

Statements of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests

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INTRODUCTION

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

HOW TO USE THIS REPORT

This report represents the Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the community board, collected through an online form available to community boards from July to November, 2021.

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

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This report is broadly structured as follows:

1. Overarching Community District Needs

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

2. Policy Area-Specific District Needs

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

3. Community Board Budget Requests

The final section includes the two types of budget requests submitted to the City for the FY23 budget cycle; one list for capital and another for expense budget requests. For each budget request, community boards were able to provide a priority number, explanation, location, and supporters. OMB remains the definitive source on budget requests submitted to city agencies.

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

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

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

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1. COMMUNITY BOARD INFORMATION

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2. 2020 CENSUS DATA

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

Queens Community District 9

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
AGE							
Total population	143,317	100.00	152,839	100.00	9,522	6.6	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	33,974	23.7	31,566	20.7	-2,408	-7.1	-3.0
MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN							
Total population	143,317	100.0	152,839	100.0	9,522	6.6	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	58,662	40.9	63,620	41.6	4,958	8.5	0.7
White non-Hispanic	28,029	19.6	23,074	15.1	-4,955	-17.7	-4.5
Black non-Hispanic	11,996	8.4	10,224	6.7	-1,772	-14.8	-1.7
Asian non-Hispanic	31,222	21.8	38,802	25.4	7,580	24.3	3.6
Some other race, non-Hispanic	6,846	4.8	9,768	6.4	2,922	42.7	1.6
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	6,562	4.6	7,351	4.8	789	12	0.2
HOUSING OCCUPANCY							
Total housing units	47,999	100.0	50,877	100.0	2,878	6.0	0.0
Occupied housing units	44,810	93.4	48,117	94.6	3,307	7.4	1.2
Vacant housing units	3,189	6.6	2,760	5.4	-429	-13.5	-1.2

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

Statement on Data Accuracy

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

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

New York City

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

Queens

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
AGE							
Total population	2,230,722	100.00	2,405,464	100.00	174,742	7.8	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	461,901	20.7	455,995	19	-5,906	-1.3	-1.7
MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN							
Total population	2,230,722	100.0	2,405,464	100.0	174,742	7.8	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	613,750	27.5	667,861	27.8	54,111	8.8	0.3
White non-Hispanic	616,727	27.6	549,358	22.8	-67,369	-10.9	-4.8
Black non-Hispanic	395,881	17.7	381,375	15.9	-14,506	-3.7	-1.8
Asian non-Hispanic	508,334	22.8	656,583	27.3	148,249	29.2	4.5
Some other race, non-Hispanic	39,923	1.8	66,175	2.8	26,252	65.8	1.0
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	56,107	2.5	84,112	3.5	28,005	49.9	1.0
HOUSING OCCUPANCY							
Total housing units	835,127	100.0	896,333	100.0	61,206	7.3	0.0
Occupied housing units	780,117	93.4	847,210	94.5	67,093	8.6	1.1
Vacant housing units	55,010	6.6	49,123	5.5	-5,887	-10.7	-1.1

