

Statements of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests

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INTRODUCTION

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

HOW TO USE THIS REPORT

This report represents Queens Community Board 13's *Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020*. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the community board, collected through an online form available to community boards from June to November 2018.

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

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This report is broadly structured as follows:

a) Overarching Community District Needs

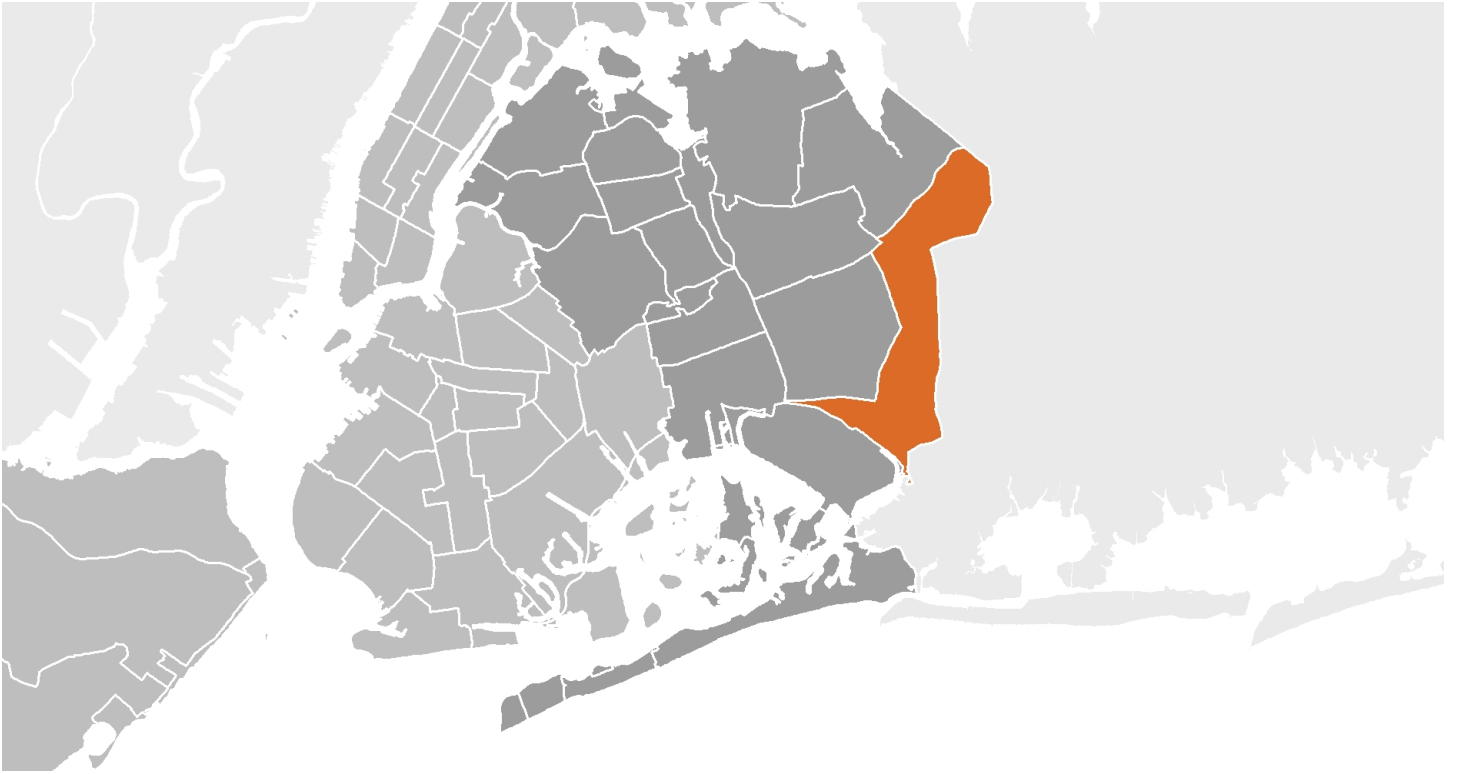
Sections 1 – 4 provide an overview of the community district and the top three pressing issues affecting this district overall as identified by the community board. Any narrative provided by the board supporting their selection of their top three pressing issues is included.

b) Policy Area - Specific District Needs

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

c) Community Board Budget Requests

The final section includes the two types of budget requests submitted to the City for the FY20 budget cycle; one list for capital and another for expense budget requests. For each budget request, community boards were able to provide a priority number, explanation, location, and supporters. OMB remains the definitive source on budget requests submitted to city agencies.



