

# ***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 the Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the community board, collected through an online form available to community boards from July to November, 2021.

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

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This report is broadly structured as follows:

### 1. Overarching Community District Needs

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

### 2. Policy Area-Specific District Needs

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

### 3. Community Board Budget Requests

The final section includes the two types of budget requests submitted to the City for the FY23 budget cycle; one list for capital and another for expense budget requests. For each budget request, community boards were able to provide a priority number, explanation, location, and supporters. OMB remains the definitive source on budget requests submitted to city agencies.

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

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

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

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## 1. COMMUNITY BOARD INFORMATION

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## 2. 2020 CENSUS DATA

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

### Queens Community District 3

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
<b>AGE</b>							
Total population	171,576	100.00	179,134	100.00	7,558	4.4	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	37,739	22	37,590	21	-149	-0.4	-1.0
<b>MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN</b>							
Total population	171,576	100.0	179,134	100.0	7,558	4.4	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	110,108	64.2	113,447	63.3	3,339	3.0	-0.9
White non-Hispanic	20,334	11.9	17,643	9.8	-2,691	-13.2	-2.1
Black non-Hispanic	10,683	6.2	8,690	4.9	-1,993	-18.7	-1.3
Asian non-Hispanic	26,996	15.7	34,456	19.2	7,460	27.6	3.5
Some other race, non-Hispanic	1,246	0.7	2,210	1.2	964	77.4	0.5
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	2,209	1.3	2,688	1.5	479	21.7	0.2
<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>							
Total housing units	56,181	100.0	59,119	100.0	2,938	5.2	0.0
Occupied housing units	52,404	93.3	56,025	94.8	3,621	6.9	1.5
Vacant housing units	3,777	6.7	3,094	5.2	-683	-18.1	-1.5

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

### Statement on Data Accuracy

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

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

## New York City

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

## Queens

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

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 and 2020 Census Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary Files  
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### 3. OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT

#### Queens Community Board 3 FY 2023 District Needs Statement

The community is changing but our basic priorities remain the same. Community Board 3's goal is to enhance the quality of life for all of its residents from our very young to seniors. Community Board 3 is comprised of the neighborhoods of East Elmhurst, Jackson Heights and North Corona bounded by the Brooklyn-Queens Expressway to the west, Grand Central Parkway to the north, Flushing Meadow Corona Park to the east, and Roosevelt Avenue to the south. The district encompasses zip codes 11368, 11369, 11370, and 11372. CB3's land area is 3.0 square miles and is serviced by the 115th Police Precinct; Sanitation Queens West 3; Fire Engine Company 307/Ladder 154 and Engine Company 316; 22 Public schools; 11 private and parochial schools; 2 post-secondary degree-granting institutions; 4 public libraries; 1 private library; 28 Day Care/ Head Start facilities; 11 known mental health facilities; 12 residences that provide services for individuals with developmental disabilities; 8 shelters; 9 park/playgrounds; 1 vest-pocket park; 7 sitting areas; 8 park strips, Diversity Plaza, Travers Park has incorporated 78th Street Play Street in its expansion of the facility, Fisher Pool and Malcolm X Promenade. The District lies in the shadow of La Guardia Airport, where some of its residents are employed. Airport-related uses along a portion of its northernmost street Ditmars Boulevard, are obvious with the presence of hotels such as the Marriott Hotel, La Guardia Plaza, National Car Rental maintains a major facility, and the Vaughn College- School of Aeronautics is located in the vicinity. Our major shopping districts and commercial corridors are located along Roosevelt Avenue on the southern boundary of the District; Astoria Boulevard on the northern boundary; 37th Avenue, Northern Boulevard, 73 Street; 74th Street, 82nd Street, 90th Street, Junction Boulevard, 103rd Street. The District's showplaces within the M-1 zone are the Bulova Corporate Center, Home Depot, and Bed, Bath, and Beyond. Nearby in Flushing Meadow Corona Park, CITIFIELD New York Mets and USTA. Willets Point is a stone's throw away from our borders. Housing Stock The housing stock is very diversified encompassing brick apartment houses and Tudor style row and two-family homes. Some of the finest, architecturally distinctive dwellings in Queens County and the City can be found in Community Board 3, particularly in East Elmhurst and the Jackson Heights neighborhoods. Just to mention a few notable sites; the Jackson Heights Historic District, America's first planned "garden city" and the Louis Armstrong House/Museum, a national landmark in North Corona. Demographics Community Board 3 is a densely populated and probably the most diverse community on the planet. According to NYU Furman Center, 62.8% of our population is foreign-born and the majority of our citizens originate from Latin America. Nearly Forty-Eight percent (47.7%) of these residents have limited English proficiency in contrast to the Borough which is at 28.89% and the city of New York at 23.1%. We have the 4th largest population in the city of New York with residents that have limited English proficiency. More services for these constituents are critically needed. The Census reports that our population is 171,576, which means that our numbers have increased by 1.5% (2,493) since the 2000 census. It is widely known, however, that New York was severely under-counted in the last census. We, therefore, believe that NYU Furman Center's single-year indicator projects our population to be at 185,815 is probably a more accurate count. Priorities While there are three distinct neighborhoods, North Corona, East Elmhurst, and Jackson Heights, we are all working towards a common goal to improve the quality of life for our families and community. We, therefore, continue to advocate for our top priorities: - Construct New School Facilities in CB3- Early Childhood Center, Primary and a High School in Willets Point - Clean-Up Flushing Bay and Implement the Army Core of Engineers Recommendations - Expand the Capacity of the Jackson Heights Library - Expand the East Elmhurst Library - Expand Corona Library - Construct a Library north of Northern Blvd. within Jackson Heights & East Elmhurst. - Create Affordable Housing - Reconstruct/Repair Sewers to Alleviate Backups and Flooding - Construct an Intergenerational Facility in Jackson Heights that will accommodate both youth and seniors (Boys and Girls Club) plans for this facility are on the way. - Increase Youth Programs - Increase Senior Programs - Increase Hospital Beds - Expand Medical Services at the Corona Health Center - Increase Police Personnel at the 115th Precinct - Conduct a Commercial District Needs Assessment - Construct a Performance Arts Center and the expansion of Elmhurst Hospital.

## 4. TOP THREE PRESSING ISSUES OVERALL

### Queens Community Board 3

The three most pressing issues facing this Community Board are:

#### **Affordable housing**

**Affordable Housing** It is very difficult to narrow down our pressing issues to only three. Two thousand twenty and twentyone has had a devastating impact on our district. With the onset of Covid-19 the virus revealed what we already knew about the lack of affordable housing and its impacts. We are in a housing crisis, it is widely known that there are very few affordable housing units in Community Board 3. While there is housing construction all over the district but very few of the developments are intended for low to middle-income families. To add to the mix, some unscrupulous landlords are forcing families out of their apartments who are poor, have fixed incomes, or cannot afford the higher rents. Many are seniors and disabled individuals who are part of that impacted group. Further, some of the participating property owners are opting out of the rent stabilization program. The New York Furman Center reports that Community Board 3 ranks number 2 for rent-burdened households and 3rd highest for severe crowding of rental units citywide. According to the report, more than 53.3% of our population pays 35% or more of their income for rent. In addition, 25.5% of our residents live below the poverty level. The pandemic has exacerbated the problem as unemployment has significantly increased due to the health crisis. For many of these families, it is a struggle each month. They have to make the difficult decision as to whether to pay the rent or forgo other essential needs. They are always at risk for eviction and homelessness. Our housing courts tell the story; there is a disproportionate number of minority low-income and at-risk individuals in housing court. Many cannot afford an attorney and end up losing their homes. Affordable housing is one of our top concerns. We believe that housing is a right and is a fundamental need that must be addressed. We, therefore, call upon the City of New York to do more to keep our most vulnerable populations in their homes. Put systems in place to encourage private developers to construct affordable housing. Set a plan of action to encourage landlords to remain in the rent stabilization program. Develop incentives to attract new property owners to participate in rent stabilization. Keep the rent moratorium in place until the economy and employment levels improve. The City should continue to advocate for more federal dollars to keep those with a roof over their heads in place. We ask that urgent attention be given to this important issue. While the need for affordable housing is one of our most pressing issues, homelessness is directly related to this matter. There is a noticeable increase in homelessness within the district. The City has to do a better job in caring for our citizens who are without permanent homes. Shelters and the takeover of hotels is not the answer. The construction of new/ refurbished affordable housing is the key to realistically reducing the incidence of homelessness.

