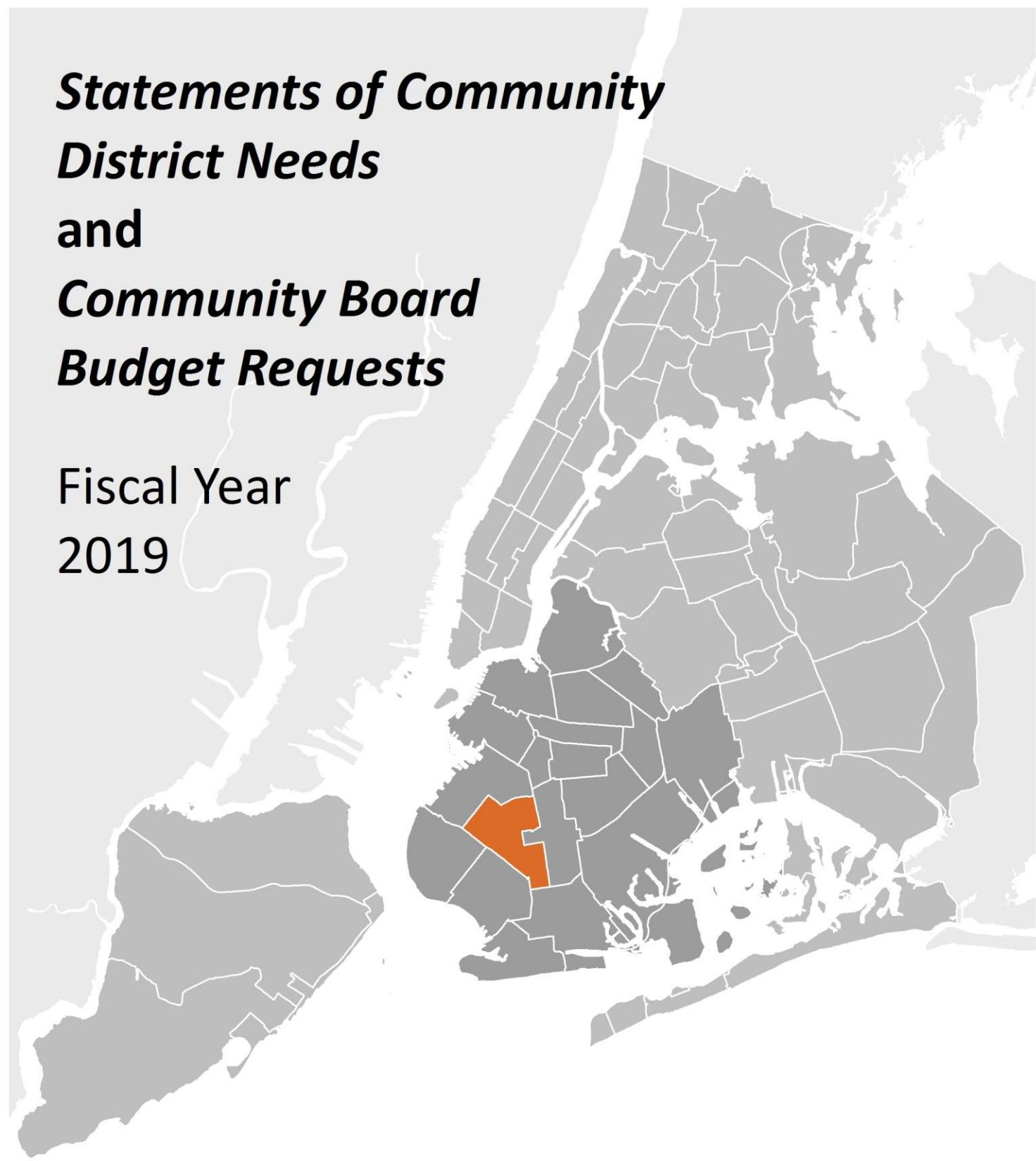


Statements of Community District Needs and *Community Board Budget Requests*

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Community District 12**

INTRODUCTION

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

HOW TO USE THIS REPORT

This report represents Brooklyn Community Board 12's *Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2019*. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the community board, collected through an online form available to community boards from June to November 2017.

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

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This report is broadly structured as follows:

a) Overarching Community District Needs

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

b) Policy Area - Specific District Needs

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

c) Community Board Budget Requests

The final section includes the two types of budget requests submitted to the City for the FY19 budget cycle; one list for capital and another for expense budget requests. For each budget request, community boards were able to provide a priority number, explanation, location, and supporters. OMB remains the definitive source on budget requests submitted to city agencies.

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

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

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

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2. Community District Profile

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

Brooklyn Community District 12

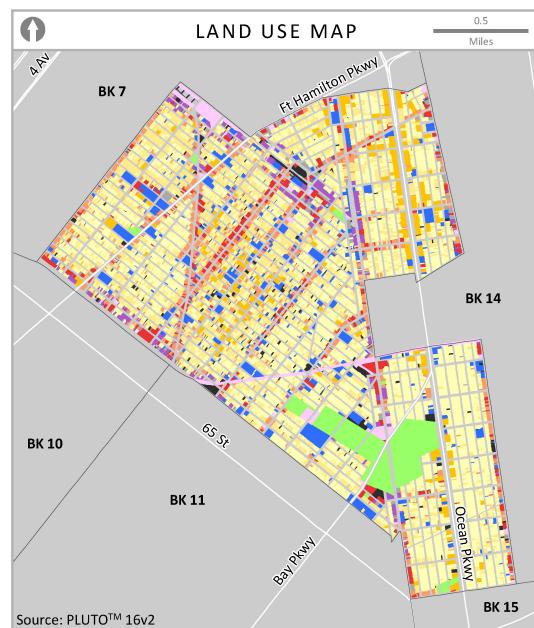


Neighborhoods¹: Borough Park, Kensington, Ocean Parkway

POPULATION & DENSITY		
2000 ²	2010 ³	2000-2010
185,046	191,382	+3%
2011-2015 Estimate ⁴		165,372
Square Miles		3.6
Population Density		53,162/sq mi



Land Use Category	# Lots	% Lot Area
1 & 2 Family Bldgs	10,326	41%
Multifamily Walk-up	5,041	23%
Multifamily Elevator	207	5%
Mixed Use	1,891	7%
Commercial	501	4%
Industrial	250	2%
Transportation/Utility	79	2%
Public/Institutional	495	7%
Open Space	22	6%
Parking	190	1%
Vacant	340	2%
Other	43	<1%



[Click here for a more detailed land use map of Brooklyn CD 12](#)

A Snapshot of Key Community Indicators

COMMUNITY ASSETS ⁵	
Public Schools	26
Public Libraries	4
Hospitals and Clinics	23
Parks	6
Click to visit the NYC Facilities Explorer	

RENT BURDEN ^{4, 6}	
Brooklyn CD 12	60%
of households spend 35% or more of their income on rent	

ACCESS TO PARKS ⁷	
Brooklyn CD 12	74%
of residents live within walking distance of a park or open space	

MEAN COMMUTE TO WORK ^{4, 8}	
Brooklyn CD 12	37 minutes
NYC	40 minutes

LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY ⁴	
Brooklyn CD 12	33%
of residents 5 years or older have limited English proficiency	

CRIME RATE ⁹	
Brooklyn CD 12	6.0
major felonies were reported per 1,000 residents in 2016	

