

***Statements of Community
District Needs
and
Community Board
Budget Requests***

Fiscal Year
2025

**Manhattan
Community District
12**

November 2023



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) 2025. 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, 2023.

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

Manhattan

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
AGE							
Total population	1,585,873	100.00	1,694,251	100.00	108,378	6.8	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	234,435	14.8	232,511	13.7	-1,924	-0.8	-1.1
MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN							
Total population	1,585,873	100.0	1,694,251	100.0	108,378	6.8	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	403,577	25.4	402,640	23.8	-937	-0.2	-1.6
White non-Hispanic	761,493	48.0	793,294	46.8	31,801	4.2	-1.2
Black non-Hispanic	205,340	12.9	199,592	11.8	-5,748	-2.8	-1.1
Asian non-Hispanic	177,624	11.2	219,624	13.0	42,000	23.6	1.8
Some other race, non-Hispanic	7,882	0.5	16,112	1.0	8,230	104.4	0.5
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	29,957	1.9	62,989	3.7	33,032	110.3	1.8
HOUSING OCCUPANCY							
Total housing units	847,090	100.0	913,926	100.0	66,836	7.9	0.0
Occupied housing units	763,846	90.2	817,782	89.5	53,936	7.1	-0.7
Vacant housing units	83,244	9.8	96,144	10.5	12,900	15.5	0.7

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

Manhattan Community District 12

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
AGE							
Total population	190,020	100.00	180,206	100.00	-9,814	-5.2	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	37,307	19.6	28,290	15.7	-9,017	-24.2	-3.9
MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN							
Total population	190,020	100.0	180,206	100.0	-9,814	-5.2	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	134,976	71.0	117,244	65.1	-17,732	-13.1	-5.9
White non-Hispanic	33,442	17.6	38,222	21.2	4,780	14.3	3.6
Black non-Hispanic	13,954	7.3	13,161	7.3	-793	-5.7	0.0
Asian non-Hispanic	4,794	2.5	5,751	3.2	957	20.0	0.7
Some other race, non-Hispanic	920	0.5	1,679	0.9	759	82.5	0.4
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	1,934	1.0	4,149	2.3	2,215	114.5	1.3
HOUSING OCCUPANCY							
Total housing units	72,910	100.0	74,722	100.0	1,812	2.5	0.0
Occupied housing units	69,182	94.9	71,076	95.1	1,894	2.7	0.2
Vacant housing units	3,728	5.1	3,646	4.9	-82	-2.2	-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

Manhattan Community District 12 (CD12M) encompasses the most northern parts of Manhattan, including Washington Heights and Inwood. The district, which is geographically diverse, is bounded by the Harlem River Drive on the east side and by the Hudson River on the west side; and runs from West 155th Street to West 220th Street. We are a diverse community of 219,657 residents, including a majority of residents 151,100 (68.8 percent) of Latino or of Hispanic heritage; 41,471 (18.9 percent) of White Non-Hispanic; 16,630 (7.6 percent) of Blacks/African American Non-Hispanic; 6,688 (3.0 percent) of Asian or Pacific Islander Non-Hispanic; 121 (less than 1 percent) of American Indian and Alaska Native Non-Hispanic (U.S. Census Bureau, 2014-2018 American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates - Population Division - New York City Department of City Planning). The largest group in the district is of Dominican descent. Community District 12 is also an immigrant community: the district has a foreign-born population of almost 50% (102K residents), with 55.5% residents not being a citizen yet. The median age in the district is 36, and almost a quarter (17.4%) of our population is under 20 years old and 14.1% of our residents are over the age of 65. We also have a high poverty and unemployment rate: 21.4% of our residents live on incomes below the federal poverty threshold, with 30.7% of those people being under the age of 18. Our district median household income (\$52,052) and the Manhattan median household income is (\$60,762). In addition, the American Community Survey 3-year estimates for 2010 through 2012 indicate that 10.3% of our residents ages 16 and over were unemployed and 33.6% were not in the labor force. In 2013 49.5% of our residents were one 1 or more forms of public assistance (an increase of 1.5% vs. 2005 when last measured, according to the Dept. of NYC Planning Community District 12 portal page. Notably, 31.5% of our adults over are over the age of 25 and do not have a high school diploma. Community District 12 urgently need employment services to increase the median household income, social/human services that support our working families, vocational training schools to raise resident skill levels to obtain competitive employment, provide more services for immigrant families, and more free ELS courses for non-English speaking residents.

4. TOP THREE PRESSING ISSUES OVERALL

Manhattan Community Board 12

The three most pressing issues facing this Community Board are:

Affordable housing

The items identified by the Statement of Needs process of having each Committee and the full Board as a whole are: Provide funding for the construction of affordable housing for seniors, at risk individuals and families using CB12's median average income of \$54,717.00 The priority-setting of these needs confirms the sentiment of the Community and guarantee the solution of these issues in the next fiscal year

Crime and public safety

The items identified by the Statement of Needs process of having each Committee and the full Board as a whole are:

1. Additional upgrade of emergency responses 311 and 911 to record times and geolocations for better response data and translation. 2. Continue to improve police and community relations.

Health care services

1. Expand mental health services for seniors, and students impacted by COVID 19. 2. Relocated District 8 DSNY sanitation trucks from CB12 as the co-terminal city charter mandates. 3. Increase Parks Dept. funding to support additional program to help improve seniors, youth, and people at risk's mental health.

5. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND BUDGET REQUESTS

HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

Manhattan Community Board 12

Most Important Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

Mental health and substance abuse treatment and prevention programs

In the Expense Budget Priorities for FY 2024, the most important issue for Health Care and Human Services is to expedite the construction of the new garage for District 8M and relocate its trucks from District 12M as quickly as possible to comply with the City Charter's co-terminality, and to expand mental health services in the community, especially for seniors, students and others whose mental health and social engagement have been adversely impacted by COVID-19, to open a full-time vaccination site for COVID-19 and monkeypox in Washington Heights with an annex or other regular presence in Inwood, and to increase substance abuse services in our community, including opioid overdose prevention education, and funding for syringe cleanups and collections (DOHMH) CB#12, M also request funding to install green infrastructure such as bioswales to divert stormwater from the sewer system and address climate change issues in our community It is also important for CB #12, M to increase services to prevent and treat chronic diseases, such as Alzheimer's, diabetes, cancer, and heart disease. Provide funding to ensure that all local public schools have health clinics, is relevant for CB #12, M. Noise complaints have incremented considerably in our community, for this reason, we request an increased staff that conducts regular noise enforcement, air quality monitoring, and water quality testing in our community. The trash basket collection on commercial streets in District 12M, needs to be increased, and the funds to support this task as well. The homeless situation has increased considerably in the CB 12, M, for this reason we request more funding for the Homebase Program in CB12M to prevent individuals and families at imminent risk from entering the NYC shelter system. Finally CB #12, M requires an expedited replacement of old water mains and sewer lines in our community (DEP).

Community District Needs Related to Health Care and Human Services

Needs for Health Care and Facilities

Our residents are less likely to have regular health care providers than those in NYC overall and foreign-born adults and men are least likely to have a regular doctor. Nearly one in ten residents use the emergency room, most likely at New York-Presbyterian Hospital, when they are sick or need medical advice. One in five local adults is obese, and almost one half do not exercise. The birth rate to teenage mothers is higher in this community than in all of Manhattan and NYC overall. On the plus side, the average annual death rates in our district is reported to be lower than in Manhattan and NYC overall. We would to request funds to undertake a comprehensive Needs Assessment of Community Board 12's LGBTQ community, identifying population, assets, unmet needs, strategies for assessing unmet needs, and additional collaborative and unique opportunities.

Needs for Older NYs

CB #12, M considered that the following issues are the most important for the Older New Yorker community within the district: Increase Expanded In Home Services For Elderly Persons (EISEP) funding to provide affordable home care, including sliding scale reimbursement. Increase funding for transportation for seniors by restoring prior City Council Funding and expand access to services. Increase access to appropriate, healthy food programs for seniors with medical needs. Increase funding for Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities to support currently unfunded mandate for nursing hours. Increase OTPS funding for replacement furnishings (non-capital) in senior centers as needed. System-wide upgrade of area senior centers to improve connectivity and WiFi

Needs for Homeless

We have a Homeless Shelter in our District in need of funding and more services. It is still a matter unresolved

Needs for Low Income NYs

We need the creation of a Workforce 1 in our district to provide training and help low income residents to find a good job.

Capital Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
10/54	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>Renovate existing or build replacement senior centers as necessary to comply with ADA and DFTA regulations</i>	
26/54	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>Provide funding for walk-in tubs for senior housing</i>	
CS	HRA	Other request for services to support low-income New Yorkers	<i>Provide more funding for food pantries.</i>	
CS	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>Renovate existing or build replacement senior centers as necessary to comply w/ ADA & DFTA regulations.</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/44	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	<i>Expand mental health services in the community, especially for seniors, families, youth and children, whose mental health and social engagement have been adversely impacted by COVID-19 (DOHMH).</i>	
2/44	DFTA	Enhance home care services	<i>Increase the expansion in the program "Expanded In Home Services For Elderly Persons (EISEP)" funding to provide affordable home care, including sliding scale reimbursement (fees based on a customer's ability to pay).</i>	
3/44	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	<i>Provide funding to ensure that all local public schools have multi-service health clinics with nurses and social workers (DOHMH).</i>	

5/44	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Increase services to prevent and treat chronic diseases, such as Alzheimer's, diabetes, cancer, heart disease and hypertension -- conditions that increase susceptibility to COVID-19 -- as well as long COVID, in our community (DOHMH).</i>
6/44	HRA	Other expense budget request for HRA	<i>Provide more funding for food pantries.</i>
7/44	DFTA	Increase transportation services capacity	<i>Increase funding for senior transportation programs, including the restoration of NYC Aging and NYC Council funding, and expanding access and outreach</i>
9/44	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Increase substance abuse services in our community, including opioid overdose prevention education, and funding for syringe cleanups and collections</i>
10/44	DOHMH	Animal and pest control requests including reducing rat and mosquito populations	<i>(Revised) Increase pest control efforts to eliminate rats, cockroaches, etc. exacerbated by outdoor dining in our community (DOHMH)</i>
14/44	DFTA	Other expense budget request for DFTA	<i>New (Revised): Increase access and outreach to healthy, culturally appropriate food for seniors with medical needs.</i>
15/44	DFTA	Other expense budget request for DFTA	<i>Increase OTPS funding for replacement furnishings in senior centers as needed</i>
17/44	HRA	Provide, expand, or enhance rental assistance programs/vouchers for permanent housing	<i>Provide more funding for the Homebase Program in CD 12, M to prevent individuals and families at imminent risk for entering the NYC shelter system.</i>
20/44	DOHMH	Provide more information and services related to STIs, HIV/AIDS, and family planning	<i>Increase HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment services, and LGBTQ services, in our community</i>
21/44	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	<i>Funding for free Wifi access for seniors in CB12.</i>

YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

Manhattan Community Board 12

Most Important Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

School and educational facilities (Capacity)

For FY24 CB #12, is requesting, Security Cameras - P.S. 028-SD6 Provide funding to install surveillance system (security cameras) at the entry and exit of the school. Students' environments need to be protected. We request more funding to improve connectivity options of Internet/Wi-Fi services for students in School District 6 (SD6); there is a great need of Internet/Wi-Fi Service in SD6 Provide There are 32 geographic Community School Districts (CSD) in New York. Each district is in charge of their elementary and secondary public schools within their community. Of these 32 CSD, District 6 consists of the Upper West Side, Harlem and Washington Heights/Inwood communities located in the northern part of Manhattan (from West 135th to 218th Street). District 6 enrollment has approximately 25,121 students (K-12) according to district 6 data of 2015-16. There are 49 public schools in District 6, of which 31 public schools (K-8) and 8 high schools are situated within the Washington Heights and Inwood community and the remaining 10 schools are located in the Upper West Side and Harlem. There are 19 out-of-school time (OST) programs, 8 daycares and head start programs, and 3 public libraries in the community of Washington Heights. However, local concerns regarding the improvement and increase of resources in this community continue to be a challenge. Community District 12 is in urgent needs of significant after-school enrichment/extracurricular activities at local schools and parks within the district; the school day ends for most students around 2:30pm, and most families in the district find it difficult to provide adequate after-school supervision for this children – an increase of funding for after-school enrichment/extracurricular activities at local schools and parks within the district is highly desirable. Furthermore, we a Comprehensive Afterschool System program that include tutoring assistance with homework through community based organizations in school district 6. Class Size Reduction is needed in our district and we would like that City increase funding to reduce class size in CSD6. In addition CB #12, M needs biotech laboratory. We would that the City provide funding for a biotech laboratory and research facility for all students at the George Washington Educational Campus to insure there are opportunities for readiness, mentoring and hands an immersion on a genomic (DNA) level that is linked to a variety of career path in health /medical/science and non science fields.

Community District Needs Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Needs for Youth Education

Physical Education (PE) serves as a keystone to reinforce student's academic achievement and prepare them to be physically and mentally active. School districts in New York City are mandated by the NYS Dept of Education to provide students with physical education and fitness paces, and to be instructed by Certified Teacher. However, evidence continues to suggest (report issued by the Comptroller Scott Stringer that the lack of physical education increases the health risk of students to become obese. Over 25 percent of students in New York City between the ages of 5 to 14 in Kindergarten through 8th grades are obese or severely obese. In several schools located in CB #12, Manhattan District including I.S 528, Bea Fuller Roger; I.S. 223, Mott Hall; and I.S 28 that serve students from PK-5th grades and 6th-8th grades do not have education fitness and /or their gymnasium. These schools have been waiting for the more than a decade to correct this problem. Therefore, it is imperative that DOE provides the capital funds for FY17 for the restoration and increase of physical education and fitness spaces needed in the aforementioned schools within CB#12 district. See <http://comptroller.nyc.gov/reports/droppingtheball> Additionally, the majority the school facilities in the CB #12, M are very old in great disrepair and in need of renovation or reconstruction. For example the swimming pool of the George Washington High School has been out of use for more than 20 years. The students in this district does not have access to a swimming pool. Swimming as sport is not being offered to the student.

Needs for Youth and Child Welfare

There is a high demand for a variety of programs in the community and among them are child care to assist working parents and after school programs, job training and skill development, college readiness programs to help students succeed in higher education, healthy eating in schools to reduce obesity, and youth anti-violence programs that promote safer communities. Expanded access to the Universal Pre-K program successfully created by Mayor De Blasio – the demand for Pre-K slots in Community District 12 has outpaced the availability – including in the zoned school districts of many community residents – the City and DOE should focus on creating more Pre-K resources in the district – our district has seen an increase of almost 2,000 children under the age of 5 from this report last year – the need for Pre-K resources is on the rise.

Capital Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
22/54	DYCD	Other capital budget request for DYCD	<i>Funding to expand daycare centers</i>	
36/54	SCA	Provide technology upgrade	<i>Fund an SCA tracker to provide timely repairs of infrastructure within district 6.</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
31/44	DYCD	Other expense budget request for DYCD	<i>Allocate funding for media education for youth</i>	

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Manhattan Community Board 12

Most Important Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Crime prevention programs

CB #12, M requests for FY24 more funding to expand Domestic Violence and Anti-Sexual Harassment programs and improve multi-agency response, and an additional upgrade of the Emergency Response System (311 & 911) to record times and geolocations for better response, data, and transparency (and include Spanish language option) and the expansion of Domestic Violence and Anti-Sexual Harassment programs and improve multi-agency response. The FDNY in our district requires all terrain vehicles for efficient response in CD12M's vast parklands and add funding for cameras in parks within 33 and 34 precincts. CB #12, M also needs the addition of speed cameras in the 33rd 34th precinct (in areas where there is drag racing or death). Due to the increase in the quality of life complaints in CB #12, M it is necessary to expand public education programs on public safety issues (fireworks, driving, bike Community District 12 requires more permanent officers (police officers, supervisors, and detectives) and police services to address issues facing an increased number of residents, visitors to the almost 1,000 acres of parkland, more events in the community and the city that require staffing which drain the resources in place, increased security at different locations, and a major increase of visitors due to a proliferation of restaurants and nightlife establishments. With an expected increase in the population due to new housing, the services are even more warranted for crime prevention in order to maintain or decrease the major index crime statistics and any other violent or non-violent crimes. Our two police precincts - the 33rd and 34th precincts - cover 155th to 218th Street from river to river and this landscape includes a major hospital and its affiliates; public housing developments; several large and popular parks that encompass baseball and soccer fields, a public swimming pool, three boating docks; a homeless shelter for men; transit rail yards; a NYC Department of Sanitation depot; senior centers; a university; museums; and more than 100,000 residents with an influx of tens of thousands of tourists and visitors to the community, particularly from May through October. Both precincts lack a sufficient number of permanent officers to address crime, particularly slashing and stabbings, violence on the street, rape and sexual assault, and gang activities as well as the increased volume of quality of life issues. There has been a vast increase of quality-of-life complaints documented by 311 calls, which include noise, loud music, loitering, car break-ins and vandalism, graffiti on private and public property; large crowds in our parks; illegal Fourth of July fireworks which last for several days before and after the holiday; the increase of the homeless throughout the city and uptown, where residents have reported homeless men congregating on sidewalks and intimidating neighborhood residents both on the street and in the subways; and illegal parking.

Community District Needs Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Needs for Public Safety

CB #12, M requires for FY22 an additional upgrade of Emergency Response System (311 & 911) to record times and geolocations for better response, data, and transparency and that the City expand Domestic Violence and Anti-Sexual Harassment programs and improve multi-agency response. Community District 12 requires more permanent officers and police services to address the issues facing an increased number of residents, visitors to the almost 1,000 acres of parkland, more events in the community and the city that require staffing, increased security at different locations, and a major increase of visitors due to an increase in restaurants and nightlife establishments. The two police precincts - the 33rd and 34th precincts - cover 155th to 218th Street from river to river and this landscape includes a major hospital and its affiliates; public housing developments; several large and popular parks that encompass baseball and soccer fields, a public swimming pool, three boating docks; a homeless shelter for men; transit rail yards; a NYC Department of Sanitation depot; senior centers; a university; museums; and more than 100,000 residents with an influx of tens of thousands of tourists and visitors to the community, particularly from May through October. Both precincts lack a sufficient number of permanent officers to address crime, particularly slashing and stabbings, violence on the street, rape and sexual assault, and gang activities as well as quality of life issues. There has been a vast increase of quality-of-life complaints documented by 311 calls, which

include noise, loud music, loitering, car break-ins and vandalism, graffiti on private and public property; large crowds in our parks; illegal Fourth of July fireworks which last for several days before and after the holiday; groups of homeless men intimidating neighborhood residents both on the street and in the subways; and illegal parking. Community District 12 urges the City of New York to provide an additional 30 police officers for both the 34th and 33rd Precincts as well as provide them with additional transportation equipment, including patrol cars and ATVs so that they may adequately protect and serve the community. A command post set up near the Dyckman Street area will enable officers to respond to 911 and 311 calls at the end of the precinct in a more timely and efficient manner. In order for complete transparency, we are requesting that all uniformed patrol officers and supervisors be allocated body cams. With the increased technology, we request that Spotshotter be implemented in both precincts in order to ascertain where shots are fired, aiding the NYPD in reducing gun violence. Finally, being the geographic territory of Community Board 12 is particularly vast, we urge the City of New York to provide the 33rd and 34th Precincts with a significant closed circuit camera and lighting budget, so that they can keep track of troubled areas as well as focus on preventative issues, all while using the latest technology available, without sacrificing human resources on the ground, which could instead be used for urgent responses by law enforcement.

Needs for Emergency Services

Our local firehouses participate in many community wide events. However, more educational initiatives are requested to best educate the public and provide outreach in terms of fire safety, recruiting, illegal fireworks, smoke detectors, and other issues important to the safety of residents and businesses. Firehouses have been renovated and are in excellent shape, except for two which require the replacement of apparatus doors. A relatively new EMS base, circa 2013, has been existing in temporary modular buildings also known as trailers; a permanent building is much preferred and requested.

Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

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

Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

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

CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

Manhattan Community Board 12

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

Air quality and pollution

The initial findings of the New York City Community Air Survey showed that Washington Heights is one of the most polluted areas in the City, apparently because of the huge amount of traffic coming through the community on the Trans Manhattan Expressway and the concentration of apartment buildings burning dirty fuel oil.

