered most of the food. Continued Funding for DFTA's HDM is necessary during this pandemic.</i>

28/28	DFTA	Increase home delivered meals capacity	<i>Significant number of elderly individuals and individuals living with multiple health problems, shut-ins who depend on the Meals on Wheels program. COVID-19 has exacerbated social isolation. Although many local churches have food pantries and soup kitchens, many individuals are unavailable to shop and prepare healthy nutritious meals and often resort to either eating what's available/affordable (junk food, fast food, etc.) or go without a meal. Food costs have increased significantly since the pandemic. Continued funding for this program is necessary.</i>	District Wide
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YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

Brooklyn Community Board 17

Most Important Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Other

New York City has seen more than sixty thousand Asylum seekers who have taken residence in the five boroughs over the last six months. According to an article written in Chalkbeat, at least 5500 have now been enrolled in our schools across the boroughs. Many of these students have high needs for bilingual teachers, Social Workers, and Health & Mental Services. To help address these students' social and emotional needs, we will be required to help them adjust to their new environments by providing limited services and programs in our schools. The increased number of students will call for additional funding to add other resources to our schools. New York received 8.9 Billion from The American Rescue plan and the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief State Plan; part of these funds was allocated for Mental health services, Social Workers, and expanding Afterschool Programs. This year, the NYC school budget is 38 Billion due to all the funding sources. However, the issue becomes what happens when these funding sources are depleted; how do we continue to provide the adequate resources and tools needed for our schools? Covid has set our students back to an all-time academic low. To maintain a level of educational advancement and provide those necessary services, we need to maintain a level of funding from Public and private sources that will give us the economic advantage that our students need. School-Based Health clinics in our schools are essential. They add value to address our students' health and emotional needs and provide parents with an avenue they can navigate outside the regular healthcare system. Students can utilize these services during the school day without missing school. Currently, Community Board 17 has no School-Based Health Clinics in the community. A much essential and needed resource that can positively impact our students. Social workers are a requirement in schools as they help address and deal with the complexities that may affect social interactions and behaviors at school or home. In April 2022, the State's Comptroller's office found that of the school districts analyzed, 95% did not meet the recommended ratio of one school social worker for every 250 students. Afterschool Programs provide opportunities for students to develop skills and pursue an interest in Music & Art, Athletic Sports, Stem or Steam activities, College essays, etc. We must ensure that funding for these services remains a constant staple within our schools. The advantages they provide for the students in our community are essential to the core of their success. Community Board 17 will continue to advocate for these services through Federal, State, and City Funding (elected officials), CBOs, and Private entities. The need for growth and development through programs and services in our schools creates positive outcomes through test scores, increased graduation rates, and equitable opportunities for the students in our community.

Community District Needs Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Needs for Youth Education

We must ensure that funding for School-Based Health clinics, counseling and social worker, and after-school programs must remain a constant staple within our schools. The advantages they provide for the students in our community are essential to the core of their success. Community Board 17 will continue to advocate for these services through Federal, State, and City Funding (elected officials) Community Based-Organizations, and Private entities. The need for growth and development through programs and services in our schools creates positive outcomes through test scores, increased graduation rates, and equitable opportunities for the students in our community.

Needs for Youth and Child Welfare

Many of our young people lack the skills necessary for employment. We request continued funding of programs that offer a broader range of opportunities for youth to explore their career and educational interests. Developmental programs such as "Learn and Earn" and "Train and Earn" that assist participants in overcoming barriers to employment, have proven successful over the years. Community Board 17 also supports the Ladder for

leaders program that allows partnering with relevant city agencies and/or community partners to create pathways and opportunities for youth and communities at large, to gain experience in the tech, entrepreneurship and entertainment/media field.

Capital Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
5/36	SCA	Renovate interior building component	<i>P.S 198 - Request funding be allocated to install a Bell System which ties in with the Clock. Presently, the school do not have a bell system or a programmable clock.</i>	4105 Farragut Rd
28/36	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>Gym Repair: Much needed and essential gym repair need to upgrade gymnasium to complete and full year around usage. Including proper heating and cooling, Ventilation, lighting , and all necessary enhancement for a safe and healthy post covid learning experience.</i>	
29/36	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>Spaces for performance and community/ school events is helpful for great student experience but also for community quality of life increase. Start of the Art facilities and enhancements to create a theatrical experience cushioned seating, automated shades, digital theatrical lighting upgraded audio and visual sound system.</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/28	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance skills training and employment services for high school students at risk of dropping out	<i>Residents particularly young people lack skills necessary for employment.</i>	District Wide
15/28	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>We need more parents to be involved in the planning of their children's education. This is the only way our community and the next generation can advance. We need to provide workshops for parents when their children are registered for school on how to talk to children and work with educators.</i>	

22/28	DOE	Provide, expand, or enhance funding for Child Care and Head Start programs	<i>Children beginning school at an earlier age is essential. We need more access to this within our community.</i>
26/28	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>Research suggest, Music and Performing Arts programs in our schools help students in other areas such as math. Adding Music and Performing Arts to the curriculum will greatly enhance students learning. We also advocate for funding/support to businesses such as the Cynthia King Dance Studio, located at 21 Snyder Avenue, Brooklyn 11226.</i>

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Brooklyn Community Board 17

Most Important Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

General crime

As a result of the increase in crimes within our community, we believe that addressing the root cause and putting in place preventative measures, such as increasing the number of law enforcement officers within CB17 and the 67th precinct, would create a safer community and removing guns from our streets is imperative as they are the primary cause for most of the murders. The board believes that the NYPD must focus on the uptick in crimes in our neighborhood. It is alarming that the 67th Precinct has the 3rd highest rate of murders of all precincts in Brooklyn. The truth is that even though the percentage of change between 2021 to 2022 is not drastic, there has been a 25% increase. The mere fact remains that the rate of murder is not decreasing but is increasing, which ultimately causes several other issues community-wide, such as an effect on the quality of life, since fearful residents would spend less time in their communities and on their community streets as well as visiting the stores in our community. It is incumbent on the city to ensure that safety and the preservation of lives remain paramount. Additionally, the implementation of the Neighborhood Coordinating Officers (NCO), an initiative that engages community members and officers, has garnered applause from most community residents and is still a needed continued face of our community. This form of community policing, or community-oriented policing, is a proven, evidence-based model of police building ties and working closely with members of the communities. Additionally, The Board supports the Advocates Intervene Mentor (AIM) program and requests the program be expanded and hire more mentors. The Board also believes that crime prevention programs are most effective when they operate within the community and involve community residents actively working with local government agencies to address issues contributing to crimes such as murder and delinquency. There need to be increased funding for vandalism prevention, domestic violence prevention, youth crime prevention, and other crime prevention programs. Organizations such as the 67th Precinct Council and other organizations like it are essential in providing crime prevention programming for the community, another form of prevention that we still deem to be necessary. Furthermore, it is essential to note that creating access to economic opportunities through employment can reduce crime. Therefore, CB 17 advocates for more job training programs and access to employment pipelines within our community. We believe that a concerted effort to increase the hiring and outreach efforts for young people from our community into high-paying civil service jobs, such as the FDNY, NYPD, etc., as well as other in-demand high-paying private sector jobs, can create opportunities for advancement and put money into the pockets of young people and young adults, ultimately keeping them away from crime.