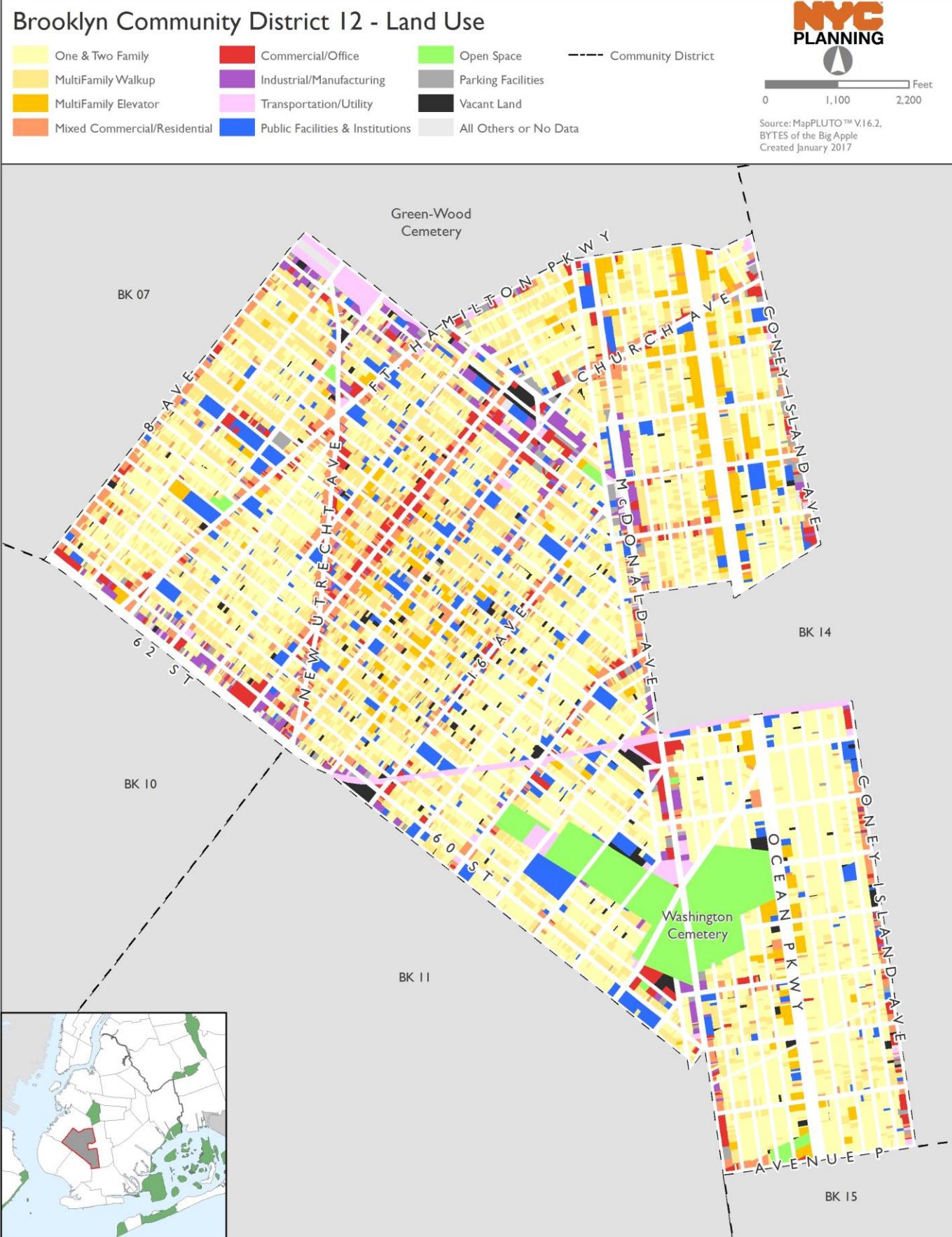
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT ^{4, 10}	
Brooklyn CD 12	26%
of residents 25 years or older have earned a bachelor's degree or higher	

UNEMPLOYMENT ^{4, 10}	
Brooklyn CD 12	6.5%
of the civilian labor force was unemployed on average from 2011 to 2015	

NYCgov POVERTY MEASURE ¹¹	
Brooklyn CD 12	28%
of residents have incomes below the NYCgov poverty threshold. See the federal poverty rate here.	

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

2. Community District Land Use



3. Overview of Community District

Brooklyn Community Board 12 represents the neighborhoods of Borough Park, Dahill, Kensington and Midwood.

In the past few years, we have had a sizable increase in population. Since many of our residents are Orthodox and Chasidic, large families are the rule rather than the exception. The birthrate in this community far exceeds the national average. In addition to increased family size, new families are locating to our District. We have also experienced an influx of many new immigrants, i.e. Chinese, Russians, Polish, Pakistani and Bangladeshi.

The Chinatown of Brooklyn is located on 8th Avenue, which is the boundary between Community Board 7 and Community Board 12. This area is comprised mainly of immigrants from mainland China. The influx has been steadily increasing over the years which now represent a significant percentage of our total population. The Borough Park West section of our District now hosts many Chinese businesses, medical offices and outreach centers as well as property owners, tenants and students.

The Pakistani and Bangladeshi immigrant population has continued to grow in leaps and bounds in the Kensington/Dahill area of our District as have the immigrants from India. In addition, with the building of several new housing units in our District and more to come, it will and has added a significant increase in population to our District. Also, Kensington, particularly the Ocean Parkway corridor, is a hot location for Russian immigrants who are replacing the senior population of that area who formerly occupied the high-rise apartment buildings along that corridor.

The Kensington area itself has welcomed many new families with young children. However, the Kensington area is devoid of Parks or Green streets. Parks that are in our district are too far for young children to go alone and play and use the recreational facilities as well as for residents, especially seniors, to sit and enjoy the greenery rather than cement.

In addition, our Polish immigrant population, as well as the Hispanic population is located in the Borough Park section of our District, along with the Orthodox and Chasidic population.

The Midwood section is in the throes of change with more and more construction of larger homes to accommodate the needs of the Sephardic community.

Borough Park continues to be the most densely populated section of the District. Because of religious constraints, large families remain within walking distance of their houses of worship, kosher shopping areas and schools. Borough Park is in dire need of affordable housing for these large families.

Because of the above mentioned religious and cultural necessities, Community District 12 has become a much desired area in which to live and is the reason that all areas of our District are experiencing an influx of large families which is contributing to the density of this District as a whole. Due to the population density, especially the large amount of children; this District suffers from traffic, lack of parking, sanitation and infrastructure problems.

Since Community Board 12 does not have a proliferation of large conglomerates, nationwide chains, or corporate structures, the small business and property owner is our mainstay. People work and live in our District, thereby assuring the viability of our area and keeping the dollar flow in the community.

At present, our residents retain a commitment to our area. The City, State and Federal Government must allocate fair-share funding to urban communities to encourage and foster this commitment.

The Community Board 12 District is an area that dates back to 1900. Most of our infrastructure, including many of our structures, streets and sewer systems and electrical grid date back to that era and are antiquated.

Through various means of development, the Community Board 12 District has remained a viable tax base. However, City response to genuine needs of this area must be addressed.

4. Top Three Pressing Issues Overall

The three most pressing issues facing Brooklyn Community Board 12 are:

- *Affordable housing*
- *Traffic*
- *Trash removal & cleanliness*

Community Board 12 serves an "old" community and many of our streets need resurfacing or reconstruction; intermittent pothole repair and even resurfacing is a temporary remedy and does not alleviate the real problem. Parking is at a premium. Traffic is congested every day of the week throughout the district. A lot of it is due to the inordinate amount of school buses during morning and evening rush hours. Traffic studies are needed at several locations in our district to help ease traffic and parking congestion and design alternatives to enhance traffic and parking flow throughout the district. Our district is so densely populated that there is a need for a full complement of traffic control agents at strategic areas at all times.

Community Board 12 has many problems with illegal dumping and has experienced dangerous and hazardous items that imperil the health and well-being of our residents and destroys their quality of life. This district has many more private schools than public schools, with private school enrollment far outnumbering the student enrollment in public schools. However, private schools need additional collections they only get two collections a week and the garbage becomes a health and quality of life hazard because of the lack of daily pick-ups.