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

Needs for Water, Sewers, and Environmental Protection

The water and sewer pipes in our district are very old and are collapsing very often. This condition is shown on the increasing numbers of sink holes and cave in holes all over the district. We have reported in the past two years several dozen of sink holes and cave in on Post Ave., Cooper Street, West 181st Street among other. Our catch basins are clogged causing a lot of floods with heaving rains. There is a very bad flood location at Dyckman Street, Nagle Ave and Fort George Hill. There are also locations that do not have enough catch basin or do not have catch basin at all like the northeast corner of West 166th and Amsterdam Ave. Community Board 12 supports the following actions to improve the environment of our community: • Aggressive outreach efforts by the Bureau of Pest Control to reduce rat infestation in our community, which was cited as having the highest rate of rat infestation in Manhattan in 2011. • Restoration of funding for Manhattan's only lead-safe house, operated by the Northern Manhattan Improvement Corp. at 2183 Amsterdam Ave. This facility is a vital resource for families with lead-poisoned children whose apartments are undergoing lead abatement. • Increased funding for public education and outreach on disposal of household garbage and recyclables. • Due to Northern Manhattan becoming a destination for dining and entertainment the number of pedestrian traffic has increased dramatically we need more litter baskets on our streets to mitigate the overflow of litter baskets on our streets. • The hiring of additional Sanitation workers, including street cleaners and Sanitation police officers, for Community District 12. • The construction of a Sanitation garage for Manhattan Community District 8 so that its collection trucks will no longer make thousands of unnecessary trips through our community every year in violation of the City Charter co-terminality mandate. • The use of cleaner, less polluting fuel oil in apartment buildings, local businesses and large institutions to reduce a major source of pollution in the community. • Stronger and consistent enforcement of the Noise Control Code throughout the community, especially late at night in connection with bars and restaurants. • Comprehensive regulations and policy for the placement of cell phone towers on residential buildings that protect public health and safety and u

Needs for Sanitation Services

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Capital Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/54	DEP	Other capital budget request for DEP	<i>Expedite the replacement of old water mains and sewer lines in our community.</i>	
5/54	DEP	Other capital budget request for DEP	<i>Install green infrastructure such as bioswales to divert stormwater from the sewer system and address climate change issues in our community (DEP)</i>	
7/54	DSNY	Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment	<i>Provide additional garbage collection trucks and street sweepers with snow plows</i>	
9/54	DSNY	Provide new or upgrade existing sanitation garages or other sanitation infrastructure	<i>Construct new District 8M garage and relocate its trucks from District 12M as quickly as possible to comply with the City Charter's co-terminality mandate. (DSNY)</i>	
49/54	DEP	Develop a capital project for specific street segments currently lacking sanitary sewers	<i>Catch basin at 158th and Riverside Drive to allow for a raised crosswalk on north side of W 158th</i>	158th St Riverside Drive

Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
8/44	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	<i>Increase trash basket collection on commercial streets in District 12M with a second shift so that baskets are emptied more than once daily. This could be funded through the Council's NYC Cleanup Initiative as well as the Executive Budget. (DSNY)</i>	
16/44	DEP	Investigate noise complaints at specific location	<i>Provide funding for more noise enforcement cameras, which should be installed in both Washington Heights and Inwood, and staff for the program, as well as for more inspectors (DEP)</i>	

**Provide or expand
community
composting
programs**

Increase funding for education and outreach on recycling, reuse and composting as well as proper disposal of household garbage in our community (DSNY).

HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

Manhattan Community Board 12

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

Affordable housing preservation

CB #12, M requests more funding for the construction of affordable accessible housing for seniors and for the construction of 100% permanent long-term affordable housing units (based on the average median income throughout CB12M) to Non-Profits, Community Land Trusts, and Land Banks that are partnered with non-profit developers.. Housing that is affordable to households within the income-range most representative of the community district is the most important housing issue in Washington Heights and Inwood. The availability of affordable housing and the availability of sufficient affordable housing to meet local demand constitutes the core of both the physical and the social issues. CD12's low AMI, compared to city-wide AMI, and the rising cost of living result in high rent burden and over crowding for a significant percentage of households. The existing stock of affordable housing must be kept intact and affordable to the majority of local residents in order for the community to be sustained and enjoy greater access to and benefit from the broader economic and social fabric of the city and the nation. In addition to the preservation of the existing affordable housing, we are in need of the construction of new affordable housing and the for these new housing units must be calculated based on the median household income of the residents of Community District 12-Manhattan and not based on the median household income of the residents of Manhattan or the City as a whole. Furthermore, the number one issue for the Housing & Human Services committee for the Expense Budget Ranking for Fiscal Year 2024 is to Provide sufficient funding for mandatory "right to counsel" and CBO's for HOUSING COURT and the new Office of Civil Justice to provide legal, social services and or administrative assistance, heavy attorney representation, advocacy or intervention beyond the pro bono or current non-attorney Guardian Ad Litem programs, and one-stop HRA/LINC programs for all tenant litigants in CB12,M. We request funds for additional planning staff to work with CB12M and local residents to formulate and implement a community-based neighborhood preservation and development plan for Washington Heights and Inwood, exclusive of any work undertaken in connection with EDC's Inwood Rezoning plan or other city-sponsored planning or zoning initiatives. As well the allocation of capital funds to support a planning and development initiative for Washington Heights and Inwood that identifies and packages city- and privately-owned vacant sites and buildings in one or more Requests for Proposals for the development of affordable residential projects for which affordability is defined by the average household income of current CD12 residents.

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

Needs for Land Use

We need additional planning staff to work with CB12M and local residents to formulate and implement a community-based contextual zoning plan for Washington Heights & Inwood. We need to implement a planning and development initiative for Washington Heights & Inwood whereby vacant city-owned lots and buildings are identified, packaged and released in one or more Requests for Proposals dedicated to scattered-site infill residential development that is affordable to local residents of CD12 with affordability defined by the Area Median Income (AMI) of CD12. (HPD), or purchased by the City for such development. For business development CB #12, M request the expansion of NYC Small Business Support Centers beyond single location. Funding for weather proofing for outdoor dining, safer street initiatives and plaza investment, and the creation of an Initiative within a city agency to facilitate the optimization of outdoor dining areas that adhere to new regulations. Building a Business training/capacitation hubs (additional to services offered by SBS) up to and including personal coaches/ resource navigators

Needs for Housing

Community District 12 Manhattan is well known for its pre and post-world war buildings which are in need of much maintenance and repairs. Many of which are not accessible for individuals with disabilities. As well it holds the most rent regulated apartments in all of Manhattan at 56, 173 rent regulated units. Within Community District 12

Manhattan there is exist many housing issues where tenants who live in these apartments are faced with deplorable living conditions and serious housing code violations. This is such a problem that in 2010 and 2011 than The New York City Public Advocate Bill De Blasio now Mayor created the Worst Landlords Watch List, reporting s Manhattan's worst-run down buildings are mostly Harlem, Washington Heights, and Inwood. Forty five of the 56 Manhattan buildings on the list are in those areas The impact of high rent is felt nationwide, the call for affordability is imperative. A report created by Shaun Donovan / Secretary of the U.S Department of housing and Urban Development “Out of Reach 2012 “defined affordability as it is consistent with the federal standard that no more than 30% of a house holds gross income should be spent on gross housing cost and households paying over 30% of their income are considered cost burdened. The former Mayor of New York Michael Bloomberg’s acknowledged the need d for 165,000 more affordable housing units to be either built or preserved in New York City. However the Mayor’s affordable housing distribution has been grossly uneven, as seen in statistics provided by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development regarding the borough of Manhattan. From 2004 to 2010, 36,271 affordable housing units were built or preserved in Manhattan, but more than two-thirds of this construction was concentrated in just three of Manhattan’s twelve community districts. Residents in this district are faced with rising rents; overcrowding and physical conditions of existing rent-regulated housing units are often in deplorable, conditions with serious housing code violations. This clearly highlights the needs for more funding our existing housing stock in regard to preservation and new construction of affordable housing. Another major concern for our community is the need for affordable and accessible housing, since the median house hold income of our residents is 38, 320 and 42.3% of our residents.

Needs for Economic Development

Top Priorities for Business Development/Economic Development for CB12M: 1. CB12 needs renovated libraries that can be utilized by residents throughout the district to help prepare for gainful employment, be it to utilize technology to search for jobs, as well as resume building – our libraries are a central resource for all that are being underutilized because of the outdated and run down conditions they are in. 2. Continuation of Annual CB12M Small Business Forum, so as to bring the business community, government and the residents of this district together so business owners can gain valuable information on how to thrive and expand. 3. Continuation of Annual CB12M Jobs Fair, and perhaps as a bi-annual event, so as bring job seekers and employers together and help reduce the systemically high unemployment of CB12M. 4. Establish the committee as a main resource to all current and new local businesses, in an effort to engage in a public/private sector dialogue that helps CB12M residents, business and institutions thrive and expand, as well as providing information to local business as it relates to city, state and federal business oriented initiatives. 5. Incorporating business and the local arts community – with a high storefront vacancy, the committee aims to reduce the blight of vacant store fronts by creating a partnership among landlords and the CB12M arts community, so as to provide expanded arts space while increasing the appeal of venues that may be vacant at the time. 6. Play a critical role with the NYC Economic Development Corporation in the current rezoning efforts within CB12M 7. Strengthening relations with government agencies that assist with small business such as DCA, DEP, and SBS. 8. Partner with restaurants and bars in an effort to ensure friendly balance between nightlife activity and the residential community 9. Host an event for local business and residents that provides commercial real estate and legal training as it relates to commercial leases and rights for all those involved in a commercial lease 10. Creating increased tourism and consumer demand for CB12M business and organizations, through expanded transportation options, including water taxi service to Northern Manhattan. With an aging mass transit system, it is cr

Capital Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/54	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>Provide funding for the construction of 100% permanent long term affordable housing units (based on the average median income throughout CD12M) to Non-Profits, Community Land Trusts, and Land Banks that are partnered with non-profit developers</i>	
2/54	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>Allocate capital funds and low-income tax credits to support the development of affordable housing in Washington Heights and Inwood, consistent with the planning principles outlined in the Resolution adopted by CB12M on September 26, 2023, to advance the objectives of Manhattan Borough President Mark Levine’s “Housing Manhattanites” plan.</i>	
4/54	HPD	Other capital budget request for HPD	<i>Allocate capital funds to support a planning and development initiative for Washington Heights and Inwood whereby vacant city-owned lots and buildings, or lots and buildings purchased or otherwise acquired by the City in Washington Heights and Inwood, are identified and packaged in one or more Requests for Proposals dedicated to scattered-site infill affordable residential development projects for which affordability is defined by the area median income (AMI) of current CD12 residents.</i>	
6/54	HPD	Provide more housing for seniors	<i>Provide funding to construct affordable, accessible housing for seniors</i>	
8/54	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>Provide funding to construct affordable, accessible housing for people with disabilities</i>	
12/54	HPD	Provide more housing for special needs households, such as the formerly homeless	<i>Provide more housing for at-risk and transitioning individuals and families.</i>	
13/54	HPD	Provide, expand, or enhance loan programs to rehabilitate multiple dwelling buildings	<i>Additional funding for AEP and PPP programs for preservation and rehabilitation of distressed buildings in CD12,M - immediate priority.</i>	

