

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

Fiscal Year  
2024

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**Manhattan  
Community District  
8**

## Letter from DCP Director Daniel Garodnick

To my fellow New Yorkers:

Every year, each of New York City's 59 community boards advocate for the needs of its residents and stakeholders by preparing a Statement of Community District (CD) Needs and Community Board Budget Requests. Through this process, community boards share the top issues impacting their neighborhoods and propose capital and expense requests to address those identified needs. I'd like to thank the volunteer members of our community boards and the District Managers who work so hard in leading this essential process and in preparing these reports.

The annual CD Needs process is the product of months of collaboration and public input and is a valuable tool for New Yorkers to participate in neighborhood planning. At the broadest levels, CD Needs offers a critical window into the challenges faced by New Yorkers, and how those challenges may differ across neighborhoods. At a granular level, it provides a forum through which community leaders specify those needs and make recommendations for spending -- which in turn are used by City agencies, elected officials, advocacy groups, and non-profit service providers, among others, to better understand and meet the individual needs of each community board.

Through this year's submissions, we heard the stories of our communities' biggest challenges, such as the human impacts of our housing crisis. In that vein, community boards again selected affordable housing as the most pressing issue citywide, followed by crime and public safety, and parks and open space. Through our online form, community boards generated more than 3,700 budget requests, and for each, one of 28 City agencies responded to indicate whether the request could be accommodated within the upcoming annual budget. This year, in line with our commitment to increasing transparency across the CD Needs process, we are publishing agency responses to these requests in the final section of these reports.

DCP deeply values our partnership with community boards. We remain committed to supporting them by increasing participation in, and improving the transparency of, the CD Needs process. We have received valuable feedback from our community board partners, and we are excited to work with them to continue improving our online submission form, to connect boards with agencies to advance budget request proposals, and to open the form earlier in the calendar year to allow more time for public input and preparation. We look forward to advancing this work with both community boards and City agencies to ensure this is a valuable and productive way to improve our City's neighborhoods and to respond to local community needs.

Sincerely,



## INTRODUCTION

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

## HOW TO USE THIS REPORT

This report represents the Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the community board, collected through an online form available to community boards from July to November, 2022.

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

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This report is broadly structured as follows:

### 1. Overarching Community District Needs

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

### 2. Policy Area-Specific District Needs

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

### 3. Community Board Budget Requests

The final section includes the two types of budget requests submitted to the City for the FY24 budget cycle; one list for capital and another for expense budget requests. For each budget request, community boards were able to provide a priority number, explanation, location, and supporters. OMB remains the definitive source on budget requests submitted to city agencies.

## Disclaimer

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

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

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

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# 1. COMMUNITY BOARD INFORMATION

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## 2. 2020 CENSUS DATA

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

## New York City

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
<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

## Manhattan

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

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



## Manhattan Community District 8

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
<b>AGE</b>							
Total population	219,920	100.00	231,983	100.00	12,063	5.5	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	30,678	13.9	33,594	14.5	2,916	9.5	0.6
<b>MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN</b>							
Total population	219,920	100.0	231,983	100.0	12,063	5.5	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	15,563	7.1	18,517	8.0	2,954	19.0	0.9
White non-Hispanic	173,711	79.0	170,406	73.5	-3,305	-1.9	-5.5
Black non-Hispanic	7,098	3.2	6,257	2.7	-841	-11.8	-0.5
Asian non-Hispanic	18,847	8.6	26,536	11.4	7,689	40.8	2.8
Some other race, non-Hispanic	833	0.4	1,789	0.8	956	114.8	0.4
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	3,868	1.8	8,478	3.7	4,610	119.2	1.9
<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>							
Total housing units	136,751	100.0	138,922	100.0	2,171	1.6	0.0
Occupied housing units	120,193	87.9	122,565	88.2	2,372	2.0	0.3
Vacant housing units	16,558	12.1	16,357	11.8	-201	-1.2	-0.3

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

### Statement on Data Accuracy

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

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

### 3. OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT

Roosevelt Island and the Upper East Side of Manhattan, from the north side of East 59th Street to the south side of East 96th Street between Fifth Avenue and the East River, comprise Manhattan Community District 8. In addition to our diverse population, we are home to dozens of diplomatic residences, world famous hospitals, medical research centers, and world-renowned museums. According to the 2020 census, 231,983 people live on the Upper East Side of Manhattan, a 7.7% increase from 2010. Prosperous economic times and a major building boom that began during the 1990's have added thousands of new dwelling units to the district. Today, the district continues to grow at an amazing pace. The 1999 median household income for the District was \$74,134. Census data provided by the American Sommmunity Survey in 2021 show 10% of the individuals in the district live below the poverty level. There is also a large segment of the population with special needs. More than 21% of CD8's residents are senior citizens, with a high number of frail elderly. There is also a number of working poor living in the district. With affordable housing becoming increasingly scarce, commercial rent escalating, and the prices of goods and services dramatically rising, our middle class residents are struggling to meet their budgets. The influx of new residents, shoppers, and tourists have strained the delivery of municipal service.

## 4. TOP THREE PRESSING ISSUES OVERALL

### Manhattan Community Board 8

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The three most pressing issues facing this Community Board are:

#### **Affordable housing**

Affordable housing - In response to New York City's (NYC) and the district's lack of sufficient affordable housing units; the Board has voiced its overall support of retaining and increasing affordable housing in the district and recommends additional units in new developments be set aside as affordable units. The Board supports continued rent relief to aid both renters and landlords impacted by COVID. Additionally, the Board recommends rescinding the NYC Administrative Code §26-511, C, 9 of the NYC Rent Stabilization Law of 1969, a law that has increased institutional expansion within the district. The Board further recommends additional investments in NYCHA housing to bring the apartments up to a state of good repair

#### **Parks and open space**

Parks - The effects of climate change and the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic have demonstrated just how vital open space and parklands are to the City's overall resiliency and public health. With some of the fewest parks and open spaces per population size in the City, it is essential to preserve and protect these critical resources in CB8. Additional funding is needed to complete the rehabilitation and reconstruction of the East River Esplanade. Other parks in need of repairs and upgrades include Andrew Haswell Green Phase 3, Samuel Seabury Playground, and Twenty-Four Sycamores Park in order to better serve our community and assure our City's resilience against extreme weather. Additional parks enforcement personnel are also needed in our neighborhood parks to protect the safety and security of all park users.

#### **Schools**

Schools - The total number of residents below the age of 18 increased 9.5% between 2010 and 2020. During the same period the number of housing units increased by 1.6% and the number of vacant units declined by 1.2%. At the same time the Community is faced with an influx of new high-rise construction featuring 3,4, and 5 bedroom family-sized apartments. As a result of these changes, there is a need for additional school seats in the district, including #K seats. The increase in the number of school children in our district will further overwhelm the system and the crowding in the existing schools will diminish the quality of the education for everyone. A good school system keeps families from moving out of the city, and these families form our tax base which is desperately needed to provide the other services that the city requires. School funding is a necessity in our district and will determine the fate of the city.

