

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

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INTRODUCTION

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

HOW TO USE THIS REPORT

This report represents Brooklyn Community Board 1's *Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2019*. 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 2017.

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

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This report is broadly structured as follows:

a) Overarching Community District Needs

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

b) Policy Area - Specific District Needs

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

c) Community Board Budget Requests

The final section includes the two types of budget requests submitted to the City for the FY19 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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BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 1 STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS

FISCAL YEAR 2019

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OVERVIEW

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1. Community Board Information

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2. Community District Profile

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

Brooklyn Community District 1

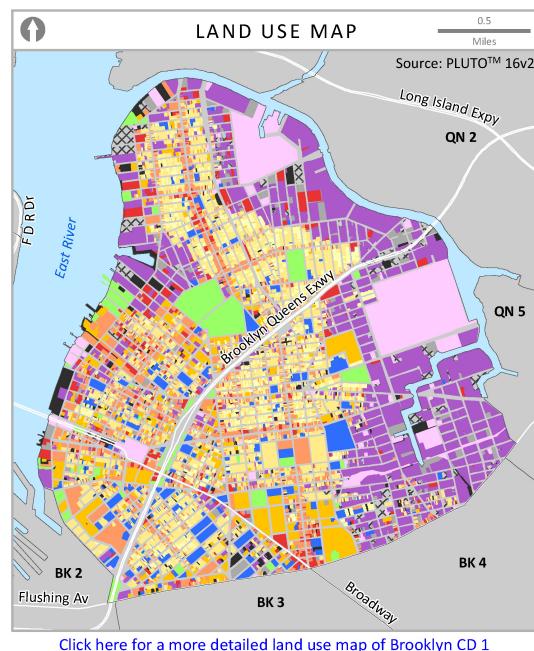


Neighborhoods¹: East Williamsburg, Greenpoint, Northside, Southside, Williamsburg

POPULATION & DENSITY		
2000 ²	2010 ³	2000-2010
160,338	173,083	+8%
2011-2015 Estimate ⁴		153,557
Square Miles		4.7
Population Density		36,826/sq mi



Land Use Category	# Lots	% Lot Area
1 & 2 Family Bldgs	2,606	5%
Multifamily Walk-up	5,852	17%
Multifamily Elevator	431	7%
Mixed Use	2,667	10%
Commercial	458	4%
Industrial	1,325	25%
Transportation/Utility	105	9%
Public/Institutional	347	5%
Open Space	79	5%
Parking	494	4%
Vacant	401	4%
Other	286	3%



COMMUNITY BOARD PERSPECTIVES

Top 3 pressing issues identified by Brooklyn Community Board 1 in 2017:

1. Affordable housing
2. Emergency response
3. Senior services

To learn more, please read Brooklyn CD 1's [Statements of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year 2018](#).

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A Snapshot of Key Community Indicators

COMMUNITY ASSETS ⁵	
Public Schools	49
Public Libraries	4
Hospitals and Clinics	19
Parks	28
Click to visit the NYC Facilities Explorer	

RENT BURDEN ^{4, 6}	
Brooklyn CD 1 40% of households spend 35% or more of their income on rent	Brooklyn 46% NYC 45%

ACCESS TO PARKS ⁷	
Brooklyn CD 1 96% of residents live within walking distance of a park or open space	Citywide Target 85%

MEAN COMMUTE TO WORK ^{4, 8}	
Brooklyn CD 1 33 minutes	Brooklyn 42 minutes
	NYC 40 minutes

LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY ⁴	
Brooklyn CD 1 23% of residents 5 years or older have limited English proficiency	Brooklyn 24% NYC 23%

CRIME RATE ⁹	
Brooklyn CD 1 16.1 major felonies were reported per 1,000 residents in 2016	Brooklyn 11.2 NYC 11.8

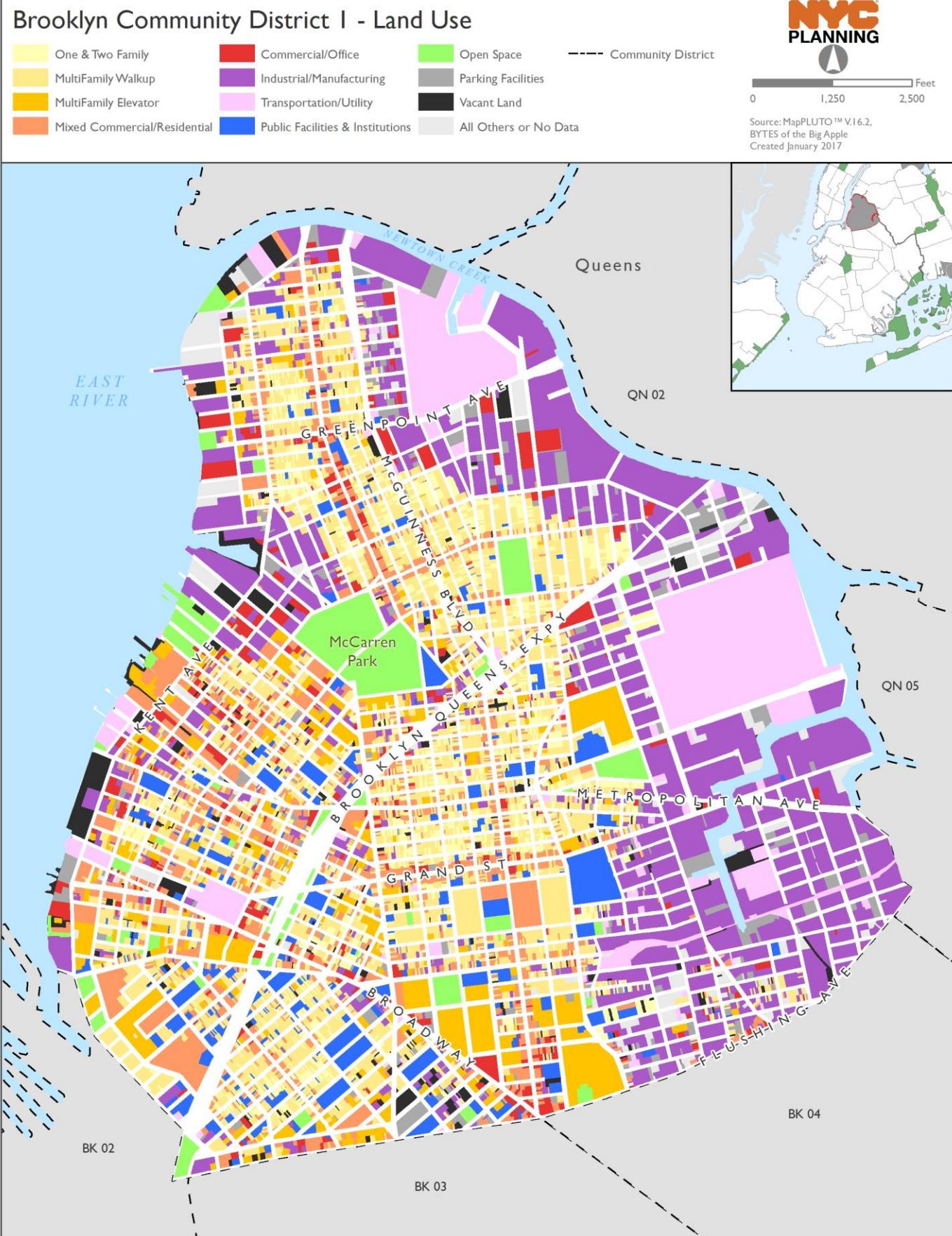
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT ^{4, 10}	
Brooklyn CD 1 46% of residents 25 years or older have earned a bachelor's degree or higher	Brooklyn 33%
	NYC 36%

UNEMPLOYMENT ^{4, 10}	
Brooklyn CD 1 6.6% of the civilian labor force was unemployed on average from 2011 to 2015	Brooklyn 10% NYC 9.5%

NYCgov POVERTY MEASURE ¹¹	
Brooklyn CD 1 18% of residents have incomes below the NYCgov poverty threshold. See the federal poverty rate here.	Brooklyn 21% NYC 21%

¹ Neighborhoods may be in multiple districts. Names and boundaries are not officially designated. ² 2000 US Census; ³ 2010 US Census; ⁴ American Community Survey 2011-2015 5-Year Estimates, calculated for Public Use Microdata Areas (PUMAs). ⁵ NYC Dept of City Planning Facilities Database (2017); ⁶ Differences of less than 3 percentage points are not statistically meaningful. ⁷ NYC Dept of Parks and Recreation (DPR) (2016). DPR considers walking distance to be 1/4 mile for parks less than 6 acres, and 1/2 mile for larger parks and pools. ⁸ Differences of less than 2 minutes are not statistically meaningful. ⁹ NYPD CompStat, Historic Complaint Data (2017); ¹⁰ Differences of less than 2 percentage points are not statistically meaningful. ¹¹ 2011-2015 NYCgov Poverty Measure by PUMA. This metric from the Mayor's Office for Economic Opportunity accounts for NYC's high cost of housing, as well as other costs of living and anti-poverty benefits.

2. Community District Land Use



3. Overview of Community District

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And as the flood waters persist to move inland, the distillates of the 2005 Rezoning (notably opposed by CB #1) continue to swoop down upon our small stable communities and create havoc by demolishing our quaint existing structures, building upward (with units not affordable for our community) and straining our limited services and already overburdened antiquated infrastructure. The 2005 rezoning continues to be a "gift that keeps on giving" --- we are now facing pending construction of tower type "as of right" developments in Greenpoint (City Landing/Commercial Street) and in Williamsburg (the former Domino site). We ask that a councilmatic blue ribbon commission be formed to examine and evaluate the results of the 2005 rezoning.

(CONTINUED SEE OUR STATEMENT OF DISTRICT NEEDS THAT HAS BEEN UPLOADED) (or see our website for the full 2019 Statement of District Needs: <http://www.nyc.gov/html/bkncb1/html/home/home.shtml>)

4. Top Three Pressing Issues Overall

The three most pressing issues facing Brooklyn Community Board 1 are:

- *Affordable housing*
- *Emergency response*
- *Senior services*

(The Following Is An Excerpt from our Statement of District Needs - please see the full statement for additional information)

HOUSING

Affordable housing in Community Board No. 1 is a top priority that must be addressed as a critical need. If our neighborhoods are to remain viable and attract/retain jobs and a stable work force, an adequate supply of decent and affordable housing must be available at various income levels.

Community Board No. 1 generally supports the policies articulated by the City, that provides an unprecedented portion of City Capital Budget funding for housing in a manner that gives increased priority to the development of low and moderate income housing. As we have stated in previous years, three general principles must be incorporated into any equitable comprehensive housing plan:

FIRST, those currently funded housing programs that have proven successful must be held harmless from the reduction in past federal assistance, even if an increased City Tax Levy contribution is required to achieve this end.

SECOND, in allocating additional housing funds between the poor and middle class economic segments of our society, it is essential that the first priority be assigned to the poorest segment of our population, those who must bear the brunt of the housing crisis. However, we strongly support the need for affordable housing (both rental and home ownership) for all economic groups.

THIRD, any additional housing funds must be allocated in a fair and equitable manner that responds to the most critical housing needs of each Community District, with a clear and largely advertised marketing throughout the district.

SENIOR CITIZEN HOUSING

We note that there is a great need for housing of the elderly and an increasing senior citizen population in Community Board No. 1 (over 20,000) remains of paramount concern. In the past, we have been successful in obtaining Section 202 (federal) funding for various senior housing developments in the district: Jennings Hall, Monsignor Vetro Houses, Metropolitan Houses, Monsignor Jarka Hall, Los Sures Senior Citizens Development, Dupont Street Mary D'Angelis Senior Housing) and Huron Street Senior Housing. We urge that similar efforts continue in Greenpoint/Williamsburg, with additional Section 202 sites submitted by private and City sources and evaluated by Community Board No. 1 prior to being recommended to the City. Where there is a shortage of senior citizen, assisted living housing, and nursing homes (a nursing home was targeted for construction at the former Greenpoint Hospital campus) in the district, we hope that the City will develop this targeted housing as promised by a previous administration. However, HPD has failed miserably in communicating with this Board.