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

3. OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT

Community Board No. 9 consists of four communities, Woodhaven, Ozone Park, Richmond Hill and Kew Gardens (WORK). Each is very distinct, yet all the residents have similar concerns and needs. Community Board No. 9 is truly a microcosm of the borough of Queens where our diversity is our strength. The Covid 19 pandemic, the uncertainty of additional waves of infection and the adverse impact on the economy is of great concern. Like many New Yorkers, the constituents of Community Board 9 want safe streets, great schools, senior services, economic opportunity for local businesses, mobile rapid Covid testing in our communities and access to quality parks and recreation. Additionally, we must take care of our most vulnerable citizens. During this pandemic poverty, homelessness, hunger and mental health issues have increased. It is important to fund programs that will assist these individuals as they struggle through difficult times. Many City agencies have experienced severe budget cuts and they are struggling each day to deliver essential services. NYPD, Sanitation, Transportation, Parks and Department of Education are being asked to do more with less. Community Board 9 is still facing the construction of a community-based jail in Kew Gardens, a problematic hotel that is a haven for criminal activity and operational homeless shelter in Ozone Park. These facilities will impact our infrastructure and ability to deliver city services. Community Board 9 requests that the 102nd Police Precinct be considered for additional officers to combat the rise in crime and keep the growing diverse population of residents safe. We ask that Department of Sanitation's budget be restored so they can service litter baskets, address illegal dumping and keep local streets clean. The City must ensure that DOT has the resources to continue paving our streets and conduct traffic studies. Our educators, students and parents continue to adjust to the new remote educational model. They must be provided with the technology and equipment to succeed in the virtual classroom. School Safety protocols should be followed daily and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) must be readily available to all. We owe our seniors a great debt of gratitude. We have an important responsibility to ensure they have access to effective programs. Seniors also need technology and equipment so they participate in programs or seminars that are offered remotely. Our senior centers should be fully funded and equipped to protect their members while providing important services. Community Board 9 has strong retail corridors comprised of small business owners. These businesses have been financially destroyed during that pandemic. However, through true grit and determination businesses are making a comeback. The City must provide grants, low interest loans, consulting services and clear guidelines to get these business back on solid ground. It is equally important that we make these retail corridors clean, attractive and safe for customers. We encourage a Green Streets program along Woodhaven Boulevard and improve lighting along Jamaica and Liberty Avenues. During the pandemic, our parks provided a much-needed outlet for residents. Forest Park is an incredible asset to the borough of Queens. Community Board 9 requests that funding be allocated for pruning, fencing and more Park Enforcement Patrol officers for Forest Park. Additionally, we need Forestry continue their effective pruning schedule of trees that adorn our residential streets. Libraries provide access to technology, information and are a great gathering place for residents of all ages. It's a place to access computers, it is all-inclusive, safe and friendly environment, and a unique forum for social networking and reading groups. We request that the Woodhaven and Richmond Hill Libraries remain fully funded and the projects move forward in a timely manner. A multi-cultural Community Center would be a welcomed edition to the Community Board 9 community. We hope to work with the Queens Economic Development Corporation and interested non-for-profits to make this a reality. Although we are aware that the economic outlook FY2022 is bleak, our budget priority Capital and Expense Priority List targets many of the community needs and concerns. Community Board 9 respectfully calls on our esteemed elected officials to consider each request during their budget deliberations.

4. TOP THREE PRESSING ISSUES OVERALL

Queens Community Board 9

The three most pressing issues facing this Community Board are:

Crime and public safety

Public safety and quality of life issues continue to be a major concern for the residents of Community Board 9. These crimes include but are not limited to gun violence, assaults, robberies, speeding ATV's and motorcycles. Our local precinct constantly responds to 311 quality of life complaints. Noise, drag racing, double parked cars, and menacing electric bicycles are impacting the tranquility of our quiet neighborhood streets. We do however, recognize that the police do an outstanding job but they need the resources, personnel and community support to keep our streets safe.

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

The preservation of our neighborhood is of paramount importance. Overdevelopment, Illegal conversions and unsafe basement apartments continue to put undue pressure on city services and present a danger to tenants. During Hurricane, 12 people who died in New York City. Eleven of those people, were in basements when they perished. The City must do a better job ensuring that all tenants live in a safe and secure apartment. The looming construction of a borough based jail in Kew Gardens is a top issue. Residents are concerned that the jail will put undue stresses on infrastructure, traffic, parking and public safety. Community Board 9 is committed to working with elected officials and the Department of City Planning to create developments projects that are a benefit to the community.

Trash removal & cleanliness

Our district is plagued with illegal dumping, trash accumulation along our retail corridors, and overall cleanliness on our streets. There must be a multi-agency approach to stop illegal dumping. The installation of surveillance cameras, the deployment of additional sanitation inspectors coupled with aggressive prosecution would help in stopping illegal dumping. Additionally, along our retail corridors litter baskets are being abused by some residents who drop their household garbage. The Department of Sanitation does an outstanding job responding to our numerous complaints, however we need to do a better job in preventing behavior that adversely impacts the cleanliness of our streets.

5. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND BUDGET REQUESTS

HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

Queens Community Board 9

Most Important Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

COVID-19 management (incl. vaccination, testing, outreach, education, etc.)