Community Board 12 is a densely populated community with large religious families living in the district because it meets their religious needs. The housing supply is low and the demand very high therefore driving property values up and making affordable housing almost non-existent. For most families in our district, buying a home is practically out of reach and renting for a reasonable rate is almost impossible. Even if one can afford the high prices, it is very difficult for young married couples and those with large families to find adequate housing, through renting or buying.



Main Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

Programs, services or facilities for seniors

While many social services are needed, few are implemented because the Community is not aware or does not have access to the programs that are available. Community Board 12 is dire need of an HRA center in this district. Many of our residents use services from HRA such as; SNAP (food stamps), Medicaid, welfare, HEAP, and childcare vouchers. The latest numbers show that for cash assistance, our District is the fourth highest in the borough; for SNAP and Medicaid, we are at the top in the Borough. Many in our district, especially the Orthodox community, do not have access to the internet, thereby making it very difficult to make use of HRA services that are offered on the internet. Many HRA clients have to travel a long time to get to an HRA facility and spend almost an entire day there, sometimes with their children and sometimes having to give up a day's work. Many of our residents feel that when visiting an HRA facility that there is some lack of cultural sensitivity, so we are asking HRA send some service professionals a few times a week to our office to serve our community, as they have done in the past. HRA is currently operating such a program.

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

As the senior population grows we need more programs for seniors. Senior center budget's need to be increased and not decreased due to the growing population. There is unmet need for adequate home care particular if the seniors live alone. Since people are living longer additional assistance must be available, and services must be increased not decreased.

Community District Needs Related to Services and Programming for Low-Income and Vulnerable New Yorkers

Adequate funding is needed for Community based organizations. Our district is in dire need of a HRA office. We have a lot of immigrants don't understand English and have to travel far to get to the right agencies.

Capital Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/18	HRA	<i>Other request for services to support low-income New Yorkers</i>	<i>Community Board 12 is in dire need of a HRA Social Services agency office in this district; to aid residents with social services such as welfare, snap, cash assistance, medicaid, heap and child care vouchers.</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>



Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
5/43	HRA	<i>Other request for services to support low-income New Yorkers</i>	<i>In our Capital requests we asked that a HRA service center be opened in our district. Knowing that getting a new HRA Service Center in our district is a big ask, we are requesting that at least HRA send some service professionals a few times a week to our office to service our residents, as they have done in the past. HRA is currently operating such a program.</i>	Community Wide
18/43	DFTA	<i>Enhance home care services</i>	<i>As the senior population grows we need more programs for seniors. Senior center budget's need to be increased and not decreased due to the growing population. There is an unmet need for adequate home care particular if the seniors live along. Since people are living longer additional assistance must be available, and services must be increased and not decreased.</i>	Community Wide
19/43	DFTA	<i>Other senior center program requests</i>	<i>In the Community Board 12 District, we have one of the largest senior populations in the country, as well as the largest population of holocaust survivors. There is an unmet need for adequate home care, particularly if the seniors live alone. Since people are living longer, additional assistance must be available. Services must be increased and not reduced. Eligibility for public assistance needs to be re-evaluated.</i>	Community Wide



Main Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Childcare services

With the steady increase in population in the Community Board 12 area, there is a definite need for additional Child Care, particularly for toddlers 2-3 years of age. With the cost of living continuing to rise and an increasing amount of families consist of both parents working, the need for child care is as high as ever. Increased emphasis should be given to the Head Start Program with many more slots made available to accommodate our ever-increasing population. Additionally, more child care vouchers need to be made available. Additionally, half-day UPK would work better for a large amount of children in our district. As to better serve our district, we are requesting that the half-day UPK program be expanded and made available for all those children.

Community District Needs Related to Services for Children and Child Welfare

Our district consist of very large families with the growing financial strain on families , both parents must work in order to provide for their families. Due to both parents working more families need child care services. More daycare slots and head start programs are needed to adequately care for these children.

Community District Needs Related to Youth and Community Services and Programs

Adequate funding is needed for the Community based programs that are youth oriented. More funding should be applied to the Summer Youth Employment Program. Many youths are denied employment due to lack of funding.

Expense Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
20/43	ACS	<i>Provide, expand, or enhance funding for Day Care Slots and Head Start Programs</i>	<i>Our district consists of very large families. With the growing financial strain; both parents must work in order to provide for their families. Due to both parents working, more families need child care services. More daycare slots, head start programs and childcare vouchers are needed to adequately care for these children. Additionally, half-day UPK would work better for a large amount of children in our district. As to better serve our district, we are requesting that the half-day UPK program be expanded and made available for all those children.</i>	Community Wide
21/43	DYCD	<i>Provide, expand, or enhance the Summer Youth Employment Program</i>	<i>Adequate funding is needed for the Community based programs that are youth oriented. More funding should be applied to the Summer Youth Employment Program. Many youths are denied employment due to lack of funding.</i>	Community Wide

Main Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Public safety facilities (precinct, fire houses, etc.)

Generations of Police Officers have had to “live” in a decrepit, antiquated “House” with absolutely no amenities and with conditions that would be considered substandard and inferior for the criminals and derelicts, but are accepted and condoned at this Station House as suitable for our Police Officers.

Community District Needs Related to Policing and Crime

Our Precinct is very old and falling apart. We need a new precinct house to provide better conditions and technology to accommodate our police officers.

Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/18	NYPD	<i>Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses</i>	<i>66th Precinct - Demolish and reconstruct a new 66th Precinct Station House on the footprints of the present site. A new precinct house for the 66th Precinct is one of the oldest budget requests initiated 33 years ago. Funding was eliminated for a project proposal to construct a new 66th Precinct Station House in the FY12 budget. The 66th precinct must be demolished and a new 66th precinct must be built on the footprints of the present site. The air rights over the Long Island Railroad should be required to house trailers during demolition and construction which can then be used after the building is completed as a parking lot for the new 66th Precinct.</i>	<i>66th Police Precinct Station 5822 16th Ave</i>
3/18	NYPD	<i>Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles</i>	<i>The 66th Precinct Community Affairs Units unmarked vehicle is currently in bad shape and keeps breaking down. We are requesting a new unmarked vehicle dedicated to the Community Affairs Unit.</i>	<i>66th Precinct Station 5822 16th Avenue</i>



Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/43	NYPD	<i>Assign additional traffic enforcement officers</i>	<i>TCAs (Traffic Control Agents): Our district is in dire need of Traffic Control Agents assigned to critical areas in our District as well as alternative measures to decrease congestion. At this time, we have none. Locations where traffic congestion is out of control are 18th Avenue from 45th Street to Ocean Parkway; 15th Avenue from 42nd Street to 45th Street; 14th Avenue from 49th Street to 42nd Street (morning hours) 13th Avenue the entire day from 39th Street to 54th Streets and Avenues I and J from McDonald Avenue to Coney Island Avenue, Fort Hamilton Parkway from 36th Street to 46th Street, especially during rush hours (these are just to name a few). The traffic congestion is extremely severe as well as the horn honking during both the AM and PM rush hours.</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>
23/43	NYPD	<i>Provide surveillance cameras</i>	<i>The entire 66th Precinct needs to be outfitted with a CCTV system. The executive officers need to be able to monitor what's going on in the precinct at all times.</i>	<i>66th Precinct Station 5822 16th Avenue</i>
24/43	NYPD	<i>Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests</i>	<i>A ductless air conditioner is needed in the male officer's locker room.</i>	<i>66th Precinct Station 5822 16th Avenue</i>



Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Main Issue Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency*Cleanliness/trash collection*

Community Board 12 district is in dire need of more trash baskets, increased collection and dumping enforcement.

