

Statements of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests

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**Queens Community
District
3**

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INTRODUCTION

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

HOW TO USE THIS REPORT

This report represents the Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2027. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the community board, collected through an online form available to community boards from June to November, 2025.

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	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	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 3

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

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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 3 FY2026 District Needs Statement

The community continues to grow, and our basic priorities remain the same. Community Board 3's goal is to enhance the quality of life for all its residents from our very young to seniors. Community Board 3 is comprised of the neighborhoods of East Elmhurst, Jackson Heights, and North Corona bounded by the Brooklyn- Queens Expressway to the west, Grand Central Parkway to the north, Flushing Meadow Corona Park to the east, and Roosevelt Avenue to the south. The district encompasses zip codes 11368, 11369, 11370, and 11372.

CB3's land area is 3.0 square miles and is serviced by the 115th Police Precinct; Sanitation Queens West 3; Fire Engine Company 307/Ladder 154 and Engine Company 316; 23 Public schools; 11 private and parochial schools; 2 post-secondary degree-granting institutions; 4 public libraries; 1 private library; 28 Day Care/ Head Start facilities; 11 known mental health facilities; 12 residences that provide services for individuals with developmental disabilities; 11 shelters; 9 park/playgrounds; 1 vest-pocket park; 7 sitting areas; 8 park strips, 2 Dog Parks, Diversity Plaza, 26 block open street located on 34th Avenue, Travers Park has incorporated 78th Street Play Street in its expansion of the facility, Fisher Pool and Malcolm X Promenade.

The district lies in the shadow of La Guardia Airport, where some of its residents are employed. Airport-related uses along a portion of its northernmost street Ditmars Boulevard, are evident with the presence of hotels such as the Marriott Hotel, La Guardia Plaza, National Car Rental maintains a major facility, and the Vaughn College- School of Aeronautics is in the vicinity. Our major shopping districts and commercial corridors are located along Roosevelt Avenue on the southern boundary of the district; Astoria Boulevard on the northern boundary; 37th Avenue, Northern Boulevard, 73 Street; 74th Street, 82nd Street, 90th Street, Junction Boulevard, 103rd Street. The district's showplaces within the M-1 zone are the Bulova Corporate Center, and Home Depot. There are a many notable sites located within the confines of the district to name a couple ; the Jackson Heights Historic District, America's first planned "garden city" and the Louis Armstrong House/Museum, a national landmark in North Corona. Community Board 3 is densely populated and probably the most diverse community on the planet.

According to NYU Furman Center, 62.8% of our population is foreign-born and most of our citizens originate from Latin America. Over Forty-Eight percent (48.8 %) of these residents have limited English proficiency in contrast to the Borough which is at 28.89% and the City of New York at 23.1%. More services for these constituents are critically needed. The Census reports that our population is 178,022, which means that our numbers have increased since the 2000 census. It is widely known, however, that New York was severely under-counted in the last census. We, therefore, believe that NYU Furman Center's single-year indicator which projects our population to be at 185,815 is probably a more accurate count.

While there are three distinct neighborhoods, North Corona, East Elmhurst, and Jackson Heights in Queens Community Board 3, we are all working towards a common goal to improve the quality of life for our families and community. We, therefore, continue to advocate for our top priorities:

Construct a New Hospital in East Elmhurst, North Corona,

Build a New High School at the stalled construction site at 112- 51 Northern Boulevard,

Clean-Up Flushing Bay and Implement the Army Core of Engineers Recommendations,

Expand the Capacity of the Jackson Heights Library

Corona Library Construct a Library north of Northern Blvd. Affordable Housing - Reconstruct/Repair Sewers to Alleviate Backups and Flooding Construct an Intergenerational Facility in Jackson Heights Increase Youth Programs Increase Senior Programs Expand Medical Services at the Corona Health Center Increase Police Personnel at the 115th Precinct. Conduct a Commercial District Needs Assessment Construct a Performance Arts Center

Increase the Capacity of Elmhurst Hospital.

4. TOP THREE PRESSING ISSUES OVERALL

Queens Community Board 3

The three most pressing issues facing this Community Board are:

Crime and Public Safety

Operation Restore Roosevelt Avenue

We thank Governor Hochul, Mayor Adams , elected officials and the 115th Precinct for responding to our calls last year and putting in place Operation Restore Roosevelt Avenue. Both City and State agencies worked together to address all the issues found on Roosevelt Avenue. We saw a significant difference, the task force was in place for 90 days and they did an excellent job. We believe that the operation would be most effective by keeping our local precincts in place to address quality of life issues within their precincts, create a substation on Roosevelt Avenue for Operation Restore where the task force would address sex working, illegal vending, gang activity and brothels and unlicensed massage parlors.

Improve Lighting on Roosevelt Avenue -

related to the issues on Roosevelt Avenue, is poor lighting. It is far too dark and unsafe for residents, patrons, and businesses to access the streets after dusk. Improved lighting is urgently needed. Replace the lighting located underneath the # 7 elevated tracks. Well lit streets will make subway users and anyone accessing the avenue feel safer.

Health care services

Increase the Capacity and the Number of Public Health Facilities In Community Board 3 Jackson Heights and Elmhurst was the epicenter during the pandemic. Elmhurst Hospital nurses and doctors did a herculean job in saving the lives of Covid-19 victims. Elmhurst Hospital reports that in the last 7 years the emergency department volumes have increased by 33%. Patient wait time has considerably increased. Expanding the facility would be beneficial and positively enhance service delivery. Additional hospital beds and the expansion of the emergency room are sorely needed. Elmhurst Hospital is the only medical facility in our immediate area. Four hospitals closed their doors over twenty years, Elmhurst Hospital is now accommodating many of the patients that used to go to those closed facilities. While Urgent Care facilities are opening around the board area and borough, it does not diminish the fact that more hospitals and the services that they provide are still needed. To enhance the Elmhurst Hospital's capabilities the following needs are requested: E6 Med-Surge Renovation- This project will involve the conversion of current administrative space into a Med-Surge unit to house critically ill patients and patients recovering from surgical procedures. Purchase of Surgical Laser - Acquiring surgical-laser will allow our ENT physicians to perform minimally invasive, highly precise surgeries for a wide range of treatments for-diseases of ear/nose/throat. Purchase of Additional da Vinci Surgical Robot -da Vinci- robotic surgery technology will allow Elmhurst to perform additional robotic surgeries. Robotic surgeries using the da Vinci system enable faster recovery time for patients. Other benefits include reduced pain, less blood loss, reduced risk of infection or complications and less scarring. Remodel In-patient Units 3rd Floor and 6th Floor. Elmhurst Hospital would like to add additional new furniture and amenities to inpatient units on floors 3 and 6 of its main building. The aforementioned modifications and additional services will help to better serve the community.

