

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

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**Queens
Community District
13**

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.

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

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

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

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1. COMMUNITY BOARD INFORMATION

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2. 2020 CENSUS DATA

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

New York City

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

Queens

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
AGE							
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
MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN							
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
HOUSING OCCUPANCY							
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
Population Division, New York City Department of City Planning

Queens Community District 13

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
AGE							
Total population	188,593	100.00	199,218	100.00	10,625	5.6	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	40,595	21.5	35,861	18	-4,734	-11.7	-3.5
MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN							
Total population	188,593	100.0	199,218	100.0	10,625	5.6	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	22,337	11.8	24,911	12.5	2,574	11.5	0.7
White non-Hispanic	24,619	13.1	18,192	9.1	-6,427	-26.1	-4.0
Black non-Hispanic	104,035	55.2	102,711	51.6	-1,324	-1.3	-3.6
Asian non-Hispanic	27,689	14.7	36,954	18.5	9,265	33.5	3.8
Some other race, non-Hispanic	4,229	2.2	7,057	3.5	2,828	66.9	1.3
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	5,684	3.0	9,393	4.7	3,709	65.3	1.7
HOUSING OCCUPANCY							
Total housing units	63,216	100.0	66,259	100.0	3,043	4.8	0.0
Occupied housing units	59,662	94.4	63,211	95.4	3,549	5.9	1.0
Vacant housing units	3,554	5.6	3,048	4.6	-506	-14.2	-1.0

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

Queens Community Board 13 is located in East/Southeast Queens with the Grand Central Parkway as its northern border, Francis Lewis Boulevard going to Springfield Boulevard as its western border, JFK Airport as its southern border and the Nassau County line as its eastern border. It is made up primarily of one- and two-family homes, with three large clusters of garden coop apartments and a scattering of apartment buildings. The district encompasses sixteen distinct communities, which includes: Bellaire, Bellerose, Brookville, Cambria Heights, Floral Park, Glen Oaks, Laurelton, Meadowmere, New Hyde Park, North Shore Towers, Parkside Terrace, Queens Village, Rosedale, Springfield Gardens, Warnerville and Wayanda. There is a strong sense of neighborhood identification in each of these communities. First and foremost, the 116 Precinct is presently being constructed. Communities on both sides of the district are pleased that additional law enforcement with increased personnel will soon become the norm, which will help alleviate the random criminal activity and quality of life issues always popping up. The other changes happening are major development occurring in two distinct locations on the edges of the district. On the eastern front, the UBS Arena is finally completed and operating in Belmont Park, along with the new Elmont LIRR Station, and soon to be constructed high-end shopping mall. On the southwest border, an Amazon distribution facility has been built and is now operating, with a new milk distribution plant is beginning construction. Adding to that, four new terminals at JFK Airport are being redeveloped and expanded while presently under construction. These projects will certainly increase the already overburdened roadways with additional traffic. NYC DOT has done some studies, but as these facilities become fully operational we will be able to assess the full impact on the surrounding communities. The overwhelming amount of complaints received relate to speeding on residential streets. Requests for traffic mitigations including STOP signs, traffic signals and speed humps to make these side-streets safe for residents and pedestrians. Other issues affecting the entire board is the proliferation of homeless shelters. Being located next to an airport, many smaller hotels existed to serve travelers. Yet, with state legislation requiring all NYC residents to have a right to shelter, and the lack of affordable housing, the city has taken advantage of using these smaller hotels to house the homeless. Service providers and hotel owners contract for use with the surrounding community being notified shortly before these new residents move in. This community district seems to have more than its fair share of these shelters which often negatively affect quality of life in the immediate area. Illegal truck parking occurs near the freight businesses next to JFK Airport, along the larger streets where there are parks or cemeteries adjacent, and on the service roads next to the highways. This problem has been attacked from many angles but the resolution has yet to be found. The trailers can only be “booted” for a certain amount of time; there is no tow pound to take these illegally parked trucks; the fines do not seem high enough to act as a deterrent. There are many dead trees and tree branch complaints, sidewalks uplifted because of tree roots, and residential yards and driveways being used as auto repair facilities. The many beautiful parks and playgrounds in the district need more staff and equipment for the tremendous maintenance demands. Illegal dumping occurs wherever there is open land – on a road that transverses our park wetlands, and all along the highway service roads. The paving over of front and backyards (loosing permeable land area) is another issue as homeowners attempt to create additional parking for their vehicles. Enforcement by DOB is spotty and ineffective which thereby creates conditions for additional water going into the sewer system in areas that have historically had flooding problems. Finally, the commercial strips need revitalization and more variation in their offerings. This should be organic; and the expectation is the new development will seed new small business opportunities. We will have to wait and see as things progress and people move out of the Covid-19 pandemic mindset.