Community District Needs Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Needs for Public Safety

CB 17 believes that reducing crime within our community must be the utmost priority. Laws such as Bail reform allow criminals to be set free immediately after committing crimes, leading to repeat offenses. Laws such as these must be reassessed if we are going to see a community with reduced crimes. Furthermore, because our district is plagued with a high crime rate charging criminals with lesser charges which can then allow dangerous offenders back on the streets, is a dangerous practice. We call for an uncompromising approach to crime to have a safer community.

Needs for Emergency Services

Community Board 17 is overly concerned about the ongoing vague response to issues of concern to the community. This is particularly concerning when we are aware that crime is rampant in our community. Therefore, we must ensure that response times do not increase but are decreased. CB17 also reiterates the importance of prioritizing

funding for additional Precinct Outposts, a Fire Prevention Inspection Team, Juvenile FireSetter Intervention program, and carbon monoxide and smoke detectors for distribution to seniors and other residents unable to afford the purchase.

Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/36	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	<i>Community District 17 is one of the largest districts in the Borough. With the increase of multi family buildings throughout the community the population is slated to increase by 25%. An added Precinct would enhance the safety of our community.</i>	District Wide
3/36	NYPD	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	<i>Installation of new windows in the back of the precinct house to prevent draft during the winter months.</i>	2820 Snyder Avenue
4/36	FDNY	Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations	<i>The leaky roof at this location needs to be permanently fixed to avoid flooding of the station house when it rains.</i>	2900 Snyder Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY
6/36	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances	<i>This pilot program needs to be expanded to other districts. Fly Cars are equipped with advanced life support equipment and responds faster than other emergency vehicles.</i>	
35/36	FDNY	Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations	<i>The unhealthy kitchen at Engine Company 248 is desperately in need of renovation. Worn flooring, and outdated cabinet with holes needs to be removed and replaced at this facility.</i>	2900 Snyder Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY

Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/28	NYPD	Hire additional uniformed officers	<i>Public Safety and reduction in gun violence are necessary. So more police that live and are cultural sensitive to the neighborhood they patrol.</i>	
5/28	FDNY	Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives	<i>There has been an explosion of new high rise buildings which leads to to an increase in population and an increase in fires. Community Board 17 supports the continuation of funding for the Fire Prevention, Inspection Team and the Juvenile Fire Setters intervention program. Fire safety initiatives and outreach are critical to the prevention of fires</i>	

9/28	FDNY	Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives	<i>CB17 support full funding for fire Prevention Inspection Program, Fire Prevention Inspection Team and the Juvenile Fire Setter Intervention program, in addition to carbon monoxide and smoke detectors for distribution to seniors and the other population unable to afford the purchase.</i>	
10/28	NYPD	Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles	<i>The 67 Precinct must rely on borrowing a tow truck on a very limited basis and cannot effectively address the issue of 18 wheelers and other vehicles illegally parked through out the community. This request must be prioritized after the Mayor's freeze is lifted.</i>	2820 Snyder Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY
17/28	NYPD	Hire additional traffic enforcement agents	<i>More Traffic Officers will assist the 67th Police Precinct in addressing the ongoing illegally parked vehicles.</i>	2820 Snyder Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY

CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

Brooklyn Community Board 17

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

Cleanliness/trash collection

Sanitation is an ongoing issue in Community Board 17. The COVID-19 Pandemic enunciated the negative health impacts of poor sanitation in the community. There need to be more resources allocated to enforce anti-dumping and vehicle abandonment regulations. Related to public safety, abandoned cars are also an issue in Community Board 17. While the 67th precinct has successfully made efforts to remove some abandoned vehicles, resources such as tow trucks are limited and insufficient to keep up with the rate at which vehicles need to be removed. Catch basins, especially along commercial corridors, are inadequate to control the amount of sewage/overflow accumulating during storms and everyday operations. Currently, the catch basins are being tended to infrequently, leaving residents responsible for catch basin maintenance. Garbage accumulation, both on the street, in garbage bins, and front of many businesses in our business corridors, is also a concern. A suggestion to prevent such actions and catch repeat offenders would be to install cameras at prime hot zones. Notable sites include Rutland Road and 98th Street and surrounding the Holy Cross cemetery. In tandem with the cameras, businesses could be hit with stricter rules and regulations or even incentives to be active in the community and keep the neighborhood clean. On Nostrand Avenue and Church, there is one trash bin. This is a prime commuter area, and residents have expressed the need for more containers in this area and all of our business corridors. Additionally, Business Improvement Districts (BID) in these areas could help keep these areas clean and presentable. Furthermore, we believe that garbage collection times should be reconsidered. Nighttime collection in all areas may curb traffic issues experienced in our districts as a result of garbage trucks blocking roads during the usual morning collections. Furthermore, the nighttime collection will also help keep business corridors clean since garbage is usually left in these areas overnight, leaving a messy and unsanitary appearance for the community during the morning hours.

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
13/36	DSNY	Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment	<i>There is a need for an additional Basket Truck at BK17 garage to address the overflow of litter on commercial strips. Therefore we ask that DSNY Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipments</i>	Church, New York Ave, Nostrand, Utica Avenue
19/36	DEP	Other capital budget request for DEP	<i>These areas flood during heavy rain. There are ponding issues, sewer backup in basements causing damage to the foundation of homes as well as a severe health concern. In addition, there have been several manhole explosions this past winter in the area. These projects have been observed in every other community in recent months except this one.</i>	Farragut Rd Utica Ave to New York Ave/East 58th Street between Clarendon Rd and Beverly Rd/ East 56th Street between Clarendon and D
22/36	DEP	Inspect sanitary sewer on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed	<i>Request DEP include the top ten (10) frequent flooding area in CB17 for Green infrastructure. We were informed in 2020 that DEP is building the maximum number of bioswale to manage storm water runoff and improve water quality in local waterways. CB17 welcome the extension of this project to include District 17.</i>	
25/36	DEP	Other capital budget request for DEP	<i>We request the installation of a storm drain at the Street Segment to avoid puddle/flooding when it rains.</i>	East 39 Street Glenwood Road Glenwood Road

Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
4/28	DSNY	Provide more on-street trash cans and recycling containers	<i>Especially on main commercial streets and corners. The aesthetically pleasing 21st century refuse collection bins.</i>	

7/28	DSNY	Increase enforcement of dirty sidewalk/dirty area/failure to clean area laws	<i>The district lacks sufficient amount of inspectors to properly enforce street cleaning. Complaints are numerous.</i>	
12/28	DSNY	Other enforcement requests	<i>There has been an increase in complaints regarding Illegal dumping throughout the community. CB17 request the installation of surveillance cameras (WCCTV Cameras PT2 Video) which are well built and has a high quality component and high quality still photographs. These cameras must be installed in strategic areas in the district to combat illegal dumping.</i>	East 42 Street Glenwood Road Glenwood Road
24/28	DEP	Inspect sanitary sewer on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed	<i>Request DEP includes the top ten (10) frequent flooding areas in CB17 for Green infrastructure. We were informed in 2020 that DEP is building the maximum bioswales to manage stormwater runoff and improve water quality in local waterways. CB17 welcomes the extension of this project to include District 17.</i>	

HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

Brooklyn Community Board 17

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

Land use and zoning

Rapid development is taking place predominantly in the northeast and eastern side of Community Board 17 in areas zoned for higher densities. Developments with a larger number of units are found on Linden Boulevard and Lenox Road between Flatbush Avenue and Nostrand Avenue. Other pockets of developments currently in the approval process are happening where Flatbush and Nostrand intersect as well as by New York Ave and Foster. There are developments taking place at the start of Remsen Avenue and between Utica Avenue and Kings Highway. A specific 900- unit housing project taking place at Clarkson & Albany has been a point of contention. The development will include rebuilding two of the three homeless shelters that sit near Clarkson & Albany and creating approximately 300 supportive housing units. Other notable sites where community residents fear rapid displacement has taken place include Clinton Boulevard, Linden Boulevard, and Farragut Avenue. Community Board 17 needs support from local non-profits to commit to a zoning amendment. Support from the board and the community will provide a clear and collective message to the city that the Mayor needs to expedite the rezoning process and acknowledge the adverse effects of real estate development. Residents also believe research on how increasing unplanned congestion in CB17 will affect schools, the power grid, hospitals, and public transportation is imperative. Suggestions on how to collect such data include the creation of a database and more conducted surveys. In addition, open lines of communication between the community district and other city agencies can help to prevent tax liens and evictions. Community Board 17's Contextual Rezoning Plan should provide an inventory of suitable land for residential development and detail the community's goals for maintenance, preservation, sustainability, and development of housing. If development is going to happen, communities should be given grants to community nonprofits and educational centers to ensure community investment. The Contextual Rezoning Plan could include multi-family and mixed-use developments by allowing accessory dwelling units (ADUs) to increase housing supply but not contribute to out-of-context development. Seattle has recently rezoned several single-family neighborhoods as "a small residential lot." The classified zoning allows for multifamily housing that is not as dense and matches the neighborhood's fabric. Placing development priority on vacant and underutilized land can also increase housing options without harassing homeowners. Community Board 17 could also advocate for interventions that promote rent regulation and short-term rentals that can help residents and prevent displacement. Community Board 17 should also explore ways to adopt laws protecting residents from evictions. Units should be offered below market rate to renters of different income brackets.

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

There is a need to implement more BID's in CB 17 business areas such as, but not limited to, Utica and East New York Avenue, going southbound on Utica Avenue to Clarendon Road and Utica Avenue and Church Avenue eastbound on Church Avenue to Remsen Avenue, Rutland Road, and East 98th St. The implementation of a BID would promote goodwill between the association members and the residents of the immediately adjacent areas. It will also promote businesses, improve shopping in the community through merchants and civic action projects and foster a stronger relationship between merchants, residents, service agencies, and law enforcement for the betterment of the community. Furthermore, The nonaccess to working capital during Covid-19 and after has put the small business community at a severe disadvantage. A few small businesses will need to close their doors for good

because they can no longer afford to stay open. One of the most significant expenses for a small business is the continuing rise of commercial rents. Small businesses can no longer afford to remain open because of the increased price of retail rents. Also, small businesses could use some drastic increases in their annual revenues. Increasing the incomes of small businesses would also help their bottom line.

Capital Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/36	HPD	Provide more housing for seniors	<i>CB 17 has a large senior population. Seniors are on a fixed income and need affordable housing.</i>	
24/36	DOB	Other capital budget request for DOB	<i>Stabilize Homes: Feasibility study on the water table under all homes and streets. All necessary construction to stabilize and level out these homes. The homes are leaning onto each other. The street at Schenectady has a dip. Overall Cortelyou to Ave D between Albany Ave to Schenectady Aves should be studied.</i>	Clarendon Road Albany Avenue Schenectdy Avenue
36/36	SBS	Other capital budget request for SBS	<i>Increase availability of tech resources for use by community, by building hubs along commercial/business strips.</i>	Church Avenue Bedford Avenue Bedford Avenue

Expense Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

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

Brooklyn Community Board 17

Most Important Issue Related to Transportation and Mobility

Other

Some bus lanes within our community negatively impact the economic health of our small businesses. For instance, the small business community relies on easy access to deliveries and consumer traffic for sustainability and profitability within the district. Unfortunately, some bus lanes create congestion during the day due to the clash of schedules, consequently preventing ease of access to deliveries, supplies, and consumer purchases, for instance, on Utica Avenues and Nostrand Avenues. Businesses need to be profitable to remain open. The schedule of these bus lanes needs to be reevaluated to foster a better collaboration with the daily schedules of our small business to improve commerce. Primarily, the schedules in Utica seem to pose top concerns. Reduction of Street Cameras & Increase in Speed Bumps Historically, we've found that speed cameras are usually located in areas that cause an economic burden to our local community. According to the observation of the transportation committee, speed cameras have no real tangible impact on accidents locally except for being a tax on the poor. For example, these areas were initially designated for creating safety areas within school zones. Unfortunately, the cameras have randomly branched outside non-school zones and into shared spaces throughout our community. Community Board 17 does not support the mayor's position to expand cameras city-wide. We request a project to remove security cameras from non-school zones and relocate them to their designated areas. Also, we are asking to discontinue adding additional cameras within the community. To effectively impact accidents within the district, the board requests that the city implement speed bumps as an alternative to speed cameras within non-school zone locations. Additionally, the board is asking that all of these points be considered in our local community's capital plan. Subway service and quality (frequency, access, crowding, etc.) The Board continues to receive complaints regarding congestion on Utica Avenue, double parked cars, blocked businesses, and parked on the sidewalk have become the norm in the district. The installation of the bus lanes has yet to remedy the situation. Also, the idea for a potential subway extension will only increase the volume of traffic along this corridor, causing double parking and negatively impacting businesses. Additionally, there is a need for improved bus services throughout the district and bus sheds and benches. For example, Albany Ave, Glenwood Rd, Rutland Rd, and East 98th St, a heavily traveled areas in the district, where many seniors utilize the bus services.

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
7/36	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Residents are forced to walk in the street when going to Ralph Ave which is unsafe especially for seniors with the increased vehicular traffic in the area.</i>	Avenue D Ralph Ave East 57th Street
9/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Ponding Condition exists at the location. Existing grades taken by DOT Tech Admin determined a Capital Reconstruction project is warranted at this location</i>	1286-1314 Schenectady Ave Brooklyn, NY 11203
17/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Chronic flooding of basements and sewer back up during heavy down pour of rain</i>	Farguart Rd corridor E56 Clarendon Avenue D
18/36	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	<i>Heavily Traffic intersection with a bus stop. Block is poorly lit.</i>	East 53 Street Kings Highway Kings Highway
20/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Fix RD Dip : Causing Vehicle damage and is constantly opening up. A land survey needs to be done to check water table on South Side of Holy Cross Cemetary to Avenue D in which many of the blocks have massive dips in the road way.</i>	Cortelyou Road Schenectady Avenue
23/36	DOT	Other capital budget request for DOT	<i>Sidewalk Repair Overgrown Flora/ Cracks</i>	Ave D between Utica & Nostrand
26/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Chronic ponding in front of homes causes flooding for lower levels and property loss.</i>	East 58 Street Beverly Road Clarendon Road
27/36	DOT	Other capital budget request for DOT	<i>The entire block needs the sidewalks repaired.</i>	Albany Avenue Avenue D Foster Avenue

