Statements of Community
District Needs
and
Community Board

Fiscal Year 2020

Budget Requests





Staten Island Community District

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 Staten Island Community Board 2's Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020. 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 2018.

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

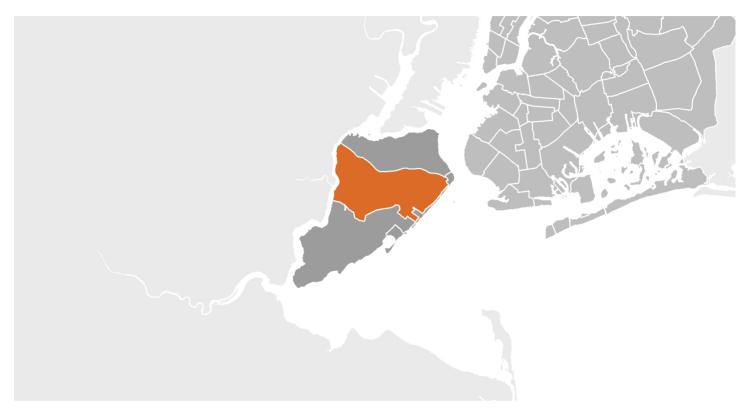
The final section includes the two types of budget requests submitted to the City for the FY20 budget cycle; one list for capital and another for expense budget requests. For each budget request, community boards were able to provide a priority number, explanation, location, and supporters. OMB remains 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. 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/

Staten Island Community District 2





Neighborhoods1: Arrochar, Bloomfield, Bulls Head, Chelsea, Concord, Dongan Hills, Egbertville, Emerson Hill, Grant City, Grasmere, Heartland Village, Lighthouse Hill, Manor Heights, Midland Beach, New Dorp, New Dorp Beach, New Springville, Old Town, South Beach, Todt Hill, Travis,

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1. Senior services	Multifamily Elevator 21 19	
2. Traffic	Mixed Use 358 09	Lower New
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A Snapshot of Key Community Indicators

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COMMUNITY A	SSETS ⁵	RENT BURD	EN ^{4, 6}	ACCESS TO P	ARKS ⁷	
Public Schools	42	Staten Island CD 2	Staten Island	Staten Island CD 2		
Public Libraries	3	47%	47%	C00/	Citywide	
Hospitals and Clinics	22	47/0		68%	Target	
Parks	25	of households spend 35% or more of their income on rent	NYC	of residents live within walking distance of a	85%	
Click to visit the NYC Fac	ilities Explorer	more of their income on rent	45%	park or open space		
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41	43 minutes	14%	11%	5	5.9	
minutes	NYC	of residents 5 years or	NYC	major felonies were reported	NYC	
	40 minutes	older have limited English proficiency	23%	per 1,000 residents in 2016	11.8	
EDUCATIONAL ATT	AINMENT ^{4, 10}	UNEMPLOYMENT ^{4, 10}		NYCgov POVERTY	MEASURE ¹¹	
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32%	31%	3.4%	3.6%	14%	16%	
of residents 25 years or	NYC	of the civilian labor force	NYC	of residents have incomes below	NYC	
older have earned a bachelor's degree or higher	36%	was unemployed on average from 2012 to 2016	5.5%	the NYCgov poverty threshold. See the federal poverty rate here.	20%	

¹Neighborhoods may be in multiple districts. Names and boundaries are not officially designated. ²2000 US Census; ³2010 US Census; ⁴American Community Survey 2012-2016 5-Year Estimates, calculated for Public Use Microdata Areas (PUMAs). PUMAs are geographic approximations of community districts. ⁵NYC Dept of City Planning Facilities Database (2017); ⁶ Differences of less than 3 percentage points are not statistically meaningful. 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. "Differences of less than 2 minutes are not statistically meaningful. "NYPD CompStat, Historic Complaint Data (2017); "Differences of less than 2 percentage points are not statistically meaningful." "12011-2015 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.



3. Overview of Community District

Community Board 2 has many prevailing needs that impact the quality of life of our community residents and our businesses. Our geographic district encompasses Willowbrook, Todt Hill, Dongan Hills, Midland Beach, New Dorp, Arrochar, Old Town, Grasmere, Manor Heights, Bloomfield, Chelsea, Travis, Richmondtown, Heartland Village, New Springville, Bulls Head, and Lighthouse Hill. Staten Island is primarily made up of one and two-family houses and many thriving businesses. Each town is proud of its unique qualities and individual characteristics which residents strive to maintain. The stability of our district depends greatly on the viability of its commercial sectors and housing stock.

Our growing aging population requires more funding and more services for our seniors. There are 1.5 million seniors that live in the 5 boroughs. Advocates project that 1 in 5 New Yorker's will be over the age of 65 in 2030. Staten Island is also projected to have the largest aging population in New York City by 2030. As the population ages, we need to be able to provide services to ensure the safety and well-being of our senior population.

The developmental trends within District 2 will help address these issues. The former Farm Colony will provide much needed senior-targeted housing and create a new district that compliments and enhances the surrounding community. This residential community, located on Brielle Avenue, will contain approximately 350 residential units, 17,000 square feet of commercial space, as well as a central green space and accessory parking. The Sea View Senior Living Center will create much-needed senior-housing and provide quality care for many of the area residents. This center will be used for both assisted living and non-assisted services and a community center for our senior population.

The increase in substance abuse on Staten Island is a major issue and now considered an "epidemic". Staten Island has the highest rate of illegal drug use in the city. At the same time, we have the lowest amount of treatment facilities and services to help combat this issue. Thus, there is a great need for more treatment services in our borough. It is imperative that we have increased education about the harmful effects of drug use and this education must begin on the elementary school level.

Community Board 2 is fortunate to have concerned, energetic and devoted citizens who work actively to maintain the stability of our area. Our board has supported, assisted and participated in these activities and will continue to do so for the betterment of our district. We will continue to petition for improvements and services that our district is entitled to receive.

4. Top Three Pressing Issues Overall

The three most pressing issues facing Staten Island Community Board 2 are:

- Senior services
- Traffic
- Other|Drug Epidemic

This year, a top priority for our district is the commercial revitalization and development of the East Shore of Staten Island. It is well-known that the East Shore of Staten Island sustained severe damage from Hurricane Sandy. Residential revitalization, as well as storm damage mitigation programs, are well underway but there is still a lot of work that needs to be done in regards to commercial development. In order to attract business owners to the area, it is essential that sidewalk improvement, street improvement, and signage projects are implemented.

Sidewalk improvements needs for the East Shore are increased street furniture and lighting (i.e city benches, ornamental solar lights on street trees, holiday lighting on the main commercial corridors) and enhancement of greenery of streets (i.e. street trees, tree guards, rain gardens, bioswale). Street improvement needs include enhanced traffic calming measures (i.e. midblock painted crosswalks on Midland Avenue and Sand Lane, medians and pedestrian refuge island on Hylan Blvd.) and expanding bike infrastructure (i.e. shared bike lane on Sand Lane).

Other improvements that will beautify the area are creating a gateway between the beach and commercial corridors (i.e. gateway public art sculpture on Father Capodanno Blvd), creating a pedestrian pathway connecting boardwalk to Father Capodanno at Midland Avenue and creating shared space around Fountain of the Dolphins.

Traffic congestion and mobility continues to be another one of the district's top problem. As the population continues to grow, our ability to move on and off throughout the Island has become difficult at best, and at times nearly impossible. The majority of our roadways consist of two-lane country roads (one lane in each direction) with an antiquated traffic signal system that needs to be upgraded.

Staten Island is underserved by public transportation. By increasing public transportation options, particularly by expanding city-wide Ferry service, the commute time would likely improve. A large percentage of Staten Island residents require 60 minutes or more to commute to work. In 2015 Mayor de Blasio proposed five new fast-ferry lines to connect outer-boroughs to Manhattan. The plan was called the "5-Borough Ferry Plan," but Staten Island, the fifth borough was left out. Community Board 2 requested last year and is requesting again this year Ferry Service from St. George to Bay Ridge Brooklyn, and DUMBO. The connection between the boroughs, which are currently separated by a \$17 toll, could provide incalculable benefits to the residents and economies of these boroughs.