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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

Queens Community Board 13

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District Manager: Mark McMillan

2. Community District Profile

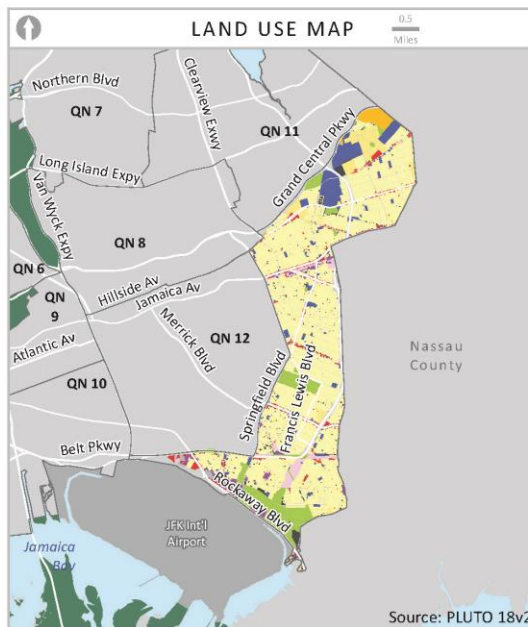
Visit the Community District Profiles to view data, maps, and other resources describing New York City's 59 community districts at: <https://communityprofiles.planning.nyc.gov/>

Queens Community District 13



Neighborhoods¹: Bellaire, Bellerose, Brookville, Cambria Heights, Floral Park, Glen Oaks, Laurelton, New Hyde Park, Queens Village, Rosedale, Springfield Gardens

POPULATION & DENSITY		
2000 ²	2010 ³	2000-2010
196,284	188,593	-4%
2012-2016 Estimate ⁴		200,852
Square Miles		12.6
Population Density		14,968/sq mi



COMMUNITY BOARD PERSPECTIVES

Top 3 pressing issues identified by Queens Community Board 13 in 2018:

1. Commercial development (retail mix, MWBE support, etc.)
2. Neighborhood preservation
3. Traffic

To learn more, please read Queens CD 13's Statements of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year 2020.

Website: www.qcb13.org
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Land Use Category	# Lots	% Lot Area
1 & 2 Family Bldgs	39,912	62%
Multifamily Walk-up	694	5%
Multifamily Elevator	8	2%
Mixed Use	665	1%
Commercial	533	3%
Industrial	165	2%
Transportation/Utility	100	1%
Public/Institutional	241	8%
Open Space	99	13%
Parking	355	1%
Vacant	864	2%
Other	46	0%

Click here for a more detailed land use map of Queens CD 13

A Snapshot of Key Community Indicators

COMMUNITY ASSETS ⁵	
Public Schools	64
Public Libraries	7
Hospitals and Clinics	6
Parks	13
Click to visit the NYC Facilities Explorer	

RENT BURDEN ^{4, 6}	
Queens CD 13	Queens
44%	48%
of households spend 35% or more of their income on rent	NYC
	45%

ACCESS TO PARKS ⁷	
Queens CD 13	Citywide Target
39%	85%
of residents live within walking distance of a park or open space	

MEAN COMMUTE TO WORK ^{4, 8}	
Queens CD 13	Queens
47	43 minutes
minutes	NYC
	40 minutes

LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY ⁴	
Queens CD 13	Queens
12%	29%
of residents 5 years or older have limited English proficiency	NYC
	23%

CRIME RATE ⁹	
Queens CD 13	Queens
9	8.7
major felonies were reported per 1,000 residents in 2016	NYC
	11.8