#### **Economic recovery and development**

**Economic Recovery and Development** The pandemic has had a devastating effect on our economy. Reports indicate that there has never been such a major change in business activity since the Great Depression. The decline of business is largely due to the implementation of social distancing restrictions, particularly for minority businesses. These establishments were hit hardest by Covid-19. Minority businesses were disproportionately negatively affected, they encountered the greatest losses. It is speculated that this group will have a difficult time rebounding and are at a higher risk for closure. Minority small businesses do not have the resources nor access to capital and lending institutions. If these losses continue for a protracted period, they stand the risk of permanent closure. The immediate impact of the closure of these businesses would be job loss and the demise of vital services to the community. Early during the pandemic, the federal government issued PPP loans, grants, and funding as part of the stimulus package for business owners. Unfortunately, many small businesses particularly minority establishments did not qualify or were not able to take advantage of the resource. Our minority businesses need support and assistance in navigating through the process. It is important that if another stimulus package is approved; we request that programs and funding be tailored for minority and women entrepreneurs, startups, and Mom and Pop operations. Funds must be set aside for these small operations as they did not receive financial support the first go-round. We call upon the City of New York to reinvest in our minority small local businesses.

**Public health facilities**

Increase the Capacity and the Number of Public Health Facilities In Community Board 3 Jackson Heights and Elmhurst was the epicenter for the pandemic. The nurses and doctors did a herculean job in saving the lives of Covid-19 victims. Elmhurst Hospital reports that in the last 7 years the emergency department volumes have gone up by 33%. Patient wait time has considerably increased. Expanding the facility would be beneficial and positively enhance service delivery. Additional hospital beds and the expansion of the emergency room are sorely needed. Increase Hospital Beds at Elmhurst Hospital and construct the additional facility. It is important to note that Elmhurst Hospital is the only remaining medical facility in western Queens. Four hospitals closed their doors over twenty years. Elmhurst Hospital is now accommodating many of the patients of the closed facilities. Kindly note that Urgent Care facilities are opening around the board area and borough, it does not diminish the fact that more hospitals and the services that they provide are still needed.

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## 5. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND BUDGET REQUESTS

### HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

#### Queens Community Board 3

##### Most Important Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

##### **Health facilities (existing conditions, capacity, new facilities, etc.)**

Elmhurst Hospital Our existing facility Elmhurst Hospital is operating at full capacity. During the height of the pandemic, the doctors and nurses did a phenomenal job during Covid-19. Elmhurst Hospital is a 545-bed city hospital that serves as a safety-net institution for a largely working-class immigrant population. Currently, Elmhurst Hospital Center serves an area of approximately one million people and is, perhaps, the most ethnically diverse community in the world with 20,000 recent immigrants from 112 different countries. The Queens Market Study projected the Jackson Heights/Elmhurst neighborhood to grow at 4.6 percent, nearly twice the rate of the borough and significantly higher than that of New York City. Due to the projections, it is imperative that Elmhurst stays ahead of the curve. Their vision is to improve upon the current Women's Health Services and co-locating pediatric clinical services to be in closer proximity to streamline the mother and baby experience. They propose to add an additional three floors to the existing building and connect the top floor to the current Women's Pavilion on the 5th floor, the current Labor & Delivery Suite, we will add 31,000 SF of much-needed clinical space. This action will improve patient and infant safety by connecting these spaces internally. Currently, in the event, a mother goes into labor or needs immediate medical assistance while at the Women's Pavilion, the current process is to dispatch an ambulance to bring the patient around the building through the Emergency Department. Creating an expanded and connected space will allow for a better patient experience as well as a more efficient clinical environment. This will allow for Elmhurst to continue to support the community and its future generations in the most effective way.

##### Community District Needs Related to Health Care and Human Services

##### **Needs for Health Care and Facilities**

##### **Health Care and Facilities**

As per the Department of Health, community health profiles indicate that 38% of adults that reside in Community Board 3 do not have health insurance. We have the highest rate within the city. That is why it is important that the Corona Health Center's services be enhanced. Upgrade and expand services at the Corona Health Center. The majority of the residents in the catchment area of the center are either under or uninsured and in dire need of medical assistance. Reinstate the dental clinic and expand services to include primary care, free screenings for eye, ear, sickle cell anemia, asthma, diabetes, cholesterol, prostate, and breast cancer. Promote education and awareness on nutrition, smoking cessation, mental health, and treatment. A full-service clinic is urgently needed in North Corona. Constituents residing in this section of the district do not have the means to travel to the health center that is located in Brooklyn; it is the only city-operated facility that is offering these critical services. Increase Hospital Beds at Elmhurst Hospital and Borough-Wide Since 2008, five hospitals have closed in the Borough of Queens. Our area hospital is feeling the impact. Elmhurst Hospital is now accommodating many of the patients that used to go to the hospitals that are now closed. Elmhurst Hospital reports that in the last 7 years the emergency department volumes have gone up 33% which is very significant. Patient wait time has considerably increased. Additional hospital beds and expansion of the emergency room are sorely needed. Although Urgent Care facilities are opening around the board area and borough, it does not diminish the fact that more hospitals and the services that they provide are still needed.

##### **Needs for Older NYs**

Senior Services The senior members of our district make up nearly 10% of our population. In addition to home care, escort services, transportation and mental health services, seniors need assistance with legal and benefit services. Funding levels for DFTA and related agencies that provide these critical services must be increased.

**Needs for Homeless**

No comments

**Needs for Low Income NYs**

No comments

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## Capital Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

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

## Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/34	DOHMH	<b>Other programs to address public health issues requests</b>	<i>Increase funding for rodent abatement.</i>	
6/34	DOHMH	<b>Other programs to address public health issues requests</b>	<i>Increase funding for insecure food pantry program.</i>	
23/34	DOHMH	<b>Increase health and safety inspections, e.g. for restaurants and childcare programs</b>	<i>Request: Hire additional Department of Health Inspectors to conduct night inspections. Explanation: Unlicensed food vending along Roosevelt Ave, Broadway, 74th and 37th Avenues are increasing. The community would benefit from having more inspections conducted particularly at night where the problem is most prevalent.</i>	
24/34	DFTA	<b>Enhance NORC programs and health services</b>	<i>Request: Provide funding to increase NORC (Naturally Occurring Retirement Community) Programming in CB3. Explanation: Seniors are the second largest population within CB3. It is important that senior programming such as NORC be made available to our elder residents. Providing health and social services within the confines of their coop/apartment complex would significantly improve their quality of life.</i>	
34/34	HHC	<b>Other expense budget request for HHC</b>	<i>More hospitals are needed.</i>	

## YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

### Queens Community Board 3

#### Most Important Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

##### **Other**

Hire Additional Park Associates

#### Community District Needs Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

##### **Needs for Youth Education**

Eliminate School Overcrowding Community Board3's highest priority is to provide a first class education for our children. In order to accomplish that goal, we must first address overcrowding on all levels from elementary, intermediate to high school. Overcrowding in our neighborhood schools have been a problem for many years. The utilization rate for P. S. 228 is 173%, P. S. 212 is 139% and P. S. 222 is 139%. Census projections indicate more overcrowding is on the horizon. While we have been fortunate to have more seats added, along with a new elementary and intermediate school on the way; additional schools are still needed. We therefore will continue to advocate for more schools and keep education as our top priority.