Community District Needs Related to Water, Sewers and Environmental Protection

Many of the sewers in our district are antiquated and need to be replaced. Also, after a rain a lot of the catch basins on the corners get clogged up and huge puddles make it impossible for pedestrians to cross the street. Cleaning and enlarging these catch basins should be a priority and done regularly.

Community District Needs Related to Sanitation Services

Due to the density of population in Community District 12, increasing sanitation services to the maximum amount possible is essential to our quality of life.

Capital Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
4/18	DSNY	<i>Improve snow removal</i>	<i>BK12 is in need of one additional FEL (Front End Loader) for snow removal and two skid steers (bobcats) to help with clearing bus stops, schools, crosswalks, fire hydrants and by the elevated subways.</i>	Community Wide
6/18	DEP	<i>Build new, expand or repair sanitary sewers</i>	<i>Catch basins all over the district need to be enlarged, especially on 19th Avenue as well as 52nd Street and 59th Street on 17th Avenue. Enlargement of catch basins are needed due to excessive flooding during heavy rains.</i>	Community Wide
7/18	DEP	<i>Build new, expand or repair storm sewers</i>	<i>SEWERS - In as much as the installations of the sewers in Community Board 12 District were done over 80 years ago, many sewer lines in our Board need rehabilitation and/or replacement. In some instances, defective sewers have caused sagging roadbeds. Several of our existing sewers are in poor condition and in imminent danger of collapse.</i>	Community Wide
18/18	DEP	<i>Other water supply system upgrade requests</i>	<i>HYDRANTS - State of the Art fire hydrants should be installed through the Community Board 12 District. Present hydrants are over 80 years old and many are in disrepair, leaking, knocked down or inoperable. These damaged, old hydrants present a threat to the safety of our community. Non working hydrants should be removed, in addition to the added safety, desperately needed parking would be made available to our residents. Hydrants should be inspected on a regular basis. Summer use of hydrants is abused. Spray caps are rarely utilized. Most of the time, the hydrants are opened to full capacity, with extensive water waste that creates hazardous conditions for drivers and pedestrians. Open hydrants are not toys and the public abuse of it should be curtailed or eliminated entirely</i>	Community Wide



Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/43	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up for schools and institutions	A dedicated school Sanitation truck for our district. Many times the school truck becomes full way before it covered even half of its route. This causes the garbage to mount and creates a quality of life hazard in addition to becoming a dumping area.	Community Wide
2/43	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up for schools and institutions	Provide daily garbage and recycling pick-up for Private Schools. CB 12 has about 80 private schools serving approximately 100,000 or more children. The District has 16 public schools which serves approximately a third of the total enrollment of the private schools. The student enrollment in some of the public schools has been dwindling rather than increasing. Most of these private schools have year round lunch programs with perishable foods. However, the private schools only receive two pickups per week while the public schools are picked up daily. The student enrollment in private schools far outnumber the enrollment in public schools in this district and because of the amount of garbage generated from these schools each day, daily pickups must be implemented.	Community Wide
4/43	DSNY	Provide more on-street trash cans and recycling containers	Provide additional litter baskets to the district. Due to the overflowing garbage in our district it is necessary to provide more trash cans to accommodate the need.	Community Wide
6/43	DEP	Clean catch basins	All catch basins should be cleaned on a regular scheduled basis. Deteriorated catch basins should be repaired or replaced as part of a regular maintenance schedule.	Community Wide
7/43	DSNY	Increase enforcement of illegal dumping laws	There has been a major increase of illegal dumping on avenues and street corners especially all across 13th Avenue. Sanitation Police Officers should be assigned to our district to catch violators and enforce Sanitation laws. We need enforcement to work closely with the Superintendent. The Super should have input of target areas and get continuous reports from Enforcement on their progress.	Community Wide
8/43	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	Increase litter basket collection to 7 days a week. Currently we have collection on Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday. Overflowing litter baskets increases dumping and adds to large amounts of garbage on the streets. Having empty litter baskets will decrease the amount of dumping and increase the cleanliness of the area.	Community Wide
9/43	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	We are requesting an increase to six broom routes. Currently we have routes on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday.	Community Wide
10/43	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up	We are also requesting the mechanical sweeper on the 12am to 8am midnight shift six days a week be returned (it has been taken away on 7/1/2017 in the FY18 budget) this sweeper effectively cleans the district. Our district constantly rates low on the scorecard and this should help maintain cleanliness throughout the district.	Community Wide



Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
11/43	DSNY	<i>Other cleaning requests</i>	<i>Increase the current four half MLPs (Motor Litter Patrol) to six full MLPs (for eight hour shifts from 6am to 2pm). Currently we have MLP four days a week for four hours each day. This would increase it to six days a week at eight hours each day.</i>	Community Wide
12/43	DSNY	<i>Other garbage collection and recycling requests</i>	<i>Assign one permanent cleaning officer to the district for CB12 (currently the cleaning officer is servicing multiple districts).</i>	Community Wide
13/43	DSNY	<i>Other garbage collection and recycling requests</i>	<i>Increase the amount of supervisors to the previous level. Currently we have three with each one having to cover two sections. Previously we had six so each supervisor only had to cover one section.</i>	Community Wide
22/43	DSNY	<i>Increase cleaning of dump-out/drop-off locations</i>	<i>Increase vacant lot cleaning and known dumping locations. Specifically, South-side of 61st Street has become a dumping ground for all bulk and trash debris due to the fact that there are no houses on that side of the street from 8th Avenue to 14th Avenue. Also, there's a vacant lot on 49th Street between 13th & 14th Avenues and 48th & 49th Street on 19th Avenue (Dead End block) has illegal dumping. Due to constant dumping the area is full of rats etc. and has become a health hazard.</i>	61st Street 8th Avenue 14th Avenue
42/43	DEP	<i>Other water supply system maintenance requests</i>	<i>The Lifetime of a Water Main should be established: periodic inspections, after the projected life span, should be made in order to determine the condition and regular maintenance instituted.</i>	Community Wide
43/43	DSNY	<i>Increase enforcement of illegal posting laws</i>	<i>Community Board 12 has become inundated with posters on poles and trees especially all along 20th Avenue causing major litter problems throughout the district.</i>	Community Wide

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

With the steady increase in population in the Community Board 12 area and the particular religious and cultural needs of our residents which prevents most from leaving this community, there is a critical need for affordable housing. Families in this district have many children and need housing to accommodate their large families at an affordable rate. Currently, most families are spending upwards and above 80% of their monthly earnings on rent and buying for almost most of them is out of the question.

Community District Needs Related to Land Use

We would like for some commercial areas in our district to be rezoned for residential development with an increased focus on affordable housing.

Community District Needs Related to Housing Needs and Programming

Continuation of funding for additional programs.

Community District Needs Related to Economic Development

Economic Development is a prime concern in our area.