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

### HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

#### Manhattan Community Board 8

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

###### **Other**

All of the above. Community Board 8 Manhattan remains strongly in favor of continued support for homeless services, mental health and substance abuse services, environmental health issues, senior services, domestic violence and elder abuse victim services, and supports public and private sector efforts to assist the diverse population in our community. We are particularly concerned that with the city's homeless population at record setting levels, the Department for Homeless Services saw fit to promulgate, and persists in its attempts to implement, new shelter eligibility rules deemed likely to further swell the numbers of homeless single individuals. CB8M supports Safe Haven facilities that provide on-site social, health and recreational support services to pave a path to permanent housing.

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

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

The main programs for seniors are offered by Lenox Hill Neighborhood House (partially funded by the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA), Stanley M. Isaacs Neighborhood Center (a NYCHA facility), Carter Burden Center for the Aging, Roosevelt Island Senior Center, and Search and Care. CB8M has advocated for maintaining NYCHA social service programs, including the NYCHA senior centers at Lenox Hill and Stanley Isaacs, congregate meal programs, and the youth, family, and after school programs. CB8M remains strongly in favor of continued support for homeless services and supports public and private sector efforts to assist the diverse homeless population in our community. Our Community Board strongly supports the development of Safe Haven Sites run by experienced and well-regarded providers of Safe Haven services, such as Goddard Riverside. A top capital priority is increased funding for permanent affordable and supportive housing for homeless individuals and families. We support the efforts of the faith-based organizations to maintain their homeless shelter beds and of the food pantries in and out of our district to continue their work of feeding our hungry. Overall, the area of homeless services continues to be one of loss and insufficiency. There is an urgent need for additional programs that address the root causes of homelessness.

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

The population of our district includes the largest percentage of older adults, 60+, in Manhattan (20.8%). A significant percentage of these (21.5%) live below the poverty level, or are frail, or both. Contrary to popular perception, it also includes a varying but seemingly growing number of individuals without shelter. According to City Harvest 1.6 million New Yorkers of all ages experience food insecurity. Visits to NYC pantries and soup kitchens are up 69% since 2019. Food prices are rising at the fastest rate in decades. Increased funding for food pantries and soup kitchens is essential to support the food insecure in our community. In addition, a primary and consistent concern for our board is protecting the senior centers and programs that provide services to seniors regardless of income. These centers and programs provide older members of the community with social interaction and nutrition, two elements vital to maintaining their long-term health and well-being. It is imperative that senior center budgets be included in the Mayor's budget, and we urge that in the future critical senior programs such as case management and elder abuse prevention be treated as essential budget items. The main programs for seniors are offered by Lenox Hill Neighborhood House (partially funded by the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA), Stanley M. Isaacs Neighborhood Center (a NYCHA facility), Carter Burden Center for the Aging, Roosevelt Island Senior Center, and Search and Care. CB8M has advocated for maintaining NYCHA social service programs, including the NYCHA senior centers at Lenox Hill and Stanley Isaacs.

**Needs for Homeless**

We are particularly concerned that with the city's homeless population at record setting levels, the Department for Homeless Services saw fit to promulgate, and persists in its attempts to implement, new shelter eligibility rules deemed likely to further swell the numbers of homeless single individuals.

**Needs for Low Income NYs**

CB8M continues to support strongly the services and programs aimed at aiding those of our community who are in need; they remain critically important. CB8M urges the City to respond strongly to this growing segment of our city's population.

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## Capital Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
7/19	DHS	<b>Other capital budget request for DHS</b>	<i>DHS should work closely with HPD to fund much needed housing for the most vulnerable of our residents. This includes full funding of the Safe Haven CB8 approved for 91st Street.</i>	

## Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
4/29	DOHMH	<b>Animal and pest control requests including reducing rat and mosquito populations</b>	<i>Increase funding for rodent extermination on city streets and in the parks</i>	
8/29	DFTA	<b>Enhance home care services</b>	<i>Increase funding for services to Older Adults including Personal and Home Care, Transportation Services, Meals-On-Wheels, Senior Congregate Care Meal Programs and Case Managers.</i>	
10/29	HRA	<b>Expand, or enhance Emergency Food Assistance Program (EFAP)</b>	<i>Increase funding to support food pantries and other community organizations that provide meals and groceries to food insecure residents of Community District 8.</i>	
14/29	DHS	<b>Expand street outreach</b>	<i>Increase funding for mental health and other services targeted to the homeless as well as for Homeless Services Outreach personnel, especially during the overnight hours.</i>	
19/29	DOHMH	<b>Other programs to address public health issues requests</b>	<i>Increase funding for the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Enforcement of all food vendor rules and regulations.</i>	
25/29	DFTA	<b>Enhance programs for elder abuse victims</b>	<i>Provide funding for Eviction Prevention Services for At-Risk Senior Citizens.</i>	

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26/29

HRA

**Provide, expand, or  
enhance rental  
assistance  
programs/vouchers  
for permanent  
housing**

*Further increase funding for more permanent  
housing for homeless people.*

## YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

### Manhattan Community Board 8

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

##### **Other**

All of the above. Community Board 8 Manhattan would like to see more school seats in all schools within the district, including early childhood 3-K seats. In addition, CB8 strongly supports continuing increased funding for summer youth employment programs, after school programming, youth workforce development and other summer employment, adolescent substance abuse, child welfare, adoption and foster care, and mental health services for youth.

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

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

CB8M is extremely concerned about the lack of early childhood seats in the district as well as the conversion of cluster rooms to regular classrooms and a lack of specialty teachers for art, music, etc. for the schools in our district. In addition, changes in high school admission policies have resulted in a substantial decrease in district high school offers to students who reside in the district. The Board supports a diverse and inclusive school district and to meet the demand for high performing schools, supports the construction of new middle and high schools in the district. There is also a need for increased funding for CUNY.

Youth and Community Services and Programs: The Board also recognizes the importance of providing adequate day care and after school facilities for our children. There are many CD8 residents, especially single working parents, who need affordable day care and after school programs, but whose income slightly surpasses eligibility requirements. Additional affordable programs are essential. We continue to request increased funding for childcare and after-school programs, including infant care.

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

The Board also recognizes the importance of providing adequate day care and after school facilities for our children. There are many CD8 residents, especially single working parents, who need affordable day care and after school programs, but whose income slightly surpasses eligibility requirements. Additional affordable programs are essential. We continue to request increased funding for childcare and afterschool programs, including infant care. An important issue yet to be adequately addressed is the need for programs to prevent abuse and neglect. CB8M feels that there is a need for strong evidence-based programs to provide intensive support to at-risk families. Such therapies will increase family functioning while reducing the need for unnecessary and costly out of home care.