##### **Needs for Youth and Child Welfare**

Affordable Child Care Affordable child care services are vital to working families. Parents who have children under the age of four rely on these hard to find services. In order to support our moderate income families; fully fund and open up additional day care facilities.

## Capital Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/37	SCA	<b>Provide a new or expand an existing elementary school</b>	<i>Request: Construct new school facilities in CB3, especially Early Childhood Centers, and a High School at Willets Point. Explanation: We are pleased that two new sites have been earmarked for the construction of an elementary &amp; intermediate school; every seat will be utilized. Overcrowding of classrooms is still our most pressing problem and must be addressed. The need for additional school seats and the construction of a high school remains our first priority. An ideal location for a high school is Willets Point. Another potential site would be the former DeBlasi Ford car dealership located on Northern Boulevard and 114th Street.</i>	

## Expense Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
9/34	DYCD	<b>Other youth workforce development requests</b>	<i>Request: Restore and Increase funding for youth, adult and senior programming in Jackson Heights, North Corona and East Elmhurst. Explanation: There is a severe shortage of programs in CD3 that cater to the recreational needs of our youth and seniors. Our community deserves quality facilities and programming that will enrich our lives.</i>	
15/34	DOE	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance funding for Child Care and Head Start programs</b>	<i>Request: Restore Day Care Slots and after school programs. Explanation: Our Community's population has increased. Many of our young working families require day care services &amp; after school programs. Working parents deserve programs that will serve the needs of their pre-school children ages three months to five years old.</i>	



*STEAM is a method of instruction that incorporates Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Mathematics and helps to promote student critical thinking. Every classroom should have access to these important resources.*

## **PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES**

### **Queens Community Board 3**

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#### Most Important Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

##### **Other**

Hire Additional Park Associates

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#### Community District Needs Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

##### **Needs for Public Safety**

Police Department Community Board 3 continues to support the Roosevelt Avenue Task Force. Keep the Roosevelt Avenue Task Force and Impact Zone initiatives in place. Our local precinct is doing an outstanding job but could benefit from an increase in personnel and additional resources. Hire civilians to cover administrative duties so that police officers can be freed up to address crime and quality of life complaints. School Crossing Guards. Hire additional school crossing guards to cover all of our area schools. The NCO program was recently implemented in Community Board 3. We see the value of the program and its potential to make a significant impact on the quality of life of our residents. That is why, we support the proposal to have additional NCO personnel so there will be 24 hour/seven days per week coverage. We hope that serious consideration is given to our request.

##### **Needs for Emergency Services**

Fund FDNY's Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors Distribution Program Community Board 3 supports this life saving program.

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## Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
11/37	FDNY	<b>Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances</b>	<i>Purchase a Bariatric Ambulance Unit.</i>	
19/37	FDNY	<b>Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations</b>	<i>Upgrade the FDNY Engine 307/154 kitchen.</i>	8119 Northern Blvd
30/37	FDNY	<b>Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances</b>	<i>Purchase a Medical Service Vehicle - FDNY/EMS for the Borough of Queens (for 10 patients at a time can be attended to on this mobile vehicle) Existing vehicle is over 29 years old.</i>	
31/37	FDNY	<b>Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests</b>	<i>Purchase for FDNY - Mutual aid Rapid Response Vehicle - For Citywide use state of the art vehicle that will transport equipment and supplies in emergency situations.</i>	
32/37	FDNY	<b>Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station</b>	<i>At EMS Unit 406 - Upgrade men's locker room and shower.</i>	

## Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
4/34	NYPD	<b>Hire additional uniformed officers</b>	<i>Request: Restore our full compliment of full personnel and hire additional Police, NCO officers, administrative aides, custodial personnel, and school safety guards. Explanation: Hire additional custodial personnel for the 115 precinct. The additional staff will improve the precinct's day-to-day operations and upkeep.</i>	92-15 Northern Blvd
8/34	NYPD	<b>Hire additional traffic enforcement agents</b>	<i>Increase funding to hire additional traffic enforcement agents to address double parking and other traffic infractions.</i>	

## CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

### Queens Community Board 3

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

#### **Other**

Hire Additional Park Associates

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

#### **Needs for Water, Sewers, and Environmental Protection**

##### **Provide Funding for The Installation of a Dedicated Sewer System and Implement the Army Corp of Engineers Recommendations**

For decades residents have complained about the flooding that occurs whenever there is heavy rainfall. It was thought that these storms used to occur once in a hundred years. However, due to climate change, the incidence of flooding and sewer backups have become more frequent. We call upon the City of New York to invest in upgrading our combined sewer to a dedicated system. In light of the devastation that the City of New York has experienced with Hurricane Ida, it would be wise to provide funding to construct a dedicated sewer system, for in doing so, it will help to reduce the possibility of any further loss. We ask DEP to give serious consideration of our request.

#### **Needs for Sanitation Services**

Increase Litter Basket Collections Along Our Commercial Strips In order to improve the level of cleanliness throughout the district, increase litter basket collection to three times per day. Urgent attention is needed along 37th Ave.; Junction Blvd.; Roosevelt Ave.; Northern Blvd.; 103rd St. and 74th Streets; Astoria Blvd, 73rd Street and 72nd Street in Jackson Heights. Providing these additional services will have a positive impact on the affected businesses and overall community.

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## Capital Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/37	DEP	<b>Other capital budget request for DEP</b>	<i>Request: Dredge the entire Flushing Bay including the commercial channel. Explanation: Construct additional holding tanks in Flushing Bay in order to reduce the amount of waste entering into the bay. The holding tanks must be put in place before the Bay is dredged and the Army Corp of Engineers recommendations are implemented.</i>	
4/37	DEP	<b>Other capital budget request for DEP</b>	<i>Due to severe flooding caused by hurricane Ida, it is important that CB3's combined sewer system be upgraded to a dedicated sewer system to ensure that the incidence of flooding will be reduced.</i>	
17/37	DEP	<b>Other capital budget request for DEP</b>	<i>Employ interim measures to control floatables going into Flushing Bay and restore the wetlands</i>	
CS	DEP	<b>Other capital budget request for DEP</b>	<i>Request: Fund a Study For The Construction of a Separate Sewer System for 103rd &amp; Northern Blvd., 25th Avenue &amp; 81st Street, 77th Street &amp; 30th Avenue, 25th Avenue and 77th Street and 25th Avenue and 76th Street. Explanation: Neighborhoods that were once comprised of one &amp; two family homes have been replaced with units of six to ten families. These changes have increased the demand on our infrastructure &amp; sewer system. Before 1996, conditions were confined to East Elmhurst or North of Northern Blvd. Sewer backup conditions are now district-wide.</i>	

## Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
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1/34	DEP	<b>Investigate air quality complaints at specific location</b>	<i>Request: Install Air Monitors in the Neighborhoods of Jackson Heights and East Elmhurst that are located near LaGuardia Airport. Explanation: CB3 is surrounded by Laguardia Airport, BQE andGrand Central Parkway. Our residents are concerned about the impact of fumes emanating from motor vehicles and planes in the community. There is a high incidence of asthma &amp; respiratory disease in our district. The need to install air monitors in our area is clear.</i>
7/34	DSNY	<b>Provide more frequent litter basket collection</b>	<i>Restore litter basket collections to three times per day in our commercial strips – 37th Ave; Junction Blvd; Roosevelt Ave; Northern Blvd; 103rd Street; and 74th Street; Astoria Blvd., 73rd and 72nd Streets in Jackson Heights. Hire additional personnel for 11am- 7pm shift in order to increase litter basket patrol truck service particularly during weekends.</i>
10/34	DSNY	<b>Other garbage collection and recycling requests</b>	<i>Increase funding for additional cleaning services to Roosevelt Ave from 69th to 114th Streets.</i>
12/34	DSNY	<b>Other cleaning requests</b>	<i>Provide funding for MLP service in section 31. The monies would allow sanitation to provide additonal services to the streets located in this section of the district.</i>
27/34	DEP	<b>Inspect sanitary sewer on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed</b>	<i>Increase DEP sewer and water unit personnel</i>
30/34	DSNY	<b>Increase enforcement of illegal posting laws</b>	<i>Increase funding for illegal posting personnel.</i>

## HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

### Queens Community Board 3

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

##### **Other**

Hire Additional Park Associates

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

##### **Needs for Land Use**

: Increase staffing levels for Administrative & Community Outreach Units. Additional administrative and community personnel is needed to improve the agency's ability to disseminate information and work with property owners.