This connection will improve connectivity, provide access to workforce opportunities, reduce wear and tear on roads and boost local businesses. DUMBO is home to emerging job hubs, strong academic institutions, and cultural institutions. The commute time between St. George, Staten Island and DUMBO takes approximately one hour and requires multiple transfers between the ferry and trains. A direct line could reduce travel time and alleviate overcrowding on subways.

Senior Services Advocates project that 1 in 5 New Yorkers will be over 65 in 2030. Staten Island is also projected to have the greatest senior population in New York City by 2030. Mayor De Blasio had proposed \$257.3 million for New York City Department for the Aging (DFTA) in his preliminary budget for the fiscal year 2016, which was \$23.4 million less than previous years' adopted budget. This is because of a one-time City Council allocation of \$20.6 million for senior services two years ago. However, more funding is needed to address the increase in the aging population. As the population ages, we need to be able to provide services to ensure that resources are available to give our seniors the quality of life they deserve. Elder abuse protection, housing, healthcare, senior centers, and many other support systems must be enhanced and continued to meet the needs of our growing senior population. And, as the senior population grows, additional and appropriate placement of services is needed. Although Governor Cuomo provided a redesign of \$2 billion in spending on long-term care for the elderly and disabled, there remains a gap in services that would provide services as well as housing for seniors and developmentally disabled.

4. Top Three Pressing Issues Overall

Therefore, we do not only need an increase in services, but we need to push for Managed Long-term Care companies to better evaluate client's needs so they can be placed in the appropriate care setting. Guidelines should look for criteria that evaluate medical, psychological, and social needs. However, some social adult-day care centers remain unregulated by the city or state, which does not address the medical and social needs of our elderly and disabled. There need to be proper regulations implemented to protect the vulnerability of our seniors. There are 288 registered Social Adult Day Care centers in New York City, 12 registered in Staten Island. These programs are funded through Medicaid, thru Managed Long-term Care companies (MLTC). (Managed Long-term care (MLTC) is a system that streamlines the delivery of long-term services to people who are chronically ill or disabled and who wish to stay in their homes and communities). The New York City Department for the Aging enforces the standards from a 1994 State Office of the Aging standard. DFTA can impose fines for the agencies that are breaking rules. However, there is no enforcement of these fines. Social Adult-Day Care Centers remain unregulated by the city or state, which does not address the medical and social needs of our elderly and disabled. There need to be proper regulations implemented to protect the vulnerability of our seniors.

We need to create a regulatory program with DFTA to have direct authority over-site of Adult Day Care. Seniors should be placed in facilities that serve their required needs, not just placed in "pop-up" daycare centers which in truth are real "babysitting" services for our seniors. Guidelines should look for criteria that evaluate medical, psychological, and social needs.

Drug Epidemic Due to the widespread of substance abuse among our youth, there needs to be more programs and interventions that reduce the prevalence of substance abuse and prevent the escalation of substance abuse behaviors among our youth. The request again this year is to have every public elementary, intermediate, and high school on Staten Island assigned a Substance Abuse Prevention and Intervention Specialist (SAPIS). The SAPIS program provides a range of prevention and intervention services in Kindergarten through 12th grade. Staten Island received twenty-four SAPIS counselors last year, however, it is simply not enough to help combat the ever-growing drug epidemic here on Staten Island.

Staten Island has 80 public schools. Of the 80 public schools here on Staten Island, only 48 have an evidence-based program for drug abuse, and 32 do not have a program in place to prevent drug abuse amongst our youth. There are no programs in twenty-two of the 50 elementary schools.

We need to do more and do better to help reduce drug abuse and school failure.

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Health Care and Human Services



Main Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

Programs, services or facilities for seniors

There are 1.5 million seniors that live in the 5 boroughs and advocates project that 1 in 5 New Yorkers will be over 65 in 2030. Staten Island is also projected to have the greatest senior population in New York City by 2030. Mayor De Blasio had proposed \$257.3 million for New York City Department for the Aging (DFTA) in his preliminary budget for the fiscal year 2016, which was \$23.4 million less than previous years' adopted budget. This is because of a one-time City Council allocation of \$20.6 million for senior services three years ago. However, more funding is needed to address the increase in the aging population. As the population ages, we need to be able to provide services to ensure that resources are available to give our seniors the quality of life they deserve. Elder abuse protection, housing, healthcare, senior centers, and many other support systems must be enhanced and continued to meet the needs of our growing senior population. And, as the senior population grows, additional and appropriate placement of services is needed. Therefore, we do not only need an increase in services, but we need to advocate for Managed Long-term Care companies to better evaluate client's needs so they can be placed in the appropriate care setting. Guidelines should look for criteria that evaluate medical, psychological, and social needs. However, some social adult-day care centers remain unregulated by the city or state, which does not address the medical and social needs of our elderly and disabled. There need to be proper regulations implemented to protect the vulnerability of our seniors. There are 288 registered Social Adult Day Care centers in New York City, 12 registered in Staten Island. These programs are funded through Medicaid, through Managed Long-term Care companies (MLTC). (Managed Long-term care (MLTC) is a system that streamlines the delivery of long-term services to people who are chronically ill or disabled and who wish to stay in their homes and communities). The New York City Department for the Aging enforces the standards from a 1994 State Office of the Aging standard. DFTA can impose fines for the agencies that are breaking rules. However, there is no enforcement of these fines. Social Adult-Day Care Centers remain unregulated by the city or state, which does not address the medical and social needs of our elderly and disabled. There need to be proper regulations implemented to protect the vulnerability of our seniors. We need to create a regulatory program with DFTA to have direct authority over-site of Adult Day Care. Seniors should be placed in facilities that serve their required needs, not just placed in "pop-up" daycare centers which in truth are real "babysitting" services for our seniors. Guidelines should look for criteria that evaluate medical, psychological, and social needs .

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

The need for services for our seniors is pertinent due to the increase in the elderly population. Although Governor Cuomo had provided a redesign of \$2 billion in spending on long-term care for the elderly and disabled, there still remains a gap in services that would provide services as well as housing for seniors and developmentally disabled. There are 288 registered social adult day care centers in New York City, 12 registered in Staten Island. These programs are funded through Medicaid, thru MLTC's. DFTA enforces the standards from a 1994 State Office of the Aging standard. DFTA can impose fines for the agencies that are breaking rules. However, there is no enforcement of these fines. We need to create a regulatory program with DFTA to have direct authority oversite of Adult Day Care. Seniors should be placed in facilities that serve their required needs, not just placed in "pop-up" daycare centers which in truth are real "babysitting" services for our seniors. Our seniors deserve better.