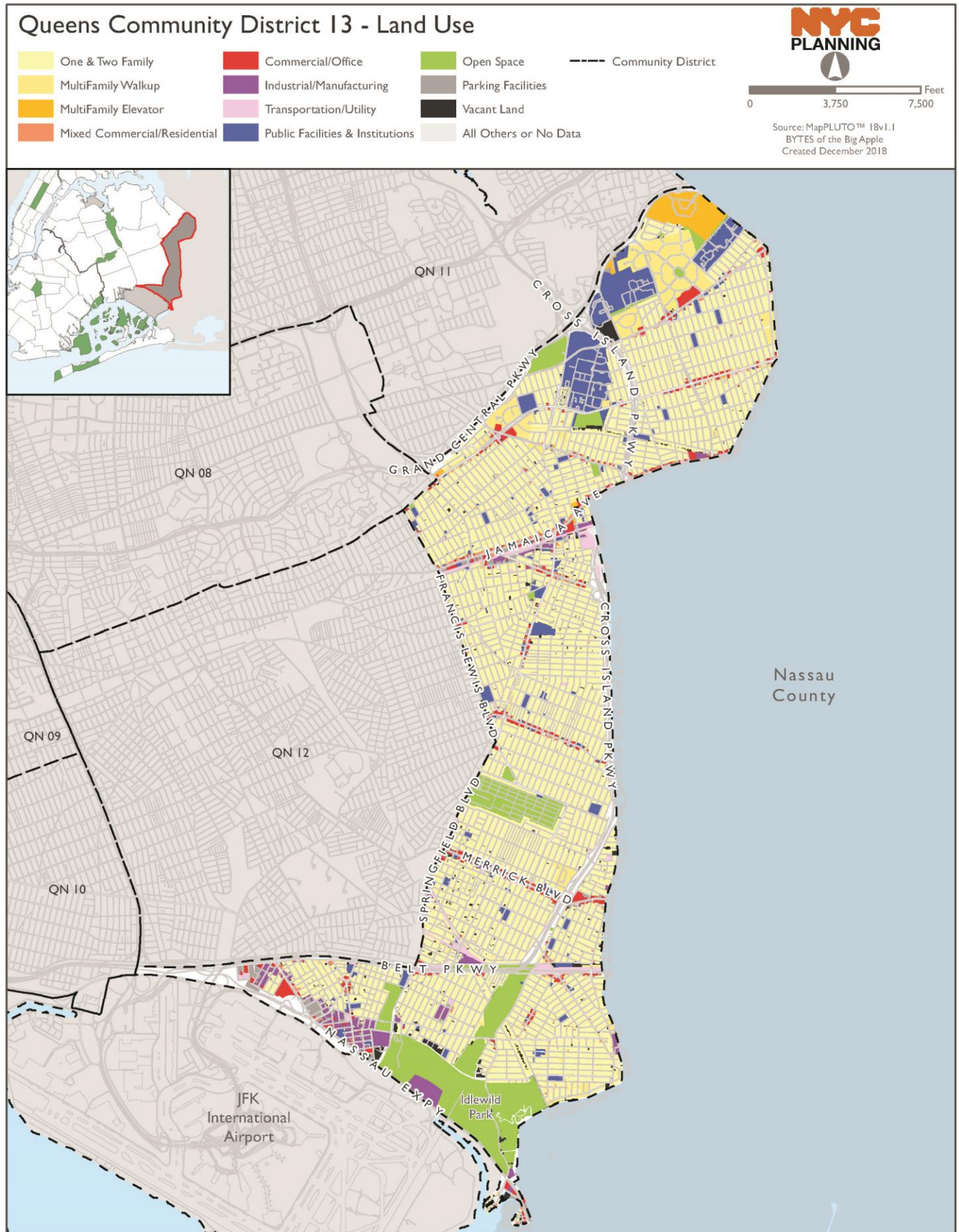
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT ^{4, 10}	
Queens CD 13	Queens
28%	31%
of residents 25 years or older have earned a bachelor's degree or higher	NYC
	36%

UNEMPLOYMENT ^{4, 10}	
Queens CD 13	Queens
5.4%	5%
of the civilian labor force was unemployed on average from 2012 to 2016	NYC
	5.5%

NYCgov POVERTY MEASURE ¹¹	
Queens CD 13	Queens
13%	20%
of residents have incomes below the NYCgov poverty threshold. See the federal poverty rate here.	NYC
	20%