According to the NYC department of Health there is still COVID-19 transmission in New York City and around the U.S. This is largely due to the spread of the more contagious delta variant and the large number of people who are still unvaccinated. NYC must ensure that everyone has immediate access to testing and vaccinations. Additionally, there must be comprehensive outreach and education so residents can make informed judgments of how to keep safe.

Community District Needs Related to Health Care and Human Services

Needs for Health Care and Facilities

In CB9Q one in five adults has no health insurance and one in Eight go without medical care. 21% have no Health Insurance. 12% went without needed medical care. 8.2% had late or no prenatal care. During the Covid pandemic we had a few 'hot spots' identified in our community. We want to see an improved outreach, and more rapid mobile testing sites. Additionally, all our schools, hospitals, agencies should have access to PPE supplies, including hand sanitizers and cleaning disinfectants.

Needs for Older NYs

We currently have two thriving Senior Centers one in Kew Gardens and one in Ozone Park. They are in need of programs such as: computer programs and new computers. Need for programs for immigrants & seniors in general to learn new skills. We have a Senior Center in Ozone Park Address: 103-02 101st Avenue Ozone Park, NY 11416 the Center in Kew Gardens Address: 88-02 Kew Gardens Rd. Kew Gardens, Ny 11415

Needs for Homeless

No comments

Needs for Low Income NYs

The Human Resources Administration is dedicated to fighting poverty and income inequality with essential programs that help families and individuals with economic and social service needs. Constituents can apply or recertify for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits online and check if you are eligible for Cash Assistance and many other programs at New York City's front door for benefit access, ACCESS HRA.

Capital Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

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

Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/23	HHC	Other health care facilities requests	<i>HHC Hospitals should have PPE supplies for all administrators, doctors, nurses and patients</i>	
2/23	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Increase information sharing with members of the community, city agencies and Community Boards to encourage testing and the adoption of the "core four" actions to prevent Covid</i>	
11/23	DFTA	Enhance educational and recreational programs	<i>Our seniors deserve programs that improve the mental, physical, financial and emotional health. It is important we increase funding to programs that will greatly improve the quality of life of our senior population.</i>	
14/23	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	<i>In this technologically advance environment and the use of various social media platforms can cause stress and anxiety in our children and young adults. There should access to mental health programs to help individuals cope with stress and depression.</i>	
15/23	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	<i>Many veterans return to civilian life that require mental health support. Issues can be dealing with PTSD, substance abuse or difficulties returning to civilian life. It is important that we have programs to help our veteran population.</i>	
17/23	HRA	Provide social services for domestic violence survivors (legal services, counseling, referral to supportive services, etc.)	<i>Domestic violence does not discriminate. Anyone of any race, age, sexual orientation, religion or gender can be a victim – or perpetrator – of domestic violence. It can happen to people who are married, living together or who are dating. It affects people of all socioeconomic backgrounds and education levels. We need programs to help these victims</i>	
18/23	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	<i>Assign Additional School Crossing Guards. Assign additional school crossing guards in all schools in Community Board 9.</i>	

YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

Queens Community Board 9

Most Important Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Support services for special needs youth (disabled, immigrant, non-English proficient, etc.)

Students of all backgrounds, including learning and physical disabilities should have access to a quality education. Every effort should be made to ensure that each school has the ability and resources to our special needs children and they satisfy all services detailed in each student's IEP.

Community District Needs Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Needs for Youth Education

PS 90 Requests an indoor Gym . We need Adequate finding for Universal Pre-K Programs in all Public Elementary Schools as well as home based Pre K. We need to ensure that all who apply for Pre- k have enough seats for all. CB9Q continues to advocate for increased funding to Our Beacon Program at JHS 210 and to fund all Beacon programs in NYC. Beacon program provide students with homework help, test preparation, recreation, Physical Fitness, nutritional programs, etc. CB9Q is also in desparate need for the construction of new schools in District 27,28 & 24 as many of our children who live in the district go to schools in Dist 24. Our board needs more School Crossing Guards. There are very dangerous conditions at our schools during morning arrival and afternoon dismissal. Many people have no regard for traffic rules and there is chaos when irrsporable drivers, etc. speed and don't abide my traffic laws For our growing Communiities there is: 1) complete absence of any complete community center to serve the needs of Indo-Caribbean and South Asian children and families. 2) Lack of legal affordable housing options 3) Not enough youth and academic programs for children from ages 6-18 especially when the drop out rate at high sch total disregard for our children & residents safety.