Affordable Housing

Affordable Housing While there is housing construction all over the district, very few of the developments are intended for low to middle-income families. These past three years have had a devastating impact on our district particularly as it relates to affordable housing. Long before the pandemic there was a shortage of affordable housing crisis . Illegal unsafe conversions and residents doubling and tripling up in apartments have increased. It is because residents cannot afford the high rents. By the same token some landlords have not received their rent in some cases for several years. To add to the mix, some unscrupulous landlords are forcing poor families out of their apartments. These residents have fixed incomes and cannot afford high rents. Many of these residents are seniors and disabled individuals who are part of the impacted group. The housing court really tells the story; in that there is a disproportionate number of minority low-income and at-risk individuals who fall victim to the situation. Many of these tenants cannot afford an attorney and end up losing their homes. The New York Furman Center reports that Queens Community Board 3 ranks number 2 for rent-burdened households and 3rd highest for severe crowding of rental units citywide. According to the report, more than 53.3% of our population pay 35% or more of their income for rent. In addition, 25.5% of our residents live below the poverty level and for some permanent housing is not a given. The pandemic exacerbated the problem, for many families each month is a struggle, they must make the difficult decision as to whether to pay the rent or forgo other essential needs. Every month, they are at risk of being evicted and homeless. Affordable housing is one of our top concerns. We believe that housing is a right and a fundamental need that must be addressed. We, therefore, call upon the City of New York to do more to keep our most vulnerable populations in their homes. Put systems in place to encourage private developers to construct affordable housing. Set a plan to encourage landlords to remain in the rent stabilization program. Develop incentives to attract new property owners to participate in rent stabilization. While the rent moratorium is no longer in place for most people, the city must do all it can to protect our at risk population until they are able to get on their feet. The city should continue to advocate for more federal dollars and programs that will help to keep a roof over the heads of our most vulnerable.

5. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND BUDGET REQUESTS

HEALTHCARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

Queens Community Board 3

Most Important Issue Related to Healthcare and Human Services

Health facilities

Health Facilities

Our existing facility Elmhurst Hospital is operating at full capacity. The doctors and nurses did a phenomenal job during covid-19 ,

Elmhurst Hospital is a 545-bed city hospital that serves as a safety-net institution for a largely working-class immigrant population. The novel coronavirus quickly spread through this vulnerable community, and the hospital was operating at more than 100% capacity. In an effort to free up precious beds, dozens of non-Covid-related cases are being transferred to other facilities. Inpatient wards are overwhelmed with those who, under different circumstances, would belong in intensive care units. This was the epicenter within the epicenter, of the Covid-19 crisis in New York City. Community Board 3 continues to advocate for additional medical facilities in our district as Elmhurst Hospital is the only medical facility located with the confines of our district. We need more hospital beds, Elmhurst Hospital is the City hospital in the immediate area and serves not only community boards 3 and 4 but 1, 2, 6 and 7. We ask that serious consideration be given to our request.

Community District Needs Related to Healthcare and Human Services

Needs for Health Care and Facilities

Health Care and Facilities

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

Needs for Older NYs

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

Needs for Homeless

Services for the unhoused must be substantially improved. Essential services must be provided such as permanent housing, employment, training, and financial assistance to ensure success.

Plans must be developed to ensure long term, permanent solutions should as subsidized rent until the client gets on their feet , monitor cases for a minimum three years. Help them to not only keep their living facility but provide opportunities to go to the next level to purchase a home or condo.

Needs for Low Income NYs

Low income New Yorkers need every resource that is available from addressing food insecurities, housing , child care , assistance with utility bills, health and life insurance and career development.

HEALTHCARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request. Requests are prioritized by agency.

CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
HHC	1 / 2	Provide a new or expanded health care facility
HHC	2 / 2	Staffing

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DFTA	1 / 1	Enhance NORC programs and health services
DOHMH	1 / 2	Other programs to address public health issues requests
DOHMH	2 / 2	Increase health and safety inspections, e.g. for restaurants and childcare programs
HHC	1 / 5	MRI Equipment
HHC	2 / 5	New MRI Scanner
HHC	3 / 5	Adult Behavioral Health Space
HHC	4 / 5	Nuclear Medicine
HHC	5 / 5	Lobby Renovation

YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

Queens Community Board 3

Most Important Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Youth workforce development and summer youth employment

Youth Work Force Development/ Summer Youth Employment

Summer youth programs are essential for the development of our young people. These annual experiences help to develop character, expand the young person's horizons, and

explore career paths. Participation in summer youth programs foster safe/ positive environments where independence and responsibility can be developed. It is crucial that funding be made available for this important work.

Community District Needs Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Needs for Youth Education

Community Board3's highest priority is to provide a first-class education for our children. Before Covid-19 districts 24 and 30 had the highest incidence of overcrowding in our neighborhood schools. Both districts report that currently there has been less overcrowding since the pandemic . We expect that students will return to school. We hope to be ready to receive them by ensuring that every student will have a seat and the necessary tools for their success Education remains our top priority.

Needs for Youth and Child Welfare

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

YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

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CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DOE	3 / 3	Upgrade Bathrooms
SCA	2 / 2	Provide a new or expand an existing elementary school

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DOE	1 / 2	Provide, expand, or enhance funding for Child Care and Head Start programs
DOE	2 / 2	Other educational programs requests
DYCD	1 / 1	Other youth workforce development requests

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Queens Community Board 3

Most Important Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Crime prevention programs

Community District Needs Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Needs for Public Safety

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

Needs for Emergency Services

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

Further outreach is needed to discourage the storage of e-bike

lithium batteries in apartments and garages. Many of our recent fires have been caused due to this reason.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

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CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
FDNY	1 / 5	Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations
FDNY	2 / 5	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances
FDNY	3 / 5	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests
FDNY	4 / 5	Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station
FDNY	5 / 5	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
NYPD	1 / 2	Hire additional uniformed officers
NYPD	2 / 2	Hire additional traffic enforcement agents

CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

Queens Community Board 3

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

Air quality and pollution

Air Pollution Monitors

CB3 is surrounded by LaGuardia Airport, BQE and Grand Central Parkway. Our residents are concerned about the impact of fumes emitting from motor vehicles and planes in the community. There is a high incidence of asthma & respiratory disease in our district. The need to install air monitors in our area is clear.