##### **Needs for Housing**

Construct Affordable Housing for Middle, Low Income Families and Seniors Around the district new buildings are going up, but nearly none of are affordable. A recent survey reported that "49 % of Queens residents shell out as much as 48% of their income on housing." In CB3, the average rental rate for apartments is approximately \$1600 a month for one bedroom, which is far out of range for most working families. Young people who were born and raised in our community and seniors on fixed incomes cannot afford to live in the District. There is a urgent need for mid-low income housing facilities. We have noted that in order to pay expensive rents families are doubling and tripling up in apartments and houses. We need affordable housing that will fit in and support the needs of the existing community. Strategies and programs must be developed to stimulate the production of affordable housing facilities. Employ programs such as No property taxes for 5 years to encourage the development of affordable housing.

##### **Needs for Economic Development**

Conduct a Commercial District Needs Assessment- Last winter Community Board 3 conducted a forum for our area businesses. There was a good turnout, many of the operator's questions centered around gaining access to capital, taxes, high rental rates, marketing, doing business with the City of New York and merchant organizing. CB3 requests that funding be provided to conduct a Commercial District Needs Assessment to support our local businesses.

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## Capital Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
6/37	HPD	<b>Provide more housing for extremely low and low income households</b>	<i>Construct affordable housing for middle and low-income families. Explanation: Strategies and programs must be developed to stimulate the production of new/affordable housing facilities. There is a severe shortage of housing for the aforementioned income group.</i>	
7/37	HPD	<b>Other affordable housing programs requests</b>	<i>Request: Construct Affordable Housing for Middle &amp; Low-Income seniors. Explanation: Strategies and programs must be developed to stimulate the production of new/affordable housing facilities. There is a severe shortage of housing for the aforementioned income groups.</i>	

## Expense Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/34	HPD	<b>Other expense budget request for HPD</b>	<i>Make the pilot program to bring basement apartment up to code Citywide.</i>	
14/34	EDC	<b>Expand clean space initiatives for public sites and graffiti free removal program for private sites along commercial business corridors</b>	<i>Request: Increase Graffiti Removal Programs. Explanation: To combat the increased incidence of graffiti CD#3, Additional monies are needed to these support programs.</i>	
17/34	SBS	<b>Other expense budget request for SBS</b>	<i>Re-establish Neighborhood Business Development programs.</i>	
19/34	DOB	<b>Other expense budget request for DOB</b>	<i>Increase staffing Level for DOB Compliance Unit.</i>	
20/34	HPD	<b>Expand programs for housing inspections to correct code violations</b>	<i>HPD - Increase inspectorial staffing levels for HPD (Housing Preservation and Development)</i>	



**Other business  
regulatory  
assistance requests**

*Implement Economic Development programs which would include entrepreneurial training, loan packaging, micro Loan Program, management training, export assistance.. Assistance is needed to coordinate neighborhood redevelopment, marketing & anti-graffiti programs. Funding these programs would make a significant difference for the business community in CB3..*

### Queens Community Board 3

#### Most Important Issue Related to Transportation and Mobility

##### **Bus service and quality (frequency, access, crowding, etc.)**

Restore Eliminated Q 66 Bus Stops In Queens Community Board 3 The Q66 bus line provides transport along Northern Boulevard and is important to all of its users, particularly seniors, students, the disabled, parents with small children. the Q66 is the only bus that services Corona, East Elmhurst, and Jackson Heights along the boulevard. The elimination of 19 stops along the route has had a detrimental impact on the community. Users of the bus line are now required to walk an extra 2 to 3 blocks to get to the nearest stop. The change is a major hardship for seniors, handicapped, and passengers who require the assistance of canes, wheelchairs, and walkers. It is reported that the reason for the change is to have the "bus move faster" along the route. It appears however that the change has made the trip slower. It is because there are so many passengers at the remaining stops that not everyone is able to get on the bus therefore crowding, pushing, and shoving always ensues. We ask the MTA and DOT to take another look at the plan, the Q66 is the only mode of public transportation that serves that part of our district.

#### Community District Needs Related to Transportation and Mobility

##### **Needs for Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure**

Upgrade street lights located along Roosevelt Avenue from 72nd to 114th Streets. The recently installed streetlights are directed towards the street leaving the sidewalks very dark. Residents including NYPD are concerned about the unsafe conditions that could be caused due to poor or no lighting on the sidewalks. The illumination of the street lights are blocked by the elevated number 7 subway line. Enhance street lighting by installing pedestrian lights on Roosevelt Avenue at the aforementioned locations as expeditiously as possible.

##### **Needs for Transit Services**

Community Board 3 was recently made aware of MTA's plan to modify the route for the Q32 bus line. The route will be shorten, instead of terminating at 32 Street and 7th Avenue in Manhattan the last stop will be 52nd Street and Fifth Avenue. The change will pose a major hardship for the users of this bus route. The Q32 is the only bus in our district that goes to 34th Street in Manhattan. Our seniors and mobility challenged residents are the primary users of the service. Having to transfer twice to other buses, pay an additional fare or use the subway system to continue their trip to 34th Street is not feasible. If this one stop service to Macy's, Amtrak and the 7th Avenue shopping district is curtailed our vulnerable residents will have no other means to get to their destination short of paying for an expensive cab ride. We call upon the MTA to reevaluate their plan and come up with a workable solution that will serve all of its customers.

## Capital Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
9/37	DOT	<b>Other transportation infrastructure requests</b>	<i>Construct a traffic study of the Grand Central Parkway exist located at 114th Street and Northern Blvd.</i>	114th Street 114th Street and Northern Blvd. 114th Street and Northern Blvd.
10/37	DOT	<b>Other transportation infrastructure requests</b>	<i>Construct a traffic study of the entrance of 114th Street and Astoria Blvd.</i>	114th Street & Astoria Blvd.
12/37	DOT	<b>Upgrade or create new greenways</b>	<i>Request: Beautify the center mall on Astoria Boulevard. Explanation: Plant Shrubs &amp; trees along the Center Mall from 82 Street to 114 Streets at Astoria Boulevard to increase greenery and beautify the community. Most importantly, improve conditions so that pedestrians may safely access Astoria Boulevard. Provide funding to a not-for-profit organization such as the Botanical Gardens to maintain the greenery.</i>	Astoria Boulevard 82 Street 82 Street
13/37	DOT	<b>Upgrade or create new greenways</b>	<i>Request: Beautify the Center Mall on 34th Avenue from 112th to 114th streets. Explanation: Plant shrubs and trees to increase greenery. Provide funding to a not-for-profit organization to maintain the site.</i>	34 Street 112 Street 112 Street
15/37	DOT	<b>Repair or build new step streets</b>	<i>Redesign Step Street at Butler/Ditmars Blvd. and 25th Ave. Explanation: The 25th Ave step street could use a face-lift, which would entail improved lighting, seating areas, pruning and planting of additional greenery. The proposed enhancements would attract more users of this important public space.</i>	25 Avenue and Butler Street
16/37	NYCTA	<b>Other transit infrastructure requests</b>	<i>MTA - Ensure system wide compliance</i>	
20/37	DOT	<b>Repair or provide new street lights</b>	<i>Add Street Lights from Junction Boulevard to Roosevelt Avenue.</i>	