Needs for Youth and Child Welfare

1) Construct Community center to serve the needs of Indo-Caribbean, South Asian Children and families. 2) Expand youth and academic programs for children from ages 6-18 especially when the drop out rate at high school is about 50%

Capital Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/22	SCA	Renovate interior building component	<i>Richmond Hill High School requests the construction of a Greenhouse on school property (outside) and Hydroponics Classroom. Students will be able to develop an idea of sustainability Students will be offered the opportunity to engage in hands on learning/Project based learning Students will gain an alternative opportunity to engage in NY Regents approved labs Real World Application of Standards based instruction</i>	89-30 114th St, Queens, NY 11418
4/22	DYCD	Other capital budget request for DYCD	<i>DYCD to advise and assist local community to construct a new community center with indoor pool in Richmond Hill and Ozone Park where none exist. This is a heavy populated community with very limited activities and service for local residents</i>	
11/22	SCA	Provide technology upgrade	<i>PS 97 is requesting new laptop computers for their proposes new Media resource Center</i>	85-52 85th St, Queens, NY 11421
12/22	SCA	Provide technology upgrade	<i>Tiegerman High School serves the needs of preschool and school age children with severe language and autism spectrum disorders. Laptop computers will teachers to utilize technology to enhance their successful program</i>	87-25 136th St, Richmond Hill, NY 11418
17/22	SCA	Renovate other site component	<i>Principal has requested new library for students. This will allow for additional educational and enrichment programs</i>	8552 85th St, Woodhaven, NY 11421

Expense Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
12/23	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)	<i>Continue to fund Beacon Program at Middle School 210 and expand to other district schools. The Beacon Program provides educational, sports and mentoring opportunities outside normal classroom hours. Funding should be maintained or increased.</i>	

Students of all backgrounds, including learning and physical disabilities should have access to a quality education. Every effort should be made to ensure that each school has the ability and resources to our special needs children.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Queens Community Board 9

Most Important Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Crime prevention programs

Our Precinct- the 102nd does a great job in keeping our district safe and it is imperative to maintain our safety and the quality of life and this will thrive with the addition of additional Police Officers. Increasing Funding for Domestic Violence Prevention Programs is essential in educating the public and to provide programs that help Families.

Community District Needs Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Needs for Public Safety

Increase Resources for domestic violence prevention programs as this is a serious issue and incidents are on the rise.

Needs for Emergency Services

Need to contact the agencies to see exactly know where this is needed.

Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
5/22	NYPD	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	<i>The parking lot adjacent to the 102nd Precinct building needs to be resurfaced and repair. This will provide adequate parking for police office and free up street parking in front of residential property</i>	87 118 Street, Queens, New York, NY
10/22	NYPD	Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras	<i>Request the installation of Argus surveillance cameras at problematic or high crime locations.</i>	
16/22	FDNY	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	<i>9" DeWalt battery Operated concrete saw (DCS690X2) for all FDNY Fire Engines</i>	
19/22	FDNY	Other capital budget request for FDNY	<i>These ambulances used by FDNY are designed with lifts and special wheel chairs to be used for individuals over 500 pounds</i>	
21/22	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances	<i>To be used by FDNY for disasters to shelter and treat individuals in one place</i>	
22/22	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances	<i>This FDNY equipment is used to respond ahead with a liaison coordinator</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
16/23	NYPD	Hire additional uniformed officers	<i>We must receive our fair share of Police Officers. Our district will be home to high-rise community jail and also includes Queens Borough Hall, Forest Park, and a number of churches, synagogues and temples that are in need of constant attention.</i>	
19/23	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	<i>Welcome Signs for Community Board 9. Signs for Woodhaven, Ozone Park, Richmond Hill, and Kew Gardens.</i>	

CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

Queens Community Board 9

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

Sewer capacity

During recent severe storms it was clear that our current sewer and storm drainage infrastructure is antiquated and not able to mitigate flooding. It is imperative that the city install new sewers, catch basins, and storm drains that function to avoid over flowing water & flooding to protect residents and their properties.

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

Needs for Water, Sewers, and Environmental Protection

We need Catch basins that will help to keep water flowing properly. Maintain and clean catch basins on a regular basis.