30/36	NYCTA	Other transit infrastructure requests	<i>To accommodate senior commuters during inclement weather, elements of rain, snow and flooding.</i>	Utica Avenue B46 Corridor
31/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Under the Overpass, the street not in satisfactory condition to be driven on, needs to be resurfaced</i>	Glenwood Raod EAsT 45 EAsT 45
33/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Trench restoration in front of 3801 Farragut Road. Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)</i>	3801 Farragut Rd

Expense Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
16/28	NYCTA	Improve subway station or train cleanliness, safety and maintenance	<i>Complaints of restaurants in the area dumping refuse and grease into subway gratings along Nostrand Avenue. Programs/fines must be in place for persons caught in the act.</i>	District Wide
18/28	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	<i>It is very difficult for traffic emerging from the "Tertiary streets without hindrance" Vehicles consistently obstructed full view.</i>	East 38th Street Glenwood Road Glenwood Road
19/28	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	<i>It is very difficult for traffic emerging from the side streets without hindrance vehicles consistently obstructing full view.</i>	East 40th Street Glenwood Road Glenwood Road
21/28	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	<i>Very difficult for traffic emerging from the side streets without hindrance. Vehicles consistently obstructed full view.</i>	East 39th Street Farragut Road Farragut Road
25/28	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	<i>Very difficult for traffic emerging from the side street without hindrance. Vehicles consistently obstructing full view</i>	East 35 Street Farragut Road Farragut Road

PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Brooklyn Community Board 17

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

Quality of parks and park facilities

M.1 Allocated Senior Citizen Spaces & Programs in Parks and Open Spaces Since the Baby Boomer Generation is living longer, there is a need to provide designated spaces and programming for seniors. We are past the worst of covid, and indoor spaces might still be frightening for some to continue attending. Therefore, open-air programs at different parks and creating new spaces should be the priority. CB 17 is requesting exercise programs/ infrastructure, which can include: Tai Chi (Self Defense), low-impact exercises, and stationary equipment, as well as dance classes of all different cultural persuasions. CB17 parks and open spaces communal seating in a semi-circle formation for engagement and the building of continued bonds which communal areas can afford. We also need professional trainers and caretakers to be able to help people with disabilities or those who are mobility impaired. Our community has long been without these necessary parks services very present and implemented in other communities. Furthermore, Park maintenance is essential to the cleanliness of our parks and requires hiring additional gardeners and other skilled non-managerial personnel. The Board requests the expansion of athletic and educational programs in Computer Resource Centers to help the youth in our district.

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

Needs for Parks

Park maintenance is essential to the cleanliness of our parks and requires hiring additional gardeners and other skilled non-managerial personnel. The Board requests the expansion of athletic and educational programs in Computer Resource Centers to attract the youth in our district. We also request a feasibility study be conducted at our Parks to determine the installation of swimming pools, a recreational need that would benefit the community. Additionally, we ask that areas where seniors can gather to exercise be implemented in multiple locations within our community.

Needs for Cultural Services

There is a urgent need for collaborative efforts to bring together various private and government funds to support, strengthen and expand arts and cultural nonprofits in Community District 17. The Board believes that cultural facilities and programs will promote and contribute to the culture and economic lives of the community, by creating jobs, cultural tourism, expand access and education in the arts, humanities and sciences, while improving the quality of life for community residents at large.

Needs for Library Services

Community Board 17 supports increased funding for the Brooklyn Public Library to provide the much-needed services, supplies, and equipment for our Branch libraries so that the needs of our students and adult population can be met. The three branches in CD 17, Rugby Branch, Clarendon Branch, and East Flatbush Branch, offer programs such as Homework Help, Tutoring, Computer Classes and Games, and Internet/Email Classes, among others.

Needs for Community Boards

The role of the Community Boards has expanded throughout the years, which requires more staffing to satisfy the needs of the office and assist with the required service delivery needs of the community. Adequate funding is requested to fulfill the Charter-mandated responsibilities of the Board.

Capital Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
11/36	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>The equipment is old, there are no swings for older children; my children prefer other parks vs this one because the playground is outdated. Need ADA accessible equipment for children w/ disabilities.</i>	Tilden between E 48th & E49th St.
12/36	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Parks are a staple within the neighborhoods and an excellent way for our kids to let out all that energy. I enjoy bringing my children to our neighborhood park, but our park needs to be updated. We need swings for all ages, not just baby swings. The jungle gym needs an update of new interesting bright colored equipment for the children to climb and hang from. Rock climbing, monkey bars, bridges to cross, and equipment that can be spun. I don't enjoy taking my children miles away to have fun at the park while having one down the block that's no fun.</i>	E49th street Tilden Ave Beverly Rd
14/36	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Trees are growing out of control and need pruning for years. Requests for pruning go unresolved. Tree roots continue to lift sidewalk even after repair by owners.</i>	58 Street Linden Boulevard Church Avenue
16/36	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>The community park needs a makeover as well as a community garden. During the spring, the park often looks unkempt, especially at the Foster Ave entrance. A makeover will beautify the neighborhood and make the park more welcoming.</i>	Albany Ave and Foster Ave
21/36	DCLA	Renovate or upgrade an existing cultural facility		
32/36	BPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (BPL)	<i>Compliance and Env environmental - Ventilation heating and cooling ,electrical upgrades, local 97 compliance Safety & Security Enhancement-upgraded security cameras and life safety equipment.</i>	

34/36	DCLA	Other cultural facilities and resources requests	<i>This is important because we are systematically taught to separate ourselves by race. But this center can be used to do activities, trips, clubs, counseling, etc, for youth and adults of all races.</i>
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Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
13/28	DPR	Improve trash removal and cleanliness	<i>Dumping in the park. Need more employees to clean the Park.</i>	
23/28	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	<i>Mosquitos are swarming this park, and they are the type that could carry yellow fever and other diseases. We need mosquito monitoring stations here.</i>	

6. OTHER BUDGET REQUESTS

Other Capital Requests

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

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
1/36	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	<i>Community District 17 is one of the largest districts in the Borough. With the increase of multi family buildings throughout the community the population is slated to increase by 25%. An added Precinct would enhance the safety of our community.</i>	District Wide
2/36	HPD	Provide more housing for seniors	<i>CB 17 has a large senior population. Seniors are on a fixed income and need affordable housing.</i>	
3/36	NYPD	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	<i>Installation of new windows in the back of the precinct house to prevent draft during the winter months.</i>	2820 Snyder Avenue
4/36	FDNY	Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations	<i>The leaky roof at this location needs to be permanently fixed to avoid flooding of the station house when it rains.</i>	2900 Snyder Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY
5/36	SCA	Renovate interior building component	<i>P.S 198 - Request funding be allocated to install a Bell System which ties in with the Clock. Presently, the school do not have a bell system or a programmable clock.</i>	4105 Farragut Rd
6/36	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances	<i>This pilot program needs to be expanded to other districts. Fly Cars are equipped with advanced life support equipment and responds faster than other emergency vehicles.</i>	
7/36	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Residents are forced to walk in the street when going to Ralph Ave which is unsafe especially for seniors with the increased vehicular traffic in the area.</i>	Avenue D Ralph Ave East 57th Street
8/36	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>The Board supports the funding and installation of a kitchen at the Senior Center located at 3304 Clarendon Road. Having a kitchen on site will greatly enhance the quality of food service to the seniors and eliminate the daily hassle of transporting meals to the center.</i>	3304 Clarendon Road