Capital Requests Related to Land Use, Housing and Economic Development

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
11/18	SBS	<i>Provide or expand occupational skills training programs</i>	<i>Due to a large amount of residents in our district that are not college educated, investing in a vocational school in this district with an emphasis on high paying and emerging skills is a priority and would go a long way in raising the current low incomes so many families here are experiencing.</i>	Community Wide



Expense Requests Related to Land Use, Housing and Economic Development

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
26/43	DOB	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)	<i>BUILDINGS - A more efficient system must be devised to handle Stop Work Orders correct and current information must be disseminated to enforcement agencies. Inspectors, assigned on a regular basis to each Community Board would provide a much needed personal relationship with the community board thereby helping to solve problems and cut through the red tape.</i>	Community Wide
27/43	DCP	Study land use and zoning to better match current use or future neighborhood needs	<i>We would like for some commercial areas in our district, specifically in the 60s, to be studied for the purposes of being rezoned for residential development with an increased focus on affordable housing.</i>	Community Wide
28/43	SBS	Other business regulatory assistance requests	<i>Successful economic development depends on the dollar structure remaining in the community. Small businesses owners should be incentivized to employ local people to insure that jobs and funds remain in the Community. Local banks must make mortgage loans, home improvement loans, business loans, etc. easily available to the local community, thereby insuring that investment dollars remain in the Community. Additionally, these local banks of which we have a lot should be encouraged to hire from the community through incentives (this goes for many other businesses, corporations and institutions).</i>	Community Wide
39/43	HPD	Expand loan programs to rehabilitate multiple dwelling buildings	<i>Continuation of HPD programs is essential for the continued rehabilitation and development of our Community. HIP, 8A, PLP and 202 loans are vital in order for this work to continue. Continuation of funding for additional consultant contracts to those organizations that are addressing needs that heretofore were not being addressed.</i>	Community Wide
40/43	HPD	Provide more housing for extremely low and low income households	<i>Housing programs for the indigent need to be expanded to help those in need have a better quality of life.</i>	Community Wide



Transportation

Main Issue Related to Transportation

Traffic congestion

Our community is in dire need of Traffic Control Officers assigned to critical areas in our District as well as alternative measures to decrease congestion. At this time, we have none. Locations where traffic congestion is out of control are 18th Avenue from 45th Street to Ocean Parkway; 15th Avenue from 42nd Street to 45th Street; 14th Avenue from 49th Street to 42nd Street (morning hours); 13th Avenue the entire day from 39th Street to 54th Streets' and Avenues I and J from McDonald Avenue to Coney Island Avenue, especially during rush hours (these are just to name a few). The traffic congestion is extremely severe as well as the horn honking during both the AM and PM rush hours.

Community District Needs Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

Traffic congestion is all over our district we have a few traffic studies that need to be addressed and resolved with a solution. Also, we have a few areas in our district that is in dire need of reconstruction.

Community District Needs Related to Transit Services

With many of our residents using mass transit, some better accommodations and services are warranted.



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Capital Requests Related to Transportation

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5/18	NYCTA	<i>Expand subway service frequency or hours of operations</i>	<i>Bring back F express service to South Brooklyn. An F express would be crucial for commuters from Midwood, Boro Park, Bensonhurst and Gravesend, whose travel can take upwards of an hour to midtown. An express train would shorten these commutes considerably. This will go a long way in easing the complaints we continuously get from our residents regarding their commute on the F Line.</i>	Community Wide
8/18	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>37th Street between 14th & 15th Avenues is dire need of reconstruction. This street is plagued with pot holes, sinking holes and open cracked streets that are dangerous to motorist as well as pedestrians crossings. It also floods every time it rains.</i>	37th street 14th Ave 15th Ave
9/18	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>50th Street between 13th & 14th Avenues also needs to be reconstructed. Both streets are plagued with pot holes, sinking holes and open cracked streets that are dangerous to motorist as well as pedestrians crossing.</i>	50th Street 13th Avenue 14th Avenue
10/18	NYCTA	<i>Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.</i>	<i>Due to large amount of young children and senior citizens in our district, mothers with their strollers and elderly, sometimes with walkers, are having a hard time getting onto the train platforms. There is an urgent need to install elevators at the D and F lines. Preferably at the 18th Avenue and McDonald station for the F line and the 50th Street and New Utrecht Avenue station for the D line.</i>	Community Wide
15/18	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Funding must be allocated for a curb program and sidewalk repair. There are many damaged and disintegrating curbs and sidewalks in our district that have been waiting for years to get the necessary repairs.</i>	Community Wide
16/18	DOT	Other transportation infrastructure requests	<i>Install bus shelters at all bus stops in our district. There are many bus stops that do not have bus shelters, specifically on 49th and 50th Streets on the B-11 bus route.</i>	Community Wide
17/18	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>Increase funding for more employees at the Traffic Engineering Department to be able to conduct more traffic studies expeditiously.</i>	Community Wide



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Expense Requests Related to Transportation

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14/43	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	THIRTEENTH AVE - Thirteenth Avenue is the commercial shopping Mecca in Community Board 12. People come from all over to shop on Thirteenth Avenue due mainly to its ethnic flavor. On any given Sunday, more than 10,000 people traverse this shopping strip. Parking is at a premium. Traffic is congested, every day of the week; it can take up to an hour to traverse the 23 blocks of this shopping mecca. Thirteenth Avenue has not been reconstructed in more than 21 years, and is in dire need of redesign and reconstruction. We are requesting that a study be done to help ease traffic and parking congestion along this strip as well as design alternatives to enhance this viable commercial strip.	Community Wide
15/43	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	18th AVENUE Traveling on 18th Avenue from 45th Street to Ocean Parkway is a nightmare especially during the morning hours. We are requesting a traffic study to determine the feasibility of certain ideas. For instance, the possibility of adding an additional lane with interchangeable direction depending on the time of day or adding turning lanes and maybe eliminating parking at certain times to increase traffic flow.	18th Avenue 45th Street Ocean Parkway
16/43	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	AVENUE J - A complete traffic study on Avenue J from McDonald Avenue to Coney Island Avenue is needed as well, especially at the intersection of Avenue J and Bay Parkway where there is a constant bottleneck. There is severe congestion during both AM and PM rush hours. It can take very long to travel this strip, especially from the Bay Parkway intersection to Ocean Parkway.	Avenue J McDonald Avenue Coney Island Avenue
17/43	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	AVENUE I - A complete traffic study on Avenue I from McDonald Avenue to Coney Island Avenue is needed. There is server congestion as well as horn honking during both AM and PM rush Hours. It can take up to one hour during rush hours to travel this strip.	Avenue I McDonald Avenue Coney Island Avenue
29/43	DOT	Other traffic improvements requests	Upgrade street signs and markings throughout the district as needed. Specifically on 60th Street and 13th Avenue showing northbound traffic must turn either left or right as traffic flowing on 13th avenue southbound up to 60th street is ONE-WAY. We have multiple vehicles a day going the wrong way southbound from 60th street to 59th Street. Also, signage is needed that cars travelling east and west on 60th Street cannot make turns onto 13th avenue going northbound.	60th Street and 13th Ave
30/43	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	Decrease the amount of time it takes to install or replace street signs.	Community Wide



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33/43	DOT	<i>Other transportation infrastructure requests</i>	<i>There should be closer scrutiny of a contractor's performance. Contracts must not be signed off until it has been satisfactorily established that the work was properly performed. This would eliminate the problems of ponding, improper grading, etc. that so often arise after the contract has been signed off.</i>	<i>Community Wide</i>



Main Issue Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

Park access and park facility access

We need a full complement of Parks personnel for our District to insure that each facility will have an attendant on a full-time basis. Comfort Stations cannot be utilized without Parks personnel present. Therefore, many remain closed and not utilized. It is imperative that personnel be assigned to these locations. Parks should be cleaned on a daily basis, especially those with Children's playgrounds. All Parks must be provided with signage – Park Closes at Dusk – or 9:00 PM. Increased lighting must be provided in every facility.

Community District Needs Related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming

Our parks are over utilized because of the large families living in our district. As new families continue to move into this district our parks become a mainstream for our children to play.