¹Neighborhoods may be in multiple districts. Names and boundaries are not officially designated. ²2000 US Census; ³2010 US Census; ⁴American Community Survey 2012-2016 5-Year Estimates, calculated for Public Use Microdata Areas (PUMAs). PUMAs are geographic approximations of community districts. ⁵NYC Dept of City Planning Facilities Database (2017); ⁶Differences of less than 3 percentage points are not statistically meaningful. ⁷NYC Dept of Parks and Recreation (DPR) (2016). DPR considers walking distance to be 1/4 mile for parks less than 6 acres, and 1/2 mile for larger parks and pools. ⁸Differences of less than 2 minutes are not statistically meaningful. ⁹NYPD CompStat, Historic Complaint Data (2017); ¹⁰Differences of less than 2 percentage points are not statistically meaningful. ¹¹2011-2015 NYCgov Poverty Measure by PUMA. This metric from the Mayor's Office for Economic Opportunity accounts for NYC's high cost of housing, as well as other costs of living and anti-poverty benefits.

2. Community District Land Use



3. Overview of Community District

Queens Community Board 13 is located in East/Southeast Queens with the Grand Central Parkway as its northern border, Francis Lewis Boulevard going to Springfield Boulevard as its western border, JFK Airport as its southern border and the Nassau County line as its eastern border. It is made up primarily of one- and two-family homes, with some scattering clusters of garden co-op apartments and apartment buildings. The district encompasses sixteen distinct communities, which includes: Bellaire, Bellerose, Brookville, Cambria Heights, Floral Park, Glen Oaks, Laurelton, Meadowmere, New Hyde Park, North Shore Towers, Parkside Terrace, Queens Village, Rosedale, Springfield Gardens, Warnerville and Wayanda. There is a strong sense of neighborhood identification in each of these communities. One community may fight for a long awaited library, while another struggles with clean streets, another with an influx of renters who do not respect the neighborhood norms, and some with illegal conversions. Many of our neighborhoods are under construction with water mains, sewer lines and gas lines being put in. This is particularly necessary in the southeast part of the Board area where flooding has been a persistent problem because of high watertables underground and it being located so close to Jamaica Bay. These DEP/DDC managed projects presently being undertaken are a hardship to many residents in affected blocks; yet, they understand the necessity to have had good lines of communication with the community affairs liaisons serving each project.

Many areas in our communities suffer from chronic illegal dumping. Other issues affect the entire board such as a proliferation of hotels acting as shelters for the homeless, significantly beyond the fair share due our communities. There are many residential front yards being transformed into parking for the residents, with the associated illegal curb cut. In addition, backyards and driveways being used as auto repair facilities. There are too many complaints about "ponding" along driveways and curbs either to due to street repaving or new house construction. The many beautiful parks and playgrounds in the district need more staff and equipment as they are heavily used creating tremendous maintenance demands.

This district has a large senior population, growing larger as people tend more to stay in the area as opposed to migrating to the south. The district's overall population is dramatically increasing. The transition in many communities involves immigrants and young families with children moving into the community and requiring services. Developers look for open lots to build with variances, or to demolish viable one- and two-family homes to build larger multi-family buildings. While these buildings add to the amount of available housing, often they do not conform to the character of surrounding houses. Many young families are moving in adding to the diversity and vibrancy of our district. However, these younger couples create need for more classrooms and additional after-school activities. The growing youth population trend indicates a critical need for for youth community center.

4. Top Three Pressing Issues Overall

The three most pressing issues facing Queens Community Board 13 are:

- *Commercial development (retail mix, small business and MWBE support, etc.)*
- *Neighborhood preservation (development trends)*
- *Traffic*

Commercial development is a big need along the corridors of Jamaica Avenue, Linden Boulevard, Merrick Boulevard, Guy R. Brewer Boulevard (in Springfield Gardens) and 243 Street (in Rosedale). While each has distinct issues, the common themes include inadequate street maintenance by many store owners (they allow grass to grow in the cracks of the sidewalk; tree pits are not cleaned and beautified; sidewalks are not swept daily; debris not regularly picked up in the curb area), lack of variety in the types of stores, and lack of communication between store owners on the same block. These areas are commercially vibrant but their appearance needs to be upgraded with the forming of merchant's associations.