Capital Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
CS	DFTA	Create a new senior center or other facility for seniors	There are vacant buildings on the campus of Sea View Hospital Rehabilitation Center and Home, which could be used for additional housing and services for the elderly and disabled. There are over 40 buildings and less than half are currently being used.	Sea View Hospital Rehabilitation 460 Brielle Avenue
CS	ННС	Provide a new or expanded health care facility	Fund the development of a Staten Island Health and Wellness Campus on the grounds of Sea View Hospital Rehabilitation Center and Home, which would also include housing and services for seniors and the disabled.	Seaview Rehabilitation Center 460 Brielle Avenue

Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
11/23	DOHMH	Reduce rat populations	There has been thousands of rat sightings on Staten Island in recent years. However Staten Island is was not part of Mayor Bill de Blasio's \$32 million plan to cut down on the rodent infestation problem in 2017. As we all know, Rats have the potential to spread a wide variety of diseases. They tend to live in environments such as drains, sewers, and rubbish where germs can be found. These germs can then be spread wherever rats go by way of their fur, feet, urine or droppings. The main diseases of concern are Weils disease. Rats can also damage property by gnawing at wood, lead and soft metals, electrical wiring, water pipes, and drainage systems.	Community Wide

Youth, Education and Child Welfare



Main Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Other | Individualized Education Program (IEP)

Approximately 48,000 students on Staten Island are eligible for an Individualized Education Program (IEP) yet due to the shortage of special education services in Staten Island schools, and the lack of on-site providers, parents are given Related Service Authorization (RSA) vouchers, which places the burden on parents to find a provider, coordinate services, and transport their child or children to the provider. Roughly 27% of the eligible students did not utilize their RSA vouchers and receive the services they need and are entitled to because of the burden placed on the parent to find providers who have availability. In the past, the New York Public Advocate, Leticia James has stated, "the RSA voucher program does not work for students, parents, or schools, and is leading to the neglect of students with disabilities. It is essential for the New York City Department of Education to re-evaluate its reliance on RSA vouchers and find a way to provide for all students." In addition to re-evaluating the RSA voucher programs, Community Board 2 would like to request an increase in IEP program specialized teachers in our district schools,

Community District Needs Related to Educational Facilities and Programs

Staten Island has an extremely high rate of opioid overdose rate in New York City, according to city Health Department data, and the second-highest rate of heroin overdose deaths per 100,000 residents in 2017. Due to the widespread of substance abuse among our youth, there needs to be more programs and interventions that reduce the prevalence of substance abuse and prevent the escalation of substance abuse behaviors among our youth. The request again this year is to have every public elementary, intermediate, and high school on Staten Island assigned a Substance Abuse Prevention and Intervention Specialist (SAPIS). The SAPIS program provides a range of prevention and intervention services in Kindergarten through 12th grade. Staten Island received twenty-four SAPIS counselors last year, however, it is simply not enough to help combat the ever-growing drug epidemic here on Staten Island. Staten Island has 80 public schools. Of the 80 public schools here on Staten Island, only 48 have an evidence-based program for drug abuse, and 32 do not have a program in place to prevent drug abuse amongst our youth. There are no programs in twenty-two of the 50 elementary schools. We need to do more and do better to help reduce drug abuse and school failure. Also, there should be air-conditioning unites in all public schools on Staten Island. Most high schools and elementary schools have air-conditioners, but few Intermediate Schools are air-conditioned. As early as late spring into early summer, classroom temperatures rise as high as in the upper 90's. This is unacceptable working conditions for our teachers, as well as students. The response last year to this request was "the agency agrees with this request and will accommodate in part. That response is unacceptable. All schools must be equipped with air-conditioners for health and safety reasons.

Community District Needs Related to Youth and Community Services and Programs

Approximately 48,000 students on Staten Island are eligible for an Individualized Education Program (IEP) yet due to the shortage of special education services in Staten Island schools, parents are given Related Service Authorization (RSA) vouchers and are responsible for finding a service provider themselves. Roughly 12,000, or 1/3rd of the eligible students did not utilize their RSA vouchers and receive the services they need and are entitled to. According to the New York Public Advocate, Leticia James, "the RSA voucher program does not work for students, parents, or schools, and is leading to the neglect of students with disabilities. It is essential for the DOE to re-evaluate its reliance on RSA vouchers and find a way to provide for all students" In addition to re-evaluating the RSA voucher programs, Community Board 2 would like to request an increase in IEP program specialized teachers in district schools.



Capital Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/16	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	Install central air-conditioning units in PS 54. As early as late spring into early summer, classroom temperatures rise as high as in the upper 90's. This is unacceptable working conditions for students, as well as teachers.	Ps 54 Charles W. Leng 1060 Willowbrook Road, Staten Island Block 1987, Lot 104
4/16	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	Provide funding to upgrade electrical wiring at PS 54 to enable the installation of a centralized air conditioner system.	
5/16	SCA	Provide technology upgrade	Provide funding for security cameras at Staten Island Technical High. It is the only public high school on the island that doesn't have them. This is a priority that needs to be addressed especially in these unsafe times.	Staten Is. Technical High School 485 Clawson Street
8/16	SCA	Renovate interior building component	The New Dorp High School east gymnasium requires an upgrade. The upgrade would include painting, refinishing the floor, repairing light fixtures, and installing a digital scoreboard and collapsible bleachers.	New Dorp High School 465 New Dorp Lane
CS	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a middle or intermediate school	Install air-conditioning units in all public schools on Staten Island. Most high schools and elementary schools have air-conditioners, but few intermediate schools are air-conditioned. As early as late spring into early summer, classroom temperatures rise as high as in the upper 90's. This is unacceptable working conditions for our teachers, as well as students.	Community Wide
CS	SCA	Renovate interior building component	Erect an indoor swimming pool at Michael J. Petrides School.	Michael J. Petrides High School 715 Ocean Terrace



Expense Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/23	SCA	Provide a new or expand an existing middle/intermediat e school	There are 9 elementary schools on SI that offer programs for the gifted and talented (G&T). We need to expand the G&T program on Staten Island so students don't have to attend intermediate schools in other boroughs to continue the program.	Community Wide
2/23	DOE	Assign more teaching staff	Assign a Substance Abuse Prevention and Intervention Specialist (SAPIS) to every Staten Island Elementary, Intermediate and High School to reduce the prevalence of substance abuse and prevent the escalation of substance abuse behaviors among our Staten Island youth.	Community Wide
3/23	DOE	Assign more teaching staff	Provide funding to support a 6-hour school aide who can assist SAPIS workers in every Elementary, Intermediate, and High School in Staten Island in terms of locating students, following up with students, communicating with staff and students, directing students to supports that are available, and to organize and plan presentations/supports from community based agencies on Staten Island. (Schools are often asked to participate in research projects associated with drug and alcohol abuse, so this individual can also organize these efforts which will free up the SAPIS worker to serve students.)	New Dorp High School 465 New Dorp Lane
22/23	DOE	Improve school safety	Provide School Safety Agents within Staten Island Technical High School.	Staten Island Technical High 485 Clawson Street Block 4244, Lot 1





Main Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Emergency service delivery (including rapid response)

Community District Needs Related to Policing and Crime

The opioid epidemic continues to escalate in Staten Island. There has been an increase in the number of drugged driving incidents. It is imperative to increase the number of Drug Recognition Agents for Staten Island. These agents are specially trained and certified to recognize and identify drugged drivers. This will make our roads safer and enhanced prosecution in drug cases.

Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/16	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances	Provide funding for the purchase of a new NYC Fire Department Major Emergency Response Vehicle (MERV 5). The MERV (Major Emergency Response Vehicle) is assigned to all major medical emergencies within its borough, it is capable of permitting several patients to be treated in one place. This unit seats 14 and has a stretcher. ALS and BLS functions may be performed on this unit, anything from minor injuries to a cardiac arrest.	EMS 5 460 Brielle Avenue Block 955, Lot 100
12/16	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances	Provide funding to equip all new ambulances with power-lift capability.	Community Wide
14/16	FDNY	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	Provide funding to equip all firehouses in District 2 with a generator.	Community Wide
CS	NYPD	Provide surveillance cameras	Provide funding for the installation of Argus Cameras at the locations listed below will improve the safety of the select areas and help minimize drug activity; Sand Lane and Olympia Boulevard; Midland Avenue and Patterson Avenue; Lamport Boulevard; Richmond Road and Four Corners Road. We continue to support the purchase of additional Argus cameras and expanding technology on Staten Island. We have ten cameras on line and fifteen in place that are not on line.	Community Wide



Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
7/23	NYPD	Assign additional traffic enforcement officers	Deploy a traffic agent at the entrance of the College of Staten Island, 2800 Victory Boulevard Monday - Friday from 7:00 A.M. to 9:30 A.M., & 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.	
8/23	NYPD	Assign additional traffic enforcement officers	Deploy a traffic agent at the entrance of the College of Staten Island, on Forest Hill Road Monday - Friday from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.	
9/23	NYPD	Assign additional traffic enforcement officers	Deploy a traffic agent at the intersection of Christopher Lane, Monday - Friday from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.	Christopher Lane Morani Street Victory Blvd
10/23	NYPD	Assign additional school safety officers	We need additional School Safety Officers to adequately staff our many schools.	Community Wide
12/23	NYPD	Assign additional crossing guards	Assign additional Crossing Guard for PS 60, Alice Austen R60	PS 60 55 Merrill Avenue Block 1580, Lot 44
19/23	NYPD	Assign additional uniformed officers	Assign additional Drug Recognition Experts to decrease the number of drugged driving incidents.	Community Wide
20/23	NYPD	Assign additional crossing guards	The Board defers to the Police Precincts to assign additional crossing guards to new locations.	Community Wide
21/23	NYPD	Increase resources for other crime prevention programs	Hire additional youth officers in the 121 and 122 Police Precincts to reduce youth crime.	Community Wide

Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency



Main Issue Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Sewer capacity

Many sites within the West Shore are encumbered by tidal and fresh water wetland issues, as well as poor drainage systems and a lock of sewers. Advocating and securing the City of New York's commitment to install proper drainage systems and sewers is imperative to the successful operation of all businesses in the area. Lack of adequate drainage and standing water remain pervasive and recurrent problems. To date, property owners have not been able to even get septic tanks due to the proximity of the protected wetlands to some property. While one industrial business in the area does own its own sewage treatment plant, the others do not, and this may therefore be another option to explore. Property owners and community stakeholders agree that installing sewers in the West Shore will enhance curb appeal, increase property value, attract new tenants to vacant land, and assist the industrial businesses to better The West Shore may also be a candidate for the City of New York's upcoming street storm water pilot projects that enhance storm water catchment and reduce impact on combined sewage overflows (CSOs). The streets within the West Shore are ideal candidates for these pilot projects because: many streets are routinely flooded during storm events due to the large number of wetlands and tributaries surrounding a very low-lying system; many of the streets do not have sidewalks, trees, or other infrastructures that would need to be installed for a pilot program; therefore no retrofitting is required. Any minor retrofitting that would be necessary would not have a significant impact given that the roads are not currently over-utilized; and many of the roads and sites lack current street drainage infrastructure, and are therefore solid candidates for storm water run-off reduction strategies that could reduce capital costs for future road infrastructure development.

Community District Needs Related to Water, Sewers and Environmental Protection

There is a critical need for infrastructure improvements which includes a new sanitary sewer pump station, new sanitary sewers feeding the pump station as well as storm sewers and storm-water management- possibly including a Bluebelt-like storm water management system to work with the existing wetlands in the area. There is a great need for catch basins to be cleaned out regularly to prevent blockage and pollutants from entering our stormwater drainage system.

Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency



Community District Needs Related to Water, Sewers and Environmental Protection

Supporting Materials:

The Community Board has provided the following supporting materials which can be accessed by clicking on the link(s) below or by copying and pasting the link(s) found in the Appendix into a browser.



Travis Avenue Flooding between Victory Blvd and South Ave

Capital Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
16/16	DEP	Inspect sanitary sewer on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed	Provide additional funding for the installation of sanitary sewers in areas where septic systems still exist. The Community Board defers to DEP for the areas in need.	Community Wide
CS	DEP	Inspect storm sewer on specific street segment and service, repair or replace as needed	DEP needs to address the flooding that occurs due to streets built below grade level. The streets that have unlevel or low grade levels are the cause for many flood complaints. Multiple sites along Graham Avenue (i.e. Merrill Avenue and Graham Avenue; Graham Avenue between Victory Boulevard and Speedwell Avenue; Victory Boulevard- on the corner of Graham Avenue)	Community Wide

Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency



Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
23/23	DEP	Investigate air quality complaints at specific location	CB2 would like the DEP to monitor excessive engine idling. An hour of automobile idling burns approximately one-fifth of a gallon of gas and releases nearly 4 pounds of CO2 into the air. Excessive amounts of CO2 in the atmosphere can contribute to asthma, difficulty in breathing, decreased lung function, exacerbate cardiovascular problems and lead to chronic bronchitis.	College of Staten Island 2800 Victory Boulevard Block 2040, Lot 1





Main Issue Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Small Business services/support

In February 2015, Mayor de Blasio launched a \$27 million initiative to help small business owners. Community Board 2 would like Staten Island to get it's fair share of these funds. We want to ensure our small business owners have the resources and support they need to thrive. In 2006, when Fairway Market opened in Red Hook Brooklyn, they received an SBS matching training grant to provide training for assistant managers to further their opportunities within the company. Community Board 2 would like this grant offered to Staten Island when Fairway Market opens at the Staten Island Mall.

Community District Needs Related to Economic Development

The NYC Economic Development Corporation has developed an Industrial Business Improvement District within the proposed "Green Zone" on the West Shore of Staten Island. The West Shore was designated as an Opportunity Zone and further designated within the same boundaries of the proposed, larger Green Zone on the West Shore of Staten Island. Over time, the WS-IBID plans to grow into one of the most successful and sustainable industrial corridors in the tri-state area. Public infrastructure improvements, including the installation of sewers, drainage improvements, and roads need fixing. Without these upgrades, the West Shore Industrial Business Improvement District will not be able to sustain a current business, nor will the district be able to grow and attract new business over time. Many streets in the Green Zone are in dire need of improvement. It is specifically requested that New York City Department of Environmental Protection provide a scope for a ten-year plan that phases in the necessary sewage pump station(s) sanitary sewers and storm sewer necessary to carry out the development goals of the NYCEDC based on current approved Drainage Plans of DEP. Should it be determined that there is a further benefit to implement Drainage Plan modifications to include Bluebelt-type stormwater management to carry out the Mayor's green infrastructure goals, we could suggest streets that should be included in the plans. Therefore, listed below are streets located within the boundaries of the Green Zone that are in dire need of improvement. Gulf Avenue between 5th Street and Edward Curry Avenue Bloomfield Avenue between Gulf Avenue and Chelsea Road Edward Curry Avenue between Gulf Avenue and Chelsea Road Chelsea Road between Bloomfield Avenue and South Avenue South Avenue between Chelsea Road and Meredith Avenue The entirety of Industry Road The entirety of Spencer Street Meredith Avenue from the northern limit to the West Shore Expressway overpass Many of the current businesses and developable/redevelopable sites are tucked away on small winding roads that are one-way and often dead-end into wetland areas or waterfront street ends. Local access is extremely limited, and the network of roads could be more conducive to industrial growth. The current matrix of streets represents a significant disincentive to businesses looking to locate in the proposed Green Zone and ongoing challenges to current owners trying to conduct business. The current road conditions must be improved so that customers, delivery trucks, employees, and visitors can safely enter, exit, and travel within the district. One instructive example is Chelsea Road, the portion of Chelsea Road that intersects with South Avenue must be made safer; currently, it is a dangerous "S" curve, which causes frequent accidents between large trucks and cars because it is nearly impossible to see around the bend and/or navigate the curve. Moreover, Chelsea Road needs to be widened to accommodate the flatbed trucks, buses, and other large vehicles traveling through the industrial area on a daily basis. Without infrastructure improvements to streets like Chelsea Road, and others within the district, the West Shore will not be able to grow to its potential. Many sites on the West Shore are encumbered by tidal and freshwater wetland issues, as well as poor drainage systems and a lack of sewers. Advocating and securing the City of New York's commitment to install proper drainage systems and sewers is imperative to the successful operation of all businesses in the area. Lack of adequate drainage and standing water remain pervasive and recurrent problems. Sewers and Drainage: Listed below are properties that need sewer installation and drainage improvements: Block 2810; Lots: 14, 47,59, 80, 96, 98, 102 Block 1750; Lot: 215 Block 1760; Lots: 46, 110, 115, 116, 200, 250, 255, Block 1780; Lots: 22, 57, 80, 85, 92, 151, 160, 164, 186, 200, 240, 250, 270, 298, 1801; Lots: 1, 6, 10, 20, 25, 27, 30, 31, 35, 75, 100, 150, 155, 160, 181, Block 1815; Lots: 175, 181, 191, 192, 199, Block 1850; Lots: 160, 180, 190, 260, Block 2810 Lot: 98 To date, property owners have not been able to even get septic tanks due to the proximity of the protected wetlands to some property. While one industrial business in the area does own its own sewage treatment plant, the others do not, and this may be another option to explore.