Community District Needs Related to Community Boards

As awareness of Community Boards became more apparent, the role of Community Boards broadened. Community Boards are charged with greater responsibilities, interacting with other agencies, they disseminate vital information, make inspections and act as a catalyst between agencies and the Community. In addition, Community Boards are charged with the responsibilities to assure that every resource is utilized to the fullest extent. Because of the limitations of the budget allocated to Community Boards, minimum staffing is used to handle the ever-growing volume of work and responsibility. In 1995, the Boards' budgets were depleted by 20%. This greatly affected the general day to day operations of the Community Boards. This money was never fully recouped. The Boards had to fund part of the collective bargaining salary increases as well as the Mayor's Personnel order for salary increases for managerial employees. This further depletion of our budget along with salaries, goods, merchandise and services increasing - have made the day to day operations of the Community Board strained to say the least. Although the Community Boards budget has been increased in recent years, it's still never received the full 20% that was taken out in earlier years.

Capital Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
12/18	DPR	<i>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</i>	<i>COL. MARCUS PARK - A comfort station in the playground area is needed. Numerous children and adults must cross East 5th Street to go to the other side of the park in order to use the restrooms. This is a highly trafficked street. A restroom, especially for the children using this park, is essential to this playground.</i>	<i>David Marcus Playground</i>
13/18	DPR	<i>Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</i>	<i>Rappaport Park (53rd Street & Fort Hamilton Parkway) is the only roller hockey rink left in Brooklyn and it's in dire need of a new one due to the use of rink. Also, the panels surrounding the rink need to be replaced.</i>	<i>Rappaport Playground Fort Hamilton Parkway</i>
14/18	DPR	<i>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</i>	<i>Funds are needed for a new irrigation & drainage system for Friends Field.</i>	<i>Friends Field</i>



Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

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25/43	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	<i>Funding for Parks Personnel to lock all parks in our district after dusk, particularly Gravesend Park. There are constant complaints about people hanging out in the parks after hours. A lot of money has been put into the parks in our district by our local elected officials and its a shame for that to go to waste.</i>	Community Wide
31/43	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	<i>OCEAN PARKWAY MALLS - Ocean Parkway is a main thoroughfare and is highly trafficked. In addition, Ocean Parkway is a Special District. The beauty of Ocean Parkway must not be allowed to deteriorate. Some of our elected officials have designated monies for the upgrade and beautification of the Malls. Maintenance must be ongoing to make sure the upgrades and beautification remains intact. In order to maintain this arena in a sanitary and groomed condition, a crew should be assigned to maintain the malls of this thoroughfare. An additional crew cab truck is requested to transport the men the length and breadth of this roadway. The Malls and trees must receive regular and concentrated attention so that the Parkway can be properly maintained.</i>	Community Wide
32/43	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	<i>Trees in our district should be routinely checked for their health to prevent them falling during severe weather occurrences.</i>	Community Wide
34/43	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	<i>Increase the number of workers for tree pruning, stump removal and maintenance of parks.</i>	Community Wide
35/43	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	<i>Funds should be allocated for repairing sidewalks that are damaged by trees. Some of these areas are extremely dangerous for pedestrians and have been waiting for repairs for a very long time.</i>	Community Wide
36/43	OMB	Other community board facilities and staff requests	<i>Adequate funding should be made available for Community Boards to insure that increased cost of goods and other expenses as well as hiring additional staff are met and to keep up with inflation.</i>	Community Wide
37/43	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	<i>Dead or diseased trees should be routinely removed and replacement should be made as soon as possible.</i>	Community Wide
38/43	DPR	Other street trees and forestry services requests	<i>GREEN STREETS - The Kensington area itself has welcomed many new families with young children. However, the Kensington area is devoid of Parks or Green streets. Parks that are in our district are too far away for young children to go alone and play and use the recreational facilities. The Parks are also too far for seniors to travel and to sit and enjoy the greenery rather than cement. This is a quality of life issue that must be addressed.</i>	Community Wide



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41/43	DPR	<i>Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park</i>	<i>District 12 needs more regularly scheduled programs for pre-school youngsters, young adults and senior citizens. The park behind PS 223, on 23rd Avenue between 60th & 61st Streets needs more child and toddler equipment. Requests have been made to remove the basketball hoops and add more child friendly equipment such as swings, etc. Right now there are only slides. More families with children are moving into this area and the need for more playground equipment for young children is needed.</i>	23rd Avenue 60th Street 61st Street

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Priority / Continued Support (CS)	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
1/18	NYPD	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	<i>66th Precinct - Demolish and reconstruct a new 66th Precinct Station House on the footprints of the present site. A new precinct house for the 66th Precinct is one of the oldest budget requests initiated 33 years ago. Funding was eliminated for a project proposal to construct a new 66th Precinct Station House in the FY12 budget. The 66th precinct must be demolished and a new 66th precinct must be built on the footprints of the present site. The air rights over the Long Island Railroad should be required to house trailers during demolition and construction which can then be used after the building is completed as a parking lot for the new 66th Precinct.</i>	66th Police Precinct Station 5822 16th Ave	Community Board 12
2/18	HRA	Other request for services to support low-income New Yorkers	<i>Community Board 12 is in dire need of a HRA Social Services agency office in this district; to aid residents with social services such as welfare, snap, cash assistance, medicaid, heap and child care vouchers.</i>	Community Wide	Community Board 12
3/18	NYPD	Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles	<i>The 66th Precinct Community Affairs Units unmarked vehicle is currently in bad shape and keeps breaking down. We are requesting a new unmarked vehicle dedicated to the Community Affairs Unit.</i>	66th Precinct Station 5822 16th Avenue	Community Board 12
4/18	DSNY	Improve snow removal	<i>BK12 is in need of one additional FEL (Front End Loader) for snow removal and two skid steers (bobcats) to help with clearing bus stops, schools, crosswalks, fire hydrants and by the elevated subways.</i>	Community Wide	
5/18	NYCTA	Expand subway service frequency or hours of operations	<i>Bring back F express service to South Brooklyn. An F express would be crucial for commuters from Midwood, Boro Park, Bensonhurst and Gravesend, whose travel can take upwards of an hour to midtown. An express train would shorten these commutes considerably. This will go a long way in easing the complaints we continuously get from our residents regarding their commute on the F Line.</i>	Community Wide	
6/18	DEP	Build new, expand or repair sanitary sewers	<i>Catch basins all over the district need to be enlarged, especially on 19th Avenue as well as 52nd Street and 59th Street on 17th Avenue. Enlargement of catch basins are needed due to excessive flooding during heavy rains.</i>	Community Wide	Community Board 12

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7/18	DEP	Build new, expand or repair storm sewers	<i>SEWERS - In as much as the installations of the sewers in Community Board 12 District were done over 80 years ago, many sewer lines in our Board need rehabilitation and/or replacement. In some instances, defective sewers have caused sagging roadbeds. Several of our existing sewers are in poor condition and in imminent danger of collapse.</i>	Community Wide	Community Board 12
8/18	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>37th Street between 14th & 15th Avenues is dire need of reconstruction. This street is plagued with pot holes, sinking holes and open cracked streets that are dangerous to motorist as well as pedestrians crossings. It also floods every time it rains.</i>	37th street 14th Ave 15th Ave	Community Board 12
9/18	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>50th Street between 13th & 14th Avenues also needs to be reconstructed. Both streets are plagued with pot holes, sinking holes and open cracked streets that are dangerous to motorist as well as pedestrians crossing.</i>	50th Street 13th Avenue 14th Avenue	
10/18	NYCTA	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	<i>Due to large amount of young children and senior citizens in our district, mothers with their strollers and elderly, sometimes with walkers, are having a hard time getting onto the train platforms. There is an urgent need to install elevators at the D and F lines. Preferably at the 18th Avenue and McDonald station for the F line and the 50th Street and New Utrecht Avenue station for the D line.</i>	Community Wide	
11/18	SBS	Provide or expand occupational skills training programs	<i>Due to a large amount of residents in our district that are not college educated, investing in a vocational school in this district with an emphasis on high paying and emerging skills is a priority and would go a long way in raising the current low incomes so many families here are experiencing.</i>	Community Wide	
12/18	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>COL. MARCUS PARK - A comfort station in the playground area is needed. Numerous children and adults must cross East 5th Street to go to the other side of the park in order to use the restrooms. This is a highly trafficked street. A restroom, especially for the children using this park, is essential to this playground.</i>	David Marcus Playground	Community Board 12
13/18	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Rappaport Park (53rd Street & Fort Hamilton Parkway) is the only roller hockey rink left in Brooklyn and it's in dire need of a new one due to the use of rink. Also, the panels surrounding the rink need to be replaced.</i>	Rappaport Playground Fort Hamilton Parkway	Community Board 12; Parks Department