4. TOP THREE PRESSING ISSUES OVERALL

Queens Community Board 13

The three most pressing issues facing this Community Board are:

Land use trends (zoning, development, neighborhood preservation, etc.)

New York City has an affordable housing shortage that has garnered a tremendous amount of attention from our local elected officials. Many use this issue as a policy they will prioritize as they run for office. QCB13 is a semi-suburban, bedroom community whose residents move here for the "lack of density" and bucolic neighborhoods, away from those areas of the city so densely populated. A huge priority for this district is neighborhood preservation without being imposed upon with issues affecting other areas of the city. It is of the utmost importance for this district to keep the zoning policies that have been fought for and put in place over many years of planning and struggle.

Parks and open space

The district has enormous amount of parkland including three big parks (Brookville, Springfield and Idlewild Parks) and many playgrounds. Additionally, there are parks properties including center medians, wetlands and grassy areas parallel to the highways. The Department of Parks and Recreation needs more equipment and personnel to respond to the level of activity at these areas, as well as the numerous maintenance requests from the community during the warm weather months when the grass grows high so quickly. In the two big parks volunteer groups also look for gardeners to assist in their beautification efforts.

Traffic

QCB13 receives an unending stream of requests for speed humps. Many of our ancillary streets are wide and parallel to primary arteries; consequently, they are used as alternative routes to get past traffic. Possibly these requests reflect that many motorists simply do not respect the speed limit of 25 mph and speed down residential streets posing safety concerns for everyone, especially older people and children. More funding is needed for DOT so more studies can be conducted and mitigation measures implemented more quickly.

5. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND BUDGET REQUESTS

HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

Queens Community Board 13

Most Important Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

Environmental health issues (noise, lead, respiratory illness, moisture, mildew, mold, etc.)

The southwestern part of the district borders the runways at JFK Airport. As such, residents are exposed to huge jets landing right above their homes and the noise and possible remnants of fuel dumping occurring immediately on them - day and night. In addition, many of the jets are bringing cargo to freight businesses located in the same area which bring trucks - 53 foot tractor trailers constantly coming and going with their noise and air pollution, not to mention the struggle to keep these enormous vehicles from illegally parking on local streets.

Capital Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/17	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>Completion of funding for the renovation of the new building of Services Now for Adult Persons (SNAP) on Union Turnpike.</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
7/15	DFTA	Enhance educational and recreational programs	<i>Alpha Phi Alpha Senior Center - increase funding for this heavily used center.</i>	
8/15	DFTA	Enhance educational and recreational programs	<i>Services Now for Adult Persons (SNAP) needs increased funding for programming.</i>	

YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

Queens Community Board 13

Most Important Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Educational attainment

As we are now in a post-COVID-19 period, and our children are back to in-person learning, the focus should be on educational achievement. All of the numbers indicate that the remote learning was damaging to students' academic progress and there is a significant amount of ground for students to reach their appropriate grade levels. Our hope is that the new Chancellor's policies take this into account and fund whatever enhanced teaching techniques will elicit better performance from the schools in our district.