14/54	EDC	Other capital budget request for EDC	<i>System-wide upgrade of CB12M area to improve access to connectivity and WiFi</i>
17/54	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>Funding for supportive housing (construction) for LGBTQ youth.</i>
30/54	SBS	Other capital budget request for SBS	<i>Build a NYC Small Business support center in CB12m</i>
47/54	SBS	Other capital budget request for SBS	<i>Expand NYC Small Business Opportunity Fund for Startup Capital</i>
48/54	SBS	Other capital budget request for SBS	<i>Build E-BikeCharging Station for delivery drivers</i>
52/54	EDC	Other capital budget request for EDC	<i>Build Electric Vehicle Charging Station for delivery drivers</i>
54/54	SBS	Other capital budget request for SBS	<i>Fund to assist business owners rebuild their outdoor seating structures according to new regulations</i>

Expense Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
4/44	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>(Revised) Increase funding for free legal representation in housing court and increase the eligibility criteria for receiving services to 300% from 200% of the Federal Poverty Level under the Right to Counsel program.</i>	
11/44	DCP	Other zoning and land use requests	<i>(Revised) Dedicate additional planning staff to work with CB12M and local residents to formulate and implement a community-based neighborhood preservation and development plan for Washington Heights and Inwood, exclusive of any work undertaken in connection with EDC's Inwood Rezoning plan or other city-sponsored planning or zoning initiatives.</i>	
12/44	DOB	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)	<i>Increase funding for more HPD Housing Code and DOB Building Code Inspectors.</i>	

19/44	HPD	Provide, expand, or enhance tenant protection programs	<i>Increase Tenant support specialists specific to CD12,M and fund initiatives to inform and educate tenants of their rights.</i>
22/44	NYCHA	Install security cameras or make other safety upgrades	<i>Provide ongoing funding to ensure that secure NYCHA building entrances, stairwells, and apt doors are self-closing and self-locking.</i>
25/44	HPD	Provide, expand, or enhance programs for homeowners and first-time homebuyers	<i>Funding for Programs on home ownership</i>
26/44	HPD	Other expense budget request for HPD	<i>Increase funding for supportive housing for LGBTQ youth.</i>
27/44	NYCHA	Other housing support requests	<i>Workshops for landlords on Local Law 97</i>
35/44	SBS	Other expense budget request for SBS	<i>(Revised) Hiring of Spanish-speaking health inspectors designated to this district.</i>
40/44	SBS	Provide or expand business education to businesses and entrepreneurs	<i>Provide funding for cannabis education for small businesses.</i>
41/44	SBS	Provide or expand business education to businesses and entrepreneurs	<i>(Revised) Physical Resource Guide of different programs designed to help businesses and Virtual Organizational Chart detailing responsibilities of each city agency.</i>
43/44	SBS	Other expense budget request for SBS	<i>Increase funding to SBS to continue their initiatives</i>
44/44	SBS	Provide or expand business education to businesses and entrepreneurs	<i>Education Campaign for Business Owners on Health and Safety for underrepresented and migrant communities</i>

Manhattan Community Board 12

Most Important Issue Related to Transportation and Mobility

Accessibility (ADA related compliance and infrastructure enhancements)

The most pressing issues for traffic and transportation in CB 12, M for FY 24, is to analyze Riverside Drive Upper Roadway between W158th and W. 165th and implement any recommended changes to improve safety and flow of traffic, and to fund a traffic study for 165th and FWA to W 170th & FWA, and for W 207th St. and University Heights Bridge.

Community District Needs Related to Transportation and Mobility

Needs for Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

We have the following bridges in our district: 1. The Macombs Dam Bridge spans the Harlem River in New York City, connecting the boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx near Yankee Stadium on West 155th Street. 2. The High Bridge is the oldest bridge in New York City, having originally opened as an aqueduct in 1848 and reopened as a pedestrian walkway in 2015 is connecting Manhattan and the Bronx over the Harlem River on West 173rd Street through the Highbridge Park. It is expected that bicycle traffic increase on Amsterdam Ave in the near future. 3. The Alexander Hamilton Bridge connecting the Trans-Manhattan Expressway in the Washington Heights section of Manhattan and the Cross-Bronx Expressway over the Harlem River. This bridge brings traffic to the Washington Bridge and the West 181st Street and connects to the Henry Hudson Parkway. 4. The Washington Bridge crosses the Harlem River connecting 181st Street and Amsterdam Avenue in the Washington Heights neighborhood of Manhattan to University Avenue in the Morris Heights neighborhood of the Bronx. 5. The University Heights Bridge crosses the Harlem River, connecting West 207th Street in the Inwood neighborhood of Manhattan to West Fordham Road in the University Heights section of the Bronx. 6. The Broadway Bridge crosses the Harlem River Ship Canal between Inwood on Manhattan Island and Marble Hill in the Bronx. 7. The Henry Hudson Bridge crosses the Spuyten Duyvil Creek. It connects Spuyten Duyvil in the Bronx with Inwood in Manhattan. 8. George Washington Bridge crosses the Hudson River, connecting the Washington Heights neighborhood in the borough of Manhattan in New York City to Fort Lee, in New Jersey. The George Washington Bridge carries over 106 million vehicles per year, making it the world's busiest motor vehicle bridge according to the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey. The approaches to and from the George Washington Bridge in Washington Heights are very congested at all time of the day getting worse during the pick hours. 9. Amsterdam Ave., Audubon Ave., Wadsworth Ave., St. Nicholas Ave., Broadway and Ft. Washington Ave. between West 178th and West 179th Street are overpasses over the Trans Manhattan Expressway. These overpasses are in disrepair because in order for NYC DOT to pave them with their actual equipment they will be required to shut down completely the Trans Manhattan Express way. For these reasons our Traffic & Transportation Committee added a new request for Expense 2018 Fiscal Year Budget to Allocate funds to purchase light paving equipment (rollers 4-6 foot, milling machines, APM Paver Machines) suitable to be used on bridges and overpasses.

Needs for Transit Services

No comments

Capital Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
11/54	NYCTA	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	<i>Make the following subway stations fully ADA compliant: IRT stops at 157, 181, 191, 207 uptown and 215; and IND stops at 155, 163, 168, 191, Dyckman and 207.</i>	
25/54	NYCTA	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	<i>Rehabilitate the W. 157 Street IRT Subway Station. Sustainability repairs to 157th 1 Station to reduce vulnerability to extreme weather events.</i>	
32/54	NYCTA	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	<i>Rehabilitate the 181st IND line subway stations.</i>	
35/54	NYCTA	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	<i>Rehabilitate West 207th Street IRT Subway Stations.</i>	
41/54	NYCTA	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	<i>Rehabilitate the 168th IND line subway stations.</i>	
42/54	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	<i>Fund new lighting in Parks / along Greenway with preference for solar</i>	
43/54	DOT	Improve mobility options, including bike share and car share	<i>Analyze RSD Upper Roadway between W158th and W. 165th and implement any recommended changes to improve safety and flow of traffic.</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
24/44	NYCTA	Other transit service requests	<i>(Revised) Propose modify / Increase funding for subway stations as it relates to maintenance, repairs, and cleaning.</i>	

34/44	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>Fund traffic study for W 207th St. and University Heights Bridge.</i>
36/44	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>Fund traffic study for 165th and FWA to W 170th & FWA.</i>
38/44	NYCTA	Other transit service requests	<i>Baseline Real Time Passenger Information (@ bus stops)</i>

PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Manhattan Community Board 12

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

Park access and park facility access

CB #12, M would like to request in FY24, to increase Parks Dept. funding to support additional programming throughout CD12 parks, playgrounds, courts: fund additional Playground Associates, Maintenance/Operations Workers, Gardeners, Forestry, & GreenThumb staff, Urban Park Rangers, Parks Enforcement Patrol, and to provide recreational, waterfront, afterschool, environmental/conservation and cultural programming for kids, teens, adults, seniors, and the formerly incarcerated or institutionalized, and the addition of ADA-compliant bathroom in Javits Playground(DPR)

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

Needs for Parks

With well over 600 acres of park land it is no surprise that fully 15 of CB12M's capital budget priorities (plus 5 continuing support items) are for projects in and around our parks. Many of the projects are for ADA retrofitting, or for repairs to update aging infrastructure. There are additional capital and expense needs relating to youth programming in parks, waterfront recreation development and other items which, while important, were beyond the OMB-imposed limit of 40 capital project and 25 expense programs. The Audubon Playground is in a section of CD12M with relatively few parks/playgrounds, yet there is a school serving citywide DoE needs situated in the playground. We would like that "temporary" structure (built decades ago) removed and the area returned to community use as a recreational facility. Ongoing maintenance of parks pathways, particularly in our largest parks -- Fort Tryon, Highbridge, and Inwood Hill -- is the single most important way to ensure safe access to all parts of our parks, both for recreation as well as for maintenance, safety, and access. The Msgr. Kett playground is in a part of Inwood not otherwise served by playgrounds nearby, despite being close to a public housing project. It hasn't been renovated since the '90's and is long overdue. Additionally, the basketball courts are heavily used by the community, and are in need of repair. Many areas within our parks, playgrounds and dog runs need plumbing and/or lighting, for the benefit of parks users, as well as for use by landscaping staff. Areas in need include Ft. Tryon Park's Alpine Garden along the eastern/Broadway slope, and the dog run; the Riverside Park dog run at W. 165th Street, the "Sunken" Playground in Highbridge Park in lower the 160s, and the basketball/tennis courts in Inwood Hill Park. ADA compliance and retrofit projects include: the historic Morris-Jumel Mansion, the Dyckman Farmhouse, the High Bridge Water Tower, Highbridge Park's New Adventure Playground (W. 165th & Edgecombe), restrooms throughout the District's Parks, and the Hispanic Society of America. Additional ongoing/recurring requests include the Phase II restoration of the High Bridge water tower (e.g., stairs, pointing, windows and carillon); expansion of free public WiFi in our parks; and funding of Phase II of the New York Restoration Project's clean-up and waterfront access at Sherman Creek. As a new request we would like to see the addition of a science barge to meet the educational needs of CD12M's youth and adults alike, in a creative way that also utilizes our vast waterfront. On the expense side, CD12M parks are in desperate need of more maintenance and enforcement personnel. While there is much excellent programming of all kinds, our wealth of facilities could be leveraged to greater use with additional programming targeted to youth, seniors, teens. Given our income thresholds and levels of poverty, which are well below borough averages, CD12M is particularly in need of free or low-cost recreation and educational offerings.