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

Needs for Water, Sewers, and Environmental Protection

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

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

Needs for Sanitation Services

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

CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

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CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DEP	1 / 3	Other capital budget request for DEP
DEP	2 / 3	Other capital budget request for DEP
DEP	3 / 3	Other capital budget request for DEP
DEP	CS	Other capital budget request for DEP

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DEP	1 / 2	Investigate air quality complaints at specific location
DEP	2 / 2	Inspect sanitary sewer on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed
DSNY	1 / 5	Provide more frequent litter basket collection
DSNY	2 / 5	Other cleaning requests
DSNY	3 / 5	Other garbage collection and recycling requests
DSNY	4 / 5	Other cleaning requests
DSNY	5 / 5	Increase enforcement of illegal posting laws

HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

Queens Community Board 3

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

Affordable housing creation

Affordable Housing and Homelessness Across the city, the incidence of homelessness has increased and is climbing because of the lack of affordable housing. In our district, affordable housing is one of our top concerns because there are few affordable housing units. According to the Furman report more than 53.3% of our population pay 35% or more of their income for rent. In addition, 25.5% of our residents live below the poverty level. For many of these families, it is a struggle each month. They have to make the difficult decision as to whether to pay the rent or forgo other essential needs. They are always at risk for eviction and homelessness. Our housing courts tell the story; there is a disproportionate number of minority, low income and at risk individuals in housing court. Many cannot afford an attorney and end up losing their homes. We are in a housing crisis, fewer affordable units are being developed and the focus now is to build luxury market rate apartments that cater to wealthier clientele. While there is housing construction all over the district none of the developments are intended for low to middle income families. To add to the mix, some unscrupulous landlords are forcing out families that are poor, have fixed incomes, those who cannot afford the higher rents, many seniors and disabled individuals have been impacted. Further, some of the participating property owners are opting out of the rent stabilization program.

Community Board 3 therefore calls upon the City of New York to put systems in place to encourage the development of affordable housing. More has to be done, set a plan of action to encourage landlords to remain in the rent stabilization program. Develop incentives to attract new property owners to participate in rent stabilization. We critically need more affordable housing and ask that urgent attention be given to this important issue.

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

Needs for Land Use

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

Needs for Housing

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

HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request. Requests are prioritized by agency.

CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
HPD	1 / 2	Provide more housing for extremely low and low income households
HPD	2 / 2	Other capital budget request for HPD

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DOB	1 / 1	Other expense budget request for DOB
EDC	1 / 1	Expand clean space initiatives for public sites and graffiti free removal program for private sites along commercial business corridors
HPD	1 / 2	Other expense budget request for HPD
HPD	2 / 2	Provide, expand, or enhance programs for housing inspections to correct code violations
NYCHA	1 / 2	Housing
NYCHA	2 / 2	Bathroom Upgrades
SBS	1 / 2	Other expense budget request for SBS
SBS	2 / 2	Other business regulatory assistance requests

TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY

Queens Community Board 3

Most Important Issue Related to Transportation and Mobility

Parking operations

Revisit, Review Recent Traffic Modifications.

DOT has implemented several initiatives within QCB3 that businesses have requested review. Modifications on Northern Boulevard, 34th Avenue, and Roosevelt Avenue has resulted in the loss of parking spaces. Establishments complain that due to limited parking fewer customers are patronizing their businesses. Customers are opting to go to Long Island and locations where there is onsite parking. Some of these traffic changes have seriously impacted our small businesses' bottom line. A few suggestions are to remove unused outdoor seating structures and install parking meters. We call upon the agency to look into these concerns. Speak with the area entrepreneurs to get a better understanding of the impacts these changes have made on their businesses.

Community District Needs Related to Transportation and Mobility

Needs for Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

- Due to the large number of young children, senior citizens, parents with strollers, and individuals with mobility challenges (including those using walkers or wheelchairs), many residents struggle to access train platforms. There is an urgent need to install elevators at the D and F lines. While some stations got or are slated to get accessibility improvements, the 18th and McDonald Avenue stations are key transfer points to several bus lines and remain inaccessible. Additionally, the 50th and 55th Street stations on New Utrecht Avenue on the D line, which is the closest subway stop to Maimonides Medical Center—a major trauma center and one of New York State's busiest birth centers—also requires accessibility upgrades. We urge NYCTA to prioritize these stations for accessibility improvements. These requests have been made for some time, and despite announcements of increased accessibility at other stations, these particular locations remain underserved. Governor Hochul's recent statements on expanding accessible stations are encouraging, but adding these critical locations to the list would greatly alleviate the accessibility challenges faced by our residents. These concerns have been shared with all relevant government agencies advocating for the necessary improvements.

Needs for Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

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

Needs for Transit Services

MTA Queens Bus Redesign

Queens Community Board3 participated in the review of the MTA Bus Redesign proposal

We would like to see the final design and modifications before the MTA adopts the planned changes. Our residents rely on public transportation and it is important that the MTA's plans improves services for our district.

TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY

Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request. Requests are prioritized by agency.

CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DOT	1 / 10	Repair or provide new street lights
DOT	2 / 10	Other transportation infrastructure requests
DOT	3 / 10	Traffic Study
DOT	4 / 10	Repair or build new step streets
DOT	5 / 10	Repair or provide new street lights
DOT	6 / 10	Traffic Conditions
DOT	7 / 10	Repair or construct sidewalks, curbs, or pedestrian ramps
DOT	8 / 10	Other traffic improvement requests
DOT	9 / 10	New Greenery
DOT	10 / 10	Sprinklers
DOT	CS	Reconstruct streets

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DOT	1 / 8	Other traffic improvement requests
DOT	2 / 8	Cameras
DOT	3 / 8	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming
DOT	4 / 8	Upgrade or create new greenways
DOT	5 / 8	Upgrade or create new greenways
DOT	6 / 8	Repair of Paving Stones
DOT	7 / 8	34th Ave Median
DOT	8 / 8	Greenery

PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Queens Community Board 3

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

Other - Write In (Required)

Park Care and Street Tree Maintenance

While our parks management does a great job with the resources that are available; we continue to advocate for additional funding for increased services and upgrades. Below are only a few of our Parks and Forestry related priorities:

Increase rodent abatement services in area parks

Reconstruct and Restore lavatory facilities at North Playground, and near the World's Fair Marina Banquet.

Increase the budget to hire additional personnel, parks associates, life guards and PEP officers.

Travers Park- Improve lighting

Provide Wi-Fi in all area parks

Staunton Field Tennis Courts- resurface tennis courts to professional grade

Landing Lights A Ballfield and Adjacent Dog Park- Make necessary repairs to ballfield and beautify dog park by adding seating and reseeding the grass.

Increase funding for the maintenance of street trees and raised sidewalks.

The aforementioned priorities are very important to our community and require restating.