(CONTINUED IN FULL STATEMENT)

Main Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services*Services for low-income and vulnerable New Yorkers*

(This is an excerpt from our Statement of District Needs FY 2019) **HEALTH WOODHULL MEDICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH CENTER** The Board believes that all steps must be taken to improve the quality of services delivered at the facility. We also urge that Health and Hospitals Corporation's Brooklyn Regionalization Plan continues in such a way that it will not in any terms undermine the integrity of Woodhull as a full-fledged hospital. We continue to encourage the administrators at this facility to advise Community Board No. 1 of its needs. We have received the capital funding needs from the hospital's administration. The hospital is in great need of a new Emergency Department (ED), with new equipment. The current ED was originally built for a capacity of approximately 60,000 patient visits per year, and has been exceeding twice that number for the past several years. In 2015, emergency room visits were 117,000. A new Emergency Department would enable Woodhull to continue providing quality emergency care to the community. Construction of a new Emergency Department is estimated at \$30 million. Equipment for a new ED is estimated at \$10 million. **Ambulatory Care** - With the closure of Greenpoint Hospital came a strong commitment to this community from HHC to provide medical services to the district by maintaining two clinics within the confines of Community Board No. 1. As a result of this commitment, two satellite facilities were established by the Woodhull Medical and Mental Health Center. As we stated in previous years, we believe that the clinic at 960 Manhattan Avenue presented "a positive action that was, providing a valuable health resource in the North Greenpoint Community". To the dismay of CB #1, this satellite facility was closed as its lease expired. The Board strongly advocated for its reopening in the immediate community. The Greenpoint satellite was eventually located to a newly renovated facility at the ground floor of 875 Manhattan Avenue. The 279 Graham Avenue location of the Williamsburg Satellite with bigger quarters and expanded services has worked well. The under-served Southside community could also greatly benefit by having a clinic within its confines and HHC should explore establishing an additional site for this segment of the district. **Health Services** – Our district has serious health issues that must be addressed. CB #1 remains concerned about the delivery of health care services in the district and supports efforts for improvement. The top causes of death for residents of Greenpoint and Williamsburg, as for most New Yorkers, are heart disease and cancer. Death rates due to heart disease, flu and pneumonia, diabetes, stroke and liver disease are higher in Greenpoint and Williamsburg when compared to the City rates. **Quality Health Care** - A lack of quality health care can lead to negative health outcomes and more intensive treatment, such as avoidable hospitalizations. Access to health care is therefore a needed focus. About one in six adults in Greenpoint and Williamsburg has no health insurance, and one in eight goes without needed medical care. We urge continued funding for asthma patient care, research and education. We were pleased when a dental clinic (Williamsburg) was reopened to provide much needed services for youngsters in the district whose families do not have adequate financial means or insurance coverage, and were left dismayed that the clinic was again closed as a budget savings measure by HHC in 2010. We support any necessary funding to reopen and maintain the clinic within our district. The only dental clinic that offers free and affordable dental care is located in Woodhull Hospital, a facility not located in our district's confines. In addition, we urge that emerging health care need trends (such as access to health care, treatment and prevention of heart disease, psychological & mental illness treatment) be addressed. The Brooklyn Hospital/Mt. Sinai in its 2015 report relates that the burden of both asthma and hypertension have increased to 18% and 33% respectively in our district. **Air Pollution and Respiratory Illnesses** - Although NYC air quality is improving, air pollution, such as fine particles (PM2.5), can cause health problems, particularly among the very young, seniors and those with pre-existing health conditions. In Greenpoint and Williamsburg, levels of PM2.5, the most harmful air pollutant, are 10.1 micrograms per cubic meter. Our district ranks as 8th in the highest in the City. **A.I.D.S.** - Reports about AIDS in New York City have yielded the following figures for Community Board No. 1: the rates of new HIV diagnosis in Greenpoint and Williamsburg- Bushwick health districts range 0.50 & 1.30 per 1,000 persons/population. The combined rates for our district are above the rates for Brooklyn (0.68), New York City (0.84) and the US (1.14). Rates of people living with HIV & AIDS show Greenpoint at 5.5 and Williamsburg-Bushwick at 12.1 per 1,000 persons/population which again, is above the rates of Brooklyn (6.4), NYC (9.2) and US (3.2). We urge that the medical community continue addressing this grave disease and that additional programs be developed toward prevention, education and treatment. As the only New York City hospital within blocks of Community Board No. 1 Woodhull Hospital must be aggressive in addressing the needs of all of our constituents. In a report released by SUNY



Health Care and Human Services

Downstate Medical Center, it was noted that Brooklynites are 3.5 times more likely to have AIDS as their fellow Americans. People living in north and central Brooklyn are far more likely to be living with the disease than those living elsewhere in the borough. We urge that funding continue for AIDS Outreach and education to stem the spread of this disease. Zika Virus - We are concerned about the findings of Zika virus in the United States and urge that measures to stem the spread of this disease are fully funded. From January 2017-October 25, 2017, there are 326 symptomatic cases reported in the United States, 58 cases were found in New York from travel related sources. In 2016, one case has been denoted at Woodhull Hospital. None have yet been reported as being locally acquired. Zika is transmitted to people mainly through the bite of infected Aedes aegypti mosquitoes, or through sexual transmission, or maternal-fetal transmission. Mosquitoes that spread Zika virus also spread dengue and chikungunya viruses. Infection in pregnant women is associated with birth defects and adverse pregnancy outcomes, and the evidence for a causal link is growing. Pregnant women represent a highly vulnerable population with special needs. A vaccine or treatment for Zika virus infection is not currently available. With the recent outbreaks, the number of Zika cases among travelers visiting or returning to the United States will likely increase, and 80% of cases will not be diagnosed. These imported cases could result in local spread of the virus in some areas of the United States. As more is learned about the Zika virus, the CDC reports that its guidance and recommendations will change. Currently, it has set goals for public health, surveillance and epidemiological investigation. Funding is needed to ensure adequate diagnosis and reporting of Zika virus cases, to monitor epidemiologic trends in distribution, transmission, and severity; to direct prevention and control efforts; and to identify cases that require follow up or intervention. Education and prevention are key elements in tackling this disease early on. We raised concern about contagious diseases which could spread from localized outbreaks such as meningococcal disease (meningitis), shigellosis, tuberculosis, and hepatitis. We urge our health officials to careful document these cases, provide curative measures and conduct public education to increase awareness about recognizing symptoms, carrying out prevention and accessing treatment. We urge that additional resources be allocated to prepare for outbreaks of influenza – including both H1n1 (swine flu) & avian (bird flu) – which is being noted by world health officials as a possible pandemics. We also urge that the City to continue efforts to identify sources of Legionnaire's disease to prevent future outbreaks. Community Board No. 1 is also deeply concerned about the rising instances of diabetes, cardiovascular, heart disease, high cholesterol and osteoporosis in Greenpoint and Williamsburg. We urge the City to provide additional funds and programs for diet therapy, nutritional support and education for our district. Additional women's health services (such as a clinic with birthing rooms) are needed in our community. The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene has reported in its recent community study that residents of our community suffer from a high rate of depression. We urge that this serious health issue be addressed with expanded outreach, education and better access to medical care. (SEE FULL STATEMENT)

Community District Needs Related to Health Care Facilities and Programming

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[CB1 Brooklyn Budget Priorities 2019](#)

[CB1 Brooklyn Statement of Community District Needs FY 2019](#)

[Health and Hospitals](#)

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

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Community District Needs Related to Facilities and Services for the Homeless

(The following is an excerpt) HOUSING FOR THE HOMELESS We continue to support and urge a continuation of the reduction in the census at the remaining temporary shelter at the former Greenpoint Hospital. The positive positions taken by the Community Board are well known to the City. We applaud the revised policy changes by the City and look forward to the eventual results, a reduction/elimination of the “warehousing” of the homeless in our Community District and throughout the City. Expensive temporary housing must be replaced with permanent low-rent housing, including housing for single individuals, in each Community District. We also urge the expansion of support services to identify and address individual medical/social needs of homeless individuals residing in city and private facilities

HOMELESS SERVICES Community Board No. 1 approves the downsizing plan that decreased the census at the former Greenpoint Hospital Site, as the City has agreed to do at all other “armory” type shelters. We agree with the City’s decision to limit the overall census at any one site to 200 persons or less, and we hope that this number can be further reduced. In the past, Community Board No. 1 supported the development of compassionate and effective programs for the homeless. We share the City’s basic policy to provide shelter to those who request it and, in 1983 were the only Board in Brooklyn to positively respond to the Mayor’s appeal to suggest potential shelter sites. Our recommended location, the former Most Holy Trinity Convent, was initially identified as a shelter for homeless women, and subsequently opened as a model S.R.O. facility. We have supported this excellent private shelter administered by Most Holy Trinity Parish, and stand ready to assist the efforts of other local community groups to establish similar programs. The City should review regulatory policies toward private facilities, in which, homeless individuals reside such as, the Clay Family Residence (at the former Greenpoint Hotel building). Also, the City must insure that adequate support services are provided to maintain the safety of surrounding residents and to minimize quality of life problems. We have received complaints regarding the newly opened Clay Family Residence about the facility's clients loitering and fighting outside. Community Board No. 1 had vehemently opposed the Department of Homeless Services’ (DHS’s) and the Doe Fund’s advancement of a shelter at 89-111 Porter Avenue. We were truly saddened that the Appellate division failed to find merit for appeal when the City found a loophole in the ULURP process and sited this “homeless” shelter in the heart of a city designated “in place industrial park”. We remain concerned about the establishment of a homeless facility at 400 McGuinness Blvd, (a former factory building that a previous owner eyed for residential development) and 66 Clay Street (aka the Greenpoint Hotel/SRO). We remain concerned about these facilities and any associated rise in crime statistics demonstrated for the area. (CONTINUED - SEE FULL STATEMENT OF DISTRICT NEEDS)

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Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
7/27	DFTA	<i>Increase home delivered meals capacity</i>	<i>Request: Increase Funding of Homecare Services and the Homebound Meals Program. Explanation: Increase funding of homecare services and the homebound meals program. Responsible Agency: Department for the Aging</i>	Community Wide
15/27	DOHMH	<i>Other programs to address public health issues requests</i>	<i>Request: Fund Comprehensive Study of Environmental Health Hazards, Including Air Quality and Asthma, to Learn Cumulative Effects on CB #1; Study Should Include the DEP Waste Water Treatment Plant. Explanation: Community Board No. 1 has been impacted by many adverse environmental factors (i.e., Mobile Oil spill, toxic waste, transfer stations, air pollution, etc.). A comprehensive study is needed to assess these impacts and develop resolutions, such as anti-asthma initiatives, to be implemented. The Study should include the DEP Waste Water Treatment Plant. Responsible Agency: Department of Health and Mental Hygiene</i>	Community Wide
17/27	DFTA	<i>Create a new senior center or other facility for seniors</i>	<i>Request: Establish Senior Center to Serve South West Area of Williamsburg, Central to Division Avenue and Clymer Street/Continued Funding. Explanation: At the present time, accessible senior center services do not exist for the expanding senior citizen population of the west area of Williamsburg. Although we are aware of the current funding constraints regarding senior center services, the existing needs compel us to support the establishment of such a facility in the area central to Division Avenue and Clymer Street. Responsible Agency: Department for the Aging</i>	Clymer Street Division Avenue Bedford Avenue
20/27	DOHMH	<i>Provide more HIV/AIDS information and services</i>	<i>Request: Increase AIDS Outreach. Explanation: Increase the staffing of outreach programs that handle education, testing and counseling for infectious diseases (TB/AIDS/ZIKA) and drug abuse. Responsible Agency: Department of Health and Mental Hygiene</i>	Community Wide

Main Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare*Childcare services*

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Community District Needs Related to Educational Facilities and Programs

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Community District Needs Related to Services for Children and Child Welfare

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Capital Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
8/23	SCA	<i>Renovate or upgrade a middle or intermediate school</i>	<i>Request: Department of Education Projects Scheduled to Upgrade Schools in SD-14 to Start or Complete this Year (for Example: Renovations to Include Automotive Trades HS; 850 Grand Street Campus; Van Arsdale HS). Explanation: Many of the schools in the district are very old and require modernization, upgrading of their physical structures and/or replacements of heating/cooling systems. Responsible Agency: Department of Education</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>
10/23	SCA	<i>Renovate other site component</i>	<i>Request: Construct a New Schoolyard at PS 18 (Located at 101 Maujer Street). Explanation: This elementary school accommodates many Pre-K through 5th Grade students. Its schoolyard is quite outdated with broken concrete/asphalt areas. Renovations are needed to modernize it (work should include the installation of new play equipment and safety surfaces). Responsible Agency: Department of Education</i>	<i>PS 18 101 Maujer Street</i>
11/23	SCA	<i>Provide a new or expand an existing elementary school</i>	<i>Request: Construction Proposed for a New School (P.S./I.S. A New School (Elementary School/Intermediate School - PS/IS) at the Dupont Street Development Site. Explanation: A new school is proposed at the development site on Dupont Street. We urge that District 14 and the District's CEC are consulted and play a lead role with any planning for the school. Responsible Agency: Department of Education</i>	<i>219 West Street</i>