Needs for Cultural Services

CB12M has a wealth of cultural facilities and programs, but many are in need of accessibility improvements, major capital repairs, and additional program offerings for our community. In particular, afterschool programming and educational/cultural programming at museums & historic houses (e.g. Hispanic Society, Morris- Jumel Mansion, Dyckman Farmhouse, etc.) Northern Manhattan also is in desperate need of accessible performance and gallery space, rehearsal space, and infrastructure to support a growing arts community and audience for performance and

displayed art. There is no prioritized capital item for this as there is no identified lead agency or specific funding project, but the absence of this resource is a recurring trope at community meetings and events; as such, it is appropriate to note it in our Statement of District Needs.

Needs for Library Services

The existing library facilities are in disrepair and need to be renovated and make it accessible in some cases. CB #12, M need more libraries; therefore, the construction of more libraries facilities are required. The budget for the libraries were increased recently. We request that this increase is maintained and expanded.

Needs for Community Boards

Under the NYC Charter, Community Boards have a great deal of responsibilities. Community Board have a limited budget resulting in limited staff. CB #12, M has only three staff members including the District Manager. With three staff members CB #12, covers the office operation, all the community needs, Board members demands and night meeting coverage, processing of vendor's payments and the Comptroller's audits. With the sophistication of technology there are new demand that sometime is not possible to accomplish because of the lack of training on the staff or the lack of personnel to perform it. The members of Community Board #12, M demand the presence of a staff for the night's meetings. We have at least ten night meetings per month. The night meetings start at 7 pm and finish around 10 pm. Some meetings, like the Licensing Committee finish close to night. The Licensing Committee meeting in the month of June went up to the next day, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 am but the agenda was not completed. A Second meeting was re-convened the following week. CB #12, M needs an additional staff member to help with to keep up with the operation and the covering of the nights meeting.

Capital Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
15/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Inwood Hill, Highbridge and Fort Tryon Parks: Reconstruct/maintain 60+ miles of park pathways and paving.</i>	
16/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Gorman Park: Phase II (to repair & restore the lower park).</i>	
18/54	DCLA	Renovate or upgrade an existing cultural facility	<i>Hispanic Society renovations: roof, interior, terrace, adjacent sidewalks, & ADA compliance.</i>	
19/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Add ADA-compliant bathroom in Javits Playground</i>	Fort Tryon Park
20/54	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Add ADA-compliant bathroom in Highbridge Park by ballfields & Water Tower.</i>	Amsterdam Avenue, Manhattan, New York, NY
21/54	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Add ADA-compliant bathroom in Dyckman Ballfields.</i>	
23/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Renovate Payson Playground & make it accessible; make needed repairs to park house structure & roof and make building fully accessible</i>	
24/54	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Repair badly degraded staircases & retaining walls in Isham Park</i>	

27/54	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>More family picnic / BBQ areas throughout CD12 Parks to meet increasing community demand</i>	
28/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Raoul Wallenberg Playground & Basketball Court Reconstruction (Amsterdam btw. W 188/190).</i>	
29/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Repair & reconstruct Ft. Tryon Park's Linden Terrace</i>	
31/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Highbridge Rec Center weatherization (fix windows to retain heat/cooling)</i>	
33/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Renovate McKenna Square Park.</i>	
34/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Renovate eastern (Broadway) perimeter playground in Ft. Tryon Park's Anne Loftus Playground and add sensory playground.</i>	4746 Broadway
37/54	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	<i>Lighthouse Link (HHP Greenway).</i>	
38/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	<i>Fund water mitigation project for the historic Morris-Jummel Mansion</i>	
39/54	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>J. Hood Wright overlook and viewing platform: ADA accessibility</i>	

40/54	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Ft. Washington Park Inspiration Point Portico: repair steps.</i>	Hudson River Greenway, New York, NY
44/54	DPR	Other street trees and forestry services requests	<i>Community Garden: prepare land, make accessible & soil mitigation.</i>	
45/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	<i>Asbestos abatement and restoration of "Building D" in Ft. Tryon Park for security presence</i>	
46/54	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	<i>Renovate/repair sidewalk pavers on west side of Cabrini Blvd. (W.190 St. - Mgt. Corbin Circle) adjacent to FW & FT Parks.</i>	W.190 St. - Mgt. Corbin Circle
50/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Rehabilitate Dyckman Softball Fields 1 & 2</i>	
51/54	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Inwood Hill Park Nature Center: add a "learning landscape".</i>	West 218 Street, Manhattan, New York, NY
53/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Inwood Hill Park: Ballfields 3 & 5.</i>	Inwood Hill Park Nature Center, Manhattan, New York, NY
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	<i>Renovate / repair Inwood Hill Park Nature Center following hurricane Sandy</i>	
CS	NYPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)	<i>Full renovation of Fort Washington branch library.</i>	535 WEST 179 STREET
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Morris-Jumel Mansion ADA Accessibility and exterior renovation including renovation following following water main break.</i>	

CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Renovate/rehabilitate Msgr. Kett Playground (204 btw. 10th & Nagle)</i>	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Dyckman Farmhouse: roof repairs.</i>	
CS	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	<i>Add ADA-compliant bathroom in FW Park Discovery Playground.</i>	Riverside Drive, Manhattan, New York, NY
CS	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	<i>Basketball at W. 186th St. lot</i>	
CS	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Dyckman Rest: add new playground and dog run, and reconfigure seating area</i>	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Repair drainage, regrade, and renovate soccer field Inwood Hill Park (at Dyckman ballfields)</i>	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Reconstruct HHP bike path (W.179 to Dyckman Streets)</i>	
CS	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Installation of synthetic turf lawn in Bennett Park</i>	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Dyckman Waterfront restoration & Eco-dock</i>	

CS	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Harlem River walkway/esplanade</i>
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Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
13/44	DPR	Provide more programs in parks or recreational centers	<i>Increase Parks Dept. funding to support additional programming throughout CD12 parks, playgrounds, courts: fund additional Playground Associates, Maintenance/Operations Workers, Gardeners, Forestry, & GreenThumb staff, Urban Park Rangers, Parks Enforcement Patrol, and to provide recreational, waterfront, afterschool, environmental/conservation and cultural programming for kids, teens, adults, seniors, and the formerly incarcerated or institutionalized. (DPR)</i>	
23/44	DCLA	Other cultural facilities and resources requests	<i>Staff a center/facility for evening & afterschool recreational/educational activities for at-risk youth.</i>	
28/44	DPR	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	<i>Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g., better lighting: increase funding with preference for solar lighting in CD12 parks, including greenway</i>	
29/44	DCLA	Support nonprofit cultural organizations	<i>(Revised) Increase DCLA funding by at least \$1mm to increase support for arts programming and individual artists within CD12M (DCLA)</i>	
30/44	DPR	Improve trash removal and cleanliness	<i>Add recycling collection and more trash receptacles in parks.</i>	
32/44	DPR	Other expense budget request for DPR	<i>Add funding to Partnerships for Parks & City Parks Foundation to support friends-of-parks groups.</i>	
33/44	DPR	Provide more programs in parks or recreational centers	<i>Outdoor learning initiatives in parks, community gardens, and other green spaces.</i>	

37/44	DPR	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	<i>Repair sinkholes in Ft. Washington Park pathways from Haven Ave.</i>
39/44	DPR	Other street trees and forestry services requests	<i>Increased use of goats as a better, more eco-sensitive alternative to pesticides for removal of invasive species.</i>
42/44	DPR	Other expense budget request for DPR	<i>Repair sinkholes in Ft. Washington Park pathways from Haven Ave.</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
1/54	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>Provide funding for the construction of 100% permanent long term affordable housing units (based on the average median income throughout CD12M) to Non-Profits, Community Land Trusts, and Land Banks that are partnered with non-profit developers</i>	
2/54	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>Allocate capital funds and low-income tax credits to support the development of affordable housing in Washington Heights and Inwood, consistent with the planning principles outlined in the Resolution adopted by CB12M on September 26, 2023, to advance the objectives of Manhattan Borough President Mark Levine's "Housing Manhattanites" plan.</i>	
3/54	DEP	Other capital budget request for DEP	<i>Expedite the replacement of old water mains and sewer lines in our community.</i>	
4/54	HPD	Other capital budget request for HPD	<i>Allocate capital funds to support a planning and development initiative for Washington Heights and Inwood whereby vacant city-owned lots and buildings, or lots and buildings purchased or otherwise acquired by the City in Washington Heights and Inwood, are identified and packaged in one or more Requests for Proposals dedicated to scattered-site infill affordable residential development projects for which affordability is defined by the area median income (AMI) of current CD12 residents.</i>	
5/54	DEP	Other capital budget request for DEP	<i>Install green infrastructure such as bioswales to divert stormwater from the sewer system and address climate change issues in our community (DEP)</i>	
6/54	HPD	Provide more housing for seniors	<i>Provide funding to construct affordable, accessible housing for seniors</i>	
7/54	DSNY	Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment	<i>Provide additional garbage collection trucks and street sweepers with snow plows</i>	

8/54	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>Provide funding to construct affordable, accessible housing for people with disabilities</i>
9/54	DSNY	Provide new or upgrade existing sanitation garages or other sanitation infrastructure	<i>Construct new District 8M garage and relocate its trucks from District 12M as quickly as possible to comply with the City Charter's co-terminality mandate. (DSNY)</i>
10/54	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>Renovate existing or build replacement senior centers as necessary to comply with ADA and DFTA regulations</i>
11/54	NYCTA	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	<i>Make the following subway stations fully ADA compliant: IRT stops at 157, 181, 191, 207 uptown and 215; and IND stops at 155, 163, 168, 191, Dyckman and 207.</i>
12/54	HPD	Provide more housing for special needs households, such as the formerly homeless	<i>Provide more housing for at-risk and transitioning individuals and families.</i>
13/54	HPD	Provide, expand, or enhance loan programs to rehabilitate multiple dwelling buildings	<i>Additional funding for AEP and PPP programs for preservation and rehabilitation of distressed buildings in CD12,M - immediate priority.</i>
14/54	EDC	Other capital budget request for EDC	<i>System-wide upgrade of CB12M area to improve access to connectivity and WiFi</i>
15/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Inwood Hill, Highbridge and Fort Tryon Parks: Reconstruct/maintain 60+ miles of park pathways and paving.</i>
16/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Gorman Park: Phase II (to repair & restore the lower park).</i>
17/54	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>Funding for supportive housing (construction) for LGBTQ youth.</i>