9/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Ponding Condition exists at the location. Existing grades taken by DOT Tech Admin determined a Capital Reconstruction project is warranted at this location</i>	1286-1314 Schenectady Ave Brooklyn, NY 11203
10/36	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>Installation of a commercial kitchen at Remsen Senior Center to provide hot meal preparation for seniors who attend the center.</i>	3304 Clarendon Road, Brooklyn, New York, NY
11/36	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>The equipment is old, there are no swings for older children; my children prefer other parks vs this one because the playground is outdated. Need ADA accessible equipment for children w/ disabilities.</i>	Tilden between E 48th & E49th St.
12/36	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Parks are a staple within the neighborhoods and an excellent way for our kids to let out all that energy. I enjoy bringing my children to our neighborhood park, but our park needs to be updated. We need swings for all ages, not just baby swings. The jungle gym needs an update of new interesting bright colored equipment for the children to climb and hang from. Rock climbing, monkey bars, bridges to cross, and equipment that can be spun. I don't enjoy taking my children miles away to have fun at the park while having one down the block that's no fun.</i>	E49th street Tilden Ave Beverley Rd
13/36	DSNY	Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment	<i>There is a need for an additional Basket Truck at BK17 garage to address the overflow of litter on commercial strips. Therefore we ask that DSNY Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipments</i>	Church, New York Ave, Nostrand, Utica Avenue
14/36	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Trees are growing out of control and need pruning for years. Requests for pruning go unresolved. Tree roots continue to lift sidewalk even after repair by owners.</i>	58 Street Linden Boulevard Church Avenue
15/36	DFTA	Other capital budget request for DFTA	<i>Department For The Aging: Our population continues to age like the rest of the country. There is a desperate need for additional centers throughout the district as the District is currently serviced by only one senior center in the Community .</i>	Community Ditrict 17

16/36	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>The community park needs a makeover as well as a community garden. During the spring, the park often looks unkempt, especially at the Foster Ave entrance. A makeover will beautify the neighborhood and make the park more welcoming.</i>	Albany Ave and Foster Ave
17/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Chronic flooding of basements and sewer back up during heavy down pour of rain</i>	Farguart Rd corridor E56 Clarendon Avenue D
18/36	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	<i>Heavily Traffic intersection with a bus stop. Block is poorly lit.</i>	East 53 Street Kings Highway Kings Highway
19/36	DEP	Other capital budget request for DEP	<i>These areas flood during heavy rain. There are ponding issues, sewer backup in basements causing damage to the foundation of homes as well as a severe health concern. In addition, there have been several manhole explosions this past winter in the area. These projects have been observed in every other community in recent months except this one.</i>	Farragut Rd Utica Ave to New York Ave/East 58th Street between Clarendon Rd and Beverly Rd/ East 56th Street between Clarendon and D
20/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Fix RD Dip : Causing Vehicle damage and is constantly opening up. A land survey needs to be done to check water table on South Side of Holy Cross Cemetary to Avenue D in which many of the blocks have massive dips in the road way.</i>	Cortelyou Road Schenectady Avenue
21/36	DCLA	Renovate or upgrade an existing cultural facility		
22/36	DEP	Inspect sanitary sewer on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed	<i>Request DEP include the top ten (10) frequent flooding area in CB17 for Green infrastructure. We were informed in 2020 that DEP is building the maximum number of bioswale to manage storm water runoff and improve water quality in local waterways. CB17 welcome the extension of this project to include District 17.</i>	

23/36	DOT	Other capital budget request for DOT	<i>Sidewalk Repair Overgrown Flora/ Cracks</i>	Ave D between Utica & Nostrand
24/36	DOB	Other capital budget request for DOB	<i>Stabilize Homes: Feasibility study on the water table under all homes and streets. All necessary construction to stabilize and level out these homes. The homes are leaning onto each other. The street at Schenectady has a dip. Overall Cortelyou to Ave D between Albany Ave to Schenectady Aves should be studied.</i>	Clarendon Road Albany Avenue Schenectdy Avenue
25/36	DEP	Other capital budget request for DEP	<i>We request the installation of a storm drain at the Street Segment to avoid puddle/flooding when it rains.</i>	East 39 Street Glenwood Road Glenwood Road
26/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Chronic ponding in front of homes causes flooding for lower levels and property loss.</i>	East 58 Street Beverly Road Clarendon Road
27/36	DOT	Other capital budget request for DOT	<i>The entire block needs the sidewalks repaired.</i>	Albany Avenue Avenue D Foster Avenue
28/36	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>Gym Repair: Much needed and essential gym repair need to upgrade gymnasium to complete and full year around usage. Including proper heating and cooling, Ventilation, lighting , and all necessary enhacement for a safe and healthy post covid learning experience.</i>	
29/36	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>Spaces for performance and community/ school events is helpful for great student experience but also for community quality of life increase. Start of the Art facilities and enhancements to create a theatrical experience cushioned seating, automated shades, digital threatical lighting upgraded audio and visual sound system.</i>	
30/36	NYCTA	Other transit infrastructure requests	<i>To accommodate senior commuters during inclement weather, elements of rain, snow and flooding.</i>	Utica Avenue B46 Corridor

31/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Under the Overpass, the street not in satisfactory condition to be driven on, needs to be resurfaced</i>	Glenwood Raod EAs 45 EAs 45
32/36	BPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (BPL)	<i>Compliance and Env environmental - Ventilation heating and cooling ,electrical upgrades, local 97 compliance Safety & Security Enhancement-upgraded security cameras and life safety equipment.</i>	
33/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Trench restoration in front of 3801 Farragut Road. Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)</i>	3801 Farragut Rd
34/36	DCLA	Other cultural facilities and resources requests	<i>This is important because we are systematically taught to separate ourselves by race. But this center can be used to do activities, trips, clubs, counseling, etc, for youth and adults of all races.</i>	
35/36	FDNY	Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations	<i>The unhealthy kitchen at Engine Company 248 is desperately in need of renovation. Worn flooring, and outdated cabinet with holes needs to be removed and replaced at this facility.</i>	2900 Snyder Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY
36/36	SBS	Other capital budget request for SBS	<i>Increase availability of tech resources for use by community, by building hubs along commercial/business strips.</i>	Church Avenue Bedford Avenue Bedford Avenue

Expense Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/28	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	<i>Senior Kitchen : Additional assistance with food staff is needed. Food and space for seniors are needed in the community.</i>	
2/28	NYPD	Hire additional uniformed officers	<i>Public Safety and reduction in gun violence are necessary. So more police that live and are cultural sensitive to the neighborhood they patrol.</i>	
3/28	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance skills training and employment services for high school students at risk of dropping out	<i>Residents particularly young people lack skills necessary for employment.</i>	District Wide
4/28	DSNY	Provide more on-street trash cans and recycling containers	<i>Especially on main commercial streets and corners. The aesthetically pleasing 21st century refuse collection bins.</i>	
5/28	FDNY	Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives	<i>There has been an explosion of new high rise buildings which leads to to an increase in population and an increase in fires. Community Board 17 supports the continuation of funding for the Fire Prevention, Inspection Team and the Juvenile Fire Setters intervention program. Fire safety initiatives and outreach are critical to the prevention of fires</i>	
6/28	HHC	Other health care facilities requests	<i>Health+Wellness pharmacy. All pharmacies are more then a 1/4 mile away from this location. It is difficult for people who have physical limitations to gain access.</i>	Avenue D Albany Avenue Utica
7/28	DSNY	Increase enforcement of dirty sidewalk/dirty area/failure to clean area laws	<i>The district lacks sufficient amount of inspectors to properly enforce street cleaning. Complaints are numerous.</i>	
8/28	DFTA	Enhance home care services	<i>There should be outreach services to homebound older adults n elderly to allow them to age in place. Many cannot afford long term care of independent senior housig/communities</i>	