Community District Needs Related to Economic Development

Property owners and community stakeholders agree that installing sewers in the West Shore will enhance curb appeal, increase property value, attract new tenants to vacant land, and assist the industrial businesses to better serve their customers. Many streets on the West Shore are routinely flooded during storm events due to a large number of wetlands and tributaries surrounding a very low-lying system. Many of the streets do not have sidewalks, trees, or other infrastructures and lack street drainage

Capital Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
CS	EDC	Invest in capital projects to improve access to the waterfront	Provide funding for additional ferry service from Staten Island to Midtown Manhattan.	Community Wide

Transportation



Main Issue Related to Transportation

Traffic congestion

It is imperative that commuters ease the already overburdened Staten Island roads and travel more expediently by water. OMB approved a cost limitation of \$6million for the purchase of ferries for the expansion of the East River Ferry Service citywide. The service will consist of 5 new ferry routes and Staten Island, the borough which heavily depends on ferry transportation, has not received additional service. Community Board 2 is requesting Ferry Service from St. George to Bay Ridge Brooklyn & DUMBO. The connection between these boroughs, which are currently separated by a \$17 toll could provide incalculable benefits to the residents and economies of these boroughs. This connection will improve connectivity, provide access to workforce opportunities, reduce wear and tear on roads and boost local businesses. DUMBO is home to emerging job hubs, strong academic institutions, and cultural institutions. The commute time between St. George, Staten Island and DUMBO takes approximately one hour and requires multiple transfers between the ferry and trains. A direct line could reduce travel time and alleviate overcrowding on subways.

Community District Needs Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

Traffic congestion continues to be the district's top problem and as the population continues to grow, our ability to move on and off throughout the Island has become difficult at best, and at times nearly impossible. Our roadways consist of two-lane country roads (one lane in each direction) with an antiquated traffic signal system that needs to be upgraded. We need to address present and future traffic congestion and reliability problems, which are expected to worsen in the future. New York State Department of Transportation has an upcoming Mobility Improvement Project on the West Shore Expressway of Staten Island (NYSDOT PIN X096.33) Southbound between Victory Boulevard and Muldoon Avenue. According to NYSDOT's plan, an area of congestion along the southbound West Shore Expressway between the Victory Boulevard entrance ramp and the Muldoon/Arden Avenue exit ramp will be alleviated. This location experiences heavy weaving congestion caused by an insufficient acceleration lane length from the Victory Boulevard entrance ramp and the lack of a local service road crossing Fresh Kills. Community Board 2 thinks the present plans will just be creating another "choke point" of traffic. With total respect for the expertise the engineers possess, we suggested that NYSDOT add an additional lane in each direction and a shoulder lane. The HOV lane extension project which was completed last year allows cars with three or more passengers to travel in the lane between Victory Boulevard and the Verrazzano Bridge. Community Board 2 expressed our support to NYSDOT for extending the lane all the way west to the Goethals Bridge. We are certain that extending the HOV lane all the way to the Goethals Bridge would reduce congestion and improve mobility. Changes must be made to make travel on the already over-burdened Staten Island Expressway less crowded and easier to traverse for drivers. Community Board 2 is requesting Ferry Service from St. George to Bay Ridge Brooklyn and DUMBO. The connection between these great boroughs, which are currently separated by a \$17 toll and an hour or more commute would provide incalculable benefits to the residents and economies of these two boroughs.

Transportation



Community District Needs Related to Transit Services

MTA is more than \$14 billion short in its \$32 billion capital program for 2015-2019. This impacts the quality of transit services for Staten Islanders. A major issue regarding transit service is the complete lack of connectivity to surrounding airports. In Queens, there are four buses available for residents to access LaGuardia Airport. An overwhelming majority of Staten Island residents who fly go through Newark Airport. Residents taking public transportation to Newark airport are required to go through Penn Station or Port Authority Bus Terminal; a commute that is likely over two hours long. Community Board 2 continues to support the development of a West Shore Light Rail system. The West Shore of Staten Island is on its way to becoming Island's Business Hub. Soon, it will be home to an 855,000 square-foot Amazon Fulfillment Center, that will employ 2,250 people as well as 975,000 square-foot IKEA warehouse distribution center that will create another 300 jobs. Furthermore, the Nicotra Group is constructing a 330,000 square foot Century Office Building on Staten Island's Teleport Campus. These huge construction projects will create more vehicles and trucks traversing the West Shore Expressway. A West Shore Light Rail system could provide a reliable and attractive travel choice for Staten Island residents located in South Shore and Mid-Island communities. The light rail is an electric system able to operate single or multiple car train sets along the shore or exclusive rights-of-way. The WSLR would extend New Jersey Transit's Hudson-Bergen Light Rail system (HBLRT) over the Bayonne Bridge and into western and southern portions of Staten Island and connect to SIRTOA service at the Richmond Valley Station. The benefits of Light Rail are: Trips are diverted from congested roadways, saves travel time, improves reliability, and increases property values near stations. SIEDC estimates that the area will be home to 65,000 new residents by 2030.



Capital Requests Related to Transportation

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/16	DOT	Expand the frequency or hours of operation of ferries	Community Board 2 is requesting Ferry Service from St. George to Bay Ridge Brooklyn & DUMBO. The connection between the boroughs which are separated by a \$17 toll and an hour commute would provide incalculable benefits to the residents and economies of these two boroughs.	ST GEORGE FERRY
6/16	DOT	Reconstruct streets	The portion of Chelsea Road that intersects with South Avenue must be made safer; currently, it is a dangerous S curve, which can cause accidents between large trucks and cars because it is nearly impossible to see around the bend and/or navigate the curve.	Chelsea Road South Avenue
7/16	DOT	Reconstruct streets	Chelsea Road needs to be widened to accommodate the flatbed trucks, buses, and other large vehicles traveling through the industrial area on a daily basis. Without infrastructure improvements to streets like Chelsea Road, and others within the district, the West Shore section of Staten Island will not be able to grow to its potential.	Chelsea Road
15/16	DOT	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Create a pedestrian pathway connecting the boardwalk to Father Capodanno at Midland Avenue	Community Wide
CS	NYCTA	Other transit service requests	Improve bus stops throughout Staten Island. Bus stops on Brielle Ave, Rockland and other are currently on poorly maintained, grassy areas that require maintenance.	Community Wide
CS	DOT	Reconstruct streets	Implement roadway reconstruction on Manor Road between Brielle Avenue and Rockland Avenue to eliminate hazardous curves.	Manor Road Brielle Avenue Rockland Avenue
CS	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	Sidewalks need to be installed on city-owned property where there are none in order to maintain the safety of pedestrians. Sidewalks should be a top priority for Staten Island since it is a main form of transportation due to the lack of a subway system.	Community Wide
CS	NYCTA	Other transit infrastructure requests	Build a 13.1-mile public transit system with stops from Richmond Valley to Elm Park. It would carry commuters to the Bayonne Bridge and connect with New Jersey Transit's Hudson Bergen Light Rail Line, which lead to PATH trains into Manhattan.	Community Wide
CS	DOT	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Improve Richmond Road from Todt Hill Road to Amboy Road (HWRER99)	Richmond Road Todt Hill Road Amboy Road