Needs for Sanitation Services

The Department of Sanitation experienced severe budget cuts and are being asked to do more with less. However, the Community Board has witness the adverse impact of these cuts to delivery of sanitation services. We are asking the funding be restores to litter basket service, cleaning services, center mall service, vacant lot cleaning weekly recycling, curbside organinc collection, curbeside E-waste pick-up and daily public school collection. These programs are vitally important to the clealiness of or neighborhoods.

Capital Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

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

Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/23	DSNY	Other garbage collection and recycling requests	<i>Maintaining and increasing litter basket service</i>	
4/23	DSNY	Other expense budget request for DSNY	<i>Maintaining and increasing MLP services to address illegal drop off and dump out conditions</i>	
5/23	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	<i>Maintaining and cleaning center median cleaning</i>	
6/23	DSNY	Increase vacant lot cleaning	<i>Maintaining and increasing funding levels for vacant lot cleaning</i>	
7/23	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up	<i>Maintaining curbside recycling program</i>	
8/23	DSNY	Provide or expand NYC organics collection program	<i>Resuming the curbside organics collection program</i>	
9/23	DSNY	Expand opportunities for electronic waste collection and disposal	<i>Restore the Curbside E-Waste collection program</i>	
10/23	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up for schools and institutions	<i>Continuation of funds for school truck services, assistance to schools to maximize recycling and assist schools comply with collection schedules</i>	

HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

Queens Community Board 9

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

Land use and zoning

Community Board 9 wants to strengthen its partnership with NYC City Planning. There must be a mutual respect for the ULURP process and the important role community boards play in the decision making process. Some large scale developments can have a beneficial impact and others can have negative effects on the district. Consequently, it is imperative that the process remain transparent, fair and scrupulous.

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

Needs for Land Use

Queens Community District 9 is very concerned with NYC "Affordable Housing". It seems that many residents are unable to reach their dream of home ownership as prices of Homes, Condo's etc. are out of reach for many.

Needs for Housing

No comments

Needs for Economic Development

No comments

Capital Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

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

Expense Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

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

TRANSPORTATION

Queens Community Board 9

Most Important Issue Related to Transportation and Mobility

Traffic congestion

Traffic is a frustrating problem throughout the district. According to DMV records, more than 122,000 cars have been newly registered in the city, an increase of 26 percent over the previous year. Due safety concerns and many still working remotely, subway ridership is down nearly by half from the equivalent period before Covid. Busier streets have brought much aggravation and greater danger to motorist and pedestrians. More needs to be done to reduce the amount of traffic, increase traffic flow, enforce parking regulations and make mass transit a safe and viable alternative.

Community District Needs Related to Transportation and Mobility

Needs for Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

The Department of Transportation's Select Bus Service (SBS) has been a controversial issue in CB9Q as residents are upset that DOT has not listened to their constituents and have reconfigured where people get on buses, i.e. middle median on Woodhaven Blvd. Routes would reconfigure lanes and eliminate left turns at major intersections as well as install bus stops in the median of Woodhaven Boulevard, which opponents fear will create unsafe conditions along the corridor and interrupt flow of traffic. Local Elected officials, i.e. State Sen. Joe Addabbo (D-Howard Beach), State Assemblyman Mike Miller (D-Woodhaven), and the Woodhaven Residents' Block Association, the Business Improvement District, the Greater Woodhaven Development Corporation, and a Task Force for a Better Woodhaven gathered on Woodhaven Blvd to express their frustrations and concerns regarding the SBS Plan.

Needs for Transit Services

No comments

Capital Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
8/22	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	<i>New lighting on Jamaica Ave from 86th St to Elderts Lane. Better lighting on all sidewalks is needed in Forest Park. There are too many dark areas where pedestrians become targets for theft, assault, and etc.</i>	Jamaica Avenue 86th Street Eldert Lane
9/22	DOT	Upgrade or create new greenways	<i>Incorporate Greenstreets Program on Woodhaven Blvd. Additional tree plantings on Woodhaven Blvd. from Myrtle Ave. to 103 Ave. and gardens where appropriate.</i>	Woodhaven Blvd Myrtle Ave Myrtle Ave
14/22	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Funding for new contract to replace or repair damaged curbs in residential and commercial areas in Woodhaven, Ozone Park, Richmond Hill and Kew Gardens</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

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

PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Queens Community Board 9

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

Community board resources (offices, staff and equipment)

Community Boards are the front lines of dealing with a variety of community issues. It is important that each board has the resources to achieve its purpose to encourage and facilitate the participation of citizens within City government within their communities, and the efficient and effective organization of agencies that deliver municipal services in local communities and boroughs.