9/28	FDNY	Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives	<i>CB17 support full funding for fire Prevention Inspection Program, Fire Prevention Inspection Team and the Juvenile Fire Setter Intervention program, in addition to carbon monoxide and smoke detectors for distribution to seniors and the other population unable to afford the purchase.</i>	
10/28	NYPD	Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles	<i>The 67 Precinct must rely on borrowing a tow truck on a very limited basis and cannot effectively address the issue of 18 wheelers and other vehicles illegally parked through out the community. This request must be prioritized after the Mayor's freeze is lifted.</i>	2820 Snyder Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY
11/28	DFTA	Enhance home care services	<i>It is often difficult for physicians to ascertain the living conditions of their patients, especially seniors. Additionally, the restrictions of Medicare vs. Medicaid insurance has negatively impacted home health aide services. Some older adults experience difficulties ambulating, lack of elevators/working elevators and obtaining door-to-door transportation. Funding is needed for MD's home visits, home physical/occupational therapy, visiting nurse services for medication, review/administration, wound care etc. In addition to outreach services to homebound older adults and elderly to allow the to age in place as many cannot afford long term care or independent senior housing/communities.</i>	
12/28	DSNY	Other enforcement requests	<i>There has been an increase in complaints regarding Illegal dumping throughout the community. CB17 request the installation of surveillance cameras (WCCTV Cameras PT2 Video) which are well built and has a high quality component and high quality still photographs. These cameras must be installed in strategic areas in the district to combat illegal dumping.</i>	East 42 Street Glenwood Road Glenwood Road
13/28	DPR	Improve trash removal and cleanliness	<i>Dumping in the park. Need more employees to clean the Park.</i>	

14/28	HRA	Other request for services to support low-income New Yorkers	<i>Housing, education, job assistance, health care and other human services are investment in our human resources that have been underfunded because we are so woefully undercounted. With the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, more access and reliability in the HRA system for services are essential to low income residents in our community.</i>	
15/28	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>We need more parents to be involved in the planning of their children's education. This is the only way our community and the next generation can advance. We need to provide workshops for parents when their children are registered for school on how to talk to children and work with educators.</i>	
16/28	NYCTA	Improve subway station or train cleanliness, safety and maintenance	<i>Complaints of restaurants in the area dumping refuse and grease into subway gratings along Nostrand Avenue. Programs/fines must be in place for persons caught in the act.</i>	District Wide
17/28	NYPD	Hire additional traffic enforcement agents	<i>More Traffic Officers will assist the 67th Police Precinct in addressing the ongoing illegally parked vehicles.</i>	2820 Snyder Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, NY
18/28	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	<i>It is very difficult for traffic emerging from the "Tertiary streets without hindrance" Vehicles consistently obstructed full view.</i>	East 38th Street Glenwood Road Glenwood Road
19/28	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	<i>It is very difficult for traffic emerging from the side streets without hindrance vehicles consistently obstructing full view.</i>	East 40th Street Glenwood Road Glenwood Road
20/28	HRA	Enhance cash assistance programs	<i>College students attending classes, interns and/or graduates seeking employment, MTA fare becomes a burden and creates a financial hardship.</i>	
21/28	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	<i>Very difficult for traffic emerging from the side streets without hindrance. Vehicles consistently obstructed full view.</i>	East 39th Street Farragut Road Farragut Road

22/28	DOE	Provide, expand, or enhance funding for Child Care and Head Start programs	<i>Children beginning school at an earlier age is essential. We need more access to this within our community.</i>	
23/28	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	<i>Mosquitos are swarming this park, and they are the type that could carry yellow fever and other diseases. We need mosquito monitoring stations here.</i>	
24/28	DEP	Inspect sanitary sewer on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed	<i>Request DEP includes the top ten (10) frequent flooding areas in CB17 for Green infrastructure. We were informed in 2020 that DEP is building the maximum bioswales to manage stormwater runoff and improve water quality in local waterways. CB17 welcomes the extension of this project to include District 17.</i>	
25/28	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	<i>Very difficult for traffic emerging from the side street without hindrance. Vehicles consistently obstructing full view</i>	East 35 Street Farragut Road Farragut Road
26/28	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>Research suggest, Music and Performing Arts programs in our schools help students in other areas such as math. Adding Music and Performing Arts to the curriculum will greatly enhance students learning. We also advocate for funding/support to businesses such as the Cynthia King Dance Studio, located at 21 Snyder Avenue, Brooklyn 11226.</i>	
27/28	DFTA	Increase home delivered meals capacity	<i>The impact of COVID-19 and the closing of the Senior Centers has caused an increased demand for Meals on Wheels service to the many seniors and shut-in. DFTA was able to establish emergence procurement contracts that provided meals directly to the seniors. We request continued funding for this needed program. Additionally, we request screening of the applicants applying for the contracts. CB17 received numerous reports of food being delivered on some steps and porches unknown to the seniors. Many were unable to use the food after squirrels and cats tore the bags and scattered most of the food. Continued Funding for DFTA's HDM is necessary during this pandemic.</i>	

28/28	DFTA	Increase home delivered meals capacity	<i>Significant number of elderly individuals and individuals living with multiple health problems, shut-ins who depend on the Meals on Wheels program. COVID-19 has exacerbated social isolation. Although many local churches have food pantries and soup kitchens, many individuals are unavailable to shop and prepare healthy nutritious meals and often resort to either eating what's available/affordable (junk food, fast food, etc.) or go without a meal. Food costs have increased significantly since the pandemic. Continued funding for this program is necessary.</i>	District Wide
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8. COMMUNITY BOARD BUDGET REQUESTS *WITH AGENCY RESPONSES*

Capital Requests

PRIORITY	AGENCY	CB REQUEST	REASON	AGENCY RESPONSE
01/36	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	<i>Community District 17 is one of the largest districts in the Borough. With the increase of multi family buildings throughout the community the population is slated to increase by 25%. An added Precinct would enhance the safety of our community.</i>	Additional NYPD resources for this project are unavailable at this time due to funding constraints. However, the program will continue to operate within current funding levels.
02/36	HPD	Provide more housing for seniors	<i>CB 17 has a large senior population. Seniors are on a fixed income and need affordable housing.</i>	The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.
03/36	NYPD	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	<i>Installation of new windows in the back of the precinct house to prevent draft during the winter months.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
04/36	FDNY	Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations	<i>The leaky roof at this location needs to be permanently fixed to avoid flooding of the station house when it rains.</i>	Repairs and upgrades to facilities must be scheduled carefully so overall (and local/neighborhood) emergency response operations are not negatively impacted. Additionally, these requests must be prioritized so more critical issues (e.g., health and safety or operational response issues) are addressed first. We repair all facilities as resources and priorities allow.
05/36	DOE	Renovate interior building component	<i>P.S 198 - Request funding be allocated to install a Bell System which ties in with the Clock. Presently, the school do not have a bell system or a programmable clock.</i>	Unable to prioritize funding for this project request at this time.
06/36	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances	<i>This pilot program needs to be expanded to other districts. Fly Cars are equipped with advanced life support equipment and responds faster than other emergency vehicles.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
07/36	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Residents are forced to walk in the street when going to Ralph Ave which is unsafe especially for seniors with the increased vehicular traffic in the area.</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.
08/36	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>The Board supports the funding and installation of a kitchen at the Senior Center located at 3304 Clarendon Road. Having a kitchen on site will greatly enhance the quality of food service to the seniors and eliminate the daily hassle of transporting meals to the center.</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
09/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Ponding Condition exists at the location. Existing grades taken by DOT Tech Admin determined a Capital Reconstruction project is warranted at this location</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.
10/36	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>Installation of a commercial kitchen at Remsen Senior Center to provide hot meal preparation for seniors who attend the center.</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
11/36	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>The equipment is old, there are no swings for older children; my children prefer other parks vs this one because the playground is outdated. Need ADA accessible equipment for children w/ disabilities.</i>	This project has not been funded.