Capital Requests Related to Transportation

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
CS	DOT	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Community Board 2 supports Councilmember Steven Matteo's proposal to elevate a flood-prone stretch of Travis Avenue from Mulberry Avenue to Victory Boulevard to prevent the flooding that occurs when water from heavy rainstorms falls on the 375-acre nature preserve and collects on the road which causes very dangerous driving conditions. We desperately need to make Travis Avenue a safer roadway. This endeavor may be costly, but in the end, it will be cost effective, as wear and tear repairs will not be needed as frequently, and it will make for safer driving conditions.	Community Wide
CS	DOT	Repair or construct new medians or bus pads	Install lighting and small concrete islands where bus riders can stand and wait safely for the bus, Some bus stops are located in a wooded, dark, or desolate area. This proposes as a safety issue and puts commuters at risk of being struck by a moving vehicle that does not see the commuter. It also puts the commuter at risk of contracting West Nile Virus or tick bites. We cannot leave our commuters so vulnerable. To name a few of the bus stops, we have listed areas below. Stop ID #: 201369- Rockland Avenue/ Meisner Avenue Stop ID #: 201370 and 201463- Rockland Ave,/ Nevada Ave. Stop ID #: 2	Community Wide
CS	DOT	Reconstruct streets	Request funding to extend Father Capodanno Boulevard from Midland Beach to at least Ebbits Street. This would allow motorists to continue on Father Capodanno Boulevard to alleviate congestion on Hylan Boulevard from Midland Avenue to Ebbitts Street. An alternate route is needed to help alleviate congestion for our residents.	Father Capodanno Blvd Midland Beach Ebbits St
CS	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	Community Board 2 continues to support Council Member Matteo's request for additional left-turn signals. Left-turn signals will make a positive impact for safer driving.	Community Wide



Expense Requests Related to Transportation

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
4/23	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	Provide funding to purchase new models of accessible pedestrian signals that come with a button that has an adjustable locator tone to help people find it, a tactile arrow that helps people feel the button and guide them to the crosswalk, an audible message that indicates when the "Walk" signal is on and what street the person is crossing. The crossing tone sounds until the flashing "Don't Walk" signal comes on.for additional Audible Signals to help the blind navigate streets,	Community Wide
5/23	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	Conduct a traffic study during peak hours on the Northwest side of Victory Boulevard at the entrance of the College of Staten Island, 2800 Victory Boulevard.	College of Staten Island 2800 Victory Boulevard Block 2040, Lot 1
6/23	DOT	Address traffic congestion	Conduct a traffic study at the intersection of Christopher Lane during peak weekday and weekend hours.	Christopher Lane Richmond Ave Victory Blvd

Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities



Main Issue Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

Quality of parks and park facilities

Community District Needs Related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming

We would like an increase in funding for seasonal staffing at the NYC Department of Parks and Recreation. Seasonal staff assist in general maintenance work, including lawn mowing, edging, seeding, snow removal, cultivating, fertilizing, sod laying and hedge trimming, sweeping and raking of litter and emptying of receptacles. As we have mentioned previously, litter is an ongoing issue and seasonal staff can reduce the amount of litter. Seasonal staff is also responsible for cleaning and maintaining facilities including comfort stations and are responsible for performing safety checks on facilities and equipment.

Community District Needs Related to Library Facilities and Programming

City funding for libraries has been cut by nearly 20% over the past decade and library staff has been reduced by more than 1,000 workers. The NYPL libraries within CB2 (Staten Island) are used extensively. The community relies on them to provide essential library services, as well as educational programs and community space. Many of the library locations are in need of critical upgrades, including mechanical systems, bathrooms, roofs, facades, and ADA upgrades. The three library systems are seeking a restoration of \$65 million in expense funding and the inclusion \$1.4 billion in the City's 10-Year Capital Strategy. This capital funding is needed for renovations, critical maintenance, elevator replacement when necessary, heating and cooling systems, ADA compliance and technology upgrades. The funding is essential, as the libraries are especially important to low and moderate income residents who depend on the libraries for access to books, internet access, job search, and film, while also acting as a quiet place to read, do homework, or other work. Currently, the operational funding enables our libraries to be a stable and consistent resource for all New Yorkers, opening their doors at minimum six days per week and offering high-quality and diverse programming. We seek to increase operating funding for our libraries to expand to 7-day services. Currently, only 15 of the city's libraries are open 7 days a week. Increased funding will ensure that at least one branch in every Council District is open 7 days. This is particularly important at this time, when more people than ever rely on library services, from early literacy to ESOL classes for immigrants and story times for homeless families.



Capital Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
9/16	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Reconfigure Naples Playground to allow the construction of a comfort station.	Naples Playground Targee St, Stanwich St. Rome Ave
10/16	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Construct a comfort station in Dongan Hills Park	Dongan Hills Park 386 Dongan Hills Avenue
11/16	NYPL	Provide more or better equipment to a library	Restore capital funding to equip Staten Island libraries with security cameras inside and out to ensure these "safe havens" remain secure.	Community Wide
13/16	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Construct a comfort station in Naples Playground	Naples Park Targee St, Stanwich St. Rome Ave
CS	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Construct Tennis Courts at the Ocean Breeze Indoor Athletic Facility. Willowbrook Park's tennis courts have been closed for many years. We would like the department to fund the installation of a tennis bubble at the Ocean Breeze Track and Field Athletic Complex so that our residents and visitors could enjoy this popular sport year-round.	Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex
CS	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	Increase the borough of Staten Islands baseline budget for the NYC Department of Parks and Recreation to \$100 million.	Community Wide
CS	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Community Board 2 continues to support the request to open up the road system in Fresh Kills Park, which would connect Richmond Avenue to the West Shore Expressway through Nascent Park. The plan includes a four-lane road that would stem from the Yukon Avenue intersection at Richmond Avenue and traverse the East Park. This would help ease traffic in the surrounding community.	Fresh Kills Park
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Renovate Willowbrook Park with new apparatus such as ramped play equipment, universally acceptable swings, and charcoal barbecue grills. Willowbrook Park's Carousel, picnic grounds, and ballfield attract many families and an upgrade would enhance one of Staten Island's most popular Greenbelt parks.	Willowbrook Park 1 Eton Place



Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
13/23	DPR	Other street trees and forestry services requests	Community Board 2 is requesting additional funding to hire additional personnel to remove the backlogged thousands of open tree stumps. Tree stumps are dangerous, especially for children and our senior population. They also attract pests and critters.	Community Wide
14/23	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Community Board 2 is requesting additional funding to hire additional personnel for tree pruning. It is important to maintain trees to keep the people around it safe. A dead branch can fall from a tree at any time, endangering nearby people, buildings, and power lines.	Community Wide
15/23	DPR	Provide more programs in parks or recreational centers	The high attendance of visitors to the programs at the Greenbelt Recreation Center shows a need for an expansion of the recreation Center to include additional programs and extended hours. We also support the hiring of additional personnel.	Greenbelt Recreation Center
16/23	NYPL	Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs	Increase funding to hire additional library staff to accommodate the increase in attendance. City funding for libraries has been cut by nearly 20% over the past decade and library staff has been reduced by more than 1,000 workers. At the same time, program and class attendance has increased 87% in Staten Island. According to NYPL, libraries in CB2 had 247,470 visits in FY2015. Libraries receive more visits than all local sports teams and city-owned cultural institutions combined.	Community Wide
17/23	DCLA	Support nonprofit cultural organizations	Continue to fund our cultural establishments so every Staten Island resident has access to arts and culture.	Community Wide
18/23	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	Provide additional funding for security staffing (PEP) officers. This would ensure the safety of visitors to our parks.	Community Wide