Capital Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

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

Expense Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
10/15	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>Elementary schools in District 29 are under-performing. After-school enrichment programming is needed so these students can perform at least at their grade level and be prepared to compete when they reach high school.</i>	

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Queens Community Board 13

Most Important Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Traffic violations and enforcement

In alignment with another priority in the district - the unending requests for traffic mitigations - more enforcement against speeding. Understanding that we are presently in a random violent crime epidemic, the priority of the NYPD is for addressing these heinous crimes seemingly occurring every day and being highly publicized. But there is another, less lethal and less publicized need for public safety in this district with cars speeding wherever they can without consequence. Speed cameras work but are limited in amount and location. Periodic traffic enforcement blitzes at strategic locations will go a long way in having the residents our communities feel safer.

Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
CS	NYPD	Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct	<i>116 Precinct is presently under construction.</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

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

CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

Queens Community Board 13

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

Cleanliness/trash collection

On the major commercial strips garbage accumulates rapidly. Whenever there is a public trash can it becomes a magnet for bags of [uncollected] residential waste. This problem is so bad many store owners do not want waste baskets in front of their businesses because of the inevitable sanitation ticket that gets issued though most times they are not at fault. Along the service roads that abut the four highways bordering the district (Grand Central Parkway east; Cross Island Parkway north and south; Laurelton Parkway north and south; Belt Parkway east and west), there is a lot of dumping of construction waste and general garbage both inside and outside of the highway barrier fence. There is also dumping on wetlands and grassy areas, specifically, the area of Brookville Boulevard known as "Snake Road" (between 149 Avenue & Rockaway Boulevard). These "dumping grounds" are managed by DOT and Parks, respectively. Neither of these two agencies have the capacity to keep up with the necessary cleaning which then requires coordination with DSNY on a periodic basis. Finally, and unfortunately, too many people litter and there needs to be a public campaign vilifying those who randomly drop their trash on the ground.

Capital Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

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

Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
11/15	DSNY	Increase cleaning of dump-out/drop-off locations	<i>Community Board 13 is surrounded by highways. The grassy areas adjacent, and exit/entrance ramps collect garbage as vehicles constantly throw garbage out of their vehicles. The garbage builds up; we are requesting a big cleanup and maintenance going forward.</i>	
13/15	DSNY	Increase enforcement of illegal dumping laws	<i>There are many grassy areas, as well as wetlands that are in the district. Some areas are notorious for the dumping of construction materials. Additional Sanitation Enforcement could act as a deterrent.</i>	

HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

Queens Community Board 13

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

Neighborhood preservation

Neighborhood preservation in terms of keeping in place the zoning that maintains these communities as primarily one-family houses with low density. Understanding NYC has an affordable housing shortage, the residents in QCB13 have left these densely populated areas specifically to live in neighborhoods with yards, trees, homeowners and peace and quiet. It is the reason our communities look and sound the way they do. This impetus for Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs), basement apartments, and other ideas for creating more housing is totally anathema to our residents. What might work in one community does not necessarily work in another. The city should not have a "one size fits all" policy when it comes to the affordable housing crunch.

Capital Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

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

Expense Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
4/15	DOB	Expand code enforcement	<i>There are many front and side yards that are paved over for parking. Additionally, these same homeowners create their own illegal curb cuts. DOB needs to be funded with more Inspectors so this condition, which brings down the block where it exists, can be quickly alleviated.</i>	

TRANSPORTATION

Queens Community Board 13

Most Important Issue Related to Transportation and Mobility

Traffic safety and enforcement (cars, scooters, ebikes, etc.)

QCB13 is inundated with requests for traffic mitigation measures. Speeding along residential streets has become a huge problem. More funding is needed so studies may be quickly completed, and more crews are available for the installation of speed humps, STOP signs and potentially, traffic signals. In addition, with the opening of the UBS Arena in the east and an Amazon Distribution facility in the southwest, we will need to monitor the increased vehicular traffic and how it affects the neighboring communities.