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

Needs for Parks

Please see previous page.

Needs for Cultural Services

No comments

Needs for Library Services

Increase funding for Libraries and expand weekend service at Richmond Hill, Woodhaven and all Libraries in Community Board 9 Queens.

Needs for Community Boards

Increase operating Budget of Community Boards. We are requesting an increase to \$250,000 a portion of which will be used to upgrade and maintain our Computer System, Complaint system, fund website, a postage increase and to provide technical support for these functions. In addition to record and support live streaming of our meetings.

Capital Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/22	QL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (QL)	<i>Richmond Hill Library was scheduled to be renovated by Queens Library. Over \$16 million was allocated, Now DDC is charged with managing the project. More money will be required to fully fund this important community project</i>	118-14 Hillside Avenue, Richmond Hill, NY 11418
2/22	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Maurice Fitzgerald Park needs a full restoration. Constituents have requested resurfacing, new playground equipment, and new basketball and handball courts. Council member Adams allocated \$850K, however additional funding is required</i>	106th Street and Atlantic Avenue
7/22	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Phil Rizzuto Park - Repair and replace existing Ball Fields, installation of a new Track, replace water fountain, install bleacher seating, install adult exercise equipment and construct a stage area for events and performances. This Park is utilized by many residents who use the ball fields for numerous sports activities (i.e. Cricket, baseball, football, soccer etc.) The current field is in poor condition and is need of immediate renovation. The installation of a Track will enhance the parks usage.</i>	
13/22	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	<i>Install Handicapped Accessible Bathroom at the Visitors Center -Forest Park. This is located at the corner of W. Main Drive and Woodhaven Blvd.</i>	W Main Dr and Woodhaven Blvd
15/22	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Create a memorial garden at 102nd Street and Park Lane South</i>	102nd Street Park Lane South 85th Avenue

18/22	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>The Trust for Public Land is working with Friends of the QueensWay, community members, and the City and State of New York to create the QueensWay. This elevated pedestrian and bicycle pathway would connect the communities of Rego Park, Forest Hills, Richmond Hill, Glendale, Woodhaven, and Ozone Park. This would provide much needed public green space, recreation areas, opportunities for safe alternative commuting, and community spaces to celebrate the cultural diversity of Queens.</i>
20/22	DPR	New equipment for maintenance	<i>Secure New Equipment for Forest Park Maintenance Workers. Secure Crew Cub Dump Truck with Plow & Salt Spreader.</i>

Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
20/23	DPR	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	<i>Install plank fencing along Freedom Drive in Forest Park . This fence will provide safety for pedestrian and also help control litter accumulation</i>	Freedom Drive
21/23	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	<i>Fund Park Enforcement Patrol Unit for Forest Park. Forest Park is host to many athletic facilities, recreational programs, and special events. It also has 543 acres of forest, which feature numerous hiking trails and a 4-mile equestrian path. Our park has a high volume of events and activities. Problems such as user conflicts permit violations, crowd control, vandalism, deviant behavior and other enforcement issues are in need of attention. Often, PEP nits are not available to respond to Forest Parks needs due to citywide distribution of their staff, and summer staffing of pools and beaches. This has created a rise in misuse of and vandalism to park facilities, damage to the landscape, criminal activity and mischief.</i>	

22/23	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	<i>Fund Pruning Contract for Forest Park This is now a safety issue. Branches have fallen during park concerts and events. It is only a matter of time before someone is seriously injured or killed. The 543-acre park has large mature trees that are 150 years plus. We desperately need a PIP (Parks Inspection Project) funded along with pruning dollars.</i>
23/23	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	<i>Fund Maintenance Workers & Equipment. Maintenance workers are funded for eight months only. During the winter they are laid off. When they return they have a backlog of winter work, i.e. painting, cement work, repairs etc., that can be done during the winter.</i>