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

Needs for Parks

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

Needs for Cultural Services

Louis Armstrong House Museum- Education Visitor Center The Louis Armstrong House Museum is a National Historic Landmark and a New York City landmark. It is the only landmark located within the confines of Community Board3 LAMH is located in the heart of North Corona. It is reported that the museum hosts over 12,500 visitors each year. The Visitor's Center is in its final stages of

development. The new addition will allow the institution to accommodate more visitors; large groups, provide housing for the storage of the Louis Armstrong Archives, and expand programming to include concerts and forums. The current space is too small to conduct the aforementioned activities. Community Board 3 fully supports this project. We request that the construction of the Visitor's Center be fully funded; that work commences expeditiously and opened before the close of 2023.

Needs for Library Services

Library Services

Community Board 3 has four libraries and all are well utilized. The Center for Urban Future indicates that visitors to the Jackson Heights branch exceeded 445,970, North Corona 240,466., Langston Hughes 168,849, and East Elmhurst 66,595. Our residents both adults and children rely on our local libraries for employment information, cultural and educational programs, and general access to the internet. Libraries have always been one of our top priorities. We are pleased to see that our local facilities will be opened six days a week. We now look forward to the advancement of the following projects: Movement on the expansion of the Jackson Heights Library has started. The Jackson Heights facility is the most heavily utilized branch in North West Queens.

Residents are requesting that a library be constructed for neighborhood located north of Northern Boulevard. Constituents complain that they would use library services more frequently if there were a facility closer to their neighborhood. We ask that the QPL System seriously consider our requests and move the constructing a facility north of Northern Boulevard and expand the Corona Library.

Needs for Community Boards

Increase Funding Levels for Community Boards Provide Community Boards with Access to 311 Data Specific to Each Board Area . Explanation: Community Boards are understaffed, and underfunded and have always worked with less even during times of prosperity. An increase in funding levels for Community Boards would be in order. In addition, the advent of Hurricane Sandy and Irene underscored the need for improved communications with 311. We need the ability to retrieve information from the 311 databases in order to analyze conditions that impact our community. Community Boards are now required to Live Stream meetings as per the Comptroller's Office. We do not have the financial wherewithal to pay for consultant fees or equipment. In order for community boards to meet the mandate additional funding must be allocated.

PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request. Requests are prioritized by agency.

CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DCLA	1 / 3	Other cultural facilities and resources requests
DCLA	2 / 3	Accessible Play Equipment
DCLA	3 / 3	Helen Marshall Park
DPR	1 / 18	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
DPR	2 / 18	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
DPR	3 / 18	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
DPR	4 / 18	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
DPR	5 / 18	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
DPR	6 / 18	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
DPR	7 / 18	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
DPR	8 / 18	Upgrade Northern Playground
DPR	9 / 18	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting
DPR	10 / 18	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
DPR	11 / 18	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
DPR	12 / 18	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
DPR	13 / 18	Reconstruct Restroom
DPR	14 / 18	Reconstruct Restroom
DPR	15 / 18	Resurface
DPR	16 / 18	Lighting
DPR	17 / 18	Renovation
DPR	18 / 18	Renovation
QL	1 / 3	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library
QL	2 / 3	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library
QL	3 / 3	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library
DPR	CS	Other park maintenance and safety requests
DPR	CS	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DOITT	1 / 1	Other expense budget request for DoiT
DPR	1 / 10	Other expense budget request for DPR
DPR	2 / 10	Other park programming requests
DPR	3 / 10	Other expense budget request for DPR
DPR	4 / 10	Prune Overgrown Trees
DPR	5 / 10	Improve Lighting
DPR	6 / 10	Prune Overgrown Trees
DPR	7 / 10	Staffing
DPR	8 / 10	Other park maintenance and safety requests
DPR	9 / 10	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting
DPR	10 / 10	Travers Park
NYPL	1 / 1	East Elmhurst Library
QL	1 / 1	Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs

6. OTHER BUDGET REQUESTS

Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request. Requests are prioritized by agency.

CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DOE	1 / 3	Air Conditioning & Electrical Units
DOE	2 / 3	New Elevator
Other	1 / 1	Domestic Violence
SCA	1 / 2	New School Construction

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DCWP	1 / 2	Other expense request
DCWP	2 / 2	Other expense budget request for DCA
HRA	1 / 1	Snap
Other	1 / 1	Legal Services

7. SUMMARY OF PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Health and Hospitals Corporation (HHC)

1 of 2	Provide a new or expanded health care facility	HHC
Provide a new or expanded health care facility		

Construct new Hospital and or Urgent Care in Corona/East Elmhurst area. Elmhurst Hospital is the only medical facility in QCB3 area. The hospital serves over a million patients annually. Our area during the pandemic was hit more than any area in the country. The hospital was heroic in saving lives during the health crisis but like many hospitals, was seriously challenged. Our hospital needs to expand its footprint by building on its existing campus or creating an annex in or near East Elmhurst and North Corona. An additional facility is needed without question.

2 of 2	Staffing	HHC
Other Capital health care facilities request		

Increased staffing or budgeting for Department of Homeless Services Personnel.

Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)

1 of 3	Other capital budget request for DEP	DEP
Other capital budget request for DEP		

Convert our existing combined sewer system to dedicated service. The incidence of flooding has increased over the past decade. Immediate attention must be given to this issue.

2 of 3	Other capital budget request for DEP	DEP
Other capital budget request for DEP		

Request: Dredge Flushing Bay to reduce odor and improve water flow. Explanation: Construct additional holding tanks in Flushing Bay in order to reduce the amount of waste being released into the bay. It is time for the recommendations that the Army Corp of Engineers suggested be implemented.

3 of 3	Other capital budget request for DEP	DEP
Other capital budget request for DEP		

Employ interim measures to control floatables going into Flushing Bay and restore the wetlands

CS	Other capital budget request for DEP	DEP
Other capital budget request for DEP		

Request: Fund a Study For The Construction of a Separate Sewer System for 103rd & Northern Blvd., 25th Avenue & 81st Street, 77th Street & 30th Avenue, 25th Avenue and 77th Street and 25th Avenue and 76th Street. Explanation: Neighborhoods that were once comprised of one & two family homes have been replaced with units of six to ten families. These changes have increased the demand on our infrastructure & sewer system. Before 1996, conditions were confined to East Elmhurst or North of Northern Blvd. Sewer backup conditions are now district-wide.

Housing Preservation and Development (HPD)

1 of 2	Provide more housing for extremely low and low income households	HPD
Provide more housing for extremely low and low income households		

Construct affordable housing for middle and low-income families. Explanation: Strategies and programs must be developed to stimulate the production of new/affordable housing facilities. There is a severe shortage of housing for the aforementioned income groups.