Capital Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/17	DOT	Other traffic improvement requests	<i>This exit needs the left turn lane, which directs traffic eastbound on to Hillside Avenue, expanded one lane so the traffic does not back up to the Cross Island southbound. This will be particularly important as the UBS Arena is now open for Islander home games, concerts and other large events.</i>	
3/17	DOT	Repair or construct new medians or bus pads	<i>Beautify Center Median - curbing</i>	Hollis Court Boulevard Hillside Avenue Jamaica Avenue
4/17	DOT	Repair or construct new medians or bus pads	<i>Repair and reconstruct Center Median.</i>	121 Avenue 227 Street 235 Street
5/17	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Repair and repave this street - it is sinking, especially around catch basins along this strip.</i>	Commonwealth Boulevard 87 Avenue 88 Road
6/17	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Major north-south roadway used by many cars and MTA buses.</i>	Springfield Boulevard Hempstead Avenue 112 Road
7/17	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Repave Roadway.</i>	134 Road 217 Street 220 Street
9/17	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Repave roadway.</i>	147 Avenue Francis Lewis Boulevard Memphis Avenue

10/17	DOT	Repair or construct new medians or bus pads	<i>Repair and reconstruct Center Median.</i>	Springfield Boulevard 112 Avenue 120 Avenue
11/17	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Repave bumpy roadway.</i>	Grand Central Parkway Service Road Little Neck Parkway Nassau County Line
12/17	NYCTA	Other transit infrastructure requests	<i>A bus shelter at the southbound stop at the western corner (in front of the Dollar Store) of Guy R. Brewer Boulevard (where it intersects with Farmers Boulevard). Four (4) buses stop at this location: Q3; Q111; Q113; Q114.</i>	Guy R. Brewer Boulevard New York Farmers Boulevard New York Farmers Boulevard
13/17	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>The center median curb where people park is crumbling and presents a trip hazard that is dangerous for those getting into and out of their cars.</i>	260 Street 74 Avenue 75 Avenue
14/17	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Center medians on Union Turnpike need new curbing.</i>	Union Turnpike 249 Street Lakeville Road
15/17	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>The center median needs curbing to protect the garden and irrigation system local residents have worked very hard to keep clean and beautify.</i>	Francis Lewis Boulevard 130 Avenue 130 Avenue
16/17	DOT	Repair or construct new medians or bus pads	<i>The center median needs curbing to protect the garden and irrigation system local residents have worked very hard to keep clean and beautify.</i>	Francis Lewis Boulevard 133 Avenue Merrick Boulevard
17/17	DOT	Install Real Time Passenger Information signs	<i>Install real time bus information signage.</i>	Jamaica Avenue & Springfield Boulevard

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/15	DOT	Other expense budget request for DOT	<i>Additional funding to have another DOT crew that can install speed humps - the most requested traffic mitigation by constituents</i>	
2/15	DOT	Other expense budget request for DOT	<i>Additional funding for more inspectors to monitor and issue violations for curbside dining structures which are under this agency's purview.</i>	
5/15	DOT	Other traffic improvement requests	<i>This intersection is not perpendicular and requires awkward movements to turn left both north and southbound on 222 Street to get on to Jamaica Avenue. Additionally, PS/IS 295 is one quarter block away with parents and school children crossing this intersection every school day. The MTA Bus Depot is two blocks away and there are numerous buses all day that need to make a left turn at this location.</i>	220 Street Jamaica Avenue (eastbound) Jamaica Avenue (eastbound)
12/15	NYCTA	Other transit service requests	<i>Electronic signage indicating bus arrival times at strategic westbound bus stops (for the morning commute) along Merrick Boulevard, Linden Boulevard, Jamaica Avenue, Hillside Avenue and Union Turnpike.</i>	
14/15	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>Additional funding to this agency so traffic studies can be conducted more expeditiously. This district has high needs for traffic calming.</i>	

PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Queens Community Board 13

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

Park care and maintenance

The staff presently assigned to the Board's parks do an excellent job. During the summer when the parks are used more extensively, additional staff and equipment for both maintenance and safety would vastly increase the overall enjoyment of these recreational areas. There are equipment needs for this area that need to be addressed to keep up with the usage.