The communities in this district are very concerned about maintaining the character of their neighborhoods and preventing over-development creating density, keeping out houses with illegal conversions.

The office gets an unending stream of requests for speed humps. Many of our ancillary streets are wide and parallel to primary arteries; consequently, they are used as alternative routes to get past traffic. Maybe the navigation apps determining best routes contribute to this problem, as often this occurs in areas near the three highways surrounding this district. Possibly these requests reflect that many motorists simply do not respect the speed limit of 25 mph and speed down residential streets posing safety concerns for everyone, especially older people and children.

Most of the complaints that come into the Board office have to do with "quality of life" issues. These include illegal truck parking, illegal signs posted on poles, street mechanics who work in residential driveways and/or backyards, noise from loud music in neighboring homes and dead trees needing to be taken down. There is no community center within QCB13 for our young people to socialize and exercise.



Health Care and Human Services

Main Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

Chronic diseases (diabetes, heart disease, etc.)

More dialysis centers are opening up in the Board area. There seems to be an increase in diabetes, high blood pressure and health issues related to proper nutrition and stress. There is a need for assisting seniors in getting trained on using technology. Special Needs individuals need job opportunities to keep their lives full and growing.

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

Renovate and upgrade all senior centers in the district. Enhance educational and recreational programs, e.g. tai chi, health initiatives. Information for additional care providers, additional senior center staffing, extended hours for senior centers. Extend home care services from 4 hours to 8 hours. Senior education programs with respect to the internet. Look into developing a NORC. Senior abuse focusing on their finances.

Community District Needs Related to Facilities and Services for the Homeless

Understanding that homelessness is a citywide issue, we support the City identifying abandoned properties and converting them into affordable housing through various programs that are already underway. With respect to those sheltered in hotels located within the Board area, we would like DHS to look at other communities as this Board has more than its fair share.

Community District Needs Related to Services for Low-Income and Vulnerable New Yorkers

There are families with "special needs" individuals within this district that would like to see programming and education for both teenagers and adults that will lead to job opportunities allowing them a level of independence.

Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
7/11	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	Services Now For Adult Persons (SNAP) increase funding for programming.	Community Wide



Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Main Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Juvenile justice and services for young offenders

Many young people who have had run-ins with the law end up with criminal records that preclude them from many employment opportunities. We support law enforcement and want to keep our communities as crime free as possible; however, there should be some more room for negotiating in the plea process so one bad moment in a person's early life does not stigmatize their future forever.

Community District Needs Related to Youth and Community Services and Programs

Funding to provide a job placement site in eastern Queens that encompasses Community Board 13 to provide more access to opportunities for youth in our communities. This would be the bridge that allow local businesses and organizations to connect to SYEP as a job site.



Public Safety and Emergency Services

Main Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Emergency and disaster preparedness

The Community Board has JFK Airport and Jamaica Bay on the south, a high water table, and the community of Rosedale has the streets that leads to a portion of Five Towns which is the emergency evacuation route from the Rockaways. Consequently, the area is subject to a disaster in the case of a plane crash or severe storm. Proper planning, community education, engagement and drills are needed. Support for expansion for a CERT Team is also needed.

Community District Needs Related to Policing and Crime

Historically, community policing has reduced crime and promoted better relations with residents. The program of Neighborhood Coordinating Officers (NCOs) has finally reached the 105 Precinct, and so far has been quite effective in solving the many quality of life issues that occur on the daily basis.

Community District Needs Related to Emergency Services

Response times with emergency services have been good. However, the Rosedale community has grown in population and other fire companies are so far away, it would benefit from having more personnel because asking for a new fire company does not seem feasible at this time.

Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
6/12	NYPD	Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles	Increase funding for additional NYPD tow trucks for tractor trailers illegally parked within the Board. Presently, arrangements have to be made with another borough.	Community Wide

Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
9/11	NYPD	Increase resources for other crime prevention programs	Enforcement of illegally parked 18-wheelers on Springfield Blvd	Springfield Blvd 121st Street 130th Avenue
10/11	NYPD	Assign additional school safety officers	A traffic signal has recently been installed at this corner and it requires a school crossing guard on school days.	249 Street 147 Avenue 147 Avenue

5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests

Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency



Main Issue Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Cleanliness/trash collection

On the major commercial strips garbage accumulates rapidly. Whenever there is a public trash can it becomes a magnet for bags of [uncollected] residential waste. This problem is so bad many store owners do not want waste baskets in front of their businesses because of the inevitable sanitation ticket that gets issued though most times they are not at fault. Along the service roads that abut are three highways, there is a lot of dumping of construction waste and general garbage both inside and outside of the fence. Finally, and unfortunately, too many people litter and there needs to be a public campaign vilifying those who randomly drop their trash on the ground.