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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/19	SCA	<b>Provide a new or expand an existing high school</b>	<i>Provide funding for additional 3K, Pre-K, Elementary, Middle and High School seats in Community District 8.</i>	

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/29	DOE	<b>Other educational programs requests</b>	<i>Fund 3-K and Pre-K seats in CB8</i>	
3/29	DYCD	<b>Other youth workforce development requests</b>	<i>Increase funding for youth programs in CB8. Fully fund the Summer Youth Employment Program, Learning to Work Program, and other youth workforce development programs.</i>	
6/29	DYCD	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance the out-of-school youth program for job training and employment services</b>	<i>Provide additional funding for youth services at the Isaacs Center and give priority for Isaacs Center programs to youth and adolescent residents of Holmes Towers and Isaacs Houses.</i>	
15/29	DYCD	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for elementary school students (grades K-5)</b>	<i>Fund accessible and affordable Out of School Time and DayCare programs for all children who go to school in CD8 or who have parents that work in CD8.</i>	
17/29	ACS	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance preventive services and community based alternatives for youth</b>	<i>Provide additional funding for Children Services, especially programs to prevent abuse and neglect.</i>	

## PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

### Manhattan Community Board 8

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

##### **Other**

"All of the above. Community Board 8 Manhattan maintains a close working relationship with the 19th Precinct, Manhattan North, the Central Park Precinct, and the 114th Precinct, which serves Roosevelt Island from Queens. To enable the precinct to protect our community the Board supports efforts to upgrade and repair the 19th Precinct building, including repairs to the Air Conditioning System. CB8M is concerned about the rise of violent crimes in the district. The issue of public safety was rated the top priority in a survey of community residents. There has been a cutback in the presence of police officer presence on the streets. The Board strongly supports an increase in community policing in our neighborhoods and in our parks. The Board is concerned about the increased number of homeless in the community. CB8M continues to be concerned about bike enforcement and the number of scams and fraud against the elderly and vulnerable as well as Grand Larceny and Pedestrian Safety cases. CB8M would also like to see an increase in street vending enforcement. "

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

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

CB8M supports full funding for all fire and emergency medical services in our district and citywide. CB8M is particularly concerned about the loss of fire marshals in recent years, and we have requested the restoration of funding for these personnel.

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

CB8M supports the maintenance of emergency response capacity. The Board supports provision of ambulances with a mobile stroke treatment units.

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## Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
4/19	NYPD	<b>Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses</b>	<i>Fund the renovation of the 19th Precinct House including the installation of a new air conditioning system. Please provide an update on the status of the study of this project.</i>	

## Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
21/29	NYPD	<b>Hire additional traffic enforcement agents</b>	<i>Provide additional funding to expand the Truck Traffic Enforcement Unit.</i>	
24/29	NYPD	<b>Hire additional traffic enforcement agents</b>	<i>Provide funding to increase the current number of Traffic Control agents and School Crossing Guards. Additionally, please provide funding to increase the number officers focused on bike and scooter enforcement. Finally, provide funding for increased enforcement of parking placard abuse and general parking enforcement.</i>	

## CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

### Manhattan Community Board 8

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

##### **Other**

All of the above. Community Board 8 Manhattan is responsive to residents' concerns about sanitation and the environment. We receive numerous complaints and are trying to be responsive to our residents and businesses about sanitation and the environment. We continue to be concerned about the lack of corner garbage bins, as well as the condition of existing bins. We further request garbage bins be emptied on a more frequent basis, funding for composting be restored, (including compost bins at local farmers markets), and composting to be expanded, with additional drop-off sites throughout the community district. We strongly urge additional enforcement of commercial property owners who fail to clean their sidewalk and 18 inches from the curb into the street with emphasis on East 86th Street between Lexington and Second Avenues. We also need more garbage collections and street cleanings in an integrated approach to a cleaner community. We support more frequent sanitation inspections and efforts to consistently maintain presentable clean-swept sidewalks and streets. Recent storms have highlighted the critical need to protect our communities from rising sea levels and more frequent and severe storms. COVID-19 highlighted the critical need for broadband access for lower income New Yorkers and especially for NYCHA residents.

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

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

With work continuing on efforts to repair and reconstruct the tunnels and water mains that supply the City's clean drinking water, the Community Board supports continued efforts to increase the resiliency of our water infrastructure. The Community Board also supports protecting our waterways and that includes support of the City's sewer infrastructure including the construction of more green and gray infrastructure, upgrading and cleaning of catch basins, including the installation of a new catch basin on the northwest corner of 72<sup>nd</sup> Street and Second Avenue to address significant water pooling at this intersection, and incentivizing rainwater capture in new building construction.

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

CB8M is responsive to residents' concerns about sanitation and the environment. The cleanliness of our streets and neighborhoods is of great importance to our community and is related to successful business operations, to our well-being, and to the quality of life. The number of reported rat sightings is an all-time high. In an integrated approach to a cleaner community, we support frequent sanitation inspections and efforts to consistently maintain presentable clean-swept sidewalks and streets. CB8M is concerned about the reduction in the frequency of street sweeping and the resulting increase in dirty streets and the increase in the rat population. CB8M is also concerned about the quality of garbage bins installed on street corners and the frequency with which the latch to the bins break. The community needs more garbage bins that do not break and more rat patrols and other rat control efforts, especially of empty lots and buildings. We support the Adopt-a-Basket program, and additional resources for education related to this program. CB8M also supports an expansion of composting sites and services throughout the community district.

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/19	DEP	<b>Other capital budget request for DEP</b>	<i>Fund resiliency investments to protect Community District 8 against future storms.</i>	
13/19	DSNY	<b>Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment</b>	<i>Fund the NYC Department of Sanitation for the purchase and installation of capitably-eligible "rat-proof" garbage containers with lids in CD8, preferably solar powered compactor baskets. We ask the agency work closely with neighborhood groups and local BIDs to find funding for this request.</i>	
19/19	DEP	<b>Other capital budget request for DEP</b>	<i>Install Catch Basin at the Northwest Corner of 72nd Street and Second Avenue.</i>	

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
5/29	DSNY	<b>Other garbage collection and recycling requests</b>	<i>Increase recycling program including solid waste. Enhance funding for composting and organics collection.</i>	

## HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

### Manhattan Community Board 8

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

##### **Other**

All of the above. Community Board 8 Manhattan opposes the taking of any public space for private development, while we recognize the need for additional affordable housing in our district.