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Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
5/27	DYCD	<i>Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for elementary school students (grades K-5)</i>	<i>Request: Increase Significantly the Department of Youth and Community Development Agency's Community Board Fair Share, After School, and Summer Recreation Funding Allocation for CD #1. Explanation: Over 32% of CD1's population is 18 years of age or younger, and many of these individuals require education, recreation and counseling programs to enable them to escape from an environment of crime and poverty. The inadequate levels of Youth Bureau funding available to CD1 severely undermines the ability of these programs to effectively serve this population. The significant expansion of all Youth Bureau allocations should be implemented as promptly as possible. Responsible Agency: Department of Youth & Community Development</i>	Community Wide
11/27	DOE	<i>Provide more funds for teaching resources such as classroom material</i>	<i>Request: Fund New Science Labs for Schools (including middle schools)(District 14/Region 8) Located Within the Confines of Community Board No. 1 District. Explanation: New science labs are needed in the various schools in our District. The labs would provide new facilities or replace outdated ones and utilize modern equipment for instruction. Responsible Agency: Department of Education</i>	Community Wide
12/27	ACS	<i>Provide, expand, or enhance funding for Day Care Slots and Head Start Programs</i>	<i>Request: Establish Additional Day Care or Head Start Programs to Serve Greenpoint and Williamsburg (Areas That are Now Underserved). Explanation: Although CD1, in general, is well served by day care, adequate services do not exist in the Greenpoint Community which, during the past few years, has experienced an increase in the number of children eligible for this service. Most of these children are Hispanic or come from families of recently arrived Polish immigrants. These needs are real and will only accelerate over the course of time. Responsible Agency: Administration for Children's Services</i>	Community Wide
14/27	DOE	<i>Provide more funds for teaching resources such as classroom material</i>	<i>Request: Fund a New School Library for PS 250. Explanation: A new library is needed at this elementary school to provide an expanded reading facility and teaching resources. Responsible Agency: Department of Education</i>	PS 250 108 Montrose Avenue

Main Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services*Emergency service delivery (including rapid response)*

(Excerpt from FY 2019 Statement of District Needs) (SEE FULL STATEMENT OF DISTRICT NEEDS FOR CONTENT) ANTI-ARSON PROGRAMS Community Board No. 1 unfortunately, had the distinction of being in the top three of the community districts with the highest suspicious fire rates. For 2016 the Fire Department's statistics for CB #1 show that there were: 11,788 total emergency & medical emergencies; 6,188 non-fire and nonmedical emergencies; 618 nonstructural fires and 669 structural fires; 13,539 total incidents - the third highest in the borough). From January - May 2017 CB #1 has had 13 suspicious fires. In 2016 there were a total of 48 suspicious fires, ranking the district as fourth in the borough with a high rate. The devastating 10+ alarm fire in 2006 the Greenpoint Terminal Market (remarked as rivaling the 9/11 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center) shows too dramatically the need for fire protection and the full complement needed to investigate and solve suspicious fires. We must not forget that a large percentage of housing stock was lost in our communities during the arson ravages of the 1970's. It was only through prevention, education, investigation and the bringing to justice those persons criminally responsible, that the spread of fire damage was stemmed. We continue to rank within the top five community boards in terms of total incidents. As long as this intolerable situation continues to exist, it is essential that a team of Fire Marshals be specifically assigned to serve Community Board No. 1 on a full time basis. We are concerned that the consolidation, re-deployment and continuing attrition of Fire Marshal personnel has greatly decreased the efficiency of this unit and its ability to effectively perform its role (today, there are only 80 Fire Marshals and 19 Supervisors for the entire City of NY). In 2002 the FDNY had four Marshal Bases (one in each Borough, except Staten Island). Today there is just one Fire Marshal Base in the entire City!) We seek the Red Cap Program (called this because its 50 Fire Marshals wore red caps to make their presence known in the neighborhood) to be reinstated. These "Red Caps" worked in two-person teams around the clock responding to every fire. The advantage of the Red Cap is that investigators are on the scene immediately, not waiting to be notified that a blaze was suspicious. Teams of Marshals and Police Detectives worked to investigate arson- related fires and to prosecute the criminals that started them. FDNY/EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES We continue to be in "shock and awe" with the Mayor's decision to close Engine Company 212 that we are compelled to once again reiterate our extreme and vehement opposition to any Fire Station closings. The future of our community depends on this essential service. We are pleased that 136 Wythe Avenue was awarded to two local community based organizations, People's Firehouse and Neighbors Allied for Good Growth (NAG). Both are prominent in the Northside and will develop the site. The Board played a vital role in seeing this through to fruition. Our support of the award in no way implies a complacency with no firehouse in its stead. We need a ladder company and hazmat unit here. The growth of the area commands a large more state of the art facility. We oppose any plan by the Administration to close any more units!

Community District Needs Related to Policing and Crime

(Excerpt from the FY2019 Statement of District Needs) POLICE DEPARTMENT STAFFING Adequate police protection is a basic public right, and we urge the Community Board No. 1's two local precincts – the 90th and 94th – receive their fair share of any additional police staffing. Community Board #1 is experiencing a renaissance. Current population statistics topple over census figures as new faces fill our streets as we become the trendy place to live; even more to visit. New residences are constructed or lofts are converted, new entertainment venues are being developed. While we are enjoying this popularity, it comes with a cost. Our two police precincts, the 90th and 94th, continue to be severely overburdened with addressing the many quality of life issues that arise with the many different lifestyles of our new and existing populations. For example, Bedford Avenue (between Metropolitan Avenue and North 12th Street; North 6th Street between Bedford and Kent Avenue) has become a Mecca for bars, eateries – and on the whole – a new venue for nightlife in Williamsburg. Policing is a necessary ingredient for this venue to be successful, not only for the City as a tax revenue base, but being able to weave this trend into an existing community. Likewise, the introduction of clubs, bars and galleries in Greenpoint has also created a greater enforcement need – constituents are walking the streets at later hours whereas past trends of earlier bedtimes drew less police action. We are highly concerned about the sudden rise of huge venues for entertainment that are opening in the district, especially within our industrial/manufacturing enclaves. These large venues are geared to attract thousands of patrons to their doors

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per event. Such numbers require tight security plans and safety management. In lieu of this ever-changing scenario Community Board No. 1 seeks immediate action in the assignment of additional police officers to the 90th and 94th Police Precincts. In addition, the growth in the residential and commercial population has brought a great deal more vehicular, pedestrian, and bicycle traffic to the district. We would greatly benefit from more traffic enforcement agents, particularly along our busiest and increasingly dangerous corridors: Graham Avenue, Flushing Avenue, Metropolitan Avenue, Bedford Avenue, and Manhattan Avenue. Since the implementation of a cycling network in our district, we are compelled to respond to increased complaints by residents that cyclists are not adhering to rules of safety. We call upon the Administration to begin a program of identification license plates for bicycles. Revenues attained by the plating of bicycles can be used to implement additional safety measures to protect cyclist, pedestrians and motorists. We believe that the implementation of the BikeShare program warrants the need for police personnel to be dedicated for bicycles safety enforcement. We continue to support the installation of surveillance cameras within the City's subway stations. The cameras have aided the police in deterring crime and apprehending criminals. We support requests made by our local precinct(s) commanders to install these cameras, monitored by NYPD personnel, in our district's stations (G, L, M/J lines). This should result in the assignment of adequate police officers to each facility to maintain the recently reduced crime rate and maintain around the clock coverage of all police sectors in each precinct. In addition, it is essential that the number of police officers assigned to the eight NYC Housing Authority developments located in Community Board No. 1 be significantly increased, whereas Cooper Park was turned over to the 94th Precinct. This should be duplicated throughout Community District #1 area. Turning NYCHA sites over to their respective precincts for a more local policing strategy is the right thing to do!

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[FDNY & Emergency Services](#)

Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

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1/23	FDNY	Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station	<i>Request: Creation of a New Firehouse in the North side Area. Explanation: The Greenpoint and Williamsburg communities are growing greatly in population and new businesses. With the pending rezoning and waterfront development there is a tremendous increased need for enhanced public safety. There is no firehouse to serve the North side community and the waterfront area. A new state of the art facility that can house proper modern equipment (such as ladders for high rise buildings) should be created to better service the community. Responsible Agency: Fire Department</i>	Community Wide



Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/27	FDNY	Provide more firefighters or EMS workers	<i>Request: Fund the Operations of a Newly Created Firehouse (FDNY) in the North side. Explanation: The closure of the firehouse at 136 Wythe Avenue serving the mixed-use north community leaves this expanding residential neighborhood without adequate fire protection. Loft conversion and future development planned for the waterfront will greatly increase the population and businesses in the area requiring fire protection. Responsible Agency: Fire Department</i>	Community Wide
9/27	NYPD	Assign additional crossing guards	<i>Request: Provide Safe Street Crossing (NYPD Crossing Guard Post) at Jackson Street & Kingsland Avenue for Children Attending Various Local Schools and Programs. Explanation: Provide safe street crossing (NYPD crossing guard post) at Jackson Street & Kingsland Avenue for children attending various local schools/after school programs (St. Francis Developmental School, PS 132, St. Nicholas/Rosary Academy, IS 49 Campus, Grand Street Campus/Beacon Program, IS 126/Beacon Program, School Settlement House Association). Responsible Agency: Police Department</i>	Community Wide

Main Issue Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency*Environmental concerns affecting citizens*

(Excerpt from the 2019 Statement of District Needs) "PILOT" ORGANIC WASTE PROGRAM Our board opposes the Organics Recycling/Waste to Energy Program at the Newtown Creek Water Pollution Control Plant and unanimously passed a resolution noting the board's opposition and various concerns, especially with the increased truck traffic.

THE ENVIRONMENT WATER QUALITY Because of our extensive waterfront, Community Board No. 1 has in the past, vigorously supported all efforts to clean the waters of the East River and Newtown Creek. The success of these efforts is indicated by the substantial water quality improvement that has occurred in the East River, a development that greatly enhances the recreational potential of the waterfront. In recent years, ducks, geese and swans have been observed to be nesting along North 13th Street. Looking ahead, our commitment to the goals of high water quality remains as strong as ever, and the Board will vigorously oppose all effort to retreat from this principle. Our Board hosts the largest sewage treatment plant in the eastern United States and the cost of its upgrading is \$3.5 billion and approximately \$60 million is being spent to retrofit the old DOS MTS facility/construct a loading facility on Whale Creek for pumping and shipping out the plant's sludge. Quite frankly, DEP is not a good neighbor to Greenpoint and Williamsburg. Greenpoint Avenue surrounding the plant continues to flood. Community Board No. 1 has not changed its position to oppose any expansion of the Newtown Creek Water Pollution Plant that would allow for an increase in the capacity of secondary treatment. We have recently reviewed items under ULURP regarding DEP's plans to upgrade the facility. This complex undertaking to upgrade the plant was approved by Community Board No. 1 with conditions and an amenities package to be included. A monitoring committee chaired by former Councilman Fisher has spearheaded the Board's commitment to this process. Kingsland Avenue was to be widened from Greenpoint Avenue towards the northern end of the street as part of slated improvements to enhance traffic flow and safety. However, this reconstruction work has not occurred and this lack of progress is of paramount concern for CB #1. Any contract penalties should be directed to the Community and not funneled into the DEP's general fund. (SEE STATEMENT OF DISTRICT NEEDS FOR CONTENT)

Community District Needs Related to Water, Sewers and Environmental Protection

(Excerpt from the 2019 Statement of District Needs) SEWER CONSTRUCTION As one of Brooklyn' oldest communities, Community District No. 1 naturally suffers from a terribly outdated and inadequate sewer system. The continued upgrading and replacement of our sewers remains an on-going necessity. The stretch of Graham Avenue, from Meeker Avenue to Metropolitan Avenue, continues to be plagued by foul sewer odors that emanate from the catch basins. To date, DEP has not been able to resolve the condition. An additional unresolved sewer related matter is DEP's failure to step up to the plate and aggressively correct numerous cave-in conditions from previous sewer pipe work that now requires trench restoration. These are sites where there was inadequate shoring, or wood shoring that was never removed and decayed causing underground subsurface voids which have subsequently collapsed. The Department of Environmental Protection continues to drag its feet in this matter while every day these conditions worsen and present public safety hazards. Community Board No. 1 has forwarded the following locations since 1999 to receive priority attention:

- Clymer Street between Wythe and Bedford Avenues
- Division Avenue between Berry Street and Wythe Avenue
- Eckford Street between Norman and Nassau Avenues
- Grand Street between Humboldt Street and Morgan Avenue
- Maujer Street between Lorimer Street and Union Avenue
- Meserole Street between Lorimer Street and Union Avenue
- Montrose Avenue between Union Avenue and Buschwick Place
- Moore Street between Humboldt Street and Manhattan Avenue
- North 6th Street between Driggs Avenue and Roebling Street
- Rutledge Street between Bedford/Marcy/Lee Avenues
- Scholes Street between Morgan and Union Avenues
- Skillman Avenue between Humboldt Street and Graham Avenue
- Ten Eyck Street at Lorimer Street

These locations were to be addressed in FY 2009, however, the Department of Design and Construction relates that the work is delayed because DEP says they have no funding! In another portion of the District, the area directly under and north of the Kosciuszko Bridge continues to be forgotten and floods constantly with the free-fall drainage from the BQE. Sewer construction here has been delayed, too. This item also needs to be promptly addressed by the responsible environmental agencies of both the City and State. (CONTINUED -SEE STATEMENT OF DISTRICT NEEDS)



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Community District Needs Related to Sanitation Services