21/37	DOT	<b>Other transportation infrastructure requests</b>	<i>Study the intersection of Junction Blvd. and 34th Ave up to 103rd Street between 31st Ave &amp; Astoria Blvd.</i>	Junction Blvd. 34th Ave up to 103rd St between 31st Ave & Astoria Blvd.
22/37	DOT	<b>Other transportation infrastructure requests</b>	<i>Re-evaluate traffic conditions along 75th to 78th Streets and 31st Ave.</i>	75th to 78th Streets 31st Ave 31st Ave
27/37	DOT	<b>Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps</b>	<i>Request: Provide funding for curb repair. Explanation: While the property owner is responsible for the repair of sidewalks and encouraged to replace curbs, all too often, violations go unaddressed because of financial difficulties or neglect. Unsafe conditions are left to the city to be corrected. It is therefore important that funding to hire more outside contractors to perform sidewalk and curb repairs be increase.</i>	
36/37	DOT	<b>Other traffic improvement requests</b>	<i>Replace sidewalks at Landing Lights A.</i>	
37/37	DOT	<b>Other traffic improvement requests</b>	<i>Repair raised pavers at Flushing Bay Promenade that is due to overgrown tree roots. (Potential trip hazards)</i>	
CS	DOT	<b>Reconstruct streets</b>	<i>Request: Resurface Streets in Community Board 3. Explanation: Resurface Junction Blvd. between Northern and Roosevelt Avenues, 37th Ave from Junction Blvd. to 114th Street, 82nd Street from Roosevelt Ave to the BQE, Roosevelt Ave from 114th to 69th Streets and Astoria Blvd. from 69th to 114th Streets.</i>	86th Street 25th Avenue 25th Avenue

### Expense Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
18/34	DOT	<b>Other traffic improvement requests</b>	<i>Request: Increase funding to hire additional personnel to install, replace traffic/street signs, repair pot holes for Queens DOT Explanation: Increase funding to hire personnel for sign replacement and pothole repair.</i>	

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25/34	DOT	<b>Other expense budget request for DOT</b>	<i>Install Cameras at the overpasses located at 27th &amp; 31st Drive on Ditmars Blvd.</i>	Ditmars Blvd. 27th Drive 27th Drive
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## **PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES**

### **Queens Community Board 3**

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

##### **Needs for Parks**

Open Space/Recreational Facilities and Programs Our community needs and deserves more park space. It is well documented that CB3.Queens comes in second citywide as to having the least amount of park space. PlanNYC indicates that Community Board3's open space is at .04 acres per 1000 residents, particularly in Jackson Heights. Combining the acreage of our athletic fields, courts, passive open spaces and community gardens totals .16 per 1000 resident. CB3 is woefully below the open space requirements set by NYC Neighborhood Standards. We are committed to finding creative ways in which to increase public spaces and recreational programming within our district. We have supported expanding our public space by converting local streets into temporary playstreets/plazas and purchased private property to enlarge a local park, i.e. 78th Street Playstreet, Diversity Plaza and Rory Staunton Field. While we are grateful for what has been accomplished thus far additional park space is sorely needed. We ask that funding be provided so that new sites can be identified and developed.

##### **Needs for Cultural Services**

Louis Armstrong House Museum- Education Visitor Center The Louis Armstrong House Museum is a National Historic Landmark and a New York City landmark. It is the only landmark located within the confines of Community Board3 LAMH is located in the heart of North Corona. It is reported that the museum hosts over 12,500 visitors each year. The Visitor's Center is in its final stages of development. The new addition will allow the institution to accommodate more visitors; large groups, provide housing for the storage of the Louis Armstrong Archives, and expand programming to include concerts and forums. The current space is too small to conduct the aforementioned activities. Community Board 3 fully supports this project. We request that the construction of the n Visitor's Center be fully funded; that work commences expeditiously and opened before the close of 2022.

##### **Needs for Library Services**

Libraries Community Board 3 has four libraries and all are well utilized. The Center for Urban Future indicates that visitors to the Jackson Heights branch exceeded 445,970, North Corona 240,466., Langston Hughes 168,849, and East Elmhurst 66,595. Our residents both adults and children rely on our local libraries for employment information, cultural and educational programs, and general access to the internet. Libraries have always been one of our top priorities. We are pleased to see that our local facilities will be opened six days a week. We now look forward to the advancement of the following projects: The expansion of the Jackson Heights Library, the children's center is extremely overcrowded; consideration should be given to constructing an annex that will be located close to the existing facility. The Jackson Heights facility is the most heavily utilized branch in North West Queens. Residents who live north of Northern Boulevard must travel a distance. Constituents complain that they would use library services more frequently if there were a facility closer to their neighborhood. We ask that the QPL System seriously consider our requests and move the aforementioned projects forward.

##### **Needs for Community Boards**

Increase Funding Levels for Community Boards and Provide Community Boards with Access to 311 Data Specific to Each Board Area (Include Addresses) . Explanation: Community Boards are understaffed, underfunded and have always worked with less even during times of prosperity. An increase in funding levels for Community Boards would be in order. In addition, the advent of Hurricane Sandy and Irene underscored the need for improved communications with 311. We need the ability to retrieve information from the 311 data base in order to analyze conditions that impact our community.

## Capital Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/37	QL	<b>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (QL)</b>	<i>Construct a new building and expand the capacity of the Jackson Heights Regional Library - keep allocation in place. Explanation: The Jackson Heights Branch is the most heavily utilized library facility in Northwest Queens. The library is the home to the most ethnically diverse population in the City. Space for expansion is available behind the present structure. A new facility will significantly reduce overcrowding.</i>	35-51 81 Street
5/37	DPR	<b>Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Malcolm X Promenade - Make essential repairs to fencing, rails, and decorative pavers.</i>	
8/37	QL	<b>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (QL)</b>	<i>Request: Construct Library in North West Sector of CB3. The Lexington School for the Deaf should be considered for a possible site. Explanation: The residents in this portion of the District are sorely lacking library facilities.</i>	
14/37	DPR	<b>Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Develop unused property located near the 94th Street entrance to the GCP for a dog park/sitting area. Explanation: Residents in this area would like to have a dog park developed on the unused property fronting the entrance to the Grand Central Parkway and 94th street. There is no facility in the immediate area.</i>	94 Street and Ditmars Boulevard
18/37	DPR	<b>Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Upgrade and Expand Veterans Memorial Park (32nd Ave &amp; 94th Street) sitting area to a recreational space for children and adults.</i>	32 Ave and 94 Street
23/37	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Reopen bathrooms located on the Flushing Bay Promenade near restaurant.</i>	