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1/16	DOT	Expand the frequency or hours of operation of ferries	Community Board 2 is requesting Ferry Service from St. George to Bay Ridge Brooklyn & DUMBO. The connection between the boroughs which are separated by a \$17 toll and an hour commute would provide incalculable benefits to the residents and economies of these two boroughs.	ST GEORGE FERRY	
2/16	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances	Provide funding for the purchase of a new NYC Fire Department Major Emergency Response Vehicle (MERV 5). The MERV (Major Emergency Response Vehicle) is assigned to all major medical emergencies within its borough, it is capable of permitting several patients to be treated in one place. This unit seats 14 and has a stretcher. ALS and BLS functions may be performed on this unit, anything from minor injuries to a cardiac arrest.	EMS 5 460 Brielle Avenue Block 955, Lot 100	
3/16	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	Install central air-conditioning units in PS 54. As early as late spring into early summer, classroom temperatures rise as high as in the upper 90's. This is unacceptable working conditions for students, as well as teachers.	Ps 54 Charles W. Leng 1060 Willowbrook Road, Staten Island Block 1987, Lot 104	
4/16	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	Provide funding to upgrade electrical wiring at PS 54 to enable the installation of a centralized air conditioner system.		
5/16	SCA	Provide technology upgrade	Provide funding for security cameras at Staten Island Technical High. It is the only public high school on the island that doesn't have them. This is a priority that needs to be addressed especially in these unsafe times.	Staten Is. Technical High School 485 Clawson Street	
6/16	DOT	Reconstruct streets	The portion of Chelsea Road that intersects with South Avenue must be made safer; currently, it is a dangerous S curve, which can cause accidents between large trucks and cars because it is nearly impossible to see around the bend and/or navigate the curve.	Chelsea Road South Avenue	

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7/16	DOT	Reconstruct streets	Chelsea Road needs to be widened to accommodate the flatbed trucks, buses, and other large vehicles traveling through the industrial area on a daily basis. Without infrastructure improvements to streets like Chelsea Road, and others within the district, the West Shore section of Staten Island will not be able to grow to its potential.	Chelsea Road	
8/16	SCA	Renovate interior building component	The New Dorp High School east gymnasium requires an upgrade. The upgrade would include painting, refinishing the floor, repairing light fixtures, and installing a digital scoreboard and collapsible bleachers.	New Dorp High School 465 New Dorp Lane	
9/16	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Reconfigure Naples Playground to allow the construction of a comfort station.	Naples Playground Targee St, Stanwich St. Rome Ave	
10/16	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	_	Dongan Hills Park 386 Dongan Hills Avenue	
11/16	NYPL	Provide more or better equipment to a library	Restore capital funding to equip Staten Island libraries with security cameras inside and out to ensure these "safe havens" remain secure.	Community Wide	
12/16	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances	Provide funding to equip all new ambulances with power-lift capability.	Community Wide	
13/16	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Construct a comfort station in Naples Playground	Naples Park Targee St, Stanwich St. Rome Ave	
14/16	FDNY	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	Provide funding to equip all firehouses in District 2 with a generator.	Community Wide	

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15/16	DOT	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Create a pedestrian pathway connecting the boardwalk to Father Capodanno at Midland Avenue	Community Wide	
16/16	DEP	Inspect sanitary sewer on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed	Provide additional funding for the installation of sanitary sewers in areas where septic systems still exist. The Community Board defers to DEP for the areas in need.	Community Wide	
CS	NYCTA	Other transit infrastructure requests	Build a 13.1-mile public transit system with stops from Richmond Valley to Elm Park. It would carry commuters to the Bayonne Bridge and connect with New Jersey Transit's Hudson Bergen Light Rail Line, which lead to PATH trains into Manhattan.	Community Wide	
CS	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	Community Board 2 continues to support Council Member Matteo's request for additional left-turn signals. Left-turn signals will make a positive impact for safer driving.	Community Wide	
CS	DOE	Improve school safety	Continue to provide funding for additional automated external defibrillator (AED), a portable electronic device that not only detects dangerous arrhythmia (irregular heartbeat), but can treat it by defibrillation (electrical jolt to the heart to re-establish a normal heart rhythm). Provide funding that so that AEDs would be available at all ballfields and high schools throughout Staten Island. More accessible AEDs will save more lives.	Community Wide	Council Member Steven Matteo, District 50; Council Member Debi Rose, District 49
CS	DOT	Reconstruct streets	Request funding to extend Father Capodanno Boulevard from Midland Beach to at least Ebbits Street. This would allow motorists to continue on Father Capodanno Boulevard to alleviate congestion on Hylan Boulevard from Midland Avenue to Ebbitts Street. An alternate route is needed to help alleviate congestion for our residents.	Father Capodanno Blvd Midland Beach Ebbits St	

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Support (CS) A	gency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
CS D	PPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Renovate Willowbrook Park with new apparatus such as ramped play equipment, universally acceptable swings, and charcoal barbecue grills. Willowbrook Park's Carousel, picnic grounds, and ballfield attract many families and an upgrade would enhance one of Staten Island's most popular Greenbelt parks.	Willowbrook Park 1 Eton Place	
CS D	OOT	Repair or construct new medians or bus pads	Install lighting and small concrete islands where bus riders can stand and wait safely for the bus, Some bus stops are located in a wooded, dark, or desolate area. This proposes as a safety issue and puts commuters at risk of being struck by a moving vehicle that does not see the commuter. It also puts the commuter at risk of contracting West Nile Virus or tick bites. We cannot leave our commuters so vulnerable. To name a few of the bus stops, we have listed areas below. Stop ID #: 201369- Rockland Avenue/ Meisner Avenue Stop ID #: 201370 and 201463-Rockland Ave,/ Nevada Ave. Stop ID #: 2	Community Wide	
CS D	PR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Community Board 2 continues to support the request to open up the road system in Fresh Kills Park, which would connect Richmond Avenue to the West Shore Expressway through Nascent Park. The plan includes a four-lane road that would stem from the Yukon Avenue intersection at Richmond Avenue and traverse the East Park. This would help ease traffic in the surrounding community.	Fresh Kills Park	Borough President James S. Oddo; Council Member Steven Matteo
CS EI	DC	Invest in capital projects to improve access to the waterfront	Provide funding for additional ferry service from Staten Island to Midtown Manhattan.	Community Wide	

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Support (CS) Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
CS	DOT	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Community Board 2 supports Councilmember Steven Matteo's proposal to elevate a flood-prone stretch of Travis Avenue from Mulberry Avenue to Victory Boulevard to prevent the flooding that occurs when water from heavy rainstorms falls on the 375-acre nature preserve and collects on the road which causes very dangerous driving conditions. We desperately need to make Travis Avenue a safer roadway. This endeavor may be costly, but in the end, it will be cost effective, as wear and tear repairs will not be needed as frequently, and it will make for safer driving conditions.	Community Wide	Council Member Steven Matteo
CS	SCA	Renovate interior building component	Erect an indoor swimming pool at Michael J. Petrides School.	Michael J. Petrides High School 715 Ocean Terrace	
CS	NYCTA	Other transit service requests	Improve bus stops throughout Staten Island. Bus stops on Brielle Ave, Rockland and other are currently on poorly maintained, grassy areas that require maintenance.	Community Wide	
CS	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a middle or intermediate school	Install air-conditioning units in all public schools on Staten Island. Most high schools and elementary schools have air-conditioners, but few intermediate schools are air-conditioned. As early as late spring into early summer, classroom temperatures rise as high as in the upper 90's. This is unacceptable working conditions for our teachers, as well as students.	Community Wide	
CS	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	Sidewalks need to be installed on city- owned property where there are none in order to maintain the safety of pedestrians. Sidewalks should be a top priority for Staten Island since it is a main form of transportation due to the lack of a subway system.	Community Wide	