Community District Needs Related to Water, Sewers and Environmental Protection

- Air emissions from the planes landing near JFK Airport are creating respiratory issues including asthma and other types of sinus conditions . - More enforcement for delivery trucks with excessive idling.

Community District Needs Related to Sanitation Services

- Public outreach to certain communities about NO LITTERING. - There is a need for more frequent pickups of litter baskets on commercial strips. - Routine cleaning of vacant locations where frequent dumping occurs. - Outreach to schools and community centers on not littering.

Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/11	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	Jamaica Avenue has large amounts garbage put out on a daily basis. There are numerous restaurants and stores along this strip that attracts shoppers and diners at all times of the day and evening. In addition, there is always random residential garbage put out. This highly traveled street by both pedestrians and motorists needs more frequent truck pickups.	Jamaica Avenue 224 Street Francis Lewis Boulevard
4/11	DSNY	Expand opportunities for electronic waste collection and disposal	Year-round electronic waste disposal within borough	Community Wide
11/11	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	More frequent commercial strip garbage pickups.	Jericho Turnpike (North side) Cross Island Parkway 250 Street

5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests

Housing, Economic Development and Land Use



Main Issue Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Commercial district revitalization

Commercial District Revitalization, especially along the corridors of Linden Boulevard, Merrick Boulevard, Jamaica Avenue, 243 Street (Rosedale) and Guy R. Brewer Boulevard, will bring the types of goods and services important for the community to have quality and diversity in types of businesses and that attract consumers promoting an overall vitality.

Community District Needs Related to Land Use

A study by DCP for downzoning of Queens Village. Another prevalent issue is homeowners creating their own parking by paving over front yards. Providing a budget for more inspectors can assist in addressing this growing problem.

Community District Needs Related to Housing Needs and Programming

- More proactive in sealing up abandoned "zombie" houses. - Maintaining construction fences around the abandoned properties. - Maintaining the yards of abandoned properties. - Support programs that convert properties into affordable housing. - The removal of squatters from abandoned properties. - To clearly identify the agency that will identify and enforce issues specified above. - Maintain support of foreclosure legal services.

Community District Needs Related to Economic Development

- Create a strategic approach to local economic development. - Improve our commercial corridors through beautification and cleanliness. - Encourage various business owners to join forces to form merchant's associations.

Capital Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
10/12	HPD	Other housing oversight and emergency programs	For the City to identify abandoned properties rehabilitate them for use by low income families.	Community Wide

Expense Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/11	DOB	Expand code enforcement	Additional inspectors to enforce code violations of paved over lawn areas with the associated illegal curb cuts and illegal construction.	Community Wide
6/11	SBS	Conduct a commercial district needs assessment	Springfield Gardens has lost a supermarket and a Walgreen's over the past 2 years and there is still a need for the goods and services that were provided by these businesses.	Guy R. Brewer Boulevard 145 Avenue Rockaway Boulevard



Transportation

Main Issue Related to Transportation

Traffic safety

This office, along with our local elected officials, get a tremendous number of requests for speed humps because of speeding and excess traffic on residential streets. There are particular streets that run perpendicular to major thoroughfares and perhaps navigation apps like Waze direct motorists down these streets. In either event, traffic safety is a major concern for many of our residents. The increasing number of letters sent to Queens DOT with these traffic mitigation requests and supported by local civic associations are a testament to this growing issue.

Community District Needs Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

- Many of our neighborhoods are requesting traffic calming, specifically speed humps and stop signs. These traffic calming methods will slow traffic and provide more pedestrian safety. - General maintenance along the grassy areas along our highways is a problem. On one side of the fence is DOT, the other DPR oftentimes working with DSNY. Managing or coordinating between the two often is not very efficient.