6. OTHER BUDGET REQUESTS

Other Capital Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
6/22	Other	Other capital budget request	<i>DCAS-Capital improvements to DCAS property currently rented by businesses on 100th Street between 103 Avenue and 101st Avenue</i>	100 Street 103 Avenue 101 Avenue

Other Expense Requests

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

7. SUMMARY OF PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

Capital Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/22	QL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (QL)	<i>Richmond Hill Library was scheduled to be renovated by Queens Library. Over \$16 million was allocated, Now DDC is charged with managing the project. More money will be required to fully fund this important community project</i>	118-14 Hillside Avenue, Richmond Hill, NY 11418
2/22	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Maurice Fitzgerald Park needs a full restoration. Constituents have requested resurfacing, new playground equipment, and new basketball and handball courts. Council member Adams allocated \$850K, however additional funding is required</i>	106th Street and Atlantic Avenue
3/22	SCA	Renovate interior building component	<i>Richmond Hill High School requests the construction of a Greenhouse on school property (outside) and Hydroponics Classroom. Students will be able to develop an idea of sustainability Students will be offered the opportunity to engage in hands on learning/Project based learning Students will gain an alternative opportunity to engage in NY Regents approved labs Real World Application of Standards based instruction</i>	89-30 114th St, Queens, NY 11418
4/22	DYCD	Other capital budget request for DYCD	<i>DYCD to advise and assist local community to construct a new community center with indoor pool in Richmond Hill and Ozone Park where none exist. This is a heavy populated community with very limited activities and service for local residents</i>	
5/22	NYPD	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	<i>The parking lot adjacent to the 102nd Precinct building needs to be resurfaced and repair. This will provide adequate parking for police office and free up street parking in front of residential property</i>	87 118 Street, Queens, New York, NY
6/22	Other	Other capital budget request	<i>DCAS-Capital improvements to DCAS property currently rented by businesses on 100th Street between 103 Avenue and 101st Avenue</i>	100 Street 103 Avenue 101 Avenue