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Support (CS) Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
CS	DEP	Inspect storm sewer on specific street segment and service, repair or replace as needed	DEP needs to address the flooding that occurs due to streets built below grade level. The streets that have unlevel or low grade levels are the cause for many flood complaints. Multiple sites along Graham Avenue (i.e. Merrill Avenue and Graham Avenue; Graham Avenue between Victory Boulevard and Speedwell Avenue; Victory Boulevard- on the corner of Graham Avenue)	Community Wide	
CS	ННС	Provide a new or expanded health care facility	Fund the development of a Staten Island Health and Wellness Campus on the grounds of Sea View Hospital Rehabilitation Center and Home, which would also include housing and services for seniors and the disabled.	Seaview Rehabilitation Center 460 Brielle Avenue	Borough President Jame S. Oddo
CS	NYPD	Provide surveillance cameras	Provide funding for the installation of Argus Cameras at the locations listed below will improve the safety of the select areas and help minimize drug activity; Sand Lane and Olympia Boulevard; Midland Avenue and Patterson Avenue; Lamport Boulevard; Richmond Road and Four Corners Road. We continue to support the purchase of additional Argus cameras and expanding technology on Staten Island. We have ten cameras on line and fifteen in place that are not on line.	Community Wide	
CS	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	Increase the borough of Staten Islands baseline budget for the NYC Department of Parks and Recreation to \$100 million.	Community Wide	
CS	DPR	•	Construct Tennis Courts at the Ocean Breeze Indoor Athletic Facility. Willowbrook Park's tennis courts have been closed for many years. We would like the department to fund the installation of a tennis bubble at the Ocean Breeze Track and Field Athletic Complex so that our residents and visitors could enjoy this popular sport year-round.	Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex	
CS	DOT	Reconstruct streets	Implement roadway reconstruction on Manor Road between Brielle Avenue and Rockland Avenue to eliminate hazardous curves.	Manor Road Brielle Avenue Rockland Avenue	
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CS	DFTA	Create a new senior center or other facility for seniors	There are vacant buildings on the campus of Sea View Hospital Rehabilitation Center and Home, which could be used for additional housing and services for the elderly and disabled. There are over 40 buildings and less than half are currently being used.	Sea View Hospital Rehabilitation 460 Brielle Avenue	
CS	DOT	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Improve Richmond Road from Todt Hill Road to Amboy Road (HWRER99)	Richmond Road Todt Hill Road Amboy Road	

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1/23	SCA	Provide a new or expand an existing middle/intermedia te school	There are 9 elementary schools on SI that offer programs for the gifted and talented (G&T). We need to expand the G&T program on Staten Island so students don't have to attend intermediate schools in other boroughs to continue the program.	Community Wide	
2/23	DOE	Assign more teaching staff	Assign a Substance Abuse Prevention and Intervention Specialist (SAPIS) to every Staten Island Elementary, Intermediate and High School to reduce the prevalence of substance abuse and prevent the escalation of substance abuse behaviors among our Staten Island youth.	Community Wide	
3/23	DOE	Assign more teaching staff	Provide funding to support a 6-hour school aide who can assist SAPIS workers in every Elementary, Intermediate, and High School in Staten Island in terms of locating students, following up with students, communicating with staff and students, directing students to supports that are available, and to organize and plan presentations/supports from community based agencies on Staten Island. (Schools are often asked to participate in research projects associated with drug and alcohol abuse, so this individual can also organize these efforts which will free up the SAPIS worker to serve students.)	New Dorp High School 465 New Dorp Lane	
4/23	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	Provide funding to purchase new models of accessible pedestrian signals that come with a button that has an adjustable locator tone to help people find it, a tactile arrow that helps people feel the button and guide them to the crosswalk, an audible message that indicates when the "Walk" signal is on and what street the person is crossing. The crossing tone sounds until the flashing "Don't Walk" signal comes on.for additional Audible Signals to help the blind navigate streets,	Community Wide	
5/23	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	Conduct a traffic study during peak hours on the Northwest side of Victory Boulevard at the entrance of the College of Staten Island, 2800 Victory Boulevard.	College of Staten Island 2800 Victory Boulevard Block 2040, Lot 1	

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6/23	DOT	Address traffic congestion	Conduct a traffic study at the intersection of Christopher Lane during peak weekday and weekend hours.	Christopher Lane Richmond Ave Victory Blvd	
7/23	NYPD	Assign additional traffic enforcement officers	Deploy a traffic agent at the entrance of the College of Staten Island, 2800 Victory Boulevard Monday - Friday from 7:00 A.M. to 9:30 A.M., & 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.		
8/23	NYPD	Assign additional traffic enforcement officers	Deploy a traffic agent at the entrance of the College of Staten Island, on Forest Hill Road Monday - Friday from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.		
9/23	NYPD	Assign additional traffic enforcement officers	Deploy a traffic agent at the intersection of Christopher Lane, Monday - Friday from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.	Christopher Lane Morani Street Victory Blvd	
10/23	NYPD	Assign additional school safety officers	We need additional School Safety Officers to adequately staff our many schools.	Community Wide	
11/23	DOHMH	Reduce rat populations	There has been thousands of rat sightings on Staten Island in recent years. However Staten Island is was not part of Mayor Bill de Blasio's \$32 million plan to cut down on the rodent infestation problem in 2017. As we all know, Rats have the potential to spread a wide variety of diseases. They tend to live in environments such as drains, sewers, and rubbish where germs can be found. These germs can then be spread wherever rats go by way of their fur, feet, urine or droppings. The main diseases of concern are Weils disease. Rats can also damage property by gnawing at wood, lead and soft metals, electrical wiring, water pipes, and drainage systems.	Community Wide	
12/23	NYPD	Assign additional crossing guards	Assign additional Crossing Guard for PS 60, Alice Austen R60	PS 60 55 Merrill Avenue Block 1580, Lot 44	
13/23	DPR	Other street trees and forestry services requests	Community Board 2 is requesting additional funding to hire additional personnel to remove the backlogged thousands of open tree stumps. Tree stumps are dangerous, especially for children and our senior population. They also attract pests and critters.	Community Wide	

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14/23	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Community Board 2 is requesting additional funding to hire additional personnel for tree pruning. It is important to maintain trees to keep the people around it safe. A dead branch can fall from a tree at any time, endangering nearby people, buildings, and power lines.	Community Wide	
15/23	DPR	Provide more programs in parks or recreational centers	The high attendance of visitors to the programs at the Greenbelt Recreation Center shows a need for an expansion of the recreation Center to include additional programs and extended hours. We also support the hiring of additional personnel.	Greenbelt Recreation Center	
16/23	NYPL	Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs	Increase funding to hire additional library staff to accommodate the increase in attendance. City funding for libraries has been cut by nearly 20% over the past decade and library staff has been reduced by more than 1,000 workers. At the same time, program and class attendance has increased 87% in Staten Island. According to NYPL, libraries in CB2 had 247,470 visits in FY2015. Libraries receive more visits than all local sports teams and city-owned cultural institutions combined.	Community Wide	New York Public Library
17/23	DCLA	Support nonprofit cultural organizations	Continue to fund our cultural establishments so every Staten Island resident has access to arts and culture.	Community Wide	
18/23	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	Provide additional funding for security staffing (PEP) officers. This would ensure the safety of visitors to our parks.	Community Wide	
19/23	NYPD	Assign additional uniformed officers	Assign additional Drug Recognition Experts to decrease the number of drugged driving incidents.	Community Wide	
20/23	NYPD	Assign additional crossing guards	The Board defers to the Police Precincts to assign additional crossing guards to new locations.	Community Wide	
21/23	NYPD	Increase resources for other crime prevention programs	Hire additional youth officers in the 121 and 122 Police Precincts to reduce youth crime.	Community Wide	

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22/23	DOE	Improve school safety	Provide School Safety Agents within Staten Island Technical High School.	Staten Island Technical High 485 Clawson Street Block 4244, Lot 1	
23/23	DEP	Investigate air quality complaints at	CB2 would like the DEP to monitor excessive engine idling. An hour of automobile idling burns approximately one-fifth of a gallon of gas and releases nearly 4 pounds of CO2 into the air. Excessive amounts of CO2 in the atmosphere can contribute to asthma, difficulty in breathing, decreased lung function, exacerbate cardiovascular problems and lead to chronic bronchitis.	College of Staten Island 2800 Victory Boulevard Block 2040, Lot 1	

Appendix - Supporting Materials

The Community Board has provided the following supporting materials which can be accessed by clicking on the link(s) below or by copying and pasting the link(s) into a browser.

Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency



Travis Avenue Flooding between Victory Blvd and South Ave

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