Capital Requests Related to Transportation

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/12	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	The center median needs curbing to protect the garden and irrigation system local residents have worked very hard to keep clean and beautify.	Francis Lewis Boulevard 133 Avenue Merrick Boulevard
3/12	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	This Community Board is surrounded by highways: Grand Central Parkway to the north; Cross Island Parkway to the east, the Belt Parkway to the south. DOT is responsible for maintaining the grassy areas adjacent to these highways. This office continually gets complaints about dumping and general maintenance in many locations along these traffic arteries.	Community Wide
4/12	DOT	Rehabilitate bridges	Parapet wall for pedestrian crossing on North and South sides of the bridge. (Francis Lewis Blvd between Brookville Blvd and Laurelton Parkway)	Francis Lewis Blvd Brookville Blvd Laurelton Parkway
5/12	DOT	Rehabilitate bridges	The Braddock Avenue Bridge has deteriorated and is in need of repair. The sidewalk is crumbling and the metal guard rail is rusting to the point where it is dangerous as a safety feature.	Braddock Avenue Cross Island Service Road West Jamaica Avenue
9/12	DOT	Rehabilitate bridges	Parapet wall for pedestrian crossing on North and South sides of the bridge. (130th ave between Brookville Blvd and Laurelton Parkway)	130th ave Brookville Blvd Laurelton Parkway
11/12	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	Speeding near PS 138Q.	PS 138Q 251-11 Weller Avenue
12/12	DOT	Upgrade or create new plazas	The Laurelton Mall on 135th Avenue between 229th Street and the Laurelton Parkway needs curbing.	135th Avenue 229th Street Laurelton Parkway

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
8/11	DOT	Other traffic improvements requests	The double-yellow line needs to be re-painted on the roadway as it is difficult to see at night on this busy two-way street.	Grand Central Pkwy Service Rd S Little Neck Parkway Marcus Avenue



Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

Main Issue Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

Park care and maintenance

The staff presently assigned to the Board's parks do an excellent job. During the summer when the parks are used more extensively, additional staff and equipment for both maintenance and safety would vastly increase the overall enjoyment of these recreational areas.

Community District Needs Related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming

The parks and playgrounds in the district have varying needs as detailed below. Many of the MPAA areas need resurfacing, as these areas need some creativity in determining what sporting activities can be encouraged with the decline in the play of asphalt softball. In addition, better scheduling for use of grass fields with baseball and soccer.

Capital Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/12	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	In Breininger Park, the swing posts are rusted, some of the wooden park benches have rotted wood that is peeling off creating a dangerous condition with splinters and possibly worse. The playground equipment is old, and the rubberized safety pieces covering the ground in the children's area are worn and separated.	Breininger Park
7/12	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Spectator seating should be installed at the Cricket Field at Idlewild Park.	Idlewild Park
8/12	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Gunn Playground needs its MPAA repaved and adjacent property purchased for park expansion. (Land swap)	Gunn Playground
CS	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Add park benches for more seating in Springfield Park.	Springfield Park

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/11	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	Funding for lawn care equipment.	Community Wide
5/11	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	Increase security staff at Springfield Park Brookville Park and other parks with in the district (PEP)	Community Wide

6. Summary of Prioritized Budget Requests

Queens Community Board 13 Capital Requests

Queens Community Board 13 submitted 12 capital budget requests, organized by priority.