(Excerpt from the 2019 Statement of District Needs) ORGANIC WASTE PROGRAM Our board opposes the Organics Recycling/Waste to Energy Program at the Newtown Creek Water Pollution Control Plant and unanimously passed the following resolution: RESOLUTION TO OPPOSE PROCESSING OF ORGANIC WASTE/WASTE TO ENERGY AT THE NEWTOWN CREEK WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT WHEREAS the City of New York, with the Department of Sanitation and the Department of Environmental Protection has co-ventured with Waste Management Inc. and NationalGrid to conduct a recycling program to process organic waste/waste to energy at the Newtown Creek Water Pollution Control Plant, WHEREAS a "pilot" program for processing organic waste/waste to energy is currently taking place at the Newtown Creek Water Pollution Control Plant located in CB #1's Greenpoint neighborhood and its waterfront, WHEREAS this processing site is located directly adjacent to residential homes, residential developments, and a business zone, WHEREAS the tanker trucks for Waste Management are routed on supposed truck routes --- Morgan and Kingsland Avenues are heavily populated residential streets, and the return route from the plant to Waste Management is yet to be determined, WHEREAS this "pilot" program is to be expanded City Wide, WHEREAS the Administration has announced its plans for "Zero Waste" aiming for full recycling of all the city's waste materials, WHEREAS Greenpoint and Williamsburg top NY's list for having the most garbage trucks roaming neighborhood streets (19 of the city's 58 waste transfer stations are located in CB #1 handling almost 40% of New York City waste), WHEREAS a recent study shows there is an increase (355%) in pollutant matter floating in the air when transfer stations are open and operating, WHEREAS Community Board No. 1 has a high rate of asthma cases (according to the North Brooklyn Asthma and Environment Consortium study conducted 1995 to 2003 for Williamsburg and Bushwick, the rate is 60 times worse than any part of the USA), WHEREAS Dr. John C. La Rosa, President of SUNY Downstate Medical Center, in a report titled Brooklyn Community Health – Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, states that "For residents of Brooklyn - a borough with a relatively young population - the prevalence of COPD...is still a major cause of sickness and death". The study also notes that rates of chronic bronchitis for persons over 45 in Greenpoint, Williamsburg/Bushwick have increased, WHEREAS the district's air is contaminated due to: • The Brooklyn Queens Expressway emissions • Williamsburg Bridge traffic • Brooklyn's largest bus terminal • Waste transfer stations • Toxic ecological footprints left over from the industrial past, WHEREAS the "pilot" program at the Newtown Creek Water Pollution Control plant is currently accommodating a private carter's 15 18-wheel tanker trucks per day and the "pilot" program aims to increase this capacity to 30 18-wheel trucks per day and beyond, WHEREAS the "slurry" mix is created from various private carters' collected waste from across the city that is brought to the Waste Management's Facility in CB #1, WHEREAS the professed "pilot" program would substantially increase truck traffic to and from a waste transfer facility in CB #1 through the district's streets, WHEREAS the household organic waste collection from our district's residences will not be part of this "slurry" waste stream, WHEREAS the private carter (Waste Management) pays no dumping/tipping fees for using this program at the plant, WHEREAS the gas produced at the plant is provided for free to the utility company (NationalGrid), WHEREAS the organic recycling/waste to energy program is cloaked and not transparent, WHEREAS there is no realized public benefit for our district from this recycling program, WHEREAS Community Board No. 1 has more than its fair share of waste transfer stations, sanitation garages and salt piles, WHEREAS Community Board No. 1 was negatively impacted for decades by the DOS Greenpoint Incinerator, WHEREAS Community Board No. 1 has suffered from many negative environmental impacts and facilities (for example, an underground oil spill, estimated 17-30 million gallons of oil, benzene, naptha and other carcinogenic chemicals pollute a 55 acre, 25 foot deep swath of soil, a newly discovered plume of toxic underground material found near the proposed facility's site; the Newtown Creek Water Pollution Control Plant and the barging of sludge), BE IT RESOLVED: Brooklyn Community Board No. 1 vehemently opposes the Organics Recycling/Waste to Energy Program at the Newtown Creek Water Pollution Control Plant as such a processing program would negatively impact the health and quality of life for all who reside, work, or commute in Greenpoint and Williamsburg.

(CONTINUED IN THE DISTRICT NEEDS STATEMENT)

Community District Needs Related to Sanitation Services

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Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
19/27	DSNY	<i>Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up</i>	<i>Request: Expand Refuse Collection Program for NYCHA and Other Large Housing Developments to Schools & Senior Centers. Explanation: Implementation of this request will provide relief to the residents of Community Board No. 1's eight public housing developments (6,506 units); Lindsay Park Mitchell-Lama housing (2,800 units), who suffer from chronically inadequate refuse collection services. Responsible Agency: Department of Sanitation</i>	Community Wide

Main Issue Related to Land Use, Housing and Economic Development*Affordable housing programs*

(Excerpt from the 2019 Statement of District Needs) **OVERVIEW** The wave of 2009 (a Tsunami) continues to impact our community. Not just a wave of destruction, but multiple waves of construction. The flood waters have not receded. Some construction worksites are still stalled or abandoned. The undertow of these thunderous waves continues to negatively impact the lives of the residents of Greenpoint-Williamsburg and will effect generations to come. This tide of grief has already created a climate of highly inflated rents, denied lease renewals to both residential and commercial tenants, and a forced exodus of longtime commercial tenants into less desirable areas and even out of state. Now, complicating the equation even more, we are faced with distressed and abandoned work sites and condo prices which are out of touch with today's market. And the erosion of the existing community has not stopped there! Like the construction of the BQE in the 1940's which split communities and demolished the Mt. Carmel Cathedral (for the so called betterment of the transportation network) this continuing pounding of the wave destroys dreams for the homesteaders, the poor and middle/working class of this community – the people who chose to stay, when it was not trendy or chic. Without a guarantee of affordability they have been forgotten. And as the flood waters persist to move inland, the distillates of the 2005 Rezoning (notably opposed by CB #1) continue to swoop down upon our small stable communities and create havoc by demolishing our quaint existing structures, building upward (with units not affordable for our community) and straining our limited services and already overburdened antiquated infrastructure. The 2005 rezoning continues to be a "gift that keeps on giving" --- we are now facing pending construction of tower type "as of right" developments in Greenpoint and in Williamsburg We ask that a councilmatic blue ribbon commission be formed to examine and evaluate the results of the 2005 rezoning.

HOTEL DEVELOPMENT CB #1 seeks the City to address an issue that is of increasing importance to our community: hotel development. As the landscape of the city changes, more and more hotels are being built in neighborhoods that are historically residential. Hotels have an outsized, often disruptive, impact on our communities and we urgently need a process that provides real community input on hotel development. Recent hotel growth in Brooklyn has been in residential and industrial areas, crowding out local communities, manufacturing spaces, and affordable housing. This hotel growth has led to the gentrification and homogenization of our communities, and it has inflated rents and property taxes. To maintain our vibrant city, every effort should be made to preserve socioeconomic diversity and keep our neighborhoods affordable for the mix of uses (residential, community spaces, artistic) that currently exist. We need a real voice in the development process and an opportunity to engage developers before they start building. The simplest, most comprehensive approach is to amend the Zoning Resolution so that new hotels may only be developed by special permit. (SEE FULL STATEMENT)

Community District Needs Related to Land Use

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Community District Needs Related to Land Use

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[Housing Issues](#)

[Hotel Development](#)

Community District Needs Related to Housing Needs and Programming

(Excerpt from FY 2018 Statement of District Needs) HOUSING Affordable housing in Community Board No. 1 is a top priority that must be addressed as a critical need. If our neighborhoods are to remain viable and attract/retain jobs and a stable work force, an adequate supply of decent and affordable housing must be available at various income levels. As we have stated in previous years, three general principles must be incorporated into any equitable comprehensive housing plan: FIRST, those currently funded housing programs that have proven successful must be held harmless from the reduction in past federal assistance, even if an increased City Tax Levy contribution is required to achieve this end. SECOND, in allocating additional housing funds between the poor and middle class economic segments of our society, it is essential that the first priority be assigned to the poorest segment of our population, those who must bear the brunt of the housing crisis. However, we strongly support the need for affordable housing (both rental and home ownership) for all economic groups. THIRD, any additional housing funds must be allocated in a fair and equitable manner that responds to the most critical housing needs of each Community District, with a clear and largely advertised marketing throughout the district. We will now apply these principals to the major housing concerns of Greenpoint and Williamsburg: While we were extremely encouraged by the Administration's "Points of Agreement" with the NYC Council and its consideration of the Greenpoint-Williamsburg zoning and related ULURP actions, several points were noted in this document, including affordable housing, which the Administration agreed to significantly increase through a variety of mechanisms including inclusionary zoning, financial and tax incentives. In addition to increasing the number of affordable units in the district, the Administration agreed to anti-harassment provisions to be provided separately, as part of a follow-up corrective action. The lack of progress on the many areas outlined in the Agreement shows a violation of the spirit of this document. The ill-fated plans to create a Greenpoint-Williamsburg Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund of up to \$10 million, to be managed by HPD, using proceeds received from the sale of air rights from the MTA site on Commercial Street in Greenpoint never happened.

Harassment and displacement continues unmitigated. All efforts must be made to implement those previously proposed projects that have yet to be funded. It is essential that the City realizes the need for low income rental housing/ownership and provide the much needed funds that will help compensate for the past tragic loss of Federal housing subsidies. The inclusion of such programs by the Mayor, an overall comprehensive housing program, is an absolute necessity for our district. Homeownership in low-income communities is seriously weak. In other areas of the country, the Section 8 subsidy is utilized for home purchasing. We urge that a similar pilot program be brought to NYC, and that Greenpoint and Williamsburg is considered for inclusion. (SEE FULL STATEMENT FOR CONTENT)

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[Housing Issues](#)

Community District Needs Related to Economic Development

(Excerpt from the 2019 Statement of District Needs) ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMERCIAL REVITALIZATION AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT In the past Community Board No. 1 has greatly benefited from the excellent activities of no fewer than seven commercial revitalization programs, Grand-Metro, Graham Avenue, Bedford Avenue, Havemeyer-Grand, Broadway West, Lee Avenue and Manhattan Avenue which have done much to further stabilize and strengthen these active shopping-strips. We support public funding for the formation of merchants associations to improve the marketability and viability of commercial corridors throughout CB #1. Without question (jobs) industry constitutes the economic backbone of Community District No. 1, and a substantial percentage of our residents are still employed by local industries. While Greenpoint/Williamsburg has shared in the City-wide decline of manufacturing jobs and suffers from chronic security, sanitation, facility and infrastructure problems, the core itself is strong, and with proper governmental support, should endure and prosper in the coming years. Undoubtedly, along with new residential development should come accommodating and appropriate commercial services to sustain the fundamental growth of all mixed-use neighborhoods (such as grocery stores, affordable eating establishments and clothing shops/boutiques). Such support could include capitalizing on local economic empowerment zones and tax credit programs to provide incentives for businesses to remain in the District. We ask that the Industrial Business Zone be maintained in order to retain blue collar and industrial jobs. Despite the overall city wide decline in manufacturing, North Brooklyn's manufacturing industry is still alive. North Brooklyn has attracted small distilleries, artesian food and wood design manufacturers. As these sectors continue to grow we must support both new and long time manufacturing businesses in order to retain these blue collar and industrial jobs in our community. Supporting the Industrial Business Zones and its funding is an essential part of this growth and job retention. We support the continuation of public funds for nonprofits to develop affordable industrial real estate. This is similar to the way that affordable housing is developed with public funds (i.e. 20% below market rate). Currently GMDC and Evergreen (formerly EWVIDCO) have each developed a number of properties in CB #1. More capital support can expand the availability of industrial real estate made affordable in perpetuity. (CONTINUED - SEE FULL DISTRICT NEEDS STATEMENT STATEMENT)

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[Economic Development](#)



Capital Requests Related to Land Use, Housing and Economic Development

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/23	HPD	Provide more housing for medium income households	<p><i>Request: Fund Construction and Rehabilitation of Subsidized/Affordable Housing, Including Waterfront and Upland Areas, in the Community District #1 Area.</i></p> <p><i>Explanation: The neighborhoods of Greenpoint and Williamsburg possess critical housing needs and the allocation of funds to provide affordable housing in the district remains a vital concern of CB #1. It is essential that adequate subsidies be allocated to ensure balanced development of our community. Responsible Agency: Department of Housing Preservation & Develop</i></p>	Community Wide
9/23	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade NYCHA community facilities or open space	<p><i>Redevelop NYCHA Playground on Roebling Street and South 9th Street. This park is well used by the community. The playground is aged, in need of upgraded equipment and unfrastucture.</i></p>	NYCHA Playground Roebling & South 9th
CS	EDC	Improve public markets	<p><i>Request: Support the Plaza Project at Moore Street Market.</i></p> <p><i>Explanation: The EDC, in conjunction with DOT, funded the creation of a plaza at the Moore Street Market. The plaza will serve the market with additional vending space and programmed activities. The space is also an amenity for the community. On going funding support for the project is requested. Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i></p>	Moore Street Market 110 Moore Street