24/37	DCLA	<b>Other cultural facilities and resources requests</b>	<i>Construct a Community Performance Arts Center in Jackson Heights. The new facility would host local and international artists and could be the home of the Jackson Heights Orchester.</i>	
25/37	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Upgrade Gorman Park. Explanation: Gorman Park has received funding for the rehab of the playground. In FY2021 provide funding for phase 2. Upgrading the volleyball, basketball, and handball courts. Further, repair the catch basin and eliminate ponding and sewer backup conditions.</i>	84th Street and 25th Avenue
26/37	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Rehab ramp and railings underneath Marina.</i>	
28/37	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park</b>	<i>Upgrade Northern Playground (Including play equipment, restrooms, and sitting area). Make it more colorful.</i>	
29/37	DPR	<b>Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park</b>	<i>Repair/Replace decorative pavers at Flushing Bay Promenade. (Trip Hazard)</i>	
33/37	DPR	<b>Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Upgrade Gorman Park Multipurpose area and exercise equipment (chin up bars, etc) adjacent to men's room.</i>	
34/37	DPR	<b>Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Upgrade Louis Armstrong Playground at P.S 143 (Including Spray Shower).</i>	
35/37	DPR	<b>Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Upgrade Private William Gray Park (98 St. between Northern Blvd. &amp; 32nd Ave) play equipment, plantings and replace benches.</i>	
CS	QL	<b>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (QL)</b>	<i>Request: Expand East Elmhurst Library. Explanation: The East Elmhurst Community urgently needs a cultural facility and the expansion of the library to accommodate the increase in users. Proceed with the final phase of the expansion; construction by the start of FY 2017</i>	95-06 Astoria Blvd



CS	QL	<b>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (QL)</b>	<i>Request: Expand Corona Library Explanation: This heavily used facility is one of only four libraries in community Board 3. Whether expansion entails building up or acquiring adjacent property, the new addition would be welcomed.</i>	38-23 104 St
CS	DPR	<b>Other park maintenance and safety requests</b>	<i>Continued Support: Repair the drainage at Flushing Meadows Corona Park.</i>	
CS	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park</b>	<i>Continued Support - Restore the Queens Green House at Forest Park.</i>	
CS	DCLA	<b>Other cultural facilities and resources requests</b>	<i>Construct a Visitor Center for Louis Armstrong House Museum. Explanation: We request that the construction of the Visitor Center be fully funded and work commence expeditiously. Community Board 3 fully supports this project.</i>	34-56 107 Street

#### Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
5/34	QL	<b>Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs (QL)</b>	<i>Request: Keep Queens Libraries Open 7 Days a week with one late night closing at 10:00pm. Explanation: Our libraries are heavily utilized and do not meet the needs of CB3 constituents. Provide funding to restore our libraries to full operational capacity.</i>	
11/34	DPR	<b>Other expense budget request for DPR</b>	<i>Request: Install free WIFI in CB3 parks and Plazas. Explanation: Upgrade our area parks by installing free WIFI services. Keep park users plugged in and informed.</i>	
13/34	DPR	<b>Other park programming requests</b>	<i>Request: Increase parks staffing levels for maintenance personnel. Hire a parks associates for PS 127 and Junction Boulevard parks and assistant gardener. Explanation: CB3 requires additional associates in our area parks. currently there are only two associates in the entire district, Gorman park and Travers. Our community has increased by 40,000 residents, we deserve more programs and services.</i>	

21/34	DPR	<b>New equipment for maintenance</b>	<i>Purchase a Wenger Wagon - Provide funding for the purchase of a Wenger Wagon. Community groups depend on the parks department to provide an inexpensive way of showcasing their events. The Borough could use more than one mobile stage.</i>
28/34	DPR	<b>New equipment for maintenance</b>	<i>Purchase a John Deere Quick Track Riding Mower</i>
29/34	DPR	<b>Other expense budget request for DPR</b>	<i>Provide separate independent electrical source at the performance area/stage in Travers Park</i>
31/34	DPR	<b>Other park maintenance and safety requests</b>	<i>Funding for this program will provide staffing to maintain the park landscapes,gardens, lawns and other horticultural amenities.</i>
32/34	DPR	<b>Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting</b>	<i>Request: Extend fencing at Northern Boulevard Playground. Explanation: Part of the fencing at this playground is chain linked and the balance is wrought iron. Remove the chain linked portion of the fence and replace it with wrought iron for safety and aesthetic reasons.</i>

## 6. OTHER BUDGET REQUESTS

### Other Capital Requests

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

### Other Expense Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
16/34	DOITT	<b>Other expense budget request for DoITT</b>	<i>Improve access to government services and information by sharing 311 data with Community Boards.</i>	
22/34	DCWP	<b>Other expense budget request for DCA</b>	<i>Hire Additional Consumer Affairs agents to conduct night and weekend street vending inspections.</i>	

## 7. SUMMARY OF PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

### Capital Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/37	SCA	<b>Provide a new or expand an existing elementary school</b>	<i>Request: Construct new school facilities in CB3, especially Early Childhood Centers, and a High School at Willets Point. Explanation: We are pleased that two new sites have been earmarked for the construction of an elementary &amp; intermediate school; every seat will be utilized. Overcrowding of classrooms is still our most pressing problem and must be addressed. The need for additional school seats and the construction of a high school remains our first priority. An ideal location for a high school is Willets Point. Another potential site would be the former DeBlasi Ford car dealership located on Northern Boulevard and 114th Street.</i>	
2/37	DEP	<b>Other capital budget request for DEP</b>	<i>Request: Dredge the entire Flushing Bay including the commercial channel. Explanation: Construct additional holding tanks in Flushing Bay in order to reduce the amount of waste entering into the bay. The holding tanks must be put in place before the Bay is dredged and the Army Corp of Engineers recommendations are implemented.</i>	
3/37	QL	<b>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (QL)</b>	<i>Construct a new building and expand the capacity of the Jackson Heights Regional Library - keep allocation in place. Explanation: The Jackson Heights Branch is the most heavily utilized library facility in Northwest Queens. The library is the home to the most ethnically diverse population in the City. Space for expansion is available behind the present structure. A new facility will significantly reduce overcrowding.</i>	35-51 81 Street
4/37	DEP	<b>Other capital budget request for DEP</b>	<i>Due to severe flooding caused by hurricane Ida, it is important that CB3's combined sewer system be upgraded to a dedicated sewer system to ensure that the incidence of flooding will be reduced.</i>	

5/37	DPR	<b>Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Malcolm X Promenade - Make essential repairs to fencing, rails, and decorative pavers.</i>	
6/37	HPD	<b>Provide more housing for extremely low and low income households</b>	<i>Construct affordable housing for middle and low-income families. Explanation: Strategies and programs must be developed to stimulate the production of new/affordable housing facilities. There is a severe shortage of housing for the aforementioned income group.</i>	
7/37	HPD	<b>Other affordable housing programs requests</b>	<i>Request: Construct Affordable Housing for Middle &amp; Low-Income seniors. Explanation: Strategies and programs must be developed to stimulate the production of new/affordable housing facilities. There is a severe shortage of housing for the aforementioned income groups.</i>	
8/37	QL	<b>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (QL)</b>	<i>Request: Construct Library in North West Sector of CB3. The Lexington School for the Deaf should be considered for a possible site. Explanation: The residents in this portion of the District are sorely lacking library facilities.</i>	
9/37	DOT	<b>Other transportation infrastructure requests</b>	<i>Construct a traffic study of the Grand Central Parkway exist located at 114th Street and Northern Blvd.</i>	114th Street 114th Street and Northern Blvd. 114th Street and Northern Blvd.
10/37	DOT	<b>Other transportation infrastructure requests</b>	<i>Construct a traffic study of the entrance of 114th Street and Astoria Blvd.</i>	114th Street & Astoria Blvd.
11/37	FDNY	<b>Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances</b>	<i>Purchase a Bariatric Ambulance Unit.</i>	