Priority / Continued

Support (CS)	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
1/12	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	The center median needs curbing to protect the garden and irrigation system local residents have worked very hard to keep clean and beautify.	Francis Lewis Boulevard 133 Avenue Merrick Boulevard	Federated Block of Laurelton Civic Association
2/12	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	In Breininger Park, the swing posts are rusted, some of the wooden park benches have rotted wood that is peeling off creating a dangerous condition with splinters and possibly worse. The playground equipment is old, and the rubberized safety pieces covering the ground in the children's area are worn and separated.	Breininger Park	Creedmoor Civic Association
3/12	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	This Community Board is surrounded by highways: Grand Central Parkway to the north; Cross Island Parkway to the east, the Belt Parkway to the south. DOT is responsible for maintaining the grassy areas adjacent to these highways. This office continually gets complaints about dumping and general maintenance in many locations along these traffic arteries.	Community Wide	
4/12	DOT	Rehabilitate bridges	Parapet wall for pedestrian crossing on North and South sides of the bridge. (Francis Lewis Blvd between Brookville Blvd and Laurelton Parkway)	Francis Lewis Blvd Brookville Blvd Laurelton Parkway	Federated Blocks of Laurelton
5/12	DOT	Rehabilitate bridges	The Braddock Avenue Bridge has deteriorated and is in need of repair. The sidewalk is crumbling and the metal guard rail is rusting to the point where it is dangerous as a safety feature.	Braddock Avenue Cross Island Service Road West Jamaica Avenue	
6/12	NYPD	Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles	Increase funding for additional NYPD tow trucks for tractor trailers illegally parked within the Board. Presently, arrangements have to made with another borough.	Community Wide	Various Civic Organizations
7/12	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Spectator seating should be installed at the Cricket Field at Idlewild Park.	Idlewild Park	

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9/12	DOT	Rehabilitate bridges	Parapet wall for pedestrian crossing on North and South sides of the bridge. (130th ave between Brookville Blvd and Laurelton Parkway)	130th ave Brookville Blvd Laurelton Parkway	
10/12	HPD	Other housing oversight and emergency programs	For the City to identify abandoned properties rehabilitate them for use by low income families.	Community Wide	
11/12	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	Speeding near PS 138Q.	PS 138Q 251-11 Weller Avenue	
12/12	DOT	Upgrade or create new plazas	The Laurelton Mall on 135th Avenue between 229th Street and the Laurelton Parkway needs curbing.	135th Avenue 229th Street Laurelton Parkway	Federated Block of Laurelton
CS	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Add park benches for more seating in Springfield Park.	Springfield Park	Friends of Springfield Park

6. Summary of Prioritized Budget Requests

Queens Community Board 13 Expense Requests

Queens Community Board 13 submitted 11 expense budget requests, organized by priority.

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
1/11	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	Jamaica Avenue has large amounts garbage put out on a daily basis. There are numerous restaurants and stores along this strip that attracts shoppers and diners at all times of the day and evening. In addition, there is always random residential garbage put out. This highly traveled street by both pedestrians and motorists needs more frequent truck pickups.	Jamaica Avenue 224 Street Francis Lewis Boulevard	
2/11	DOB	Expand code enforcement	Additional inspectors to enforce code violations of paved over lawn areas with the associated illegal curb cuts and illegal construction.	Community Wide	Queens Village Civic Association
3/11	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	Funding for lawn care equipment.	Community Wide	Friends of Springfield Park
4/11	DSNY	Expand opportunities for electronic waste collection and disposal	Year-round electronic waste disposal within borough	Community Wide	
5/11	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	Increase security staff at Springfield Park Brookville Park and other parks with in the district (PEP)	Community Wide	
6/11	SBS	Conduct a commercial district needs assessment	Springfield Gardens has lost a supermarket and a Walgreen's over the past 2 years and there is still a need for the goods and services that were provided by these businesses.	Guy R. Brewer Boulevard 145 Avenue Rockaway Boulevard	
7/11	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	Services Now For Adult Persons (SNAP) increase funding for programming.	Community Wide	
8/11	DOT	Other traffic improvements requests	The double-yellow line needs to be re-painted on the roadway as it is difficult to see at night on this busy two-way street.	Grand Central Pkwy Service Rd S Little Neck Parkway Marcus Avenue	North Shore Towers Political Action Committee
9/11	NYPD	Increase resources for other crime prevention programs	Enforcement of illegally parked 18-wheelers on Springfield Blvd	Springfield Blvd 121st Street 130th Avenue	

6. Summary of Prioritized Budget Requests

Queens Community Board 13 Expense Requests

Queens Community Board 13 submitted 11 expense budget requests, organized by priority.

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
10/11	NYPD	Assign additional school safety officers	A traffic signal has recently been installed at this corner and it requires a school crossing guard on school days.	249 Street 147 Avenue 147 Avenue	Rosedale Civic Association
11/11	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	More frequent commercial strip garbage pickups.	Jericho Turnpike (North side) Cross Island Parkway 250 Street	Queens Colony Civic Association