Expense Requests Related to Land Use, Housing and Economic Development

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
6/27	HPD	Provide or enhance rental subsidies programs	<i>Request: Increase Funding to Support Subsidies to Lower Rents for Senior Citizens to Reduce the Increase in Homelessness. Explanation: Increase funding to support subsidies to lower rents for senior citizens to reduce the increase in homelessness. Responsible Agency: Department of Housing Preservation & Development</i>	Community Wide
8/27	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>Request: Create a New Fund for the Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund (\$10 Million) Created Under the Administration's Points of Agreement Regarding the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Waterfront Rezoning. Explanation: A new fund is requested. The Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund (\$10 Million) was created under the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint-Williamsburg waterfront rezoning. Proceeds from this fund will only be available to development parcels that make use of the waterfront inclusionary housing program referenced in the agreement, and that participate in the esplanade transfer program (as noted in the agreement's Open Space section). Funds will be used to partially offset site-specific infrastructure costs.</i>	Community Wide
22/27	HPD	Expand loan programs to rehabilitate multiple dwelling buildings	<i>Request: Increase Allocation for Rehabilitation Loan Programs. Explanation: Due to the antiquated housing stock throughout the Greenpoint-Williamsburg community, many of our houses are in need of rehabilitation. Therefore, Community Board No. 1 feels that additional funds must be set aside for 312 and other rehabilitation loan programs. Responsible Agency: Department of Housing Preservation & Development</i>	Community Wide
23/27	DOB	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)	<i>Request: Continue and Expand Building Inspector Training Program and Provide More Inspectors for CD #1. Explanation: This agency initiative will greatly expedite the training of newly hired building inspectors who are called upon to replace veteran inspectors who are retiring in substantial numbers. Responsible Agency: Department of Buildings</i>	Community Wide
26/27	EDC	Invest in piers or other capital projects to improve access to the waterfront	<i>Request: Fund a Greenpoint/Williamsburg Water Transportation Study, Including Ground- / Land-Based Connections. Explanation: Community Board No. 1 needs additional public transportation, especially along the waterfront. Our current system is overburdened and there is a need to explore more opportunities for water transport from our community to Manhattan and other points in Brooklyn and Queens. Subsidies for water transport (i.e. ferries) need to be secured to retain the service's affordability. The study must include ground/land based connections to the ferry service. Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i>	Community Wide



Transportation

Main Issue Related to Transportation*Roadway maintenance*

(Excerpt from the 2019 Statement of District Needs) TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE TRANSPORTATION BLUEPRINT STUDY We urge the Department of Transportation to realize Community Board No. 1's goals for adequate mass transit, safer streets, more accessible and safer walking and biking environment, and better driving and parking conditions for delivery trucks and motorists. We continue to urge the City and State to budget money to adequately forecast transit and traffic growth projections. Newly constructed buildings have brought – and will continue to bring – thousands of new residents to Greenpoint and Williamsburg. It must be stressed that the time for sitting back is over. We no longer need a proactive approach, but a reactive one! The L train is so overcrowded that commuters are turning toward alternate sources that are already beyond capacity (i.e. G train line; cross town buses). In addition, many of our bus routes are so convoluted that they fail to provide direct and expedient access to key commuter hub points. The failure of the Administration to respond to our mass transit crisis remains a shameful blot on its legacy. Rethinking is needed for our bus routes and alternate forms of access to Manhattan must be implemented (i.e. water taxis have limited capacities and short service hours. A larger accommodating ferry type service, with affordable fares, is needed). We are pleased that the City has planned to improve ferry access to our waterfront with comparable fares as subways and buses (MetroCard fare). The fruits of this new plan under the NYC Department of Economic Development have yet to be seen. DOT has undertaken traffic two studies: South Williamsburg and Williamsburg. We have seen only the preliminary results of these two studies and we are concerned that the public's participation in the process is severely lacking. (CONTINUED - SEE FULL STATEMENT)

Community District Needs Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

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Transportation

Community District Needs Related to Transit Services

(Excerpt from 2019 Statement of District Needs) MASS TRANSIT Before discussing the proposed reconstruction work that the MTA/New York City Transit is planning for the "L" train line's Canarsie Tubes, we will address the transit system as it currently stands. Mass transit is woefully inadequate to meet the needs of our district. Local bus service is frequently delayed because of overall traffic congestion. Overcrowding on the L train is so severe that riders often must allow 2, 3, or more trains go by before they can board; while on the G train, growing ridership is straining the limits of the current 4-car trains and the service schedule, which is that of a non-rush-hour service schedule. MTA-NYC Transit's E/F/G/V service change in 2001, which terminated the northbound G line at Court Square on weekdays, interfered with many commutes; service has deteriorated further: the MTA indicated that the G would run its full route on weekends, but on any given weekend, that is not the case. G rides suffer from short, overcrowded trains and a halved line most of the time. For those North Brooklyn commuters who solely depend on the G, improved service must be a priority. The Board has read with interest – not to mention a sense of irony – that the V line has the lowest ridership in the entire system – lower, even, than the G line, which makes far fewer stops. In 2001, the G line was shortened from its then-6 subway car trains to its present 4-car trains in order to supply the newly created V line. The V line was so clearly underutilized since its inception and the crowding on the G has increased dramatically with no downward trend in sight. The V line was eliminated and the M train was rerouted to cover the service. The Board recommends that MTA-NYC Transit reallocate subway cars from the M line and return them to the G line to offer relief for G line riders. There needs to be better connection to trains that travel to and from Manhattan. The connection at Court Square for the G line remains inadequate and difficult to navigate. We continue to advocate that there be a free transfer between the G line and the elevated (J/M) line (Broadway/Hewes Street). During the work planned on the G line's Greenpoint Avenue Tube (it was badly damaged during Hurricane Sandy) the MTA announced that they would temporarily provide a free transfer between the G line and the elevated trains. We were pleased that the temporary extension of the G line that brought it further into Brooklyn was made permanent. The Greenpoint Avenue station on the G line needs to be upgraded to include a public announcement system as one is sorely lacking. Delays in service on the line leave riders at this station in the dark because there is no communication. Ferry service has resumed at the CB #1's waterfront, with an expanded service. We ask that the ferry service be "hooked into" the NYC Transit's fare system to allow payment by use of a MetroCard. In down times on the G, the ferry could serve as alternate mode of transportation to and from Manhattan, Long Island City or further into Brooklyn where they may stop. We are pleased that EDC have expanded the ferry service in our district making commuting to other boroughs more conducive. (SEE FULL DNS STATEMENT)

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5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests



Transportation

Capital Requests Related to Transportation

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
7/23	NYCTA	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	<i>Request: Fund MTA/NYCTA Continuation of the Station Upgrading Program (G, L, J, and M Lines) to Also Include Surveillance Cameras for "L" (Bedford Avenue Station) and "G" Lines (Metropolitan Avenue/Grand Street/Lorimer Street Station) and a Public Address System on the "G" - Greenpoint Avenue Station. Explanation: Fund continuation of the station upgrading program, include camera surveillance for added public safety and a public address system at on the "G" Greenpoint Avenue Station. Responsible Agency: Transit Authority</i>	Community Wide
12/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>Request: Trench Restoration/Reconstruction for Withers Street, between Humboldt Street and Woodpoint Road. Explanation: The roadway on Withers Street, between Humboldt Street, between Humboldt Street and Woodpoint Road is severely deteriorated and sunken in, making it unsafe for both pedestrian and vehicular traffic.</i>	Withers Street Humboldt Street Woodpoint Road
13/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>Request: Reconstruct Grand Street, from Grand Street Bridge to River Street. Explanation: This piece of roadway receives much traffic and is a truck route. The street needs reconstruction to correct several poor conditions that exist. Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i>	Grand Street Metropolitan Bridge River Street
14/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>Request: Reconstruct Metropolitan Avenue, from Varick Ave. to River Street. Explanation: This piece of roadway receives much traffic and is a truck route. The street needs reconstruction to correct several poor conditions that exist. Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i>	Metropolitan Avenue Varick Avenue River Street
15/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>Request: Reconstruct Meserole Street between Bushwick Avenue and Union Avenue. Explanation: Reconstruction of this street is needed to prevent a future disaster. Currently, this street is in deplorable condition and in constant danger of a cave-in. Rampant truck traffic throughout the district has severely deteriorated the base of this street. Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i>	Meserole Street Bushwick Avenue Union Avenue
16/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>Request: Reconstruct Driggs Avenue from Lorimer Street to Division Avenue. Explanation: Driggs Avenue is a very heavily traveled street in the District. This stretch was not worked on in several years and is in poor condition. This road carries traffic that goes to the Williamsburg Bridge and is often used as a detour route. Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i>	Driggs Avenue Lorimer Street Division Avenue
17/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>Request: Reconstruct Montrose Avenue from Union Avenue to Bushwick Avenue. Explanation: This street is a major connection from the western part of the district to East Williamsburg. This heavily traveled street is in poor condition and requires reconstruction to correct the many road defects and cave-ins along the stretch of Montrose running from Union Avenue to Bushwick Avenue. Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i>	Monstrose Avenue Union Avenue Bushwick Avenue



Transportation

Capital Requests Related to Transportation

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
18/23	DOT	Rehabilitate bridges	<i>Request: Reconstruct and Widen the Grand Street Bridge (aka Penny Bridge). Explanation: This heavily utilized bridge is severely outdated and presents hazardous conditions for vehicles and pedestrians who use it. It is too narrow for the passing of trucks at the same time (East and West bound). Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i>	Grand Street Bridge
19/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>Request: Reconstruct Scholes Street from Morgan Avenue to Union Avenue. Explanation: Scholes Street suffers from severe sinking of the roadbed along the stretch from Morgan Avenue to Union Avenue. It is in need of trench restoration.</i>	Scholes Street Morgan Avenue Union Avenue
20/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>Request: Reconstruct Lorimer Street from Broadway to Nassau Avenue (Revised Limit). Explanation: This heavily utilized street, which serves as a bus route, has experienced extensive deterioration and now requires comprehensive reconstruction. Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i>	Lorimer Street Broadway Nassau Avenue
21/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>Request: Reconstruct Frost Street and the sidewalks from Debevoise Avenue to Morgan Avenue. Explanation: This roadway is in a state of disrepair and requires reconstruction.</i>	Frost Street Debevoise Avenue Morgan Avenue
22/23	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Replace sidewalks around Williams Plaza (aka Jonathan Williams Development/NCHA) from Division Avenue, South 9th Street, Broadway, Marcy Avenue, Roebling Street, Havemeyer Street. These sidewalks are in disrepair around the development.</i>	Jonathan Williams Development 325 Roebling St
23/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>Request: Reconstruct Maspeth Avenue, from Vandervoort Avenue to Newtown Creek. Explanation: This section of Maspeth Avenue is in the industrial area and carries both truck and vehicular traffic. The roadway is in deplorable condition and requires reconstruction.</i>	Maspeth Avenue Vandervoort Avenue Newtown Creek
CS	NYCTA	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	<i>Request: Provide Funding for an Elevator for L line at Bedford Avenue - ADA Access. Explanation: Community Board No. 1 is in support of making the Bedford Avenue station of the L line more accessible to persons who require ADA access in order to enter the transit line. Responsible Agency: Transit Authority</i>	Bedford Avenue L Train Station



Transportation

Expense Requests Related to Transportation

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
16/27	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<p><i>Request: Fund a Comprehensive Traffic Blue Print Study for Greenpoint-Williamsburg. Explanation: A comprehensive study of traffic in the district is needed. This Blue Print Study" is to thoroughly assess the district and address current and future transportation needs of Greenpoint and Williamsburg. Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i></p>	Community Wide
24/27	DOT	Address traffic congestion	<p><i>Request: Increase Funds for Street Signage of Truck Routes. Explanation: Community Board No. 1 has a number of truck routes. However, trucks often use other streets in the district to travel. Signage is needed to keep trucks on their designated routes. Additional signs are needed to keep trucks off the residential streets. Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i></p>	Community Wide
25/27	NYCTA	Other transit infrastructure requests	<p><i>Request: Acquire a Replacement Site for Relocation of the MTA facility at 65 Commercial Street. Explanation: Community Board No. 1 supports acquisition of a replacement site in order to relocate the MTA facility (emergency response unit and depot of cross town buses) at 65 Commercial Street. The relocation would allow the Administration to designate the site (Block 2472, Lot 425) for improvement as an esplanade and active open space. Responsible Agency: Transit Authority</i></p>	MTA site on Commercial Street 65 Commercial Street

Main Issue Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community FacilitiesPark access and park facility access