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

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

CB8M seeks to preserve the Upper East Side's residential character and to maintain a careful balance to prevent new buildings from detracting from CD8's historic districts. CB8M believes that new and more effective regulations, coupled with increased enforcement, would ease this problem. Zoning changes including R8-B and R10-A were enacted to protect the midblock from massive structures and to govern use of the plaza bonus and towers on a base for avenues and cross-town streets but have not significantly moderated over-development in the district. In fact, new residential development in the district almost exclusively consists of market-rate and luxury apartments with little or no local retail space. The influx of very tall as-of-right buildings along the eastern avenues (Third through York, inclusive) strains the infrastructure and municipal services, reduces access to light and air, and threatens the character of the surrounding mid-blocks. The Board initiated and continues to vigorously advocate for the establishment of two Zoning Special Districts (Lenox Hill and Yorkville). Their features will include a height limit of 210 feet for buildings on York, First, Second, and Third Avenues. At the heart of the proposed Special Districts is the preservation of existing affordable housing and existing small-scale local retail in existing tenement buildings along the avenues in question. CB8M and local civic groups have urged the Department of City Planning to review the Community Facility provisions of the Zoning Resolution. CD8M is the only district where community facilities are entitled to a 5.1 FAR in the R8-B mid-blocks. CB8M has proposed to the Department of City Planning modifications to the Zoning Resolution to change the current community facility bulk regulations in R8-B areas from a 5.1 to a 4.0 FAR. Current C1 and C2 zoning (Local Retail Use) theoretically controls commercial signage in the district, but enforcement is lax. Roosevelt Island is undergoing major change with the addition of the Cornell Tech graduate center. The campus will occupy most of the southern part of the island. While the graduate center benefits the community and city, the quality of life of the residents must be protected while the island undergoes major construction for years to come.

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

Community District 8 has a larger percentage of renters (37.5%) compared to rest of Manhattan (23%) and New York City (32%). Residents of Community District 8 pay more for rent than the rest of Manhattan and New York, indeed, median rent in CD8 was \$2,480/month in 2019, the 3rd highest of all community districts in New York City - \$1,380/month. Conversely, median "asking rent" in Community District 8 was lower (\$2,799) than in Manhattan (\$3,195) or the City (\$2,800). However, the difference between "asking rents" and "median rents" was closer in Community District 8 (\$509) than the rest of Manhattan (\$1,505) or New York City (\$1,420). The percentage of rent-burdened residents (i.e., paying more than 30% of income for rent) was lower in Community District 8 (41.5%) than either Manhattan (45.9%) or New York City (53.5%) – although 19.5% of the district's residents were paying over 50% of their income on rent. The district also has a smaller share of affordable units to low-income households than Manhattan or the City. Specifically, 12.5% of available units were affordable to households earning 80% of AMI, 4.7% for households earning 50% of AMI and 2.1% for households at 30% of AMI. In terms of rent regulated units, Community District 8 has a smaller share (33%) of units than Manhattan (44%) or the City (45%). Community District 8 has a higher median income (\$119,261) than Manhattan (\$79,077) or the City (\$60,008) and a lower share of "low-income" (below 80% AMI) residents (27%) than Manhattan (47%) or the City (61%). The District also has a smaller share of residents living in poverty (6.5%) than Manhattan (17.3%) or New York City (18.9%). It does

however, have a larger share of seniors (18.1%) than Manhattan (14.9%) or the City as a whole (13.5%). Overall, the district offers disproportionately few housing opportunities for low-income New Yorkers and needs much more affordable housing developments to meet the City's affordable housing need and fair housing obligations. As new market rate developments proliferate in the aftermath of the completion of the Second Avenue Subway, the District's senior and fixed income residents face ever-challenging conditions in which to find affordable housing.

**Needs for NYCHA Housing:** There are three NYCHA developments located in Community Board 8: Holmes Towers, Isaacs Houses and Robbins Plaza. Together these developments contain over 1300 residential housing units. In the past year (August 2022 over August 2021) the number of open work orders at Isaacs Houses increased by 30% to 2,000; at Holmes Towers the number of open work orders increased 44% to 1,590; and at Robbins Plaza the number of open work orders is up 60% to 341. On average it takes NYCHA 319 days to complete repairs up from 282 days during the same period in 2021. All three developments need timely repairs to apartments, heat and hot water systems, and elevators. In addition, increased extermination is needed to address infestations of mice and roaches in certain dwellings due to the lack of repairs from water damage in the bathrooms and kitchens.

At Holmes Towers and Isaacs Houses there is a need for a children and adolescent after school program. There is also a need for youth activities in the evenings for our children to thrive, maintain good grades and stay out of trouble. There should be trainings offered directly to the young people of these two developments. Working parents and non-working parents should be able to have their children in an afterschool program. Our older youth should be able to utilize our community centers for activities such as learning, tutoring, arts, crafts, drama, dance, chess and so forth. A strong community invests in its own.

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

CB8M works with the Madison Avenue Business Improvement District, the East Midtown Partnership and the DOE Fund on a range of issues. CB8M's efforts on traffic and quality of life are critical to our local businesses. We support city programs that promote the retention and growth of local businesses.

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/19	NYCHA	<b>Renovate or upgrade public housing developments</b>	<i>Fund needed repairs and upgrades at the Isaacs Houses/Holmes Towers.</i>	
10/19	HPD	<b>Other affordable housing programs requests</b>	<i>Provide more affordable housing for all income very low, low, and middle income New Yorkers.</i>	

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/29	NYCHA	<b>Improve public housing maintenance and cleanliness</b>	<i>Increase frequency of extermination services in apartments in need and provide more rat traps on the grounds of NYCHA housing. Provide more health and building inspectors for NYCHA facilities, in particular related to lead, mold, and bedbugs.</i>	
23/29	DOB	<b>Address illegal conversions and uses of buildings</b>	<i>Hire additional DOB inspectors for compliance and code enforcement, including for illegal signage, and hire auditors for applications.</i>	
28/29	SBS	<b>Provide or expand business recovery assistance after an emergency</b>	<i>Create grants, low-interest loans and other financial supports to assist small businesses in adapting to and recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic.</i>	



### Manhattan Community Board 8

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

##### **Other**

All of the above. The transportation network serving Community District 8 should be resilient, safe, convenient and reliable for all users, including persons who commute on foot, by bus, subway, car, bike, or other mode.