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15/18	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	Funding must be allocated for a curb program and sidewalk repair. There are many damaged and disintegrating curbs and sidewalks in our district that have been waiting for years to get the necessary repairs.	Community Wide	
16/18	DOT	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Install bus shelters at all bus stops in our district. There are many bus stops that do not have bus shelters, specifically on 49th and 50th Streets on the B-11 bus route.	Community Wide	
17/18	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	Increase funding for more employees at the Traffic Engineering Department to be able to conduct more traffic studies expeditiously.	Community Wide	
18/18	DEP	Other water supply system upgrade requests	HYDRANTS - State of the Art fire hydrants should be installed through the Community Board 12 District. Present hydrants are over 80 years old and many are in disrepair, leaking, knocked down or inoperable. These damaged, old hydrants present a threat to the safety of our community. Non working hydrants should be removed, in addition to the added safety, desperately needed parking would be made available to our residents. Hydrants should be inspected on a regular basis. Summer use of hydrants is abused. Spray caps are rarely utilized. Most of the time, the hydrants are opened to full capacity, with extensive water waste that creates hazardous conditions for drivers and pedestrians. Open hydrants are not toys and the public abuse of it should be curtailed or eliminated entirely	Community Wide	Community Board 12

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Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
1/43	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up for schools and institutions	A dedicated school Sanitation truck for our district. Many times the school truck becomes full way before it covered even half of its route. This causes the garbage to mount and creates a quality of life hazard in addition to becoming a dumping area.	Community Wide	
2/43	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up for schools and institutions	Provide daily garbage and recycling pick-up for Private Schools. CB 12 has about 80 private schools serving approximately 100,000 or more children. The District has 16 public schools which serves approximately a third of the total enrollment of the private schools. The student enrollment in some of the public schools has been dwindling rather than increasing. Most of these private schools have year round lunch programs with perishable foods. However, the private schools only receive two pickups per week while the public schools are picked up daily. The student enrollment in private schools far outnumber the enrollment in public schools in this district and because of the amount of garbage generated from these schools each day, daily pickups must be implemented.	Community Wide	Community Board 12
3/43	NYPD	Assign additional traffic enforcement officers	TCAs (Traffic Control Agents): Our district is in dire need of Traffic Control Agents assigned to critical areas in our District as well as alternative measures to decrease congestion. At this time, we have none. Locations where traffic congestion is out of control are 18th Avenue from 45th Street to Ocean Parkway; 15th Avenue from 42nd Street to 45th Street; 14th Avenue from 49th Street to 42nd Street (morning hours) 13th Avenue the entire day from 39th Street to 54th Streets and Avenues I and J from McDonald Avenue to Coney Island Avenue, Fort Hamilton Parkway from 36th Street to 46th Street, especially during rush hours (these are just to name a few). The traffic congestion is extremely severe as well as the horn honking during both the AM and PM rush hours.	Community Wide	
4/43	DSNY	Provide more on-street trash cans and recycling containers	Provide additional litter baskets to the district. Due to the overflowing garbage in our district it is necessary to provide more trash cans to accommodate the need.	Community Wide	
5/43	HRA	Other request for services to support low-income New Yorkers	In our Capital requests we asked that a HRA service center be opened in our district. Knowing that getting a new HRA Service Center in our district is a big ask, we are requesting that at least HRA send some service professionals a few times a week to our office to service our residents, as they have done in the past. HRA is currently operating such a program.	Community Wide	Community Board 12
6/43	DEP	Clean catch basins	All catch basins should be cleaned on a regular scheduled basis. Deteriorated catch basins should be repaired or replaced as part of a regular maintenance schedule.	Community Wide	Community Board 12

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7/43	DSNY	<i>Increase enforcement of illegal dumping laws</i>	<i>There has been a major increase of illegal dumping on avenues and street corners especially all across 13th Avenue. Sanitation Police Officers should be assigned to our district to catch violators and enforce Sanitation laws. We need enforcement to work closely with the Superintendent. The Super should have input of target areas and get continuous reports from Enforcement on their progress.</i>	Community Wide	Community Board 12
8/43	DSNY	<i>Provide more frequent litter basket collection</i>	<i>Increase litter basket collection to 7 days a week. Currently we have collection on Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday. Overflowing litter baskets increases dumping and adds to large amounts of garbage on the streets. Having empty litter baskets will decrease the amount of dumping and increase the cleanliness of the area.</i>	Community Wide	
9/43	DSNY	<i>Other cleaning requests</i>	<i>We are requesting an increase to six broom routes. Currently we have routes on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday.</i>	Community Wide	Community Board 12
10/43	DSNY	<i>Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up</i>	<i>We are also requesting the mechanical sweeper on the 12am to 8am midnight shift six days a week be returned (it has been taken away on 7/1/2017 in the FY18 budget) this sweeper effectively cleans the district. Our district constantly rates low on the scorecard and this should help maintain cleanliness throughout the district.</i>	Community Wide	Community Board 12
11/43	DSNY	<i>Other cleaning requests</i>	<i>Increase the current four half MLPs (Motor Litter Patrol) to six full MLPs (for eight hour shifts from 6am to 2pm). Currently we have MLP four days a week for four hours each day. This would increase it to six days a week at eight hours each day.</i>	Community Wide	
12/43	DSNY	<i>Other garbage collection and recycling requests</i>	<i>Assign one permanent cleaning officer to the district for CB12 (currently the cleaning officer is servicing multiple districts).</i>	Community Wide	
13/43	DSNY	<i>Other garbage collection and recycling requests</i>	<i>Increase the amount of supervisors to the previous level. Currently we have three with each one having to cover two sections. Previously we had six so each supervisor only had to cover one section.</i>	Community Wide	
14/43	DOT	<i>Conduct traffic or parking studies</i>	<i>THIRTEENTH AVE -Thirteenth Avenue is the commercial shopping Mecca in Community Board 12. People come from all over to shop on Thirteenth Avenue due mainly to its ethnic flavor. On any given Sunday, more than 10,000 people traverse this shopping strip. Parking is at a premium. Traffic is congested, every day of the week; it can take up to an hour to traverse the 23 blocks of this shopping mecca. Thirteenth Avenue has not been reconstructed in more than 21 years, and is in dire need of redesign and reconstruction. We are requesting that a study be done to help ease traffic and parking congestion along this strip as well as design alternatives to enhance this viable commercial strip.</i>	Community Wide	Community Board 12