18/54	DCLA	Renovate or upgrade an existing cultural facility	<i>Hispanic Society renovations: roof, interior, terrace, adjacent sidewalks, & ADA compliance.</i>	
19/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Add ADA-compliant bathroom in Javits Playground</i>	Fort Tryon Park
20/54	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Add ADA-compliant bathroom in Highbridge Park by ballfields & Water Tower.</i>	Amsterdam Avenue, Manhattan, New York, NY
21/54	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Add ADA-compliant bathroom in Dyckman Ballfields.</i>	
22/54	DYCD	Other capital budget request for DYCD	<i>Funding to expand daycare centers</i>	
23/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Renovate Payson Playground & make it accessible; make needed repairs to park house structure & roof and make building fully accessible</i>	
24/54	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Repair badly degraded staircases & retaining walls in Isham Park</i>	
25/54	NYCTA	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	<i>Rehabilitate the W. 157 Street IRT Subway Station. Sustainability repairs to 157th 1 Station to reduce vulnerability to extreme weather events.</i>	
26/54	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>Provide funding for walk-in tubs for senior housing</i>	
27/54	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>More family picnic / BBQ areas throughout CD12 Parks to meet increasing community demand</i>	

28/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Raoul Wallenberg Playground & Basketball Court Reconstruction (Amsterdam btw. W 188/190).</i>	
29/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Repair & reconstruct Ft. Tryon Park's Linden Terrace</i>	
30/54	SBS	Other capital budget request for SBS	<i>Build a NYC Small Business support center in CB12m</i>	
31/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Highbridge Rec Center weatherization (fix windows to retain heat/cooling)</i>	
32/54	NYCTA	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	<i>Rehabilitate the 181st IND line subway stations.</i>	
33/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Renovate McKenna Square Park.</i>	
34/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Renovate eastern (Broadway) perimeter playground in Ft. Tryon Park's Anne Loftus Playground and add sensory playground.</i>	4746 Broadway
35/54	NYCTA	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	<i>Rehabilitate West 207th Street IRT Subway Stations.</i>	
36/54	SCA	Provide technology upgrade	<i>Fund an SCA tracker to provide timely repairs of infrastructure within district 6.</i>	
37/54	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	<i>Lighthouse Link (HHP Greenway).</i>	

38/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	<i>Fund water mitigation project for the historic Morris-Jummel Mansion</i>	
39/54	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>J. Hood Wright overlook and viewing platform: ADA accessibility</i>	
40/54	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Ft. Washington Park Inspiration Point Portico: repair steps.</i>	Hudson River Greenway, New York, NY
41/54	NYCTA	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	<i>Rehabilitate the 168th IND line subway stations.</i>	
42/54	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	<i>Fund new lighting in Parks / along Greenway with preference for solar</i>	
43/54	DOT	Improve mobility options, including bike share and car share	<i>Analyze RSD Upper Roadway between W158th and W. 165th and implement any recommended changes to improve safety and flow of traffic.</i>	
44/54	DPR	Other street trees and forestry services requests	<i>Community Garden: prepare land, make accessible & soil mitigation.</i>	
45/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	<i>Asbestos abatement and restoration of "Building D" in Ft. Tryon Park for security presence</i>	
46/54	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	<i>Renovate/repair sidewalk pavers on west side of Cabrini Blvd. (W.190 St. - Mgt. Corbin Circle) adjacent to FW & FT Parks.</i>	W.190 St. - Mgt. Corbin Circle
47/54	SBS	Other capital budget request for SBS	<i>Expand NYC Small Business Opportunity Fund for Startup Capital</i>	
48/54	SBS	Other capital budget request for SBS	<i>Build E-BikeCharging Station for delivery drivers</i>	

49/54	DEP	Develop a capital project for specific street segments currently lacking sanitary sewers	<i>Catch basin at 158th and Riverside Drive to allow for a raised crosswalk on north side of W 158th</i>	158th St Riverside Drive
50/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Rehabilitate Dyckman Softball Fields 1 & 2</i>	
51/54	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Inwood Hill Park Nature Center: add a "learning landscape".</i>	West 218 Street, Manhattan, New York, NY
52/54	EDC	Other capital budget request for EDC	<i>Build Electric Vehicle Charging Station for delivery drivers</i>	
53/54	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Inwood Hill Park: Ballfields 3 & 5.</i>	Inwood Hill Park Nature Center, Manhattan, New York, NY
54/54	SBS	Other capital budget request for SBS	<i>Fund to assist business owners rebuild their outdoor seating structures according to new regulations</i>	
CS	HRA	Other request for services to support low-income New Yorkers	<i>Provide more funding for food pantries.</i>	
CS	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>Renovate existing or build replacement senior centers as necessary to comply w/ ADA & DFTA regulations.</i>	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	<i>Renovate / repair Inwood Hill Park Nature Center following hurricane Sandy</i>	
CS	NYPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)	<i>Full renovation of Fort Washington branch library.</i>	535 WEST 179 STREET

CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Morris-Jumel Mansion ADA Accessibility and exterior renovation including renovation following following water main break.</i>	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Renovate/rehabilitate Msgr. Kett Playground (204 btw. 10th & Nagle)</i>	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Dyckman Farmhouse: roof repairs.</i>	
CS	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	<i>Add ADA-compliant bathroom in FW Park Discovery Playground.</i>	Riverside Drive, Manhattan, New York, NY
CS	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	<i>Basketball at W. 186th St. lot</i>	
CS	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Dyckman Rest: add new playground and dog run, and reconfigure seating area</i>	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Repair drainage, regrade, and renovate soccer field Inwood Hill Park (at Dyckman ballfields)</i>	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Reconstruct HHP bike path (W.179 to Dyckman Streets)</i>	
CS	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Installation of synthetic turf lawn in Bennett Park</i>	

CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Dyckman Waterfront restoration & Eco-dock</i>
CS	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Harlem River walkway/esplanade</i>

Expense Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/44	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	<i>Expand mental health services in the community, especially for seniors, families, youth and children, whose mental health and social engagement have been adversely impacted by COVID-19 (DOHMH).</i>	
2/44	DFTA	Enhance home care services	<i>Increase the expansion in the program "Expanded In Home Services For Elderly Persons (EISEP)" funding to provide affordable home care, including sliding scale reimbursement (fees based on a customer's ability to pay).</i>	
3/44	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	<i>Provide funding to ensure that all local public schools have multi-service health clinics with nurses and social workers (DOHMH).</i>	
4/44	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>(Revised) Increase funding for free legal representation in housing court and increase the eligibility criteria for receiving services to 300% from 200% of the Federal Poverty Level under the Right to Counsel program.</i>	
5/44	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Increase services to prevent and treat chronic diseases, such as Alzheimer's, diabetes, cancer, heart disease and hypertension -- conditions that increase susceptibility to COVID-19 -- as well as long COVID, in our community (DOHMH).</i>	
6/44	HRA	Other expense budget request for HRA	<i>Provide more funding for food pantries.</i>	
7/44	DFTA	Increase transportation services capacity	<i>Increase funding for senior transportation programs, including the restoration of NYC Aging and NYC Council funding, and expanding access and outreach</i>	

8/44	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	<i>Increase trash basket collection on commercial streets in District 12M with a second shift so that baskets are emptied more than once daily. This could be funded through the Council's NYC Cleanup Initiative as well as the Executive Budget. (DSNY)</i>
9/44	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Increase substance abuse services in our community, including opioid overdose prevention education, and funding for syringe cleanups and collections</i>
10/44	DOHMH	Animal and pest control requests including reducing rat and mosquito populations	<i>(Revised) Increase pest control efforts to eliminate rats, cockroaches, etc. exacerbated by outdoor dining in our community (DOHMH)</i>
11/44	DCP	Other zoning and land use requests	<i>(Revised) Dedicate additional planning staff to work with CB12M and local residents to formulate and implement a community-based neighborhood preservation and development plan for Washington Heights and Inwood, exclusive of any work undertaken in connection with EDC's Inwood Rezoning plan or other city-sponsored planning or zoning initiatives.</i>
12/44	DOB	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)	<i>Increase funding for more HPD Housing Code and DOB Building Code Inspectors.</i>
13/44	DPR	Provide more programs in parks or recreational centers	<i>Increase Parks Dept. funding to support additional programming throughout CD12 parks, playgrounds, courts: fund additional Playground Associates, Maintenance/Operations Workers, Gardeners, Forestry, & GreenThumb staff, Urban Park Rangers, Parks Enforcement Patrol, and to provide recreational, waterfront, afterschool, environmental/conservation and cultural programming for kids, teens, adults, seniors, and the formerly incarcerated or institutionalized. (DPR)</i>
14/44	DFTA	Other expense budget request for DFTA	<i>New (Revised): Increase access and outreach to healthy, culturally appropriate food for seniors with medical needs.</i>

15/44	DFTA	Other expense budget request for DFTA	<i>Increase OTPS funding for replacement furnishings in senior centers as needed</i>
16/44	DEP	Investigate noise complaints at specific location	<i>Provide funding for more noise enforcement cameras, which should be installed in both Washington Heights and Inwood, and staff for the program, as well as for more inspectors (DEP)</i>
17/44	HRA	Provide, expand, or enhance rental assistance programs/vouchers for permanent housing	<i>Provide more funding for the Homebase Program in CD 12, M to prevent individuals and families at imminent risk for entering the NYC shelter system.</i>
18/44	DSNY	Provide or expand community composting programs	<i>Increase funding for education and outreach on recycling, reuse and composting as well as proper disposal of household garbage in our community (DSNY).</i>
19/44	HPD	Provide, expand, or enhance tenant protection programs	<i>Increase Tenant support specialists specific to CD12,M and fund initiatives to inform and educate tenants of their rights.</i>
20/44	DOHMH	Provide more information and services related to STIs, HIV/AIDS, and family planning	<i>Increase HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment services, and LGBTQ services, in our community</i>
21/44	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	<i>Funding for free Wifi access for seniors in CB12.</i>
22/44	NYCHA	Install security cameras or make other safety upgrades	<i>Provide ongoing funding to ensure that secure NYCHA building entrances, stairwells, and apt doors are self-closing and self-locking.</i>
23/44	DCLA	Other cultural facilities and resources requests	<i>Staff a center/facility for evening & afterschool recreational/educational activities for at-risk youth.</i>
24/44	NYCTA	Other transit service requests	<i>(Revised) Propose modify / Increase funding for subway stations as it relates to maintenance, repairs, and cleaning.</i>