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

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

Though congestion disappeared for a brief time during 2020 as Covid-19 peaked in New York City, it has recovered to levels comparable to pre-pandemic years, with peak travel times now being more evenly distributed throughout each day creating longer periods of congestion. There is also higher vehicle ownership in Community District 8 as a result of Covid-19, and more reliance on e-commerce that has resulted in more competition for street space; this has also had a detrimental impact on congestion caused by double parking, truck unloading and warehousing activities that illegally take place in moving lanes, parking lanes and on sidewalks, and increased presence of bicycles, mopeds, and scooters. Given these changes, and the yet-to-be-determined impacts that may occur upon the start of central business district tolling, the need for the a proposed comprehensive study of York Avenue traffic operations between 59th Street and 79th Street that includes cross streets that impact York Avenue's traffic conditions is critical and should be carried out as soon as possible. Other ancillary traffic studies to prepare our district for any shifts in traffic that congestion pricing may produce are also needed. Manhattan has consistently ranked funding for street repair and maintenance high on its list of priorities, and we applaud the NYC Department of Transportation's Manhattan Highway Maintenance Division on the job they do managing this substantial task. Continued swift and proactive attention to maintenance needs such as regular resurfacing of roadways and filling potholes are especially critical. With more extreme weather events occurring with increased regularity, it is crucial that NYCDOT proactively address any road and sidewalk deficiencies that excessive heat, rain and snow can exacerbate, and improve road permeability wherever possible. Safety continues to be a major concern across all modes of transportation. Vision zero initiatives have made streets safer, but additional action is needed to further improve safety and reduce interactions between cars, cyclists mopeds, other types of motorized transportation and pedestrians. Particular attention is needed to address bike safety, as biking has grown significantly with the introduction of bike lanes and people shifting to bike use during the pandemic. Funding to provide additional resources for traffic enforcement for both general traffic lanes and bike lanes is especially needed; funding is also needed to support NYCDOT enforcement of outdoor seating areas that emerged with the introduction of the open restaurants program that was brought upon by Covid.

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

As New York City recovers from the impacts of Covid-19 and more passengers resume their use of the transit network, MTA NYC Transit must fully restore service on subways and buses to pre-Covid levels and further increase levels that would fully reverse cuts made to the M31 and M66 bus lines that occurred in the years preceding Covid. Furthermore, New York City Transit must plan to add service ahead of the implementation of congestion pricing so that any new transit passengers can be comfortably accommodated; more service is especially needed on the Q train during peak hours and across the system during off-peak periods. Select Bus Service has had a beneficial impact on bus travel times on 1st Avenue, 79th Street and 86th Street, and Community Board 8 supports full funding of the Better Buses Action Plan that includes Select Bus Service on the M96. Community Board 8 also calls for the addition of a select bus stop on East 72<sup>nd</sup> Street at First and Second Avenues. Community Board 8 will continue to work with commuters to address ongoing bus service issues such as punctuality, bus bunching and lengthy dwell times; expanded investment in traffic cameras to enforce bus lanes can help address this issue. We support full funding of the MTA Capital Program to finance continued improvements to system infrastructure,

including making all district subway stations fully accessible, maintaining a state of good repair and normal replacement, upgrading critical components such as signal systems, and improvements to address resiliency and reduce the impact that flooding events have on transit operations

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## Capital Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
6/19	DOT	<b>Install streetscape improvements</b>	<i>Resurface the bike lanes on the Roosevelt Island Bridge to improve safety for bicyclists</i>	
11/19	DOT	<b>Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming</b>	<i>Install crosstown bike lanes approximately every 10 blocks between 60th Street and 110th Street on both sides of Central Park and a two-way protected bikeway around Central Park .</i>	

## Expense Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
11/29	DOT	<b>Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals</b>	<i>Increase funding for audible accessible crossing signals for intersections in CD8 to accelerate the installation of accessible crossing signals.</i>	
18/29	DOT	<b>Other expense budget request for DOT</b>	<i>Fund additional DOT inspectors for regulation enforcement of the outdoor dining program.</i>	
22/29	DOT	<b>Other traffic improvement requests</b>	<i>Increase the number of workers to inspect, repair, and preserve the DOT's infrastructure -- both bridges and roads -- as well as sidewalk repairs. These are critical for pedestrian safety.</i>	

## PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES

### Manhattan Community Board 8

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

##### **Other**

All of the above. Our community ranks 47 out of 51 in terms of open space despite being one of the densest in the entire City. As we experience the effects of climate change - including worsening storm events and extreme heat - and as our city continues to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, it is imperative that we invest in our parks and open spaces, which are vital resources to our overall resiliency and public health. Additional funding is needed to ensure sufficient resources are available to complete the reinforcement and reconstruction of the East River Esplanade between 59th and 96th Streets, including the seawall, bulkhead, and all necessary marine and subsurface work. The Community Board is grateful to our Council Members for securing funding for the full reconstruction of Ruppert Park and to provide the funding to replace the central walkway at John Jay Park and provide an accessible entrance to the multi-purpose play area at John Jay Park. Other parks in the neighborhood are in need of refurbishing and reconstruction including Phase 3 of Andrew Haswell Green Park, Seabury Park, and 24 Syacamore Playground. Additionally, we must also increase the number of PEP officers in our parks, to ensure that our open spaces are kept safe and open for all.

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

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

The population density of Community District 8 makes our parks and greenery a precious commodity. Although our district is adjacent to Central Park, open space in Community District 8 is woefully inadequate. According to results of a survey by the organization, New Yorkers for Parks, Manhattan's Upper East Side has among the least amount of open space of any New York City district. We need additional funding to repair and enhance the park space that we have, especially along the East River Esplanade (and Phase 3 of Andrew Haswell Green), and ensure that our neighborhood parks are fully accessible. We also need increased PEP officers to keep our parks safe and open to all. While we work to preserve the open space we currently have, the City must also work with our community in order to identify new parks and open space. This is a critical need, as the COVID-19 pandemic and ongoing climate crisis has demonstrated just how vital parks and open spaces are to our health and resiliency.

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

We support cultural programming and the use of community facilities to enhance the quality of life in our district. Art plays a crucial role in the public sphere. We take an active role in helping the community access art to improve quality of life by working to provide art in public spaces. We support local artists and the community's interest in the visual and performing arts. Through access to the arts, more community members have become engaged with and interested in Community District 8. The Community Board supports several Art Shows. Increased funding for the Community Board would help the Board support Art and Culture events in the community.

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

For more than a century, the New York Public Library has provided quality service to all New Yorkers. The branch libraries are an important public resource for local residents, especially senior citizens and students. The library budget must be maintained. CB8M urges the Mayor and the City Council to maintain funding for the operating costs to allow the continuation of 7 day a week service at all branches. We also urge increased funding for infrastructure, technological improvements and library materials, particularly increased funding for books, periodicals, and other information resources in all our branch libraries. Funding should be found to allow libraries to operate at full hours (i.e. 10-5 Monday through Sunday) and expanded evening hours at least twice a week. As sources of information

have evolved, the Library has kept pace, offering one of the only free points of access to the internet in New York City. CB8M believes that all New Yorkers should have free opportunities to use electronic resources. We support the restoration and enhancement of libraries in their use as a community facility.