Capital Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
8/17	DPR	New equipment for maintenance	<i>Queens District 13 needs one or more of the following: Mini dump truck; pickup truck. This will allow our parks personnel to address the maintenance needs of the heavily used parks, especially Brookville and Springfield Parks.</i>	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Gunn Playground needs its MPAA repaved and adjacent property purchased for park expansion. (Land swap) In addition, the playground needs an upgrade. This is partially funded.</i>	
CS	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Construction of the The Reading Garden.</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/15	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	<i>As "Climate Change" has increased the severity of storms, it has also increased the anxiety of our residents with swinging trees and tree branches. QCB13 receives a large number of calls with concern about damaged trees and overhanging tree branches. The contract for tree pruning needs to be increased before there is excessive property damage or personal injury.</i>	
6/15	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	<i>QCB 13 has lots of parks, playgrounds, center medians and grassy areas that are the responsibility of this agency. Adequate numbers of workers need to be assigned during the warm weather months.</i>	
9/15	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	<i>Increase security staff at Springfield Park Brookville Park and other parks with in the district (PEP) during warm weather months when these two parks are heavily used</i>	

**Other park
maintenance and
safety requests**

The waterways in Brookville Park need dredged and the overgrown phragmites need to be removed. This invasive species limits visibility and gives visitors concerns about their safety because they cannot be seen.

6. OTHER BUDGET REQUESTS

Other Capital Requests

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

Other Expense Requests

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

7. SUMMARY OF PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

Capital Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/17	DOT	Other traffic improvement requests	<i>This exit needs the left turn lane, which directs traffic eastbound on to Hillside Avenue, expanded one lane so the traffic does not back up to the Cross Island southbound. This will be particularly important as the UBS Arena is now open for Islander home games, concerts and other large events.</i>	
2/17	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>Completion of funding for the renovation of the new building of Services Now for Adult Persons (SNAP) on Union Turnpike.</i>	
3/17	DOT	Repair or construct new medians or bus pads	<i>Beautify Center Median - curbing</i>	Hollis Court Boulevard Hillside Avenue Jamaica Avenue
4/17	DOT	Repair or construct new medians or bus pads	<i>Repair and reconstruct Center Median.</i>	121 Avenue 227 Street 235 Street
5/17	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Repair and repave this street - it is sinking, especially around catch basins along this strip.</i>	Commonwealth Boulevard 87 Avenue 88 Road
6/17	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Major north-south roadway used by many cars and MTA buses.</i>	Springfield Boulevard Hempstead Avenue 112 Road
7/17	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Repave Roadway.</i>	134 Road 217 Street 220 Street

8/17	DPR	New equipment for maintenance	<i>Queens District 13 needs one or more of the following: Mini dump truck; pickup truck. This will allow our parks personnel to address the maintenance needs of the heavily used parks, especially Brookville and Springfield Parks.</i>	
9/17	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Repave roadway.</i>	147 Avenue Francis Lewis Boulevard Memphis Avenue
10/17	DOT	Repair or construct new medians or bus pads	<i>Repair and reconstruct Center Median.</i>	Springfield Boulevard 112 Avenue 120 Avenue
11/17	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Repave bumpy roadway.</i>	Grand Central Parkway Service Road Little Neck Parkway Nassau County Line
12/17	NYCTA	Other transit infrastructure requests	<i>A bus shelter at the southbound stop at the western corner (in front of the Dollar Store) of Guy R. Brewer Boulevard (where it intersects with Farmers Boulevard). Four (4) buses stop at this location: Q3; Q111; Q113; Q114.</i>	Guy R. Brewer Boulevard New York Farmers Boulevard New York Farmers Boulevard
13/17	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>The center median curb where people park is crumbling and presents a trip hazard that is dangerous for those getting into and out of their cars.</i>	260 Street 74 Avenue 75 Avenue
14/17	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Center medians on Union Turnpike need new curbing.</i>	Union Turnpike 249 Street Lakeville Road
15/17	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>The center median needs curbing to protect the garden and irrigation system local residents have worked very hard to keep clean and beautify.</i>	Francis Lewis Boulevard 130 Avenue 130 Avenue