2 of 2 Other capital budget request for HPD

HPD

Other capital budget request for HPD

Request: Construct Affordable Housing for Middle & Low-Income seniors. Explanation: Strategies and programs must be developed to stimulate the production of new/affordable housing facilities. There is a severe shortage of housing for the aforementioned senior groups.

Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR)**1 of 18 Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)**

DPR

Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Redesign and Renovate 90th Street Playground. This heavily utilized playground is due for an upgrade from play equipment to the installation of exercise equipment.

2 of 18 Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

DPR

Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Improve access to the Promenade. Make essential repairs to the perimeter fencing, and replace defective pavers including railing/fencing at flushing Bay Promenade due to overgrown tree roots. If not addressed, the condition could prove to be hazardous to park users.

3 of 18 Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

DPR

Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Location: 94 Street and Ditmars Boulevard

Develop unused property fronting the entrance to the GCP and 94th Street for a dog park/sitting area. There is no facility in the immediate area. Explanation: Residents in this area would like to have a dog park developed on the unused property fronting the entrance to the Grand Central Parkway and 94th street. There is no facility in the immediate area.

4 of 18 Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

DPR

Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Upgrade and Expand Veterans Memorial Park. Upgrade the sitting area, make the space conducive for use by adults and children.

5 of 18 Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

DPR

Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Restore bathrooms near the marina restaurant located on the Malcolm X Promenade. Construct additional facilities along the promenade.

6 of 18 Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

DPR

Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Upgrade Gorman Playground, Phase 2 (Multiple purpose area, basketball, and volleyball courts). Maintenance is needed and a gate at the handball court.

7 of 18 Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

DPR

Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Rehab ramp and railings underneath the Marina

8 of 18 Upgrade Northern Playground

DPR

New equipment for maintenance

Upgrade Northern Playground, Phase 2 (Multiple purpose area, basketball and volleyball courts). (Including play equipment, restrooms, sitting area). Make it more colorful. Maintenance is also needed and a gate at the handball court.

9 of 18 Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting

DPR

Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting

Improve overall lighting of the Promenade and replace decorative pavers.

10 of 18 Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

DPR

Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Install exercise equipment chinup bars etc. adjacent to the men's room. Upgrade the multipurpose area of Gorman Park.

11 of 18 Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

DPR

Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Upgrade Louis Armstrong Playground at P.S 143 (Including Spray Shower).

12 of 18 Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

DPR

Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Upgrade Private William Gray Park (98 St. between Northern Blvd. & 32nd Ave) play equipment, plantings and replace benches.

13 of 18 Reconstruct Restroom

DPR

Improve access to a building in a park

Reconstruct restrooms in Northern Playground.

14 of 18 Reconstruct Restroom

DPR

Other requests for park, building, or access improvements

Reconstruct Restrooms at I.S 227 School

15 of 18 Resurface

DPR

Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Location: 78th Street & 34th Ave

Staunton Field Tennis Courts - Resurface tennis courts to professional grade.

16 of 18 Lighting

DPR

New equipment for maintenance

Improve Lighting at Travers Park

17 of 18 Renovation

DPR

Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Landing Lights A: Renovate ballfield

18 of 18 Renovation

DPR

New equipment for maintenance

Location: 25th Ave & 79th Street

Landing Light A: Renovate Dog Park, add benches and reseed grass.

CS Other park maintenance and safety requests

DPR

Other park maintenance and safety requests

Continued Support: Repair the drainage at Flushing Meadows Corona Park.

CS Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park

DPR

Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park

Continued Support - Restore the Queens Green House at Forest Park.

CS Renovation

DPR

New equipment for maintenance

Helen Marshall Playground - Capital project for renovation of baseball field.

Queens Library (QL)**1 of 3 Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library**

QL

Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library

Construct a new building and expand the capacity of the Jackson Heights Regional Library - keep allocation in place.

Explanation: The Jackson Heights Branch is the most heavily utilized library facility in Northwest Queens. The library is the home to the most ethnically diverse population in the City. Space for expansion is available behind the present structure. A new facility will significantly reduce overcrowding.

2 of 3 Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library

QL

Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library

Request: Construct Library in North West Sector of CB3. The Lexington School for the Deaf should be considered for a possible site. Explanation: The residents in this portion of the District are sorely lacking library facilities.

3 of 3 Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library

QL

Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library

Request: Expand Corona Library Explanation: This heavily used facility is one of only four libraries in community Board 3. Whether expansion entails building up or acquiring adjacent property, the new addition would be welcomed.

Department of Transportation (DOT)**1 of 10 Repair or provide new street lights**

DOT

Repair or provide new street lights

Improve street lighting on 73rd Street between 37th Avenue and Broadway. For safety reasons, proper lighting is a must.

2 of 10 Other transportation infrastructure requests

DOT

Other transportation infrastructure requests

Location: 114th Street - 114th Street and Northern Blvd. & 114th Street and Northern Blvd.

A study of the exit at 114th Street and Northern Boulevard is warranted. The reduction of traffic lanes have had a significant impact causing increased congestion.

3 of 10 Traffic Study DOT

Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming

Location: 114th Street & Astoria Blvd.

Provide funding for a traffic study of the entrance at 114th Street and Astoria Blvd. It is important to determine whether the recent changes to our major thoroughfare have had an impact.

4 of 10 Repair or build new step streets DOT

Repair or build new step streets

Location: 25 Avenue and Butler Street

Redesign Step Street at Butler/Ditmars Blvd. and 25th Ave. Explanation: The 25th Ave step street could use a face-lift, which would entail improved lighting, seating areas, pruning and planting of additional greenery. The proposed enhancements would attract more users of this important public space.

5 of 10 Repair or provide new street lights DOT

Repair or provide new street lights

Increase safety by installing street lights from Junction Boulevard and Roosevelt Ave

6 of 10 Traffic Conditions DOT

Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming

Location: 75th Street - 78th Street & 31st Ave

Re-evaluate traffic conditions along 75th to 78th Streets and 31st Ave.

7 of 10 Repair or construct sidewalks, curbs, or pedestrian ramps DOT

Repair or construct sidewalks, curbs, or pedestrian ramps

Request: Provide funding for curb repair. Explanation: While the property owner is responsible for the repair of sidewalks and encouraged to replace curbs, all too often, violations go unaddressed because of financial difficulties or neglect. Unsafe conditions are left to the city to be corrected. It is therefore important that funding to hire more outside contractors to perform sidewalk and curb repairs be increase.

8 of 10 Other traffic improvement requests DOT

Other traffic improvement requests

Replace sidewalks at Landing Lights A.

9 of 10 New Greenery DOT

Upgrade or create new greenways

Location: Northern Blvd.

Beautify all center malls including the Bioswales i.e. weeds on Northern Blvd.