12/36	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Parks are a staple within the neighborhoods and an excellent way for our kids to let out all that energy. I enjoy bringing my children to our neighborhood park, but our park needs to be updated. We need swings for all ages, not just baby swings. The jungle gym needs an update of new interesting bright colored equipment for the children to climb and hang from. Rock climbing, monkey bars, bridges to cross, and equipment that can be spun. I don't enjoy taking my children miles away to have fun at the park while having one down the block that's no fun.</i>	This project has not been funded.
13/36	DSNY	Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment	<i>There is a need for an additional Basket Truck at BK17 garage to address the overflow of litter on commercial strips. Therefore we ask that DSNY Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipments</i>	Any request for an increase in Department of Sanitation fleet size is an issue of service delivery and/or agency policy.
14/36	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Trees are growing out of control and need pruning for years. Requests for pruning go unresolved. Tree roots continue to lift sidewalk even after repair by owners.</i>	This project has not been funded.
15/36	DFTA	Other capital budget request for DFTA	<i>Department For The Aging: Our population continues to age like the rest of the country. There is a desperate need for additional centers throughout the district as the District is currently serviced by only one senior center in the Community .</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
16/36	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>The community park needs a makeover as well as a community garden. During the spring, the park often looks unkempt, especially at the Foster Ave entrance. A makeover will beautify the neighborhood and make the park more welcoming.</i>	This project has not been funded.
17/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Chronic flooding of basements and sewer back up during heavy down pour of rain</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.
18/36	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	<i>Heavily Traffic intersection with a bus stop. Block is poorly lit.</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.
19/36	DEP	Other capital budget request for DEP	<i>These areas flood during heavy rain. There are ponding issues, sewer backup in basements causing damage to the foundation of homes as well as a severe health concern. In addition, there have been several manhole explosions this past winter in the area. These projects have been observed in every other community in recent months except this one.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
20/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Fix RD Dip : Causing Vehicle damage and is constantly opening up. A land survey needs to be done to check water table on South Side of Holy Cross Cemetary to Avenue D in which many of the blocks have massive dips in the road way.</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.

21/36	DCLA	Renovate or upgrade an existing cultural facility		More information is required, specifically each request must be tied to one organization, and mention a specific project.
22/36	DEP	Inspect sanitary sewer on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed	<i>Request DEP include the top ten (10) frequent flooding area in CB17 for Green infrastructure. We were informed in 2020 that DEP is building the maximum number of bioswale to manage storm water runoff and improve water quality in local waterways. CB17 welcome the extension of this project to include District 17.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
23/36	DOT	Other capital budget request for DOT	<i>Sidewalk Repair Overgrown Flora/ Cracks</i>	Sidewalks are the responsibility of the adjacent property owner.
24/36	DOB	Other capital budget request for DOB	<i>Stabilize Homes: Feasibility study on the water table under all homes and streets. All necessary construction to stabilize and level out these homes. The homes are leaning onto each other. The street at Schenectady has a dip. Overall Cortelyou to Ave D between Albany Ave to Schenectady Aves should be studied.</i>	This request does not fall under DOB's jurisdiction. Please refer to OMB.
25/36	DEP	Other capital budget request for DEP	<i>We request the installation of a storm drain at the Street Segment to avoid puddle/flooding when it rains.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
26/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Chronic ponding in front of homes causes flooding for lower levels and property loss.</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.
27/36	DOT	Other capital budget request for DOT	<i>The entire block needs the sidewalks repaired.</i>	Sidewalks are the responsibility of the adjacent property owner.
28/36	DOE	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>Gym Repair: Much needed and essential gym repair need to upgrade gymnasium to complete and full year around usage. Including proper heating and cooling, Ventilation, lighting , and all necessary enhancement for a safe and healthy post covid learning experience.</i>	Unable to prioritize funding for this project request at this time.
29/36	DOE	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>Spaces for performance and community/ school events is helpful for great student experience but also for community quality of life increase. Start of the Art facilities and enhancements to create a theatrical experience cushioned seating, automated shades, digital theatrical lighting upgraded audio and visual sound system.</i>	This request is not recommended for funding.
30/36	NYCTA	Other transit infrastructure requests	<i>To accommodate senior commuters during inclement weather, elements of rain, snow and flooding.</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.
31/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Under the Overpass, the street not in satisfactory condition to be driven on, needs to be resurfaced</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.

32/36	BPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (BPL)	<p><i>Compliance and Env environmental - Ventilation heating and cooling ,electrical upgrades, local 97 compliance</i></p> <p><i>Safety & Security Enhancement- upgraded security cameras and life safety equipment.</i></p>	BPL supports this project as requested by the community board. However, City funded financial support is necessary to undertake this project.
33/36	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<p><i>Trench restoration in front of 3801 Farragut Road.</i></p> <p><i>Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)</i></p>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.
34/36	DCLA	Other cultural facilities and resources requests	<i>This is important because we are systematically taught to separate ourselves by race. But this center can be used to do activities, trips, clubs, counseling, etc, for youth and adults of all races.</i>	More information is required, specifically each request must be tied to one organization, and mention a specific project.
35/36	FDNY	Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations	<i>The unhealthy kitchen at Engine Company 248 is desperately in need of renovation. Worn flooring, and outdated cabinet with holes needs to be removed and replaced at this facility.</i>	Repairs and upgrades to facilities must be scheduled carefully so overall (and local/neighborhood) emergency response operations are not negatively impacted. Additionally, these requests must be prioritized so more critical issues (e.g., health and safety or operational response issues) are addressed first. We repair all facilities as resources and priorities allow.
36/36	SBS	Other capital budget request for SBS	<i>Increase availability of tech resources for use by community, by building hubs along commercial/business strips.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.