16/17	DOT	Repair or construct new medians or bus pads	<i>The center median needs curbing to protect the garden and irrigation system local residents have worked very hard to keep clean and beautify.</i>	Francis Lewis Boulevard 133 Avenue Merrick Boulevard
17/17	DOT	Install Real Time Passenger Information signs	<i>Install real time bus information signage.</i>	Jamaica Avenue & Springfield Boulevard
CS	NYPD	Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct	<i>116 Precinct is presently under construction.</i>	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Gunn Playground needs its MPAA repaved and adjacent property purchased for park expansion. (Land swap) In addition, the playground needs an upgrade. This is partially funded.</i>	
CS	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Construction of the The Reading Garden.</i>	

Expense Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/15	DOT	Other expense budget request for DOT	<i>Additional funding to have another DOT crew that can install speed humps - the most requested traffic mitigation by constituents</i>	
2/15	DOT	Other expense budget request for DOT	<i>Additional funding for more inspectors to monitor and issue violations for curbside dining structures which are under this agency's purview.</i>	
3/15	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	<i>As "Climate Change" has increased the severity of storms, it has also increased the anxiety of our residents with swinging trees and tree branches. QCB13 receives a large number of calls with concern about damaged trees and overhanging tree branches. The contract for tree pruning needs to be increased before there is excessive property damage or personal injury.</i>	
4/15	DOB	Expand code enforcement	<i>There are many front and side yards that are paved over for parking. Additionally, these same homeowners create their own illegal curb cuts. DOB needs to be funded with more Inspectors so this condition, which brings down the block where it exists, can be quickly alleviated.</i>	
5/15	DOT	Other traffic improvement requests	<i>This intersection is not perpendicular and requires awkward movements to turn left both north and southbound on 222 Street to get on to Jamaica Avenue. Additionally, PS/IS 295 is one quarter block away with parents and school children crossing this intersection every school day. The MTA Bus Depot is two blocks away and there are numerous buses all day that need to make a left turn at this location.</i>	220 Street Jamaica Avenue (eastbound) Jamaica Avenue (eastbound)
6/15	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	<i>QCB 13 has lots of parks, playgrounds, center medians and grassy areas that are the responsibility of this agency. Adequate numbers of workers need to be assigned during the warm weather months.</i>	
7/15	DFTA	Enhance educational and recreational programs	<i>Alpha Phi Alpha Senior Center - increase funding for this heavily used center.</i>	

8/15	DFTA	Enhance educational and recreational programs	<i>Services Now for Adult Persons (SNAP) needs increased funding for programming.</i>
9/15	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	<i>Increase security staff at Springfield Park Brookville Park and other parks with in the district (PEP) during warm weather months when these two parks are heavily used</i>
10/15	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>Elementary schools in District 29 are under-performing. After-school enrichment programming is needed so these students can perform at least at their grade level and be prepared to compete when they reach high school.</i>
11/15	DSNY	Increase cleaning of dump-out/drop-off locations	<i>Community Board 13 is surrounded by highways. The grassy areas adjacent, and exit/entrance ramps collect garbage as vehicles constantly throw garbage out of their vehicles. The garbage builds up; we are requesting a big cleanup and maintenance going forward.</i>
12/15	NYCTA	Other transit service requests	<i>Electronic signage indicating bus arrival times at strategic westbound bus stops (for the morning commute) along Merrick Boulevard, Linden Boulevard, Jamaica Avenue, Hillside Avenue and Union Turnpike.</i>
13/15	DSNY	Increase enforcement of illegal dumping laws	<i>There are many grassy areas, as well as wetlands that are in the district. Some areas are notorious for the dumping of construction materials. Additional Sanitation Enforcement could act as a deterrent.</i>
14/15	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>Additional funding to this agency so traffic studies can be conducted more expeditiously. This district has high needs for traffic calming.</i>
15/15	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	<i>The waterways in Brookville Park need drugged and the overgrown phragmites need to be removed. This invasive species limits visibility and gives visitors concerns about their safety because they cannot be seen.</i>