10 of 10 Sprinklers DOT

Other capital budget request for DOT

Install sprinkles on the 34th Ave./ median/mall to preserve trees and shrubs.

CS Reconstruct streets

Reconstruct streets

DOT

Location: 86th Street - 25th Avenue & 25th Avenue

Request: Resurface Streets in Community Board 3. Explanation: Resurface Junction Blvd. between Northern and Roosevelt Avenues, 37th Ave from Junction Blvd. to 114th Street, 82nd Street from Roosevelt Ave to the BQE, Roosevelt Ave from 114th to 69th Streets and Astoria Blvd. from 69th to 114th Streets.

Fire Department of New York (FDNY)

1 of 5 Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations

Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations

FDNY

FDNY Station 307/154 - Upgrade kitchen.

2 of 5 Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances

Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances

FDNY

Purchase a Medical Service Vehicle - FDNY/EMS for the Borough of Queens (for 10 patients at a time can be attended to on this mobile vehicle) Existing vehicle is over 29 years old.

3 of 5 Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests

Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests

FDNY

Purchase for FDNY - Mutual aide Rapid Response Vehicle - For Citywide use state of the art vehicle that will transport equipment and supplies in emergency situations.

4 of 5 Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station

Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station

FDNY

At EMS Unit 406 - Upgrade men's locker room and shower.

5 of 5 Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances

Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances

FDNY

Purchase a Bariatric Ambulance Unit.

Department of Cultural Affairs (DCLA)

1 of 3 Other cultural facilities and resources requests

Other cultural facilities and resources requests

DCLA

Construct a Community Performance Arts Center in Jackson Heights that will accommodate seating for 300. The new facility would host local and international artists and could be the home of the Jackson Heights Orchestra.

2 of 3 Accessible Play Equipment

Purchase equipment for cultural facility

DCLA

Inclusive/accessible play equipment across the parks. Example, sensory element for the disabled.

3 of 3 Helen Marshall Park

Renovate or upgrade an existing cultural facility

DCLA

Maintenance at Helen Marshall Park i.e. resurfacing the basketball court.

Department of Education (DOE)

1 of 3 Air Conditioning & Electrical Units
Other capital request for DOE

DOE

New Air Conditioning Units and Electrical work for to be placed in offices at the Louis Armstrong School.. Although the Mayor's Office had placed air conditioners in all classrooms, they did not allow for repairs or replacements when they break down. Many air conditioners have broken down and need repair. IS 227 is a 4 story building, the top floors are without air conditioning have exceeded 100 degrees on hot days. In addition, our School Counselors, Social Workers and Nurses Office desperately need air conditioning to serve their students. These offices may need electrical work to be compatible with new air conditioners.

2 of 3 New Elevator
Other capital request for DOE

DOE

A new elevator is requested to accommodate students with vision and mobility needs. The existing elevator has been in place since the opening of the school doors in 1979. It constantly breaks down leaving students to be relocated to the first floor and losing out on their rightful education. The wait for parts for this outdated elevator has taken months at a time. The urgently needs replacement.

3 of 3 Upgrade Bathrooms
Other capital budget request for DOE

DOE

Most bathrooms are in their original state when the building was opened in 1979. The floor tiles and fixtures desperately need replacement

School Construction Authority

1 of 2 New School Construction
Other capital request for SCA

SCA

Construct new school in CB3, especially Early Childhood Centers and a High School at Willits Point and the former DiBlasi Ford site.

2 of 2 Provide a new or expand an existing elementary school
Provide a new or expand an existing elementary school

SCA

Expand and increase the number of seats in our existing schools, particularly in District 24. We should be ready to accommodate the influx of migrant students.

Other

1 of 1 Domestic Violence
Other capital request

Other

Programming for families or individuals in domestic violence.

EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)

1 of 2 Investigate air quality complaints at specific location
Investigate air quality complaints at specific location

DEP

Request: Install Air Monitors in the Neighborhoods of Jackson Heights and East Elmhurst that are located near LaGuardia Airport. Explanation: CB3 is surrounded by Laguardia Airport, BQE and The Grand Central Parkway. Our residents are concerned about the impact of fumes emanating from motor vehicles and planes in the community. There is a high incidence of asthma & respiratory disease in our district. The need to install air monitors in our area is clear.

2 of 2 Inspect sanitary sewer on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed DEP

Inspect sanitary sewer on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed

Increase DEP inspectorial personnel to address dumping and other environmental infractions in Flushing Bay.

Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications (DOITT)

1 of 1 Other expense budget request for DoiT DOITT

Other expense budget request for DoiT

Improve access to government services and information by sharing 311 data with Community Boards. Please make more resources available to the community board.

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)

1 of 2 Other programs to address public health issues requests DOHMH

Other programs to address public health issues requests

Increase funding for rodent abatement. Lets cleanup public areas. Hire more exterminators to reduce and curtail infestations.

2 of 2 Increase health and safety inspections, e.g. for restaurants and childcare programs DOHMH

Increase health and safety inspections, e.g. for restaurants and childcare programs

Request: Hire additional Department of Health Inspectors to conduct night inspections. Explanation: Unlicensed food vending along Roosevelt Ave, Broadway, 74th and 37th Avenues are increasing. The community would benefit from having more inspections conducted particularly at night where the problem is most prevalent.

Department of Sanitation (DSNY)

1 of 5 Provide more frequent litter basket collection DSNY

Provide more frequent litter basket collection

Restore litter basket collections to three times per day in our commercial strips - 37th Ave; Junction Blvd; Roosevelt Ave; Northern Blvd; 103rd Street; and 74th Street; Astoria Blvd., 73rd and 72nd Streets in Jackson Heights. Hire additional personnel for 11am- 7pm shift in order to increase litter basket patrol truck service particularly during weekends.

2 of 5 Other cleaning requests DSNY

Other cleaning requests

Provide funding for weekly power-washing of Roosevelt Ave, Junction Blvd. and Diversity Plaza.

3 of 5 Other garbage collection and recycling requests DSNY

Other garbage collection and recycling requests

Increase funding to provide additional cleaning services to Roosevelt Ave from 69th to 114th Streets. The mayor has allocated additional funding. We hope some of these monies will come our way.

4 of 5 Other cleaning requests DSNY

Other cleaning requests

Location: Boody Street

Increase funding for sanitation MLP service in section 31. Explanation: The monies would allow sanitation to provide additional services to the areas that are mostly in need within our district.

5 of 5 Increase enforcement of illegal posting laws

DSNY

Increase enforcement of illegal posting laws

Increase funding for illegal posting personnel.