Expense Requests

PRIORITY	AGENCY	CB REQUEST	REASON	AGENCY RESPONSE
01/28	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	<i>Senior Kitchen : Additional assistance with food staff is needed. Food and space for seniors are needed in the community.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
02/28	NYPD	Hire additional uniformed officers	<i>Public Safety and reduction in gun violence are necessary. So more police that live and are cultural sensitive to the neighborhood they patrol.</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.
03/28	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance skills training and employment services for high school students at risk of dropping out	<i>Residents particularly young people lack skills necessary for employment.</i>	Program siting decisions are based on the Request for Proposals process, area needs and available funding. Sign up at DYCD's website to learn when solicitations for services are released
04/28	DSNY	Provide more on-street trash cans and recycling containers	<i>Especially on main commercial streets and corners. The aesthetically pleasing 21st century refuse collection bins.</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.
05/28	FDNY	Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives	<i>There has been an explosion of new high rise buildings which leads to to an increase in population and an increase in fires. Community Board 17 supports the continuation of funding for the Fire Prevention, Inspection Team and the Juvenile Fire Setters intervention program. Fire safety initiatives and outreach are critical to the prevention of fires</i>	The FDNY Foundation provides funds to assist the Department in meeting these needs.
06/28	HHC	Other health care facilities requests	<i>Health+Wellness pharmacy. All pharmacies are more then a 1/4 mile away from this location. It is difficult for people who have physical limitations to gain access.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
07/28	DSNY	Increase enforcement of dirty sidewalk/dirty area/failure to clean area laws	<i>The district lacks sufficient amount of inspectors to properly enforce street cleaning. Complaints are numerous.</i>	Although the Department of Sanitation supports this program, due to fiscal constraints the availability of funds is uncertain.
08/28	DFTA	Enhance home care services	<i>There should be outreach services to homebound older adults n elderly to allow them to age in place. Many cannot afford long term care of independent senior housig/communities</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
09/28	FDNY	Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives	<i>CB17 support full funding for fire Prevention Inspection Program, Fire Prevention Inspection Team and the Juvenile Fire Setter Intervention program, in addition to carbon monoxide and smoke detectors for distribution to seniors and the other population unable to afford the purchase.</i>	The FDNY Foundation provides funds to assist the Department in meeting these needs.

10/28	NYPD	Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles	<i>The 67 Precinct must rely on borrowing a tow truck on a very limited basis and cannot effectively address the issue of 18 wheelers and other vehicles illegally parked through out the community. This request must be prioritized after the Mayor's freeze is lifted.</i>	The NYPD is working with the Mayor's Office of Management and Budget in order to secure additional funds to maintain lifecycle replacement of its current fleet. Supplemental funding would be needed if there was a desire to increase this count even further.
11/28	DFTA	Enhance home care services	<i>It is often difficult for physicians to ascertain the living conditions of their patients, especially seniors. Additionally, the restrictions of Medicare vs. Medicaid insurance has negatively impacted home health aide services. Some older adults experience difficulties ambulating, lack of elevators/working elevators and obtaining door-to-door transportation. Funding is needed for MD's home visits, home physical/occupational therapy, visiting nurse services for medication, review/administration, wound care etc. In addition to outreach services to homebound older adults and elderly to allow the to age in place as many cannot afford long term care or independent senior housing/communities.</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
12/28	DSNY	Other enforcement requests	<i>There has been an increase in complaints regarding Illegal dumping throughout the community. CB17 request the installation of surveillance cameras (WCCTV Cameras PT2 Video) which are well built and has a high quality component and high quality still photographs. These cameras must be installed in strategic areas in the district to combat illegal dumping.</i>	Although the Department of Sanitation supports this program, due to fiscal constraints the availability of funds is uncertain.
13/28	DPR	Improve trash removal and cleanliness	<i>Dumping in the park. Need more employees to clean the Park.</i>	This would require a larger expense budget.
14/28	HRA	Other request for services to support low-income New Yorkers	<i>Housing, education, job assistance, health care and other human services are investment in our human resources that have been underfunded because we are so woefully undercounted. With the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, more access and reliability in the HRA system for services are essential to low income residents in our community.</i>	Please note, particularly during the COVID pandemic, HRA benefits are available on-line through AccessHRA. HRA has hundreds of community partners that enroll community residents in a vast number of programs through this portal, which is more efficient than in-person transactions. The organization can utilize the portal itself to help its residents expeditiously, including enrollment in SNAP and assistance finding other benefits, such as food pantries.
15/28	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>We need more parents to be involved in the planning of their children's education. This is the only way our community and the next generation can advance. We need to provide workshops for parents when their children are registered for school on how to talk to children and work with educators.</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.

16/28	NYCTA	Improve subway station or train cleanliness, safety and maintenance	<i>Complaints of restaurants in the area dumping refuse and grease into subway gratings along Nostrand Avenue. Programs/fines must be in place for persons caught in the act.</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.
17/28	NYPD	Hire additional traffic enforcement agents	<i>More Traffic Officers will assist the 67th Police Precinct in addressing the ongoing illegally parked vehicles.</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.
18/28	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	<i>It is very difficult for traffic emerging from the "Tercery streets without hindrance" Vehicles consistently obstructed full view.</i>	The Borough Commissioner's office has reviewed this request. This request has been denied. Please contact the B/C's office for further details.
19/28	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	<i>It is very difficult for traffic emerging from the side streets without hindrance vehicles consistently obstructing full view.</i>	The Borough Commissioner's office has reviewed this request. This request has been denied. Please contact the B/C's office for further details.
20/28	HRA	Enhance cash assistance programs	<i>College students attending classes, interns and/or graduates seeking employment, MTA fare becomes a burden and creates a financial hardship.</i>	The Agency provides services for people who are eligible under certain guidelines.
21/28	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	<i>Very difficult for traffic emerging from the side streets without hindrance. Vehicles consistently obstructed full view.</i>	The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.
22/28	DOE	Provide, expand, or enhance funding for Child Care and Head Start programs	<i>Children beginning school at an earlier age is essential. We need more access to this within our community.</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.
23/28	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	<i>Mosquitos are swarming this park, and they are the type that could carry yellow fever and other diseases. We need mosquito monitoring stations here.</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.
24/28	DEP	Inspect sanitary sewer on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed	<i>Request DEP includes the top ten (10) frequent flooding areas in CB17 for Green infrastructure. We were informed in 2020 that DEP is building the maximum bioswales to manage stormwater runoff and improve water quality in local waterways. CB17 welcomes the extension of this project to include District 17.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
25/28	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	<i>Very difficult for traffic emerging from the side street without hindrance. Vehicles consistently obstructing full view</i>	The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.
26/28	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>Research suggest, Music and Performing Arts programs in our schools help students in other areas such as math. Adding Music and Performing Arts to the curriculum will greatly enhance students learning. We also advocate for funding/support to businesses such as the Cynthia King Dance Studio, located at 21 Snyder Avenue, Brooklyn 11226.</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.

27/28	DFTA	Increase home delivered meals capacity	<p><i>The impact of COVID-19 and the closing of the Senior Centers has caused an increased demand for Meals on Wheels service to the many seniors and shut-in. DFTA was able to establish emergency procurement contracts that provided meals directly to the seniors. We request continued funding for this needed program. Additionally, we request screening of the applicants applying for the contracts. CB17 received numerous reports of food being delivered on some steps and porches unknown to the seniors. Many were unable to use the food after squirrels and cats tore the bags and scattered most of the food. Continued Funding for DFTA's HDM is necessary during this pandemic.</i></p>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
28/28	DFTA	Increase home delivered meals capacity	<p><i>Significant number of elderly individuals and individuals living with multiple health problems, shut-ins who depend on the Meals on Wheels program. COVID-19 has exacerbated social isolation. Although many local churches have food pantries and soup kitchens, many individuals are unavailable to shop and prepare healthy nutritious meals and often resort to either eating what's available/affordable (junk food, fast food, etc.) or go without a meal. Food costs have increased significantly since the pandemic. Continued funding for this program is necessary.</i></p>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.