8. COMMUNITY BOARD BUDGET REQUESTS *WITH AGENCY RESPONSES*

Capital Requests

PRIORITY	AGENCY	CB REQUEST	REASON	AGENCY RESPONSE
01/20	DOT	Other traffic improvement requests	<i>This exit needs the left turn lane, which directs traffic eastbound on to Hillside Avenue, expanded one lane so the traffic does not back up to the Cross Island southbound. This will be particularly important as the UBS Arena is now open for Islander home games, concerts and other large events.</i>	Please contact the Borough Commissioner's office to discuss this request.
02/20	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>Completion of funding for the renovation of the new building of Services Now for Adult Persons (SNAP) on Union Turnpike.</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
03/20	DOT	Repair or construct new medians or bus pads	<i>Beautify Center Median - curbing</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
04/20	DOT	Repair or construct new medians or bus pads	<i>Repair and reconstruct Center Median.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
05/20	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Repair and repave this street - it is sinking, especially around catch basins along this strip.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
06/20	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Major north-south roadway used by many cars and MTA buses.</i>	Resurfacing and milling requests should be directed to the respective NYCDOT Borough Directors of Maintenance. Each year, the boroughs plan the next season's resurfacing.
07/20	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Repave Roadway.</i>	Resurfacing and milling requests should be directed to the respective NYCDOT Borough Directors of Maintenance. Each year, the boroughs plan the next season's resurfacing.
08/20	DPR	New equipment for maintenance	<i>Queens District 13 needs one or more of the following: Mini dump truck; pickup truck. This will allow our parks personnel to address the maintenance needs of the heavily used parks, especially Brookville and Springfield Parks.</i>	Parks Department funds are insufficient for this purpose. We recommend this request be brought to the attention of your Council Members.
09/20	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Repave roadway.</i>	The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.
10/20	DOT	Repair or construct new medians or bus pads	<i>Repair and reconstruct Center Median.</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.
11/20	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Repave bumpy roadway.</i>	Resurfacing and milling requests should be directed to the respective NYCDOT Borough Directors of Maintenance. Each year, the boroughs plan the next season's resurfacing.

12/20	NYCTA	Other transit infrastructure requests	<i>A bus shelter at the southbound stop at the western corner (in front of the Dollar Store) of Guy R. Brewer Boulevard (where it intersects with Farmers Boulevard). Four (4) buses stop at this location: Q3; Q111; Q113; Q114.</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.
13/20	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>The center median curb where people park is crumbling and presents a trip hazard that is dangerous for those getting into and out of their cars.</i>	Please contact the Borough Commissioner's office to discuss this request.
14/20	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Center medians on Union Turnpike need new curbing.</i>	Please contact the Borough Commissioner's office to discuss this request.
15/20	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>The center median needs curbing to protect the garden and irrigation system local residents have worked very hard to keep clean and beautify.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
16/20	DOT	Repair or construct new medians or bus pads	<i>The center median needs curbing to protect the garden and irrigation system local residents have worked very hard to keep clean and beautify.</i>	This request includes more than one proposal. Funding for part is recommended.
17/20	DOT	Install Real Time Passenger Information signs	<i>Install real time bus information signage.</i>	Funds are unavailable for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President, Council/Assemblymember, or State Senator.
CS/20	NYPD	Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct	<i>116 Precinct is presently under construction.</i>	Funding for construction of the 116th Precinct has been restored and construction kick off occurred in the summer of 2021.
CS/20	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Gunn Playground needs its MPAA repaved and adjacent property purchased for park expansion. (Land swap) In addition, the playground needs an upgrade. This is partially funded.</i>	This request is partially funded. Contact the Department of Parks and Recreation for specifics.
CS/20	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Construction of the The Reading Garden.</i>	More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.

Expense Requests

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