12/37	DOT	<b>Upgrade or create new greenways</b>	<i>Request: Beautify the center mall on Astoria Boulevard. Explanation: Plant Shrubs &amp; trees along the Center Mall from 82 Street to 114 Streets at Astoria Boulevard to increase greenery and beautify the community. Most importantly, improve conditions so that pedestrians may safely access Astoria Boulevard. Provide funding to a not-for-profit organization such as the Botanical Gardens to maintain the greenery.</i>	Astoria Boulevard 82 Street 82 Street
13/37	DOT	<b>Upgrade or create new greenways</b>	<i>Request: Beautify the Center Mall on 34th Avenue from 112th to 114th streets. Explanation: Plant shrubs and trees to increase greenery. Provide funding to a not-for-profit organization to maintain the site.</i>	34 Street 112 Street 112 Street
14/37	DPR	<b>Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Develop unused property located near the 94th Street entrance to the GCP for a dog park/sitting area. Explanation: Residents in this area would like to have a dog park developed on the unused property fronting the entrance to the Grand Central Parkway and 94th street. There is no facility in the immediate area.</i>	94 Street and Ditmars Boulevard
15/37	DOT	<b>Repair or build new step streets</b>	<i>Redesign Step Street at Butler/Ditmars Blvd. and 25th Ave. Explanation: The 25th Ave step street could use a face-lift, which would entail improved lighting, seating areas, pruning and planting of additional greenery. The proposed enhancements would attract more users of this important public space.</i>	25 Avenue and Butler Street
16/37	NYCTA	<b>Other transit infrastructure requests</b>	<i>MTA - Ensure system wide compliance</i>	
17/37	DEP	<b>Other capital budget request for DEP</b>	<i>Employ interim measures to control floatables going into Flushing Bay and restore the wetlands</i>	
18/37	DPR	<b>Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Upgrade and Expand Veterans Memorial Park (32nd Ave &amp; 94th Street) sitting area to a recreational space for children and adults.</i>	32 Ave and 94 Street
19/37	FDNY	<b>Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations</b>	<i>Upgrade the FDNY Engine 307/154 kitchen.</i>	8119 Northern Blvd

20/37	DOT	<b>Repair or provide new street lights</b>	<i>Add Street Lights from Junction Boulevard to Roosevelt Avenue.</i>	
21/37	DOT	<b>Other transportation infrastructure requests</b>	<i>Study the intersection of Junction Blvd. and 34th Ave up to 103rd Street between 31st Ave &amp; Astoria Blvd.</i>	Junction Blvd. 34th Ave up to 103rd St between 31st Ave & Astoria Blvd.
22/37	DOT	<b>Other transportation infrastructure requests</b>	<i>Re-evaluate traffic conditions along 75th to 78th Streets and 31st Ave.</i>	75th to 78th Streets 31st Ave 31st Ave
23/37	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Reopen bathrooms located on the Flushing Bay Promenade near restaurant.</i>	
24/37	DCLA	<b>Other cultural facilities and resources requests</b>	<i>Construct a Community Performance Arts Center in Jackson Heights. The new facility would host local and international artists and could be the home of the Jackson Heights Orchester.</i>	
25/37	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Upgrade Gorman Park. Explanation: Gorman Park has received funding for the rehab of the playground. In FY2021 provide funding for phase 2. Upgrading the volleyball, basketball, and handball courts. Further, repair the catch basin and eliminate ponding and sewer backup conditions.</i>	84th Street and 25th Avenue
26/37	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Rehab ramp and railings underneath Marina.</i>	
27/37	DOT	<b>Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps</b>	<i>Request: Provide funding for curb repair. Explanation: While the property owner is responsible for the repair of sidewalks and encouraged to replace curbs, all too often, violations go unaddressed because of financial difficulties or neglect. Unsafe conditions are left to the city to be corrected. It is therefore important that funding to hire more outside contractors to perform sidewalk and curb repairs be increase.</i>	

28/37	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park</b>	<i>Upgrade Northern Playground (Including play equipment, restrooms, and sitting area). Make it more colorful.</i>
29/37	DPR	<b>Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park</b>	<i>Repair/Replace decorative pavers at Flushing Bay Promenade. (Trip Hazard)</i>
30/37	FDNY	<b>Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances</b>	<i>Purchase a Medical Service Vehicle - FDNY/EMS for the Borough of Queens (for 10 patients at a time can be attended to on this mobile vehicle) Existing vehicle is over 29 years old.</i>
31/37	FDNY	<b>Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests</b>	<i>Purchase for FDNY - Mutual aid Rapid Response Vehicle - For Citywide use state of the art vehicle that will transport equipment and supplies in emergency situations.</i>
32/37	FDNY	<b>Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station</b>	<i>At EMS Unit 406 - Upgrade men's locker room and shower.</i>
33/37	DPR	<b>Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Upgrade Gorman Park Multipurpose area and exercise equipment (chin up bars, etc) adjacent to men's room.</i>
34/37	DPR	<b>Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Upgrade Louis Armstrong Playground at P.S 143 (Including Spray Shower).</i>
35/37	DPR	<b>Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Upgrade Private William Gray Park (98 St. between Northern Blvd. &amp; 32nd Ave) play equipment, plantings and replace benches.</i>
36/37	DOT	<b>Other traffic improvement requests</b>	<i>Replace sidewalks at Landing Lights A.</i>
37/37	DOT	<b>Other traffic improvement requests</b>	<i>Repair raised pavers at Flushing Bay Promenade that is due to overgrown tree roots. (Potential trip hazards)</i>



CS	DEP	<b>Other capital budget request for DEP</b>	<i>Request: Fund a Study For The Construction of a Separate Sewer System for 103rd &amp; Northern Blvd., 25th Avenue &amp; 81st Street, 77th Street &amp; 30th Avenue, 25th Avenue and 77th Street and 25th Avenue and 76th Street. Explanation: Neighborhoods that were once comprised of one &amp; two family homes have been replaced with units of six to ten families. These changes have increased the demand on our infrastructure &amp; sewer system. Before 1996, conditions were confined to East Elmhurst or North of Northern Blvd. Sewer backup conditions are now district-wide.</i>	
CS	QL	<b>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (QL)</b>	<i>Request: Expand East Elmhurst Library. Explanation: The East Elmhurst Community urgently needs a cultural facility and the expansion of the library to accommodate the increase in users. Proceed with the final phase of the expansion; construction by the start of FY 2017</i>	95-06 Astoria Blvd
CS	QL	<b>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (QL)</b>	<i>Request: Expand Corona Library Explanation: This heavily used facility is one of only four libraries in community Board 3. Whether expansion entails building up or acquiring adjacent property, the new addition would be welcomed.</i>	38-23 104 St
CS	DOT	<b>Reconstruct streets</b>	<i>Request: Resurface Streets in Community Board 3. Explanation: Resurface Junction Blvd. between Northern and Roosevelt Avenues, 37th Ave from Junction Blvd. to 114th Street, 82nd Street from Roosevelt Ave to the BQE, Roosevelt Ave from 114th to 69th Streets and Astoria Blvd. from 69th to 114th Streets.</i>	86th Street 25th Avenue 25th Avenue
CS	DPR	<b>Other park maintenance and safety requests</b>	<i>Continued Support: Repair the drainage at Flushing Meadows Corona Park.</i>	
CS	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park</b>	<i>Continued Support - Restore the Queens Green House at Forest Park.</i>	
CS	DCLA	<b>Other cultural facilities and resources requests</b>	<i>Construct a Visitor Center for Louis Armstrong House Museum. Explanation: We request that the construction of the Visitor Center be fully funded and work commence expeditiously. Community Board 3 fully supports this project.</i>	34-56 107 Street