### **Needs for Community Boards**

We support strengthening the ability of community boards to provide vital services and information to our districts, to adequately pay staff commensurate with their workloads and responsibilities, and to provide additional support for the Community Board to review and understand Land Use Proposals. To support the community and the role of the Community Board the total funding allotted to each Community Board should be increased

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
5/19	DPR	<b>Other requests for park, building, or access improvements</b>	<i>Provide funding to complete the full structural repair of the East River Esplanade between 59th and 96th Streets, including all below ground infrastructure and seawall repair.</i>	
8/19	NYPL	<b>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)</b>	<i>Provide funding for a ramp or other means of accessibility at the Yorkville Branch Library.</i>	
9/19	NYPL	<b>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)</b>	<i>Provide upgraded accessibility at the 67th Street Library</i>	
12/19	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Provide funding to redesign and renovate John Jay Park as a whole, including reconstructing the central walkway and providing an accessible entrance to the multipurpose play area.</i>	
14/19	DPR	<b>Other street trees and forestry services requests</b>	<i>Install tree guards where missing from or when new trees go in and extend the tree pit where needed.</i>	
15/19	DPR	<b>Other requests for park, building, or access improvements</b>	<i>Fund the return of the Queensboro Oval to the community for year round public use.</i>	York Ave 59th St 59th St
16/19	DPR	<b>Other requests for park, building, or access improvements</b>	<i>Fund phase 3 of Andrew Haswell Green Park.</i>	East River Esplanade 60th St 60th St
17/19	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Fund the reconstruction of 24 Sycamore Park</i>	
18/19	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Fund the reconstruction of Samuel Seabury Playground</i>	

CS	NYPL	<b>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)</b>	<i>Fund exterior rehabilitation of windows and replace where needed at the 96th Street Branch Library.</i>
CS	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Fund a fully built Park along the East River between 60th and 63rd Streets on the Esplanade including phase 2B of Andrew Haswell Green Park.</i>
CS	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Provide funding to redesign and renovate Ruppert Park as a whole, including the installation of new irrigation to improve and expand planting areas.</i>

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
7/29	DPR	<b>Other park maintenance and safety requests</b>	<i>Preserve funding for year round workers and Associate Parks and Recreation Workers (APSWs) at NYC Parks and Recreation, including parks maintenance staff and tree pruners.</i>	
9/29	OMB	<b>Other community board facilities and staff requests</b>	<i>Increase funding for community boards to support and retain staff, and pay staff fairly.</i>	
12/29	NYPL	<b>Extend library hours, expand library programs, and enhance library collections (NYPL)</b>	<i>Restore Sunday Service to one library in CB8 without cutting weekday hours.</i>	
13/29	DPR	<b>Improve trash removal and cleanliness</b>	<i>Provide funding for rodent exterminators in all Parks within CB8.</i>	
16/29	DPR	<b>Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)</b>	<i>Fund additional PEP officers to enforce parks rules in all District parks.</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
20/29	DCWP	<b>Other expense budget request for DCA</b>	<i>Fund additional DCWP inspectors for regulation enforcement of mobile food vendors and outdoor dining.</i>	
29/29	Other	<b>Other expense budget request</b>	<i>For the Board of Elections and Election Day Support. Provide funding for more voting locations; more maintenance staff/mechanics available to repair machines/ensure machines are working.</i>	

## 7. SUMMARY OF PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

### Capital Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/19	SCA	<b>Provide a new or expand an existing high school</b>	<i>Provide funding for additional 3K, Pre-K, Elementary, Middle and High School seats in Community District 8.</i>	
2/19	NYCHA	<b>Renovate or upgrade public housing developments</b>	<i>Fund needed repairs and upgrades at the Isaacs Houses/Holmes Towers.</i>	
3/19	DEP	<b>Other capital budget request for DEP</b>	<i>Fund resiliency investments to protect Community District 8 against future storms.</i>	
4/19	NYPD	<b>Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses</b>	<i>Fund the renovation of the 19th Precinct House including the installation of a new air conditioning system. Please provide an update on the status of the study of this project.</i>	
5/19	DPR	<b>Other requests for park, building, or access improvements</b>	<i>Provide funding to complete the full structural repair of the East River Esplanade between 59th and 96th Streets, including all below ground infrastructure and seawall repair.</i>	
6/19	DOT	<b>Install streetscape improvements</b>	<i>Resurface the bike lanes on the Roosevelt Island Bridge to improve safety for bicyclists</i>	
7/19	DHS	<b>Other capital budget request for DHS</b>	<i>DHS should work closely with HPD to fund much needed housing for the most vulnerable of our residents. This includes full funding of the Safe Haven CB8 approved for 91st Street.</i>	
8/19	NYPL	<b>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)</b>	<i>Provide funding for a ramp or other means of accessibility at the Yorkville Branch Library.</i>	
9/19	NYPL	<b>Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)</b>	<i>Provide upgraded accessibility at the 67th Street Library</i>	
10/19	HPD	<b>Other affordable housing programs requests</b>	<i>Provide more affordable housing for all income very low, low, and middle income New Yorkers.</i>	

11/19	DOT	<b>Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming</b>	<i>Install crosstown bike lanes approximately every 10 blocks between 60th Street and 110th Street on both sides of Central Park and a two-way protected bikeway around Central Park .</i>	
12/19	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Provide funding to redesign and renovate John Jay Park as a whole, including reconstructing the central walkway and providing an accessible entrance to the multipurpose play area.</i>	
13/19	DSNY	<b>Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment</b>	<i>Fund the NYC Department of Sanitation for the purchase and installation of capially-eligible "rat-proof" garbage containers with lids in CD8, preferably solar powered compactor baskets. We ask the agency work closely with neighborhood groups and local BIDs to find funding for this request.</i>	
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## Expense Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/29	DOE	<b>Other educational programs requests</b>	<i>Fund 3-K and Pre-K seats in CB8</i>	
2/29	NYCHA	<b>Improve public housing maintenance and cleanliness</b>	<i>Increase frequency of extermination services in apartments in need and provide more rat traps on the grounds of NYCHA housing. Provide more health and building inspectors for NYCHA facilities, in particular related to lead, mold, and bedbugs.</i>	
3/29	DYCD	<b>Other youth workforce development requests</b>	<i>Increase funding for youth programs in CB8. Fully fund the Summer Youth Employment Program, Learning to Work Program, and other youth workforce development programs.</i>	
4/29	DOHMH	<b>Animal and pest control requests including reducing rat and mosquito populations</b>	<i>Increase funding for rodent extermination on city streets and in the parks</i>	
5/29	DSNY	<b>Other garbage collection and recycling requests</b>	<i>Increase recycling program including solid waste. Enhance funding for composting and organics collection.</i>	
6/29	DYCD	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance the out-of-school youth program for job training and employment services</b>	<i>Provide additional funding for youth services at the Isaacs Center and give priority for Isaacs Center programs to youth and adolescent residents of Holmes Towers and Isaacs Houses.</i>	
7/29	DPR	<b>Other park maintenance and safety requests</b>	<i>Preserve funding for year round workers and Associate Parks and Recreation Workers (APSWs) at NYC Parks and Recreation, including parks maintenance staff and tree pruners.</i>	
8/29	DFTA	<b>Enhance home care services</b>	<i>Increase funding for services to Older Adults including Personal and Home Care, Transportation Services, Meals-On-Wheels, Senior Congregate Care Meal Programs and Case Managers.</i>	