New York Police Department (NYPD)**1 of 2 Hire additional uniformed officers**

NYPD

Hire additional uniformed officers

Request: Restore our full complement of NYPD personnel, NCO (s), administrative aides, custodial services, and school safety guards. Explanation: QCB3 has lost Police Officers due to retirement, sick leave and reassignments. While the 115 Precinct is doing a great job with current resources, our community deserves replacement of loss personnel. Hire additional custodial personnel for the 115 precinct. The additional staff will improve the precinct's day-to-day operations.

2 of 2 Hire additional traffic enforcement agents

NYPD

Hire additional traffic enforcement agents

Increase funding to hire additional traffic enforcement agents to address double parking and other traffic infractions.

Queens Library (QL)**1 of 1 Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs**

QL

Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs

Request: Keep Queens Libraries Open 7 Days a week with one late night closing at 10:00pm. Explanation: Extend the hours of our libraries. Later closing hours would be beneficial for our adult mature students and night events.

Human Resources Administration (HRA)**1 of 1 Snap**

HRA

Other expense request for HRA

Due to the rise of food insecurity, additional pantries and resources are warranted. Since the pandemic, our community's greatest challenge is food insecurity.

Department of Education (DOE)**1 of 2 Provide, expand, or enhance funding for Child Care and Head Start programs**

DOE

Provide, expand, or enhance funding for Child Care and Head Start programs

Request: Restore Day Care Slots and after school programs. Explanation: Our Community's population has increased. Many of our young working families require day care services & after school programs. Working parents deserve programs that will serve the needs of their pre-school children ages three months to five years old.

2 of 2 Other educational programs requests

DOE

Other educational programs requests

Provide and increase funding for the STEAM program within CB3. STEAM is a method of instruction that incorporates Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Mathematics and helps to promote student critical thinking. Every classroom should have access to these important resources.

Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD)

1 of 1 Other youth workforce development requests

DYCD

Other youth workforce development requests

Request: Restore and Increase funding for youth, adult and senior programming in Jackson Heights, North Corona and East Elmhurst. Explanation: There is a severe shortage of programs in CD3 that cater to the recreational needs of our youth and seniors. Our community deserves quality facilities and programming that will enrich our lives.

Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR)**1 of 10 Other expense budget request for DPR**

DPR

Other expense budget request for DPR

Request: Install free WIFI in CB3 parks and Plazas. Explanation: Upgrade our area parks by installing free WIFI services. Keep park users plugged in and informed.

2 of 10 Other park programming requests

DPR

Other park programming requests

Request: Increase parks staffing levels for maintenance personnel. Hire a parks associates for PS 127 and Junction Boulevard parks and assistant gardener. Explanation: CB3 requires additional associates in our area parks, currently there are only two associates in the entire district, Gorman park and Travers. We deserve more programs and services.

3 of 10 Other expense budget request for DPR

DPR

Other expense budget request for DPR

Provide a more accessible independent electrical source at the performance area/stage in Travers Park

4 of 10 Prune Overgrown Trees

DPR

Forestry services, including street tree maintenance

Location: Ditmars Boulevard

Prune overgrown trees and general cleanup and beautification at Overlook Park.

5 of 10 Improve Lighting

DPR

Other park maintenance and safety requests

Install and Improve lighting at entrances, clean-up and beautify entrances, address serious rodents' problems and homeless encampment at Promenade Overpass entrances.

6 of 10 Prune Overgrown Trees

DPR

Forestry services, including street tree maintenance

Location: 23rd Ave - 82nd & 100th - 82nd Street & 100th Street

Address overgrown shrubs, trees, and weeds that obstruct visibility and Cleanup and beautification of medians on 23rd Avenue between 82nd and 100th Streets.

7 of 10 Staffing

DPR

Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)

Increase staffing levels for PEP Officers to address issues related to all area parks.

8 of 10 Other park maintenance and safety requests

DPR

Other park maintenance and safety requests

Increase funding levels to hire additional staff to maintain the parks landscapes.

9 of 10 Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting

DPR

Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting

Request: Extend fencing at Northern Boulevard Playground. Explanation: Part of the fencing at this playground is chain linked and the balance is wrought iron. Remove the chain linked portion of the fence and replace it with wrought iron for safety and aesthetic reasons.

10 of 10 Travers Park

DPR

Other expense budget request for DPR

Regrade basketball court in Travers Park

Department of Consumer and Worker Protection (DCWP)**1 of 2 Other expense request**

DCWP

Other expense request

Hire interpreter for Chinese, Bangali and other languages that can be deployed onsite to nonprofit, social service contractors, including Community Board 3 Meetings, food pantries, housing, counseling and senior centers.

2 of 2 Other expense budget request for DCA

DCWP

Other expense budget request for DCA

Hire Additional Consumer Affairs agents to conduct night and weekend street vending inspections.

Housing Preservation and Development (HPD)**1 of 2 Other expense budget request for HPD**

HPD

Other expense budget request for HPD

Provide funding for home-base services within the confines of Queens Community Board 3.

2 of 2 Provide, expand, or enhance programs for housing inspections to correct code violations

HPD

Provide, expand, or enhance programs for housing inspections to correct code violations

HPD - Increase inspectorial staffing levels for HPD (Housing Preservation and Development)

Economic Development Corporation (EDC)**1 of 1 Expand clean space initiatives for public sites and graffiti free removal program for private sites along commercial business corridors**

EDC

Expand clean space initiatives for public sites and graffiti free removal program for private sites along commercial business corridors

Request: Increase Graffiti Removal Programs. Explanation: To combat the increased incidence of graffiti in CD#3, additional monies are needed for these support programs.

Department of Small Business Services (SBS)**1 of 2 Other expense budget request for SBS**

SBS

Other expense budget request for SBS

Far too many businesses are closing their doors because of high rents and reduction of customer base. Local merchants could benefit from the assistance of SBS.

2 of 2 Other business regulatory assistance requests

SBS

Other business regulatory assistance requests

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

Department of Transportation (DOT)**1 of 8 Other traffic improvement requests**

DOT

Other traffic improvement requests

Request: Increase funding to hire additional personnel to install, replace traffic/street signs, repair potholes for Queens DOT

Explanation: Increase funding to hire personnel for sign replacement and pothole repair.

2 of 8 Cameras

DOT

Add street signage or wayfinding elements

Location: 27th - 31st Drive & Ditmars Blvd.

Install cameras at the overpasses located at 27th and 31st Drive on Ditmars Blvd.

3 of 8 Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming

DOT

Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming

Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps. Provide funding for curb repair. While the property owner is responsible for the repair of sidewalks and encouraged to replace curbs, all too often, violations go unaddressed because of financial difficulties or neglect. Unsafe conditions are left to the city to be corrected. It is therefore important that funding to hire more outside contractors to perform sidewalk and curb repairs be increased.