(Excerpt from the FY 2019 Statement of District Needs) PARKS & RECREATION INCREASE STAFFING The over 110 acres of parkland situated in Community Board No. 1 represent an extremely valuable resource, the potential of which, however, remains to be realized due to the continued erosion of Park Department staff. Clearly, 29 "real" (1 manager, 3 supervisors, 1 full time gardener, 1 part time gardener, 23 other regular staff) maintenance workers cannot begin to supply even minimal coverage of our heavily utilized parks, and underscore the need to provide for the proper maintenance of these facilities. We currently have only 1 slot for workers (playground associates) who provide recreational services for youths and administer programs in the district. This playground associate is located in only one of our many playgrounds – totally insufficient to fully serve Community Board No. 1's district. According to the 2010 census, our District contains over 51,600 residents who are 19 years of age or less, and hosts a heavily used regional park (McCarren Park). We have found that the number of children in the district is steadily increasing as can be seen with the corresponding increases of public and private school enrolled pupils (kindergarten – 8th grade). A minimum of 5 more supervisory staff positions and 30 employee staff positions are badly needed. Specifically, additional maintenance staff must be assigned to the following facilities: McCarren Park, Cooper Park, Sternberg Park (Lindsay Park), Sgt. Dougherty (to be reconstructed with the Kosciuszko Bridge Project), P.S. 84 Playground, Martinez Playground, La Guardia Playground, Bushwick Houses Pool. Beyond this, it is essential that adequate recreation staffing is assigned to Metropolitan Pool and such major facilities as McCarren, McGolrick and Sternberg Parks. Finally, firm commitments to secure adequate, year round, recreation, security and medical first aid staffing at McCarren Pool is essential and must be made a very high department priority. (CONTINUED-SEE FULL STATEMENT)

Community District Needs Related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming

PARKS & RECREATION INCREASE STAFFING The over 91 acres of parkland situated in Community Board No. 1 represent an extremely valuable resource, the potential of which, however, remains to be realized due to the continued erosion of Park Department staff. Clearly, 29 "real" (1 manager, 3 supervisors, 1 full time gardener, 1 part time gardener, 23 other regular staff) maintenance workers cannot begin to supply even minimal coverage of our heavily utilized parks, and underscore the need to provide for the proper maintenance of these facilities. We currently have only 1 slot for workers (playground associates) who provide recreational services for youths and administer programs in the district. This playground associate is located in only one of our many playgrounds – totally insufficient to fully serve Community Board No. 1's district. According to the 2010 census, our District contains over 51,600 residents who are 19 years of age or less, and hosts a heavily used regional park (McCarren Park). We have found that the number of children in the district is steadily increasing as can be seen with the corresponding increases of public and private school enrolled pupils (kindergarten – 8th grade). A minimum of 5 more supervisory staff positions and 30 employee staff positions are badly needed. Specifically, additional maintenance staff must be assigned to the following facilities: McCarren Park, Cooper Park, Sternberg Park (Lindsay Park), Sgt. Dougherty (to be reconstructed with the Kosciuszko Bridge Project), P.S. 84 Playground, Martinez Playground, La Guardia Playground, Bushwick Houses Pool. Beyond this, it is essential that adequate recreation staffing is assigned to Metropolitan Pool and such major facilities as McCarren, McGolrick and Sternberg Parks. Finally, firm commitments to secure adequate, year round, recreation, security and medical first aid staffing at McCarren Pool is essential and must be made a very high department priority. We applaud the efforts of the North Brooklyn Open Space Alliance for embracing our neighborhood parks and look forward towards a continuing partnership in improving and expanding parkland in the Greater Greenpoint-Williamsburg area. (SEE ATTACHED STATEMENT)

Supporting Materials:

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[Parks, Trees, & Greenspace](#)[CB1 Brooklyn Statement of Community District Needs FY 2019](#)



Community District Needs Related to Library Facilities and Programming

PUBLIC LIBRARIES - Community Board No. 1 contains four public libraries (Greenpoint, Bushwick, Leonard and Marcy Avenue branches) which provide a variety of services for the community. We support their needs for enhanced equipment, computer linkages, increased book budgets and physical improvements. The Leonard Branch has its elevator installed and is still seeking to construct a ramp as well as other sorely needed improvements for this aging Carnegie branch. We support their efforts to have the facility wheelchair accessible. Greenpoint Branch is an existing facility that can no longer accommodate the growing needs of the community in terms of function and programming and the construction of a new facility, on its current footprint, is being sought. We have learned that the work will commence on this project at the end of June. We urge that all efforts be made to accommodate the community with auxiliary service while the branch is closed. It is most encouraging to see that these facilities are being highly used by both young and older residents alike. CB #1 strongly opposes cuts to the budgets for our libraries.

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[Education and Libraries](#)

Community District Needs Related to Community Boards

COMMUNITY BOARDS Community Board No. 1 still lacks adequate funding. The meager budget provided for our board does not keep pace with inflation and any increased operating costs. The cost for acquiring much needed newer technology, computer software, upgraded hardware as well as internet/web access capabilities is expensive. Community Board No. 1 is always facing yet another round of budget cuts in the budget process. While restorations were made this fiscal year, we remain guarded about projected cuts for upcoming fiscal years. Community Boards have not seen an increase in our budget in over 20 years. Our internal budget is not sufficient enough to meet the ever escalating costs of necessary office operations and staffing. The rapid changes in communications, media and computers, plus the costly upgrading of various programs and equipment would inhibit a Board's daily operations whose insufficient budget covers a small staffing of only three persons (2 full-time and 1 part-time) and minuscule operating (OTPS) cost of \$ 10,476. Our office carries out a myriad of services. CB #1 is the mini City Hall for our constituents. We handle complaints, provide comments on projects, land use and develop capital/expense budget lines for the district as well as conduct public hearings. We have 13 established committees that comprehensively tackle matters of concern and service delivery. Our staff also supports the board members in preparing reports, minutes, and scheduling of meetings. Matters from the public are handled as well, these often range from simple point of information inquiries, "freedom of information (FOIL)", to major investigations requiring constant follow up! In addition, we have other operating tasks that are for specifically needed to administer the CB #1's internal operations. These include recordkeeping, timekeeping, budget preparation, monitoring & payment of expenditures, voucher preparation, inventory and auditing. SUSTAINABILITY OF COMMUNITY BOARDS Community boards provide a vital function for the districts they are designated to serve and consequently stand as valuable assets to the City as well. There is urgent need for increased funding as moneys were lost in previous budget crunches and were projected to be further reduced in the upcoming fiscal years. Community Board budgets should not be at the sole whim of the Administration. The NYC Charter's language regarding community boards must be strongly re-written to ensure that community boards are fiscally protected and legislatively promulgated – the budgets must be held harmless from political climates. (CONTINUED IN THE DISTRICT NEEDS STATEMENT)



Community District Needs Related to Community Boards

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[Community Board Funding, Role and Planning](#)

[Technology & Webcasting](#)

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Capital Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/23	DPR	<i>Other requests for park, building, or access improvements</i>	<i>Request: Fund the Development of Parkland per Greenpoint-Williamsburg Waterfront Rezoning and the Administration's Points of Agreement. Explanation: With the rezoning of the Greenpoint-Williamsburg waterfront, the Administration agreed to development of parkland and stated commitment towards building open space, waterfront esplanade and continuous waterfront access (Water Front Access Plan: WAP") as well as improvements to McCarren Park and Pool. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i>	Community Wide
4/23	DPR	<i>Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park</i>	<i>Funding for the development of Bushwick Inlet Park (including construction of the park itself; and the remediation of the Bayside Fuel Oil site and the CitiStorage site). This park was promised to the community when the rezoning occurred on the waterfront. The acquisition of the parcels have moved forward and remediation of the site is the next needed step in making the park a true reality.</i>	Bushwick Inlet Park 86 Kent Avenue
6/23	DPR	<i>Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park</i>	<i>WNYC Transmitter Park is a very well used open space on our waterfront. It does not have a comfort station that could accommodate the many users, including children and their families. A comfort station is greatly needed on the site,</i>	WNYC Transmitter Park B385 Greenpoint Avenue
CS	DPR	<i>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</i>	<i>Request: Fund Needed Projects to Improve McGolrick Park's Grounds, Infrastructure and Play Areas. Explanation: McGolrick Park is in need of major improvements. Funding must be secured for the necessary capital projects for the park's infrastructure and building. This park hosts a landmark structure (its central Pavilion Shelter) and two important historic sculptures. Attention and funding is needed to preserve its fine and unique character and upgrade its infrastructure. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i>	McGolrick Parks 110 Russell Street
CS	BPL	<i>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library</i>	<i>Request: Replacement on Site of the Greenpoint Branch of the Brooklyn Public Library (at Existing Footprint, 107 Norman Avenue, Corner of Leonard Street). Explanation: The branch of the Brooklyn Public Library that services Greenpoint (107 Norman Avenue) is too small to meet the needs of the growing population of the neighborhood. This branch should be expanded on site to provide enhanced services at the building. Responsible Agency: Brooklyn Public Library</i>	Greenpoint Library Branch 107 Norman Avenue
CS	DPR	<i>Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park</i>	<i>Request: Complete All Phases of Development for the Waterfront Area/Parkland at: (a.) The Foot of Greenpoint Avenue - WNYC Transmitter Park (Old WNYC Tower Area), (b.) Division Avenue Ferry Park. Explanation: Complete the upgrading/development of these parcels as parkland for access to CB #1's waterfront. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i>	Community Wide



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CS	DPR	<i>Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting</i>	<i>Request: Provide Lighting for Tennis Courts at McCarren Park. Explanation: The tennis courts in McCarren Park are well used. Players have requested lighting to be installed at the courts so to allow playing to continue after dusk, especially during summer months when the weather cools in the evenings. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i>	McCarren Park Tennis Courts
CS	DPR	<i>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</i>	<i>Request: Expand Neighborhood Park and Playground Restoration Program. Explanation: The Board strongly supports this positive program which will provide both renovation funding and staffing assignments for parks and playgrounds targeted to be upgraded. We urge that this project continues and expands in FY2019 and hope that the specific facilities recommended by the Board in our priorities will be favorably acted upon. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i>	Community Wide
CS	DPR	<i>Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park</i>	<i>Request: Support Needed Improvements for Cooper Park. Explanation: The Parks Department has created a conceptual design for Cooper Park to enhance it and provided needed improvements. The plan is not fully funded and will proceed in phases. Phase I has received funding support from the council member and has started construction. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i>	Cooper Park



Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/27	OMB	Other community board facilities and staff requests	<p><i>Request: Increase Funds for Community Boards. We Strongly Recommend that Boards' Budgets be Increased. The 59 CBs Citywide Still Woefully Lack Adequate Funding. They Need to be Able to Hire Planners and Other Skilled Professionals to Evaluate Development Projects</i></p> <p><i>Explanation: Charter mandated Community Boards are vital cogs in the City's operating process. Community Boards play a formal role in decisions on land use, have input on capital & expense budgets, & monitoring of service delivery—essentially serving as little "City Halls" for their communities. They are responsible sounding boards for the local elected officials and act in consultation with them. They provide constituents an opportunity to have their voices heard on numerous issues.</i></p>	Community Board No. 1 Brooklyn 435 Graham Avenue
4/27	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	<p><i>Request: Increase Significantly for Park Maintenance Funds and Increase Operations/Recreation Staffing at Specific CD #1 Parks and Playgrounds (Including Support Equipment).</i></p> <p><i>Explanation: Expand park operations and tree pruning/planting programs to compliment street tree planting program, as well as improve CB #1 park conditions and provide recreational support for users. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i></p>	Community Wide
10/27	BPL	Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs	<p><i>Request: Expand Funding for Library Operations - Brooklyn Public Library (Including Branches with CD#1; Fund Extended Days/Hours; Fund Computer Catalogue and Increase Book Budget). Explanation: We are aware that the Brooklyn Public Library has, in the past, been underfunded relative to the other NYC library systems. We urge that this inequality be completely eliminated and that a fair proportion of the system's funds be allocated to CD1's four local branches. Responsible Agency: Brooklyn Public Library</i></p>	Community Wide
13/27	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	<p><i>Request: Expand Park Enforcement Patrol Project to Include McCarren Park (Including Park Rangers). Explanation: In our view, McCarren Park is a heavily utilized regional facility that should receive an allotment of this patrol force to provide increased security and supplement the efforts of the overworked departmental staff. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i></p>	McCarren Park
21/27	DPR	Other park programming requests	<p><i>Request: Increase Funding for the Green Streets Program for Projects in CB#1, Including the Much Needed Improvements and Fencing of Park Triangles. Explanation: These improvements made under the green streets programs have benefited the community and provided additional greening for the area that has been lost due to the beetle (Asian Long Horn Beetle) infestation. This program should include areas that need improvements and fencing such as the park triangles: Badame Sessa, Father Giorgio, and the Memorial Gore at Maspeth Avenue, Bushwick Ave./Metropolitan Avenue.</i></p>	Community Wide



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27/27	DPR	<i>Forestry services, including street tree maintenance</i>	<i>Request: Increase Significantly for Park Maintenance Funds and Increase Operations/Recreation Staffing at Specific CD #1 Parks and Playgrounds (Including Support Equipment). Explanation: Expand park operations and tree pruning/planting programs to compliment street tree planting program, as well as improve CB #1 park conditions and provide recreational support for users. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>