9/29	OMB	<b>Other community board facilities and staff requests</b>	<i>Increase funding for community boards to support and retain staff, and pay staff fairly.</i>
10/29	HRA	<b>Expand, or enhance Emergency Food Assistance Program (EFAP)</b>	<i>Increase funding to support food pantries and other community organizations that provide meals and groceries to food insecure residents of Community District 8.</i>
11/29	DOT	<b>Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals</b>	<i>Increase funding for audible accessible crossing signals for intersections in CD8 to accelerate the installation of accessible crossing signals.</i>
12/29	NYPL	<b>Extend library hours, expand library programs, and enhance library collections (NYPL)</b>	<i>Restore Sunday Service to one library in CB8 without cutting weekday hours.</i>
13/29	DPR	<b>Improve trash removal and cleanliness</b>	<i>Provide funding for rodent exterminators in all Parks within CB8.</i>
14/29	DHS	<b>Expand street outreach</b>	<i>Increase funding for mental health and other services targeted to the homeless as well as for Homeless Services Outreach personnel, especially during the overnight hours.</i>
15/29	DYCD	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for elementary school students (grades K-5)</b>	<i>Fund accessible and affordable Out of School Time and DayCare programs for all children who go to school in CD8 or who have parents that work in CD8.</i>
16/29	DPR	<b>Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)</b>	<i>Fund additional PEP officers to enforce parks rules in all District parks.</i>
17/29	ACS	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance preventive services and community based alternatives for youth</b>	<i>Provide additional funding for Children Services, especially programs to prevent abuse and neglect.</i>
18/29	DOT	<b>Other expense budget request for DOT</b>	<i>Fund additional DOT inspectors for regulation enforcement of the outdoor dining program.</i>

19/29	DOHMH	<b>Other programs to address public health issues requests</b>	<i>Increase funding for the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Enforcement of all food vendor rules and regulations.</i>
20/29	DCWP	<b>Other expense budget request for DCA</b>	<i>Fund additional DCWP inspectors for regulation enforcement of mobile food vendors and outdoor dining.</i>
21/29	NYPD	<b>Hire additional traffic enforcement agents</b>	<i>Provide additional funding to expand the Truck Traffic Enforcement Unit.</i>
22/29	DOT	<b>Other traffic improvement requests</b>	<i>Increase the number of workers to inspect, repair, and preserve the DOT's infrastructure -- both bridges and roads -- as well as sidewalk repairs. These are critical for pedestrian safety.</i>
23/29	DOB	<b>Address illegal conversions and uses of buildings</b>	<i>Hire additional DOB inspectors for compliance and code enforcement, including for illegal signage, and hire auditors for applications.</i>
24/29	NYPD	<b>Hire additional traffic enforcement agents</b>	<i>Provide funding to increase the current number of Traffic Control agents and School Crossing Guards. Additionally, please provide funding to increase the number officers focused on bike and scooter enforcement. Finally, provide funding for increased enforcement of parking placard abuse and general parking enforcement.</i>
25/29	DFTA	<b>Enhance programs for elder abuse victims</b>	<i>Provide funding for Eviction Prevention Services for At-Risk Senior Citizens.</i>
26/29	HRA	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance rental assistance programs/vouchers for permanent housing</b>	<i>Further increase funding for more permanent housing for homeless people.</i>
27/29	DPR	<b>Plant new street trees</b>	<i>Install new trees where missing in CD8.</i>
28/29	SBS	<b>Provide or expand business recovery assistance after an emergency</b>	<i>Create grants, low-interest loans and other financial supports to assist small businesses in adapting to and recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic.</i>

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Other

**Other expense  
budget request**

*For the Board of Elections and Election Day Support. Provide funding for more voting locations; more maintenance staff/mechanics available to repair machines/ensure machines are working.*



## 8. COMMUNITY BOARD BUDGET REQUESTS *WITH AGENCY RESPONSES*

### Capital Requests

PRIORITY	AGENCY	CB REQUEST	REASON	AGENCY RESPONSE
01/22	DOE	Provide a new or expand an existing high school	<i>Provide funding for additional 3K, Pre-K, Elementary, Middle and High School seats in Community District 8.</i>	Community Board located in sub-districts without identified seat need.
02/22	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade public housing developments	<i>Fund needed repairs and upgrades at the Isaacs Houses/Holmes Towers.</i>	In order to fund this initiative contact local elected officials for appropriations.
03/22	DEP	Other capital budget request for DEP	<i>Fund resiliency investments to protect Community District 8 against future storms.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
04/22	NYPD	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	<i>Fund the renovation of the 19th Precinct House including the installation of a new air conditioning system. Please provide an update on the status of the study of this project.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
05/22	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	<i>Provide funding to complete the full structural repair of the East River Esplanade between 59th and 96th Streets, including all below ground infrastructure and seawall repair.</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.
06/22	DOT	Install streetscape improvements	<i>Resurface the bike lanes on the Roosevelt Island Bridge to improve safety for bicyclists</i>	Project has been completed; please remove from future Budget Requests.
07/22	DHS	Other capital budget request for DHS	<i>DHS should work closely with HPD to fund much needed housing for the most vulnerable of our residents. This includes full funding of the Safe Haven CB8 approved for 91st Street.</i>	DHS is responsible for providing temporary shelter and services for homeless individuals and families. Although DHS does make placements for clients into permanent housing as a way to facilitate transition into independent living, the agency does not develop permanent housing.
08/22	NYPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)	<i>Provide funding for a ramp or other means of accessibility at the Yorkville Branch Library.</i>	NYPL supports this project. It is currently in front-end planning with DDC
09/22	NYPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)	<i>Provide upgraded accessibility at the 67th Street Library</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
10/22	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>Provide more affordable housing for all income very low, low, and middle income New Yorkers.</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
11/22	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	<i>Install crosstown bike lanes approximately every 10 blocks between 60th Street and 110th Street on both sides of Central Park and a two-way protected bikeway around Central Park .</i>	Bike path enhancement requests will be reviewed as part of the federally-funded Bicycle Network Development Program.
12/22	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Provide funding to redesign and renovate John Jay Park as a whole, including reconstructing the central walkway and providing an accessible entrance to the multipurpose play area.</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.
13/22	DSNY	Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment	<i>Fund the NYC Department of Sanitation for the purchase and installation of capitolly-eligible "rat-proof" garbage containers with lids in CD8, preferably solar powered compactor baskets. We ask the agency work closely with neighborhood groups and local BIDs to find funding for this request.</i>	High-end litter baskets are sponsored by local elected officials, businesses, community groups, etc.