4 of 8 Upgrade or create new greenways

DOT

Add street signage or wayfinding elements

Location: Astoria Boulevard - 82 Street & 82 Street

Request: Beautify the center mall on Astoria Boulevard. Explanation: Plant Shrubs & trees along the Center Mall from 82 Street to 114 Streets at Astoria Boulevard to increase greenery and beautify the community. Most importantly, improve conditions so that pedestrians may safely access Astoria Boulevard. Provide funding to a not-for-profit organization such as the Botanical Gardens to maintain the greenery.

5 of 8 Upgrade or create new greenways

DOT

Add street signage or wayfinding elements

Location: 34 Street - 112 Street & 112 Street

Request: Beautify the Center Mall on 34th Avenue from 112th to 114th streets. Explanation: Plant shrubs and trees to increase greenery. Provide funding to a not-for-profit organization to maintain the site.

6 of 8 Repair of Paving Stones

DOT

Add street signage or wayfinding elements

Location: 37th Ave - Roosevelt Ave & Junction blvd to 34th Ave

Restoration and repair of the paving stones on 82nd Street (from 37th Ave to Roosevelt Ave and Junction Blvd. to 34th Ave).

7 of 8 34th Ave Median

DOT

Add street signage or wayfinding elements

Location: 69th Street - 114th Street

Care for the 34th Ave median from 69th Street - 114th Street.

8 of 8 Greener

DOT

Add street signage or wayfinding elements

Location: 23rd Ave - Ditmars Blvd. & 82 Street
Beautify 23rd Ave from Ditmars Blvd. to 82nd Street with maintenance.

Department of Buildings (DOB)**1 of 1 Other expense budget request for DOB**

DOB

Other expense budget request for DOB

Increase staffing Level for DOB Compliance Unit.

Department for the Aging (DFTA)**1 of 1 Enhance NORC programs and health services**

DFTA

Enhance NORC programs and health services

Request: Provide funding to increase NORC (Naturally Occurring Retirement Community) Programming in CB3. Explanation: Seniors are the second largest population within CB3. It is important that senior programming such as NORC be made available to our elder residents. Providing health and social services within the confines of their coop/apartment complexes would significantly improve their quality of life.

New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA)**1 of 2 Housing**

NYCHA

Other expense budget request for NYCHA

Fund a study in collaboration with CB3 that creates a plan for increasing the supply of housing within the district.

2 of 2 Bathroom Upgrades

NYCHA

Other expense budget request for NYCHA

Bathroom upgrades - Most bathrooms are in their original state when the building was opened in 1979. The floor tiles need to be desperately replaced in the bathrooms along with the fixtures.

Health and Hospitals Corporation (HHC)**1 of 5 MRI Equipment**

HHC

Other expense budget request for HHC

Elmhurst Hospital's Radiology department is facing significant patient backlogs. As a result patients often experience delays to their needed imaging, diagnosis, and treatment, which can negatively affect their outcomes. There is a strong need for an additional scanner as demand continues to grow. The hospital is requesting a new platform uniformly, proficiency, and key factors in meeting the demand. Elmhurst Hospital is seeking approval of the purchase of a new Philips Ingenia Ambition X 1.5T MR with an Evolution upgrade. Elmhurst Hospital's current Philips MR will reach End-of-life in 2028 and with a single MR at this location, is unable to keep pace with the current demand.

2 of 5 New MRI Scanner

HHC

Other expense budget request for HHC

New MRI Equipment Currently, Elmhurst Hospital's Radiology department is facing significant patient backlogs. As a result, patients often experience delays to their needed imaging, diagnosis, and treatment, which can negatively affect their outcomes. There is a strong need for an additional scanner as demand continues to grow. The hospital is requesting a new Platform uniformity, proficiency, and efficiency are key factors in meeting the demand. Elmhurst Hospital is seeking approval of the purchase of a new Philips Ingenia Ambition X 1.5T MR to meet this demand. In addition to this new MR project, Elmhurst is looking to upgrade their current Ingenia 1.5T MR with an Evolution upgrade. Elmhurst Hospital's current Philips MR will reach End-of-Life in 2028 and with a single MR at this location, is unable to keep pace with the current demand.

3 of 5 Adult Behavioral Health Space**HHC**

Other expense budget request for HHC

\$3.M to complete outdoor space for Adult Behavioral Health on D9 & E11. NYC Health & Hospitals/Elmhurst is one of the largest providers of mental health care in the borough of Queens, and almost 1/3rd of our inpatient beds are reserved for behavioral health patients. We are seeking funds for the construction of two terraces on our 9th & 11th floors. Research has shown that patients with mental health diagnoses experience less anxiety and depressive symptoms and higher levels of 'well-being' when they spend time in natural environments as part of their treatment. It has been suggested that there is a relationship between the outdoor settings and the recovery of psychiatric patients.

4 of 5 Nuclear Medicine**HHC**

Other expense budget request for HHC

\$2.2M for the PET for Nuclear Medicine NYC Health + Hospitals/Elmhurst has incredibly busy volume and demand for our x-ray and radiation oncology services. In 2024, we provided over 91,518 x rays and over 194,000 diagnostic tests, 5% higher than the previous year. Elmhurst currently lacks PET scan technology and we now have to transfer patients to our sister hospital, NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens, in order to receive this critical care. PET/CT scans provide advanced imagery that serves as an effective way to help discover a variety of conditions, including cancer, heart disease and brain disorders. With PET/CT scans, our healthcare providers can make more accurate diagnoses and treatment plans, leading to better outcomes. PET/CT scans are also less invasive and more comfortable for patients. We expect to do 500 procedures in year 1 after acquiring the equipment and ramp up to additional capacity of 1,000 patients a year in year 2.

5 of 5 Lobby Renovation**HHC**

Other expense budget request for HHC

\$5M for the Lobby Renovations We are requesting additional funding to renovate our hospital entranceways and lobbies and make them more environmentally-friendly and energy efficient. We previously received \$5.88 M in City Council, NYS, and BP funding for this project. Upon further assessments of the project, there were additional structural needs identified, along with inflationary cost increases. We are nearly complete with the design and ready to go out to bid. The new entryways will be reconfigured to direct patient flow, making it easier to navigate. Wayfinding features will also be added. Each entryway will also have branded information desks, new walls, floors, ceilings, paint and furniture. As a part our goal to be more sustainable, the entrances will incorporate "green" materials and have been designed to minimize heat and cooling loss.

Other**1 of 1 Legal Services****Other**

Other expense request

Requesting additional legal services for immigrants in NYC

New York Public Library (NYPL)**1 of 1 East Elmhurst Library****NYPL**

Other expense budget request for NYPL

Install charging stations at the East Elmhurst library adult desks.