6. Additional Information and Other Budget Requests

Additional Documents

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Other Capital Requests

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5/23	DOT	Provide surveillance cameras	<p><i>Request: Install Surveillance Cameras for the Williamsburg Bridge (Roadways, Walkway and Bikeway). Explanation: The Williamsburg Bridge is heavily used by both vehicular traffic on its roadways, and by pedestrians/bike riders on the walkways. Enhanced security by the use of surveillance cameras would increase the public's safety.</i></p>	Williamsburg Bridge

Other Expense Requests

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3/27	HRA	Tenant Legal Fund	<p><i>Request: Reinstate Funding for the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund (\$2 Million), Including Anti-Harassment Provisions Per the Administration's Points of Agreement Regarding the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Rezoning. Explanation: The Administration agreed to create a Tenant Legal Fund of \$2 Million to be managed by HPD as part of the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Waterfront Rezoning. The Fund will primarily serve to protect existing tenants from displacement and harassment. CB #1 supports continuing the funding. Increase in the funding would provide more services to the community. Responsible Agency: Department of Housing Preservation & Development Priority #3. Tracking number 201201713E.</i></p>	Community Wide
18/27	EDC	Other transportation infrastructure requests	<p><i>Fund a Greenpoint-Williamsburg Water Transportation Study, including Ground/Land based Connections.</i></p>	Community Wide

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1/23	FDNY	Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station	<p><i>Request: Creation of a New Firehouse in the North side Area. Explanation: The Greenpoint and Williamsburg communities are growing greatly in population and new businesses. With the pending rezoning and waterfront development there is a tremendous increased need for enhanced public safety. There is no firehouse to serve the North side community and the waterfront area. A new state of the art facility that can house proper modern equipment (such as ladders for high rise buildings) should be created to better service the community.</i></p> <p><i>Responsible Agency: Fire Department</i></p>	Community Wide	
2/23	HPD	Provide more housing for medium income households	<p><i>Request: Fund Construction and Rehabilitation of Subsidized/Affordable Housing, Including Waterfront and Upland Areas, in the Community District #1 Area. Explanation: The neighborhoods of Greenpoint and Williamsburg possess critical housing needs and the allocation of funds to provide affordable housing in the district remains a vital concern of CB #1. It is essential that adequate subsidies be allocated to ensure balanced development of our community.</i></p> <p><i>Responsible Agency: Department of Housing Preservation & Develop</i></p>	Community Wide	
3/23	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	<p><i>Request: Fund the Development of Parkland per Greenpoint-Williamsburg Waterfront Rezoning and the Administration's Points of Agreement. Explanation: With the rezoning of the Greenpoint-Williamsburg waterfront, the Administration agreed to development of parkland and stated commitment towards building open space, waterfront esplanade and continuous waterfront access (Water Front Access Plan: WAP") as well as improvements to McCarren Park and Pool. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i></p>	Community Wide	
4/23	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	<p><i>Funding for the development of Bushwick Inlet Park (including construction of the park itself; and the remediation of the Bayside Fuel Oil site and the CitiStorage site). This park was promised to the community when the rezoning occurred on the waterfront. The acquisition of the parcels have moved forward and remediation of the site is the next needed step in making the park a true reality.</i></p>	Bushwick Inlet Park 86 Kent Avenue	

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6/23	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	<i>WNYC Transmitter Park is a very well used open space on our waterfront. It does not have a comfort station that could accommodate the many users, including children and their families. A comfort station is greatly needed on the site,</i>	WNYC Transmitter Park B385 Greenpoint Avenue	
7/23	NYCTA	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	<i>Request: Fund MTA/NYCTA Continuation of the Station Upgrading Program (G, L, J, and M Lines) to Also Include Surveillance Cameras for "L" (Bedford Avenue Station) and "G" Lines (Metropolitan Avenue/Grand Street/Lorimer Street Station) and a Public Address System on the "G" - Greenpoint Avenue Station. Explanation: Fund continuation of the station upgrading program, include camera surveillance for added public safety and a public address system at on the "G" Greenpoint Avenue Station. Responsible Agency: Transit Authority</i>	Community Wide	
8/23	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a middle or intermediate school	<i>Request: Department of Education Projects Scheduled to Upgrade Schools in SD-14 to Start or Complete this Year (for Example: Renovations to Include Automotive Trades HS; 850 Grand Street Campus; Van Arsdale HS). Explanation: Many of the schools in the district are very old and require modernization, upgrading of their physical structures and/or replacements of heating/cooling systems. Responsible Agency: Department of Education</i>	Community Wide	
9/23	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade NYCHA community facilities or open space	<i>Redevelop NYCHA Playground on Roebling Street and South 9th Street. This park is well used by the community. The playground is aged, in need of upgraded equipment and unfrasturture.</i>	NYCHA Playground Roebling & South 9th	
10/23	SCA	Renovate other site component	<i>Request: Construct a New Schoolyard at PS 18 (Located at 101 Maujer Street). Explanation: This elementary school accommodates many Pre-K through 5th Grade students. Its schoolyard is quite outdated with broken concrete/asphalt areas. Renovations are needed to modernize it (work should include the installation of new play equipment and safety surfaces). Responsible Agency: Department of Education</i>	PS 18 101 Maujer Street	

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11/23	SCA	Provide a new or expand an existing elementary school	<p><i>Request: Construction Proposed for a New School (P.S./I.S. A New School (Elementary School/Intermediate School - PS/IS) at the Dupont Street Development Site. Explanation: A new school is proposed at the development site on Dupont Street. We urge that District 14 and the District's CEC are consulted and play a lead role with any planning for the school.</i></p> <p><i>Responsible Agency: Department of Education</i></p>	219 West Street	
12/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<p><i>Request: Trench Restoration/Reconstruction for Withers Street, between Humboldt Street and Woodpoint Road. Explanation: The roadway on Withers Street, between Humboldt Street, between Humboldt Street and Woodpoint Road is severely deteriorated and sunken in, making it unsafe for both pedestrian and vehicular traffic.</i></p>	Withers Street Humboldt Street Woodpoint Road	
13/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<p><i>Request: Reconstruct Grand Street, from Grand Street Bridge to River Street. Explanation: This piece of roadway receives much traffic and is a truck route. The street needs reconstruction to correct several poor conditions that exist.</i></p> <p><i>Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i></p>	Grand Street Metropolitan Bridge River Street	
14/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<p><i>Request: Reconstruct Metropolitan Avenue, from Varick Ave. to River Street. Explanation: This piece of roadway receives much traffic and is a truck route. The street needs reconstruction to correct several poor conditions that exist.</i></p> <p><i>Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i></p>	Metropolitan Avenue Varick Avenue River Street	
15/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<p><i>Request: Reconstruct Meserole Street between Bushwick Avenue and Union Avenue.</i></p> <p><i>Explanation: Reconstruction of this street is needed to prevent a future disaster. Currently, this street is in deplorable condition and in constant danger of a cave-in. Rampant truck traffic throughout the district has severely deteriorated the base of this street. Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i></p>	Meserole Street Bushwick Avenue Union Avenue	
16/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<p><i>Request: Reconstruct Driggs Avenue from Lorimer Street to Division Avenue. Explanation: Driggs Avenue is a very heavily traveled street in the District. This stretch was not worked on in several years and is in poor condition. This road carries traffic that goes to the Williamsburg Bridge and is often used as a detour route.</i></p> <p><i>Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i></p>	Driggs Avenue Lorimer Street Division Avenue	

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17/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>Request: Reconstruct Montrose Avenue from Union Avenue to Bushwick Avenue. Explanation: This street is a major connection from the western part of the district to East Williamsburg. This heavily traveled street is in poor condition and requires reconstruction to correct the many road defects and cave-ins along the stretch of Montrose running from Union Avenue to Bushwick Avenue. Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i>	Monstrose Avenue Union Avenue Bushwick Avenue	
18/23	DOT	Rehabilitate bridges	<i>Request: Reconstruct and Widen the Grand Street Bridge (aka Penny Bridge). Explanation: This heavily utilized bridge is severely outdated and presents hazardous conditions for vehicles and pedestrians who use it. It is too narrow for the passing of trucks at the same time (East and West bound). Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i>	Grand Street Bridge	
19/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>Request: Reconstruct Scholes Street from Morgan Avenue to Union Avenue. Explanation: Scholes Street suffers from severe sinking of the roadbed along the stretch from Morgan Avenue to Union Avenue. It is in need of trench restoration.</i>	Scholes Street Morgan Avenue Union Avenue	
20/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>Request: Reconstruct Lorimer Street from Broadway to Nassau Avenue (Revised Limit). Explanation: This heavily utilized street, which serves as a bus route, has experienced extensive deterioration and now requires comprehensive reconstruction. Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i>	Lorimer Street Broadway Nassau Avenue	
21/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>Request: Reconstruct Frost Street and the sidewalks from Debevoise Avenue to Morgan Avenue. Explanation: This roadway is in a state of disrepair and requires reconstruction.</i>	Frost Street Debevoise Avenue Morgan Avenue	
22/23	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Replace sidewalks around Williams Plaza (aka Jonathan Williams Development/NCHA) from Division Avenue, South 9th Street, Broadway, Marcy Avenue, Roebling Street, Havemeyer Street. These sidewalks are in disrepair around the development.</i>	Jonathan Williams Development 325 Roebling St	
23/23	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>Request: Reconstruct Maspeth Avenue, from Vandervoort Avenue to Newtown Creek. Explanation: This section of Maspeth Avenue is in the industrial area and carries both truck and vehicular traffic. The roadway is in deplorable condition and requires reconstruction.</i>	Maspeth Avenue Vandervoort Avenue Newtown Creek	

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CS	BPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	<i>Request: Replacement on Site of the Greenpoint Branch of the Brooklyn Public Library (at Existing Footprint, 107 Norman Avenue, Corner of Leonard Street). Explanation: The branch of the Brooklyn Public Library that services Greenpoint (107 Norman Avenue) is too small to meet the needs of the growing population of the neighborhood. This branch should be expanded on site to provide enhanced services at the building. Responsible Agency: Brooklyn Public Library</i>	Greenpoint Library Branch 107 Norman Avenue	
CS	EDC	Improve public markets	<i>Request: Support the Plaza Project at Moore Street Market. Explanation: The EDC, in conjunction with DOT, funded the creation of a plaza at the Moore Street Market. The plaza will serve the market with additional vending space and programmed activities. The space is also an amenity for the community. On going funding support for the project is requested. Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i>	Moore Street Market 110 Moore Street	
CS	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	<i>Request: Complete All Phases of Development for the Waterfront Area/Parkland at: (a.) The Foot of Greenpoint Avenue - WNYC Transmitter Park (Old WNYC Tower Area), (b.) Division Avenue Ferry Park. Explanation: Complete the upgrading/development of these parcels as parkland for access to CB #1's waterfront. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i>	Community Wide	
CS	DPR	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	<i>Request: Provide Lighting for Tennis Courts at McCarren Park. Explanation: The tennis courts in McCarren Park are well used. Players have requested lighting to be installed at the courts so to allow playing to continue after dusk, especially during summer months when the weather cools in the evenings. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i>	McCarren Park Tennis Courts	
CS	NYCTA	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	<i>Request: Provide Funding for an Elevator for L line at Bedford Avenue - ADA Access. Explanation: Community Board No. 1 is in support of making the Bedford Avenue station of the L line more accessible to persons who require ADA access in order to enter the transit line. Responsible Agency: Transit Authority</i>	Bedford Avenue L Train Station	

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CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	<i>Request: Support Needed Improvements for Cooper Park. Explanation: The Parks Department has created a conceptual design for Cooper Park to enhance it and provided needed improvements. The plan is not fully funded and will proceed in phases. Phase I has received funding support from the council member and has started construction. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i>	Cooper Park	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Request: Fund Needed Projects to Improve McGolrick Park's Grounds, Infrastructure and Play Areas. Explanation: McGolrick Park is in need of major improvements. Funding must be secured for the necessary capital projects for the park's infrastructure and building. This park hosts a landmark structure (its central Pavilion Shelter) and two important historic sculptures. Attention and funding is needed to preserve its fine and unique character and upgrade its infrastructure. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i>	McGolrick Parks 110 Russell Street	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Request: Expand Neighborhood Park and Playground Restoration Program. Explanation: The Board strongly supports this positive program which will provide both renovation funding and staffing assignments for parks and playgrounds targeted to be upgraded. We urge that this project continues and expands in FY2019 and hope that the specific facilities recommended by the Board in our priorities will be favorably acted upon. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i>	Community Wide	