25/44	HPD	Provide, expand, or enhance programs for homeowners and first-time homebuyers	<i>Funding for Programs on home ownership</i>
26/44	HPD	Other expense budget request for HPD	<i>Increase funding for supportive housing for LGBTQ youth.</i>
27/44	NYCHA	Other housing support requests	<i>Workshops for landlords on Local Law 97</i>
28/44	DPR	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	<i>Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g., better lighting: increase funding with preference for solar lighting in CD12 parks, including greenway</i>
29/44	DCLA	Support nonprofit cultural organizations	<i>(Revised) Increase DCLA funding by at least \$1mm to increase support for arts programming and individual artists within CD12M (DCLA)</i>
30/44	DPR	Improve trash removal and cleanliness	<i>Add recycling collection and more trash receptacles in parks.</i>
31/44	DYCD	Other expense budget request for DYCD	<i>Allocate funding for media education for youth</i>
32/44	DPR	Other expense budget request for DPR	<i>Add funding to Partnerships for Parks & City Parks Foundation to support friends-of-parks groups.</i>
33/44	DPR	Provide more programs in parks or recreational centers	<i>Outdoor learning initiatives in parks, community gardens, and other green spaces.</i>
34/44	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>Fund traffic study for W 207th St. and University Heights Bridge.</i>
35/44	SBS	Other expense budget request for SBS	<i>(Revised) Hiring of Spanish-speaking health inspectors designated to this district.</i>
36/44	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>Fund traffic study for 165th and FWA to W 170th & FWA.</i>

37/44	DPR	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	<i>Repair sinkholes in Ft. Washington Park pathways from Haven Ave.</i>
38/44	NYCTA	Other transit service requests	<i>Baseline Real Time Passenger Information (@ bus stops)</i>
39/44	DPR	Other street trees and forestry services requests	<i>Increased use of goats as a better, more eco-sensitive alternative to pesticides for removal of invasive species.</i>
40/44	SBS	Provide or expand business education to businesses and entrepreneurs	<i>Provide funding for cannabis education for small businesses.</i>
41/44	SBS	Provide or expand business education to businesses and entrepreneurs	<i>(Revised) Physical Resource Guide of different programs designed to help businesses and Virtual Organizational Chart detailing responsibilities of each city agency.</i>
42/44	DPR	Other expense budget request for DPR	<i>Repair sinkholes in Ft. Washington Park pathways from Haven Ave.</i>
43/44	SBS	Other expense budget request for SBS	<i>Increase funding to SBS to continue their initiatives</i>
44/44	SBS	Provide or expand business education to businesses and entrepreneurs	<i>Education Campaign for Business Owners on Health and Safety for underrepresented and migrant communities</i>

FY25 Community Board Budget Requests with Agency Responses – Capital

PRIORITY	AGENCY	CB REQUEST	REASON	AGENCY RESPONSE
01/69	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>Provide funding for the construction of 100% permanent long term affordable housing units (based on the average median income throughout CD12M) to Non-Profits, Community Land Trusts, and Land Banks that are partnered with non-profit developers</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
02/69	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>Allocate capital funds and low-income tax credits to support the development of affordable housing in Washington Heights and Inwood, consistent with the planning principles outlined in the Resolution adopted by CB12M on September 26, 2023, to advance the objectives of Manhattan Borough President Mark Levine's Housing Manhattanites plan.</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
03/69	DEP	Other capital budget request for DEP	<i>Expedite the replacement of old water mains and sewer lines in our community.</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.
04/69	HPD	Other capital budget request for HPD	<i>Allocate capital funds to support a planning and development initiative for Washington Heights and Inwood whereby vacant city-owned lots and buildings, or lots and buildings purchased or otherwise acquired by the City in Washington Heights and Inwood, are identified and packaged in one or more Requests for Proposals dedicated to scattered-site infill affordable residential development projects for which affordability is defined by the area median income (AMI) of current CD12 residents.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
05/69	DEP	Other capital budget request for DEP	<i>Install green infrastructure such as bioswales to divert stormwater from the sewer system and address climate change issues in our community (DEP)</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.
06/69	HPD	Provide more housing for seniors	<i>Provide funding to construct affordable, accessible housing for seniors</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
07/69	DSNY	Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment	<i>Provide additional garbage collection trucks and street sweepers with snow plows</i>	Any request for an increase in Department of Sanitation fleet size is an issue of service delivery and/or agency policy.
08/69	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>Provide funding to construct affordable, accessible housing for people with disabilities</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
09/69	DSNY	Provide new or upgrade existing sanitation garages or other sanitation infrastructure	<i>Construct new District 8M garage and relocate its trucks from District 12M as quickly as possible to comply with the City Charter's co-terminality mandate. (DSNY)</i>	No alternate site has been identified to support the proposed action.
10/69	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>Renovate existing or build replacement senior centers as necessary to comply with ADA and DFTA regulations</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
11/69	NYCTA	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	<i>Make the following subway stations fully ADA compliant: IRT stops at 157, 181, 191, 207 uptown and 215; and IND stops at 155, 163, 168, 191, Dyckman and 207.</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.

12/69	HPD	Provide more housing for special needs households, such as the formerly homeless	<i>Provide more housing for at-risk and transitioning individuals and families.</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
13/69	HPD	Provide, expand, or enhance loan programs to rehabilitate multiple dwelling buildings	<i>Additional funding for AEP and PPP programs for preservation and rehabilitation of distressed buildings in CD12,M - immediate priority.</i>	The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.
14/69	EDC	Other capital budget request for EDC	<i>System-wide upgrade of CB12M area to improve access to connectivity and WiFi</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
15/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Inwood Hill, Highbridge and Fort Tryon Parks: Reconstruct/maintain 60+ miles of park pathways and paving.</i>	Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.
16/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Gorman Park: Phase II (to repair & restore the lower park).</i>	Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.
17/69	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>Funding for supportive housing (construction) for LGBTQ youth.</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
18/69	DCLA	Renovate or upgrade an existing cultural facility	<i>Hispanic Society renovations: roof, interior, terrace, adjacent sidewalks, & ADA compliance.</i>	This project was funded in a prior fiscal year, but the scope is currently not fully funded. The Department of Cultural Affairs recommends this project be brought to the attention of your local elected official, i.e. Borough President or City Council member, to request additional funding.
19/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Add ADA-compliant bathroom in Javits Playground</i>	Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.
20/69	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Add ADA-compliant bathroom in Highbridge Park by ballfields & Water Tower.</i>	Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.

21/69	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Add ADA-compliant bathroom in Dyckman Ballfields.</i>	Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.
22/69	DOE	Other capital budget request	<i>Funding to expand daycare centers</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.
23/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Renovate Payson Playground & make it accessible; make needed repairs to park house structure & roof and make building fully accessible</i>	Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.
24/69	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Repair badly degraded staircases & retaining walls in Isham Park</i>	Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.
25/69	NYCTA	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	<i>Rehabilitate the W. 157 Street IRT Subway Station. Sustainability repairs to 157th 1 Station to reduce vulnerability to extreme weather events.</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.
26/69	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>Provide funding for walk-in tubs for senior housing</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.
27/69	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>More family picnic / BBQ areas throughout CD12 Parks to meet increasing community demand</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
28/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Raoul Wallenberg Playground & Basketball Court Reconstruction (Amsterdam btw. W 188/190).</i>	Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.
29/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Repair & reconstruct Ft. Tryon Park's Linden Terrace</i>	Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.
30/69	SBS	Other capital budget request for SBS	<i>Build a NYC Small Business support center in CB12m</i>	The project was completed. There is no need to resubmit this request to SBS in the future.

31/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Highbridge Rec Center weatherization (fix windows to retain heat/cooling)</i>	Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.
32/69	NYCTA	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	<i>Rehabilitate the 181st IND line subway stations.</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.
33/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Renovate McKenna Square Park.</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
34/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Renovate eastern (Broadway) perimeter playground in Ft. Tryon Park's Anne Loftus Playground and add sensory playground.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
35/69	NYCTA	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	<i>Rehabilitate West 207th Street IRT Subway Stations.</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.
36/69	DOE	Provide technology upgrade	<i>Fund an SCA tracker to provide timely repairs of infrastructure within district 6.</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.
37/69	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	<i>Lighthouse Link (HHP Greenway).</i>	Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.
38/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	<i>Fund water mitigation project for the historic Morris-Jummel Mansion</i>	This project was funded in a prior fiscal year and the final design contract has been let.
39/69	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>J. Hood Wright overlook and viewing platform: ADA accessibility</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
40/69	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Ft. Washington Park Inspiration Point Portico: repair steps.</i>	Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.
41/69	NYCTA	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	<i>Rehabilitate the 168th IND line subway stations.</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.
42/69	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	<i>Fund new lighting in Parks / along Greenway with preference for solar</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.

43/69	DOT	Improve mobility options, including bike share and car share	<i>Analyze RSD Upper Roadway between W158th and W. 165th and implement any recommended changes to improve safety and flow of traffic.</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
44/69	DPR	Other street trees and forestry services requests	<i>Community Garden: prepare land, make accessible & soil mitigation.</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.
45/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	<i>Asbestos abatement and restoration of "Building D" in Ft. Tryon Park for security presence</i>	Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.
46/69	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	<i>Renovate/repair sidewalk pavers on west side of Cabrini Blvd. (W.190 St. - Mgt. Corbin Circle) adjacent to FW & FT Parks.</i>	Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.
47/69	SBS	Other capital budget request for SBS	<i>Expand NYC Small Business Opportunity Fund for Startup Capital</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
48/69	SBS	Other capital budget request for SBS	<i>Build E-BikeCharging Station for delivery drivers</i>	This is not under SBS jurisdiction. Please refer this request to the appropriate agency
49/69	DEP	Develop a capital project for specific street segments currently lacking sanitary sewers	<i>Catch basin at 158th and Riverside Drive to allow for a raised crosswalk on north side of W 158th</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.
50/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Rehabilitate Dyckman Softball Fields 1 & 2</i>	Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.
51/69	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Inwood Hill Park Nature Center: add a "learning landscape".</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
52/69	EDC	Other capital budget request for EDC	<i>Build Electric Vehicle Charging Station for delivery drivers</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
53/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Inwood Hill Park: Ballfields 3 & 5.</i>	Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.

54/69	SBS	Other capital budget request for SBS	<i>Fund to assist business owners rebuild their outdoor seating structures according to new regulations</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
CS/69	HRA	Other request for services to support low-income New Yorkers	<i>Provide more funding for food pantries.</i>	HRA continues to maintain funding for EFAP. During the COVID pandemic funds have been added to the budget to purchase additional food.
CS/69	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>Renovate existing or build replacement senior centers as necessary to comply w/ ADA & DFTA regulations.</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
CS/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	<i>Renovate / repair Inwood Hill Park Nature Center following hurricane Sandy</i>	This project was funded in a prior fiscal year and the project is currently under construction.
CS/69	NYPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)	<i>Full renovation of Fort Washington branch library.</i>	Work on this project/program has either been completed or will be finished in FY 2024.
CS/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Morris-Jumel Mansion ADA Accessibility and exterior renovation including renovation following water main break.</i>	This project was funded in a prior fiscal year and the final design contract has been let.
CS/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Renovate/rehabilitate Msgr. Kett Playground (204 btw. 10th & Nagle)</i>	This request includes more than one project. Funding for part is already in place and/or work is underway or completed for certain portions. Contact the Department of Parks and Recreation for specifics.
CS/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Dyckman Farmhouse: roof repairs.</i>	This project was funded in a prior fiscal year and the final design contract has been let.
CS/69	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	<i>Add ADA-compliant bathroom in FW Park Discovery Playground.</i>	This project is currently in design.
CS/69	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	<i>Basketball at W. 186th St. lot</i>	This project was funded in a prior fiscal year and the project is currently in procurement.
CS/69	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Dyckman Rest: add new playground and dog run, and reconfigure seating area</i>	This project was funded in a prior fiscal year and the project is currently under construction.