## Expense Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/34	DEP	<b>Investigate air quality complaints at specific location</b>	<i>Request: Install Air Monitors in the Neighborhoods of Jackson Heights and East Elmhurst that are located near LaGuardia Airport. Explanation: CB3 is surrounded by Laguardia Airport, BQE andGrand Central Parkway. Our residents are concerned about the impact of fumes emanating from motor vehicles and planes in the community. There is a high incidence of asthma &amp; respiratory disease in our district. The need to install air monitors in our area is clear.</i>	
2/34	HPD	<b>Other expense budget request for HPD</b>	<i>Make the pilot program to bring basement apartment up to code Citywide.</i>	
3/34	DOHMH	<b>Other programs to address public health issues requests</b>	<i>Increase funding for rodent abatement.</i>	
4/34	NYPD	<b>Hire additional uniformed officers</b>	<i>Request: Restore our full compliment of full personnel and hire additional Police, NCO officers, administrative aides, custodial personnel, and school safety guards. Explanation: Hire additional custodial personnel for the 115 precinct. The additional staff will improve the precinct's day-to-day operations and upkeep.</i>	92-15 Northern Blvd
5/34	QL	<b>Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs (QL)</b>	<i>Request: Keep Queens Libraries Open 7 Days a week with one late night closing at 10:00pm. Explanation: Our libraries are heavily utilized and do not meet the needs of CB3 constituents. Provide funding to restore our libraries to full operational capacity.</i>	
6/34	DOHMH	<b>Other programs to address public health issues requests</b>	<i>Increase funding for insecure food pantry program.</i>	

7/34	DSNY	<b>Provide more frequent litter basket collection</b>	<i>Restore litter basket collections to three times per day in our commercial strips – 37th Ave; Junction Blvd; Roosevelt Ave; Northern Blvd; 103rd Street; and 74th Street; Astoria Blvd., 73rd and 72nd Streets in Jackson Heights. Hire additional personnel for 11am- 7pm shift in order to increase litter basket patrol truck service particularly during weekends.</i>
8/34	NYPD	<b>Hire additional traffic enforcement agents</b>	<i>Increase funding to hire additional traffic enforcement agents to address double parking and other traffic infractions.</i>
9/34	DYCD	<b>Other youth workforce development requests</b>	<i>Request: Restore and Increase funding for youth, adult and senior programming in Jackson Heights, North Corona and East Elmhurst. Explanation: There is a severe shortage of programs in CD3 that cater to the recreational needs of our youth and seniors. Our community deserves quality facilities and programming that will enrich our lives.</i>
10/34	DSNY	<b>Other garbage collection and recycling requests</b>	<i>Increase funding for additional cleaning services to Roosevelt Ave from 69th to 114th Streets.</i>
11/34	DPR	<b>Other expense budget request for DPR</b>	<i>Request: Install free WIFI in CB3 parks and Plazas. Explanation: Upgrade our area parks by installing free WIFI services. Keep park users plugged in and informed.</i>
12/34	DSNY	<b>Other cleaning requests</b>	<i>Provide funding for MLP service in section 31. The monies would allow sanitation to provide additional services to the streets located in this section of the district.</i>
13/34	DPR	<b>Other park programming requests</b>	<i>Request: Increase parks staffing levels for maintenance personnel. Hire a parks associates for PS 127 and Junction Boulevard parks and assistant gardener. Explanation: CB3 requires additional associates in our area parks. currently there are only two associates in the entire district, Gorman park and Travers. Our community has increased by 40,000 residents, we deserve more programs and services.</i>

14/34	EDC	<b>Expand clean space initiatives for public sites and graffiti free removal program for private sites along commercial business corridors</b>	<i>Request: Increase Graffiti Removal Programs. Explanation: To combat the increased incidence of graffiti CD#3, Additional monies are needed to these support programs.</i>
15/34	DOE	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance funding for Child Care and Head Start programs</b>	<i>Request: Restore Day Care Slots and after school programs. Explanation: Our Community's population has increased. Many of our young working families require day care services &amp; after school programs. Working parents deserve programs that will serve the needs of their pre-school children ages three months to five years old.</i>
16/34	DOITT	<b>Other expense budget request for DoITT</b>	<i>Improve access to government services and information by sharing 311 data with Community Boards.</i>
17/34	SBS	<b>Other expense budget request for SBS</b>	<i>Re-establish Neighborhood Business Development programs.</i>
18/34	DOT	<b>Other traffic improvement requests</b>	<i>Request: Increase funding to hire additional personnel to install, replace traffic/street signs, repair pot holes for Queens DOT Explanation: Increase funding to hire personnel for sign replacement and pothole repair.</i>
19/34	DOB	<b>Other expense budget request for DOB</b>	<i>Increase staffing Level for DOB Compliance Unit.</i>
20/34	HPD	<b>Expand programs for housing inspections to correct code violations</b>	<i>HPD - Increase inspectorial staffing levels for HPD (Housing Preservation and Development)</i>
21/34	DPR	<b>New equipment for maintenance</b>	<i>Purchase a Wenger Wagon - Provide funding for the purchase of a Wenger Wagon. Community groups depend on the parks department to provide an inexpensive way of showcasing their events. The Borough could use more than one mobile stage.</i>
22/34	DCWP	<b>Other expense budget request for DCA</b>	<i>Hire Additional Consumer Affairs agents to conduct night and weekend street vending inspections.</i>

23/34	DOHMH	<b>Increase health and safety inspections, e.g. for restaurants and childcare programs</b>	<i>Request: Hire additional Department of Health Inspectors to conduct night inspections. Explanation: Unlicensed food vending along Roosevelt Ave, Broadway, 74th and 37th Avenues are increasing. The community would benefit from having more inspections conducted particularly at night where the problem is most prevalent.</i>	
24/34	DFTA	<b>Enhance NORC programs and health services</b>	<i>Request: Provide funding to increase NORC (Naturally Occurring Retirement Community) Programming in CB3. Explanation: Seniors are the second largest population within CB3. It is important that senior programming such as NORC be made available to our elder residents. Providing health and social services within the confines of their coop/apartment complex would significantly improve their quality of life.</i>	
25/34	DOT	<b>Other expense budget request for DOT</b>	<i>Install Cameras at the overpasses located at 27th &amp; 31st Drive on Ditmars Blvd.</i>	Ditmars Blvd. 27th Drive 27th Drive
26/34	DOE	<b>Other educational programs requests</b>	<i>STEAM is a method of instruction that incorporates Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Mathematics and helps to promote student critical thinking. Every classroom should have access to these important resources.</i>	
27/34	DEP	<b>Inspect sanitary sewer on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed</b>	<i>Increase DEP sewer and water unit personnel</i>	
28/34	DPR	<b>New equipment for maintenance</b>	<i>Purchase a John Deere Quick Track Riding Mower</i>	
29/34	DPR	<b>Other expense budget request for DPR</b>	<i>Provide separate independent electrical source at the performance area/stage in Travers Park</i>	
30/34	DSNY	<b>Increase enforcement of illegal posting laws</b>	<i>Increase funding for illegal posting personnel.</i>	
31/34	DPR	<b>Other park maintenance and safety requests</b>	<i>Funding for this program will provide staffing to maintain the park landscapes, gardens, lawns and other horticultural amenities.</i>	

32/34	DPR	<b>Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting</b>	<i>Request: Extend fencing at Northern Boulevard Playground. Explanation: Part of the fencing at this playground is chain linked and the balance is wrought iron. Remove the chain linked portion of the fence and replace it with wrought iron for safety and aesthetic reasons.</i>
33/34	SBS	<b>Other business regulatory assistance requests</b>	<i>Implement Economic Development programs which would include entrepreneurial training, loan packaging, micro Loan Program, management training, export assistance.. Assistance is needed to coordinate neighborhood redevelopment, marketing &amp; anti-graffiti programs. Funding these programs would make a significant difference for the business community in CB3..</i>
34/34	HHC	<b>Other expense budget request for HHC</b>	<i>More hospitals are needed.</i>