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1/27	OMB	Other community board facilities and staff requests	<i>Request: Increase Funds for Community Boards. We Strongly Recommend that Boards' Budgets be Increased. The 59 CBs Citywide Still Woefully Lack Adequate Funding. They Need to be Able to Hire Planners and Other Skilled Professionals to Evaluate Development Projects</i> <i>Explanation: Charter mandated Community Boards are vital cogs in the City's operating process. Community Boards play a formal role in decisions on land use, have input on capital & expense budgets, & monitoring of service delivery-essentially serving as little "City Halls" for their communities. They are responsible sounding boards for the local elected officials and act in consultation with them. They provide constituents an opportunity to have their voices heard on numerous issues.</i>	Community Board No. 1 Brooklyn 435 Graham Avenue	
2/27	FDNY	Provide more firefighters or EMS workers	<i>Request: Fund the Operations of a Newly Created Firehouse (FDNY) in the North side. Explanation: The closure of the firehouse at 136 Wythe Avenue serving the mixed-use north community leaves this expanding residential neighborhood without adequate fire protection. Loft conversion and future development planned for the waterfront will greatly increase the population and businesses in the area requiring fire protection. Responsible Agency: Fire Department</i>	Community Wide	
3/27	HRA	Tenant Legal Fund	<i>Request: Reinstate Funding for the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund (\$2 Million), Including Anti-Harassment Provisions Per the Administration's Points of Agreement Regarding the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Rezoning. Explanation: The Administration agreed to create a Tenant Legal Fund of \$2 Million to be managed by HPD as part of the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Waterfront Rezoning. The Fund will primarily serve to protect existing tenants from displacement and harassment. CB #1 supports continuing the funding. Increase in the funding would provide more services to the community. Responsible Agency: Department of Housing Preservation & Development Priority #3. Tracking number 201201713E.</i>	Community Wide	
4/27	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	<i>Request: Increase Significantly for Park Maintenance Funds and Increase Operations/Recreation Staffing at Specific CD #1 Parks and Playgrounds (Including Support Equipment). Explanation: Expand park operations and tree pruning/planting programs to compliment street tree planting program, as well as improve CB #1 park conditions and provide recreational support for users. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i>	Community Wide	

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5/27	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for elementary school students (grades K-5)	<p><i>Request: Increase Significantly the Department of Youth and Community Development Agency's Community Board Fair Share, After School, and Summer Recreation Funding Allocation for CD #1.</i></p> <p><i>Explanation: Over 32% of CD1's population is 18 years of age or younger, and many of these individuals require education, recreation and counseling programs to enable them to escape from an environment of crime and poverty. The inadequate levels of Youth Bureau funding available to CD1 severely undermines the ability of these programs to effectively serve this population. The significant expansion of all Youth Bureau allocations should be implemented as promptly as possible.</i></p> <p><i>Responsible Agency: Department of Youth & Community Development</i></p>	Community Wide	
6/27	HPD	Provide or enhance rental subsidies programs	<p><i>Request: Increase Funding to Support Subsidies to Lower Rents for Senior Citizens to Reduce the Increase in Homelessness. Explanation: Increase funding to support subsidies to lower rents for senior citizens to reduce the increase in homelessness.</i></p> <p><i>Responsible Agency: Department of Housing Preservation & Development</i></p>	Community Wide	
7/27	DFTA	Increase home delivered meals capacity	<p><i>Request: Increase Funding of Homecare Services and the Homebound Meals Program. Explanation: Increase funding of homecare services and the homebound meals program. Responsible Agency: Department for the Aging</i></p>	Community Wide	
8/27	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<p><i>Request: Create a New Fund for the Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund (\$10 Million) Created Under the Administration's Points of Agreement Regarding the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Waterfront Rezoning. Explanation: A new fund is requested. The Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund (\$10 Million) was created under the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint-Williamsburg waterfront rezoning. Proceeds from this fund will only be available to development parcels that make use of the waterfront inclusionary housing program referenced in the agreement, and that participate in the esplanade transfer program (as noted in the agreement's Open Space section). Funds will be used to partially offset site-specific infrastructure costs.</i></p>	Community Wide	

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9/27	NYPD	Assign additional crossing guards	<p><i>Request: Provide Safe Street Crossing (NYPD Crossing Guard Post) at Jackson Street & Kingsland Avenue for Children Attending Various Local Schools and Programs. Explanation: Provide safe street crossing (NYPD crossing guard post) at Jackson Street & Kingsland Avenue for children attending various local schools/after school programs (St. Francis Developmental School, PS 132, St. Nicholas/Rosary Academy, IS 49 Campus, Grand Street Campus/Beacon Program, IS 126/Beacon Program, School Settlement House Association). Responsible Agency: Police Department</i></p>	Community Wide	
10/27	BPL	Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs	<p><i>Request: Expand Funding for Library Operations - Brooklyn Public Library (Including Branches with CD#1; Fund Extended Days/Hours; Fund Computer Catalogue and Increase Book Budget). Explanation: We are aware that the Brooklyn Public Library has, in the past, been underfunded relative to the other NYC library systems. We urge that this inequality be completely eliminated and that a fair proportion of the system's funds be allocated to CD1's four local branches. Responsible Agency: Brooklyn Public Library</i></p>	Community Wide	
11/27	DOE	Provide more funds for teaching resources such as classroom material	<p><i>Request: Fund New Science Labs for Schools (including middle schools)(District 14/Region 8) Located Within the Confines of Community Board No. 1 District. Explanation: New science labs are needed in the various schools in our District. The labs would provide new facilities or replace outdated ones and utilize modern equipment for instruction. Responsible Agency: Department of Education</i></p>	Community Wide	
12/27	ACS	Provide, expand, or enhance funding for Day Care Slots and Head Start Programs	<p><i>Request: Establish Additional Day Care or Head Start Programs to Serve Greenpoint and Williamsburg (Areas That are Now Underserved). Explanation: Although CD1, in general, is well served by day care, adequate services do not exist in the Greenpoint Community which, during the past few years, has experienced an increase in the number of children eligible for this service. Most of these children are Hispanic or come from families of recently arrived Polish immigrants. These needs are real and will only accelerate over the course of time. Responsible Agency: Administration for Children's Services</i></p>	Community Wide	
13/27	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	<p><i>Request: Expand Park Enforcement Patrol Project to Include McCarren Park (Including Park Rangers). Explanation: In our view, McCarren Park is a heavily utilized regional facility that should receive an allotment of this patrol force to provide increased security and supplement the efforts of the overworked departmental staff. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i></p>	McCarren Park	

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14/27	DOE	Provide more funds for teaching resources such as classroom material	<i>Request: Fund a New School Library for PS 250. Explanation: A new library is needed at this elementary school to provide an expanded reading facility and teaching resources. Responsible Agency: Department of Education</i>	PS 250 108 Montrose Avenue	
15/27	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Request: Fund Comprehensive Study of Environmental Health Hazards, Including Air Quality and Asthma, to Learn Cumulative Effects on CB #1; Study Should Include the DEP Waste Water Treatment Plant. Explanation: Community Board No. 1 has been impacted by many adverse environmental factors (i.e., Mobile Oil spill, toxic waste, transfer stations, air pollution, etc.). A comprehensive study is needed to assess these impacts and develop resolutions, such as anti-asthma initiatives, to be implemented. The Study should include the DEP Waste Water Treatment Plant. Responsible Agency: Department of Health and Mental Hygiene</i>	Community Wide	
16/27	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>Request: Fund a Comprehensive Traffic Blue Print Study for Greenpoint-Williamsburg. Explanation: A comprehensive study of traffic in the district is needed. This Blue Print Study" is to thoroughly assess the district and address current and future transportation needs of Greenpoint and Williamsburg. Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i>	Community Wide	
17/27	DFTA	Create a new senior center or other facility for seniors	<i>Request: Establish Senior Center to Serve South West Area of Williamsburg, Central to Division Avenue and Clymer Street/Continued Funding. Explanation: At the present time, accessible senior center services do not exist for the expanding senior citizen population of the west area of Williamsburg. Although we are aware of the current funding constraints regarding senior center services, the existing needs compel us to support the establishment of such a facility in the area central to Division Avenue and Clymer Street. Responsible Agency: Department for the Aging</i>	Clymer Street Division Avenue Bedford Avenue	
18/27	EDC	Other transportation infrastructure requests	<i>Fund a Greenpoint-Williamsburg Water Transportation Study, including Ground/Land based Connections.</i>	Community Wide	
19/27	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up	<i>Request: Expand Refuse Collection Program for NYCHA and Other Large Housing Developments to Schools & Senior Centers. Explanation: Implementation of this request will provide relief to the residents of Community Board No. 1's eight public housing developments (6,506 units); Lindsay Park Mitchell-Lama housing (2,800 units), who suffer from chronically inadequate refuse collection services. Responsible Agency: Department of Sanitation</i>	Community Wide	

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20/27	DOHMH	Provide more HIV/AIDS information and services	<p><i>Request: Increase AIDS Outreach. Explanation: Increase the staffing of outreach programs that handle education, testing and counseling for infectious diseases (TB/AIDS/ZIKA) and drug abuse.</i></p> <p><i>Responsible Agency: Department of Health and Mental Hygiene</i></p>	Community Wide	
21/27	DPR	Other park programming requests	<p><i>Request: Increase Funding for the Green Streets Program for Projects in CB#1, Including the Much Needed Improvements and Fencing of Park Triangles.</i></p> <p><i>Explanation: These improvements made under the green streets programs have benefited the community and provided additional greening for the area that has been lost due to the beetle (Asian Long Horn Beetle) infestation. This program should include areas that need improvements and fencing such as the park triangles: Badame Sessa, Father Giorgio, and the Memorial Gore at Maspeth Avenue, Bushwick Ave./Metropolitan Avenue.</i></p>	Community Wide	
22/27	HPD	Expand loan programs to rehabilitate multiple dwelling buildings	<p><i>Request: Increase Allocation for Rehabilitation Loan Programs. Explanation: Due to the antiquated housing stock throughout the Greenpoint-Williamsburg community, many of our houses are in need of rehabilitation. Therefore, Community Board No. 1 feels that additional funds must be set aside for 312 and other rehabilitation loan programs.</i></p> <p><i>Responsible Agency: Department of Housing Preservation & Development</i></p>	Community Wide	
23/27	DOB	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)	<p><i>Request: Continue and Expand Building Inspector Training Program and Provide More Inspectors for CD #1. Explanation: This agency initiative will greatly expedite the training of newly hired building inspectors who are called upon to replace veteran inspectors who are retiring in substantial numbers.</i></p> <p><i>Responsible Agency: Department of Buildings</i></p>	Community Wide	
24/27	DOT	Address traffic congestion	<p><i>Request: Increase Funds for Street Signage of Truck Routes. Explanation: Community Board No. 1 has a number of truck routes. However, trucks often use other streets in the district to travel. Signage is needed to keep trucks on their designated routes. Additional signs are needed to keep trucks off the residential streets.</i></p> <p><i>Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i></p>	Community Wide	
25/27	NYCTA	Other transit infrastructure requests	<p><i>Request: Acquire a Replacement Site for Relocation of the MTA facility at 65 Commercial Street.</i></p> <p><i>Explanation: Community Board No. 1 supports acquisition of a replacement site in order to relocate the MTA facility (emergency response unit and depot of cross town buses) at 65 Commercial Street. The relocation would allow the Administration to designate the site (Block 2472, Lot 425) for improvement as an esplanade and active open space.</i></p> <p><i>Responsible Agency: Transit Authority</i></p>	MTA site on Commercial Street 65 Commercial Street	

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26/27	EDC	<i>Invest in piers or other capital projects to improve access to the waterfront</i>	<i>Request: Fund a Greenpoint/Williamsburg Water Transportation Study, Including Ground- / Land-Based Connections. Explanation: Community Board No. 1 needs additional public transportation, especially along the waterfront. Our current system is overburdened and there is a need to explore more opportunities for water transport from our community to Manhattan and other points in Brooklyn and Queens. Subsidies for water transport (i.e. ferries) need to be secured to retain the service's affordability. The study must include ground/land based connections to the ferry service. Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</i>	Community Wide	
27/27	DPR	<i>Forestry services, including street tree maintenance</i>	<i>Request: Increase Significantly for Park Maintenance Funds and Increase Operations/Recreation Staffing at Specific CD #1 Parks and Playgrounds (Including Support Equipment). Explanation: Expand park operations and tree pruning/planting programs to compliment street tree planting program, as well as improve CB #1 park conditions and provide recreational support for users. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</i>	Community Wide	

Appendix - Supporting Materials

The Community Board has provided the following supporting materials which can be accessed by clicking on the link(s) below or by copying and pasting the link(s) into a browser.

Health Care and Human Services



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<https://a002-oom03.nyc.gov/IRM/Handlers/Campaign/Attachments.ashx?attachmentId=01208DB7-44FE-463F-AC56-67E57A844A13>

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Health and Hospitals

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Youth, Education and Child Welfare



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Public Safety and Emergency Services



CB #1 BROOKLYN PUBLIC SAFETY & QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUES

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NYPD

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FDNY & Emergency Services

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Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency



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Land Use, Housing and Economic Development



Housing Issues

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Housing Issues

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Economic Development

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Hotel Development

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Transportation



Traffic and Transportation Issues

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MTA, DOT and EDC

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Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities



Parks, Trees, & Greenspace

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Community Board Funding, Role and Planning

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Technology & Webcasting

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Education and Libraries

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Additional Information and Requests

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