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17/43	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>AVENUE I - A complete traffic study on Avenue I from McDonald Avenue to Coney Island Avenue is needed. There is server congestion as well as horn honking during both AM and PM rush Hours. It can take up to one hour during rush hours to travel this strip.</i>	Avenue I McDonald Avenue Coney Island Avenue	Community Board 12
18/43	DFTA	Enhance home care services	<i>As the senior population grows we need more programs for seniors. Senior center budget's need to be increased and not decreased due to the growing population. There is an unmet need for adequate home care particular if the seniors live along. Since people are living longer additional assistance must be available, and services must be increased and not decreased.</i>	Community Wide	Community Board 12
19/43	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	<i>In the Community Board 12 District, we have one of the largest senior populations in the country, as well as he largest population of holocaust survivors. There is an unmet need for adequate home care, particularly if the seniors live alone. Since people are living longer, additional assistance must be available. Services must be increased and not reduced. Eligibility for public assistance needs to be re-evaluated.</i>	Community Wide	Amico Senior Center; Councilman Greenfield
20/43	ACS	Provide, expand, or enhance funding for Day Care Slots and Head Start Programs	<i>Our district consists of very large families. With the growing financial strain; both parents must work in order to provide for their families. Due to both parents working, more families need child care services. More daycare slots, head start programs and childcare vouchers are needed to adequately care for these children. Additionally, half-day UPK would work better for a large amount of children in our district. As to better serve our district, we are requesting that the half-day UPK program be expanded and made available for all those children.</i>	Community Wide	Community Board 12

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21/43	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance the Summer Youth Employment Program	Adequate funding is needed for the Community based programs that are youth oriented. More funding should be applied to the Summer Youth Employment Program. Many youths are denied employment due to lack of funding.	Community Wide	Community Board 12
22/43	DSNY	Increase cleaning of dump-out/drop-off locations	Increase vacant lot cleaning and known dumping locations. Specifically, South-side of 61st Street has become a dumping ground for all bulk and trash debris due to the fact that there are no houses on that side of the street from 8th Avenue to 14th Avenue. Also, there's a vacant lot on 49th Street between 13th & 14th Avenues and 48th & 49th Street on 19th Avenue (Dead End block) has illegal dumping. Due to constant dumping the area is full of rats etc. and has become a health hazard.	61st Street 8th Avenue 14th Avenue	Community Board 12
23/43	NYPD	Provide surveillance cameras	The entire 66th Precinct needs to be outfitted with a CCTV system. The executive officers need to be able to monitor what's going on in the precinct at all times.	66th Precinct Station 5822 16th Avenue	Community Board 12
24/43	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	A ductless air conditioner is needed in the male officer's locker room.	66th Precinct Station 5822 16th Avenue	Community Board 12
25/43	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	Funding for Parks Personnel to lock all parks in our district after dusk, particularly Gravesend Park. There are constant complaints about people hanging out in the parks after hours. A lot of money has been put into the parks in our district by our local elected officials and it's a shame for that to go to waste.	Community Wide	
26/43	DOB	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)	BUILDINGS - A more efficient system must be devised to handle Stop Work Orders correctly and current information must be disseminated to enforcement agencies. Inspectors, assigned on a regular basis to each Community Board would provide a much needed personal relationship with the community board thereby helping to solve problems and cut through the red tape.	Community Wide	Community Board 12
27/43	DCP	Study land use and zoning to better match current use or future neighborhood needs	We would like for some commercial areas in our district, specifically in the 60s, to be studied for the purposes of being rezoned for residential development with an increased focus on affordable housing.	Community Wide	

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Brooklyn Community Board 12 Expense Requests

Brooklyn Community Board 12 submitted 43 expense budget requests, organized by priority.

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
28/43	SBS	Other business regulatory assistance requests	<i>Successful economic development depends on the dollar structure remaining in the community. Small businesses owners should be incentivized to employ local people to insure that jobs and funds remain in the Community. Local banks must make mortgage loans, home improvement loans, business loans, etc. easily available to the local community, thereby insuring that investment dollars remain in the Community. Additionally, these local banks of which we have a lot should be encouraged to hire from the community through incentives (this goes for many other businesses, corporations and institutions).</i>	Community Wide	Community Board 12
29/43	DOT	Other traffic improvements requests	<i>Upgrade street signs and markings throughout the district as needed. Specifically on 60th Street and 13th Avenue showing northbound traffic must turn either left or right as traffic flowing on 13th avenue southbound up to 60th street is ONE-WAY. We have multiple vehicles a day going the wrong way southbound from 60th street to 59th Street. Also, signage is needed that cars travelling east and west on 60th Street cannot make turns onto 13th avenue going northbound.</i>	60th Street and 13th Ave	Community Board 12
30/43	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	<i>Decrease the amount of time it takes to install or replace street signs.</i>	Community Wide	
31/43	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	<i>OCEAN PARKWAY MALLS - Ocean Parkway is a main thoroughfare and is highly trafficked. In addition, Ocean Parkway is a Special District. The beauty of Ocean Parkway must not be allowed to deteriorate. Some of our elected officials have designated monies for the upgrade and beautification of the Malls. Maintenance must be ongoing to make sure the upgrades and beautification remains intact. In order to maintain this arena in a sanitary and groomed condition, a crew should be assigned to maintain the malls of this thoroughfare. An additional crew cab truck is requested to transport the men the length and breadth of this roadway. The Malls and trees must receive regular and concentrated attention so that the Parkway can be properly maintained.</i>	Community Wide	Community Board 12
32/43	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	<i>Trees in our district should be routinely checked for their health to prevent them falling during severe weather occurrences.</i>	Community Wide	
33/43	DOT	Other transportation infrastructure requests	<i>There should be closer scrutiny of a contractor's performance. Contracts must not be signed off until it has been satisfactorily established that the work was properly performed. This would eliminate the problems of ponding, improper grading, etc. that so often arise after the contract has been signed off.</i>	Community Wide	Community Board 12
34/43	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	<i>Increase the number of workers for tree pruning, stump removal and maintenance of parks.</i>	Community Wide	Community Board 12

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35/43	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Funds should be allocated for repairing sidewalks that are damaged by trees. Some of these areas are extremely dangerous for pedestrians and have been waiting for repairs for a very long time.	Community Wide	
36/43	OMB	Other community board facilities and staff requests	Adequate funding should be made available for Community Boards to insure that increased cost of goods and other expenses as well as hiring additional staff are met and to keep up with inflation.	Community Wide	Community Board 12
37/43	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Dead or diseased trees should be routinely removed and replacement should be made as soon as possible.	Community Wide	Community Board 12
38/43	DPR	Other street trees and forestry services requests	GREEN STREETS - The Kensington area itself has welcomed many new families with young children. However, the Kensington area is devoid of Parks or Green streets. Parks that are in our district are too far away for young children to go alone and play and use the recreational facilities. The Parks are also too far for seniors to travel and to sit and enjoy the greenery rather than cement. This is a quality of life issue that must be addressed.	Community Wide	Community Board 12
39/43	HPD	Expand loan programs to rehabilitate multiple dwelling buildings	Continuation of HPD programs is essential for the continued rehabilitation and development of our Community. HIP, 8A, PLP and 202 loans are vital in order for this work to continue. Continuation of funding for additional consultant contracts to those organizations that are addressing needs that heretofore were not being addressed.	Community Wide	Community Board 12
40/43	HPD	Provide more housing for extremely low and low income households	Housing programs for the indigent need to be expanded to help those in need have a better quality of life.	Community Wide	Community Board 12
41/43	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	District 12 needs more regularly scheduled programs for pre-school youngsters, young adults and senior citizens. The park behind PS 223, on 23rd Avenue between 60th & 61st Streets needs more child and toddler equipment. Requests have been made to remove the basketball hoops and add more child friendly equipment such as swings, etc. Right now there are only slides. More families with children are moving into this area and the need for more playground equipment for young children is needed.	23rd Avenue 60th Street 61st Street	Community Board 12
42/43	DEP	Other water supply system maintenance requests	The Lifetime of a Water Main should be established: periodic inspections, after the projected life span, should be made in order to determine the condition and regular maintenance instituted.	Community Wide	Community Board 12
43/43	DSNY	Increase enforcement of illegal posting laws	Community Board 12 has become inundated with posters on poles and trees especially all along 20th Avenue causing major litter problems throughout the district.	Community Wide	Community Board 12