CS/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Repair drainage, regrade, and renovate soccer field Inwood Hill Park (at Dyckman ballfields)</i>	This project was funded in a prior fiscal year and the project is currently in procurement.
CS/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Reconstruct HHP bike path (W.179 to Dyckman Streets)</i>	Construction completed.
CS/69	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Installation of synthetic turf lawn in Bennett Park</i>	This project was funded in a prior fiscal year and the construction contract has been let.
CS/69	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Dyckman Waterfront restoration & Eco-dock</i>	This project is currently in design.
CS/69	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Harlem River walkway/esplanade</i>	This project is currently in design.

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PRIORITY	AGENCY	CB REQUEST	REASON	AGENCY RESPONSE
01/44	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	<i>Expand mental health services in the community, especially for seniors, families, youth and children, whose mental health and social engagement have been adversely impacted by COVID-19 (DOHMH).</i>	DOHMH funds a variety of services related to mental health, alcohol, drug abuse, and depression. We will review and assess the request for additional programming, which would be contingent upon available resources.
02/44	DFTA	Enhance home care services	<i>Increase the expansion in the program "Expanded In Home Services For Elderly Persons (EISEP)" funding to provide affordable home care, including sliding scale reimbursement (fees based on a customer's ability to pay).</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
03/44	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	<i>Provide funding to ensure that all local public schools have multi-service health clinics with nurses and social workers (DOHMH).</i>	DOHMH partners with DOE to coordinate school health services in the five boroughs. Schools are selected on an ongoing basis based on availability of providers, local need in the community, available space in the potential school building, and commitments of the principals.
04/44	HRA	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>(Revised) Increase funding for free legal representation in housing court and increase the eligibility criteria for receiving services to 300% from 200% of the Federal Poverty Level under the Right to Counsel program.</i>	HPD does not administer this program.
05/44	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Increase services to prevent and treat chronic diseases, such as Alzheimer's, diabetes, cancer, heart disease and hypertension -- conditions that increase susceptibility to COVID-19 -- as well as long COVID, in our community (DOHMH).</i>	DOHMH has a variety of programs with educational components on these issues. We will review and assess the request for additional programming, which would be contingent upon available resources.
06/44	HRA	Other expense budget request for HRA	<i>Provide more funding for food pantries.</i>	HRA continues to maintain funding for EFAP. During the COVID pandemic funds have been added to the budget to purchase additional food.
07/44	DFTA	Increase transportation services capacity	<i>Increase funding for senior transportation programs, including the restoration of NYC Aging and NYC Council funding, and expanding access and outreach</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
08/44	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	<i>Increase trash basket collection on commercial streets in District 12M with a second shift so that baskets are emptied more than once daily. This could be funded through the Council's NYC Cleanup Initiative as well as the Executive Budget. (DSNY)</i>	Although the Department of Sanitation supports this program, due to fiscal constraints the availability of funds is uncertain.
09/44	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Increase substance abuse services in our community, including opioid overdose prevention education, and funding for syringe cleanups and collections</i>	DOHMH funds a variety of services related to mental health, alcohol, drug abuse, and depression. We will review and assess the request for additional programming, which would be contingent upon available resources.

10/44	DOHMH	Animal and pest control requests including reducing rat and mosquito populations	<i>(Revised) Increase pest control efforts to eliminate rats, cockroaches, etc. exacerbated by outdoor dining in our community (DOHMH)</i>	DOHMH continues to conduct Rat Academy Trainings both virtually and in person. Our Pest Control team also attends events throughout the city to provide information to residents about how to prevent rats on their property. Feel free to contact us to attend a community event and share resources and/or to co-sponsor a Rat Academy training. You can also visit our website for a listing of upcoming virtual trainings.
11/44	DCP	Other zoning and land use requests	<i>(Revised) Dedicate additional planning staff to work with CB12M and local residents to formulate and implement a community-based neighborhood preservation and development plan for Washington Heights and Inwood, exclusive of any work undertaken in connection with EDC's Inwood Rezoning plan or other city-sponsored planning or zoning initiatives.</i>	Please contact DCP's Borough Office to discuss this request.
12/44	DOB	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)	<i>Increase funding for more HPD Housing Code and DOB Building Code Inspectors.</i>	The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.
13/44	DPR	Provide more programs in parks or recreational centers	<i>Increase Parks Dept. funding to support additional programming throughout CD12 parks, playgrounds, courts: fund additional Playground Associates, Maintenance/Operations Workers, Gardeners, Forestry, & GreenThumb staff, Urban Park Rangers, Parks Enforcement Patrol, and to provide recreational, waterfront, afterschool, environmental/conservation and cultural programming for kids, teens, adults, seniors, and the formerly incarcerated or institutionalized. (DPR)</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
14/44	DFTA	Other expense budget request for DFTA	<i>New (Revised): Increase access and outreach to healthy, culturally appropriate food for seniors with medical needs.</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
15/44	DFTA	Other expense budget request for DFTA	<i>Increase OTPS funding for replacement furnishings in senior centers as needed</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
16/44	DEP	Investigate noise complaints at specific location	<i>Provide funding for more noise enforcement cameras, which should be installed in both Washington Heights and Inwood, and staff for the program, as well as for more inspectors (DEP)</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.
17/44	HRA	Provide, expand, or enhance rental assistance programs/vouchers for permanent housing	<i>Provide more funding for the Homebase Program in CD 12, M to prevent individuals and families at imminent risk for entering the NYC shelter system.</i>	Homelessness prevention is one of the Agency's priorities. Funds have been allocated in the budget for these services.
18/44	DSNY	Provide or expand community composting programs	<i>Increase funding for education and outreach on recycling, reuse and composting as well as proper disposal of household garbage in our community (DSNY).</i>	Although the Department of Sanitation supports this program, due to fiscal constraints the availability of funds is uncertain.

19/44	HPD	Provide, expand, or enhance tenant protection programs	<i>Increase Tenant support specialists specific to CD12,M and fund initiatives to inform and educate tenants of their rights.</i>	The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.
20/44	DOHMH	Provide more information and services related to STIs, HIV/AIDS, and family planning	<i>Increase HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment services, and LGBTQ services, in our community</i>	DOHMH has a variety of HIV programs, with a special focus on men who have sex with men; transgender women who have sex with men; blacks; Latinos; and people struggling with substance abuse. We will review and assess the request for additional programming, which would be contingent upon availability of funds.
21/44	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	<i>Funding for free Wifi access for seniors in CB12.</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
22/44	NYCHA	Install security cameras or make other safety upgrades	<i>Provide ongoing funding to ensure that secure NYCHA building entrances, stairwells, and apt doors are self-closing and self-locking.</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
23/44	DCLA	Other cultural facilities and resources requests	<i>Staff a center/facility for evening & afterschool recreational/educational activities for at-risk youth.</i>	The Department of Cultural Affairs recommends this project be brought to the attention of your local elected official, i.e. Borough President or City Council member.
24/44	NYCTA	Other transit service requests	<i>(Revised) Propose modify / Increase funding for subway stations as it relates to maintenance, repairs, and cleaning.</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.
25/44	HPD	Provide, expand, or enhance programs for homeowners and first-time homebuyers	<i>Funding for Programs on home ownership</i>	The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.
26/44	HPD	Other expense budget request for HPD	<i>Increase funding for supportive housing for LGBTQ youth.</i>	The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.
27/44	NYCHA	Other housing support requests	<i>Workshops for landlords on Local Law 97</i>	Is this a nycha request?
28/44	DPR	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	<i>Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g., better lighting: increase funding with preference for solar lighting in CD12 parks, including greenway</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
29/44	DCLA	Support nonprofit cultural organizations	<i>(Revised) Increase DCLA funding by at least \$1mm to increase support for arts programming and individual artists within CD12M (DCLA)</i>	The Department of Cultural Affairs recommends this project be brought to the attention of your local elected official, i.e. Borough President or City Council member.
30/44	DPR	Improve trash removal and cleanliness	<i>Add recycling collection and more trash receptacles in parks.</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
31/44	DYCD	Other expense budget request for DYCD	<i>Allocate funding for media education for youth</i>	This service area is incorporated into existing programs.

32/44	DPR	Other expense budget request for DPR	<i>Add funding to Partnerships for Parks & City Parks Foundation to support friends-of-parks groups.</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
33/44	DPR	Provide more programs in parks or recreational centers	<i>Outdoor learning initiatives in parks, community gardens, and other green spaces.</i>	The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.
34/44	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>Fund traffic study for W 207th St. and University Heights Bridge.</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.
35/44	SBS	Other expense budget request for SBS	<i>(Revised) Hiring of Spanish-speaking health inspectors designated to this district.</i>	This is not under SBS jurisdiction. Please refer this request to the appropriate agency
36/44	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>Fund traffic study for 165th and FWA to W 170th & FWA.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
37/44	DPR	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	<i>Repair sinkholes in Ft. Washington Park pathways from Haven Ave.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
38/44	NYCTA	Other transit service requests	<i>Baseline Real Time Passenger Information (@ bus stops)</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.
39/44	DPR	Other street trees and forestry services requests	<i>Increased use of goats as a better, more eco-sensitive alternative to pesticides for removal of invasive species.</i>	This request is not recommended for funding.
40/44	SBS	Provide or expand business education to businesses and entrepreneurs	<i>Provide funding for cannabis education for small businesses.</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
41/44	SBS	Provide or expand business education to businesses and entrepreneurs	<i>(Revised) Physical Resource Guide of different programs designed to help businesses and Virtual Organizational Chart detailing responsibilities of each city agency.</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
42/44	DPR	Other expense budget request for DPR	<i>Repair sinkholes in Ft. Washington Park pathways from Haven Ave.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
43/44	SBS	Other expense budget request for SBS	<i>Increase funding to SBS to continue their initiatives</i>	This is not under SBS jurisdiction. Please refer this request to the appropriate agency

44/44	SBS	Provide or expand business education to businesses and entrepreneurs	<i>Education Campaign for Business Owners on Health and Safety for underrepresented and migrant communities</i>	Further study of this request is needed by SBS. Please contact SBS.
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