14/22	DPR	Other street trees and forestry services requests	<i>Install tree guards where missing from or when new trees go in and extend the tree pit where needed.</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.
15/22	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	<i>Fund the return of the Queensboro Oval to the community for year round public use.</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.
16/22	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	<i>Fund phase 3 of Andrew Haswell Green Park.</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.
17/22	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Fund the reconstruction of 24 Sycamore Park</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.
18/22	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Fund the reconstruction of Samuel Seabury Playground</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.
19/22	DEP	Other capital budget request for DEP	<i>Install Catch Basin at the Northwest Corner of 72nd Street and Second Avenue.</i>	Catch basin installations are determined in accordance with drainage plans promulgated by DEP according to our engineering standards, appropriate zoning and other variables. New catch basins are only installed as part of a capital project for an entire street or intersection.
CS/22	NYPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)	<i>Fund exterior rehabilitation of windows and replace where needed at the 96th Street Branch Library.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
CS/22	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Fund a fully built Park along the East River between 60th and 63rd Streets on the Esplanade including phase 2B of Andrew Haswell Green Park.</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.
CS/22	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Provide funding to redesign and renovate Ruppert Park as a whole, including the installation of new irrigation to improve and expand planting areas.</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.

## Expense Requests

PRIORITY	AGENCY	CB REQUEST	REASON	AGENCY RESPONSE
01/29	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>Fund 3-K and Pre-K seats in CB8</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.
02/29	NYCHA	Improve public housing maintenance and cleanliness	<i>Increase frequency of extermination services in apartments in need and provide more rat traps on the grounds of NYCHA housing. Provide more health and building inspectors for NYCHA facilities, in particular related to lead, mold, and bedbugs.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
03/29	DYCD	Other youth workforce development requests	<i>Increase funding for youth programs in CB8. Fully fund the Summer Youth Employment Program, Learning to Work Program, and other youth workforce development programs.</i>	DYCD has increased funding in this service area.
04/29	DOHMH	Animal and pest control requests including reducing rat and mosquito populations	<i>Increase funding for rodent extermination on city streets and in the parks</i>	This is a very broad request. Please contact DOHMH to discuss further.
05/29	DSNY	Other garbage collection and recycling requests	<i>Increase recycling program including solid waste. Enhance funding for composting and organics collection.</i>	Although the Department of Sanitation supports this program, due to fiscal constraints the availability of funds is uncertain.
06/29	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance the out-of-school youth program for job training and employment services	<i>Provide additional funding for youth services at the Isaacs Center and give priority for Isaacs Center programs to youth and adolescent residents of Holmes Towers and Isaacs Houses.</i>	DYCD has increased funding in this service area.
07/29	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	<i>Preserve funding for year round workers and Associate Parks and Recreation Workers (APSWs) at NYC Parks and Recreation, including parks maintenance staff and tree pruners.</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.
08/29	DFTA	Enhance home care services	<i>Increase funding for services to Older Adults including Personal and Home Care, Transportation Services, Meals-On-Wheels, Senior Congregate Care Meal Programs and Case Managers.</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
09/29	OMB	Other community board facilities and staff requests	<i>Increase funding for community boards to support and retain staff, and pay staff fairly.</i>	As of the FY 2024 Preliminary Budget, each Community Board's budget is \$257,507.
10/29	HRA	Expand, or enhance Emergency Food Assistance Program (EFAP)	<i>Increase funding to support food pantries and other community organizations that provide meals and groceries to food insecure residents of Community District 8.</i>	HRA continues to maintain funding for EFAP. During the COVIDpandemic funds have been added to the budget to purchase additional food.
11/29	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	<i>Increase funding for audible accessible crossing signals for intersections in CD8 to accelerate the installation of accessible crossing signals.</i>	Requests for Audible Pedestrian Signal installation will be considered for locations based on multiple criteria. Please supply a list of specific locations for consideration.

12/29	NYPL	Extend library hours, expand library programs, and enhance library collections (NYPL)	<i>Restore Sunday Service to one library in CB8 without cutting weekday hours.</i>	NYPL is in favor of this project but added or restored City funding is required for all expense budget costs and any needed capital costs. NYPL will continue to work through the City's budget process for needed funding. Contact NYPL for more information.
13/29	DPR	Improve trash removal and cleanliness	<i>Provide funding for rodent exterminators in all Parks within CB8.</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.
14/29	DHS	Expand street outreach	<i>Increase funding for mental health and other services targeted to the homeless as well as for Homeless Services Outreach personnel, especially during the overnight hours.</i>	This project is included in the ten-year plan.
15/29	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for elementary school students (grades K-5)	<i>Fund accessible and affordable Out of School Time and DayCare programs for all children who go to school in CD8 or who have parents that work in CD8.</i>	Presently, there are a variety of agency-funded programs in the district for this target population. Additional programs are contingent upon available funding and will be distributed through an RFP process. Organizations are encouraged to apply.
16/29	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	<i>Fund additional PEP officers to enforce parks rules in all District parks.</i>	Contact the Community Board Unit at OMB for information regarding this request.
17/29	ACS	Provide, expand, or enhance preventive services and community based alternatives for youth	<i>Provide additional funding for Children Services, especially programs to prevent abuse and neglect.</i>	ACS currently offers services for youth and families. Please contact the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs for additional information at 212-341-0999, or check our website at <a href="http://www.nyc.gov/acs">www.nyc.gov/acs</a> .
18/29	DOT	Other expense budget request for DOT	<i>Fund additional DOT inspectors for regulation enforcement of the outdoor dining program.</i>	The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.
19/29	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Increase funding for the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Enforcement of all food vendor rules and regulations.</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
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21/29	NYPD	Hire additional traffic enforcement agents	<i>Provide additional funding to expand the Truck Traffic Enforcement Unit.</i>	Based on the latest budget, the NYPD has a specific budgeted headcount. The agency is working on filling vacancies in order to get to that headcount.
22/29	DOT	Other traffic improvement requests	<i>Increase the number of workers to inspect, repair, and preserve the DOT's infrastructure -- both bridges and roads -- as well as sidewalk repairs. These are critical for pedestrian safety.</i>	The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.
23/29	DOB	Address illegal conversions and uses of buildings	<i>Hire additional DOB inspectors for compliance and code enforcement, including for illegal signage, and hire auditors for applications.</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.

24/29	NYPD	Hire additional traffic enforcement agents	<i>Provide funding to increase the current number of Traffic Control agents and School Crossing Guards. Additionally, please provide funding to increase the number officers focused on bike and scooter enforcement. Finally, provide funding for increased enforcement of parking placard abuse and general parking enforcement.</i>	Based on the latest budget, the NYPD has a specific budgeted headcount. The agency is working on filling vacancies in order to get to that headcount.
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26/29	HRA	Provide, expand, or enhance rental assistance programs/vouchers for permanent housing	<i>Further increase funding for more permanent housing for homeless people.</i>	Homelessness prevention is one of the Agency's priorities. Funds have been allocated in the budget for these services.
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28/29	SBS	Provide or expand business recovery assistance after an emergency	<i>Create grants, low-interest loans and other financial supports to assist small businesses in adapting to and recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic.</i>	The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.
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