7/22	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Phil Rizzuto Park - Repair and replace existing Ball Fields, installation of a new Track, replace water fountain, install bleacher seating, install adult exercise equipment and construct a stage area for events and performances. This Park is utilized by many residents who use the ball fields for numerous sports activities (i.e. Cricket, baseball, football, soccer etc.) The current field is in poor condition and is need of immediate renovation. The installation of a Track will enhance the parks usage.</i>	
8/22	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	<i>New lighting on Jamaica Ave from 86th St to Elderts Lane. Better lighting on all sidewalks is needed in Forest Park. There are too many dark areas where pedestrians become targets for theft, assault, and etc.</i>	Jamaica Avenue 86th Street Eldert Lane
9/22	DOT	Upgrade or create new greenways	<i>Incorporate Greenstreets Program on Woodhaven Blvd. Additional tree plantings on Woodhaven Blvd. from Myrtle Ave. to 103 Ave. and gardens where appropriate.</i>	Woodhaven Blvd Myrtle Ave Myrtle Ave
10/22	NYPD	Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras	<i>Request the installation of Argus surveillance cameras at problematic or high crime locations.</i>	
11/22	SCA	Provide technology upgrade	<i>PS 97 is requesting new laptop computers for their proposes new Media resource Center</i>	85-52 85th St, Queens, NY 11421
12/22	SCA	Provide technology upgrade	<i>Tiegerman High School serves the needs of preschool and school age children with severe language and autism spectrum disorders. Laptop computers will teachers to utilize technology to enhance their successful program</i>	87-25 136th St, Richmond Hill, NY 11418
13/22	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	<i>Install Handicapped Accessible Bathroom at the Visitors Center -Forest Park. This is located at the corner of W. Main Drive and Woodhaven Blvd.</i>	W Main Dr and Woodhaven Blvd
14/22	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Funding for new contract to replace or repair damaged curbs in residential and commercial areas in Woodhaven, Ozone Park, Richmond Hill and Kew Gardens</i>	
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16/22	FDNY	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	<i>9" DeWalt battery Operated concrete saw (DCS690X2) for all FDNY Fire Engines</i>	
17/22	SCA	Renovate other site component	<i>Principal has requested new library for students. This will allow for additional educational and enrichment programs</i>	8552 85th St, Woodhaven, NY 11421
18/22	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>The Trust for Public Land is working with Friends of the QueensWay, community members, and the City and State of New York to create the QueensWay. This elevated pedestrian and bicycle pathway would connect the communities of Rego Park, Forest Hills, Richmond Hill, Glendale, Woodhaven, and Ozone Park. This would provide much needed public green space, recreation areas, opportunities for safe alternative commuting, and community spaces to celebrate the cultural diversity of Queens.</i>	
19/22	FDNY	Other capital budget request for FDNY	<i>These ambulances used by FDNY are designed with lifts and special wheel chairs to be used for individuals over 500 pounds</i>	
20/22	DPR	New equipment for maintenance	<i>Secure New Equipment for Forest Park Maintenance Workers. Secure Crew Cub Dump Truck with Plow & Salt Spreader.</i>	
21/22	FDNY	Provide new emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks or ambulances	<i>To be used by FDNY for disasters to shelter and treat individuals in one place</i>	
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Expense Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/23	HHC	Other health care facilities requests	<i>HHC Hospitals should have PPE supplies for all administrators, doctors, nurses and patients</i>	
2/23	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Increase information sharing with members of the community, city agencies and Community Boards to encourage testing and the adoption of the "core four" actions to prevent Covid</i>	
3/23	DSNY	Other garbage collection and recycling requests	<i>Maintaining and increasing litter basket service</i>	
4/23	DSNY	Other expense budget request for DSNY	<i>Maintaining and increasing MLP services to address illegal drop off and dump out conditions</i>	
5/23	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	<i>Maintaining and cleaning center median cleaning</i>	
6/23	DSNY	Increase vacant lot cleaning	<i>Maintaining and increasing funding levels for vacant lot cleaning</i>	
7/23	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up	<i>Maintaining curbside recycling program</i>	
8/23	DSNY	Provide or expand NYC organics collection program	<i>Resuming the curbside organics collection program</i>	
9/23	DSNY	Expand opportunities for electronic waste collection and disposal	<i>Restore the Curbside E-Waste collection program</i>	
10/23	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up for schools and institutions	<i>Continuation of funds for school truck services, assistance to schools to maximize recycling and assist schools comply with collection schedules</i>	

11/23	DFTA	Enhance educational and recreational programs	<i>Our seniors deserve programs that improve the mental, physical, financial and emotional health. It is importation we increase funding to programs that will greatly improve the quality of life of our senior population.</i>
12/23	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)	<i>Continue to fund Beacon Program at Middle School 210 and expand to other district schools. The Beacon Program provides educational, sports and mentoring opportunities outside normal classroom hours. Funding should be maintained or increased.</i>
13/23	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>Students of all backgrounds, including learning and physical disabilities should have access to a quality education. Every effort should be made to ensure that each school has the ability and resources to our special needs children.</i>
14/23	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	<i>In this technologically advance environment and the use of various social media platforms can cause stress and anxiety in our children and young adults. There should access to mental health programs to help individuals cope with stress and depression.</i>
15/23	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	<i>Many veterans return to civilian life that require mental health support. Issues can be dealing with PTSD, substance abuse or difficulties returning to civilian life. It is important that we have programs to help our veteran population.</i>
16/23	NYPD	Hire additional uniformed officers	<i>We must receive our fair share of Police Officers. Our district will be home to high-rise community jail and also includes Queens Borough Hall, Forest Park, and a number of churches, synagogues and temples that are in need of constant attention.</i>
17/23	HRA	Provide social services for domestic violence survivors (legal services, counseling, referral to supportive services, etc.)	<i>Domestic violence does not discriminate. Anyone of any race, age, sexual orientation, religion or gender can be a victim – or perpetrator – of domestic violence. It can happen to people who are married, living together or who are dating. It affects people of all socioeconomic backgrounds and education levels. We need programs to help these victims</i>

18/23	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	<i>Assign Additional School Crossing Guards. Assign additional school crossing guards in all schools in Community Board 9.</i>	
19/23	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	<i>Welcome Signs for Community Board 9. Signs for Woodhaven, Ozone Park, Richmond Hill, and Kew Gardens.</i>	
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