

# **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) 2025. 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, 2023.

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

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This report is broadly structured as follows:

### 1. Overarching Community District Needs

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

### 2. Policy Area-Specific District Needs

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

### 3. Community Board Budget Requests

The final section includes the two types of budget requests submitted to the City for the FY24 budget cycle; one list for capital and another for expense budget requests. For each budget request, community boards were able to provide a priority number, explanation, location, and supporters. OMB remains the definitive source on budget requests submitted to city agencies.

### Disclaimer

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

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

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

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# 1. COMMUNITY BOARD INFORMATION

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# **2. 2020 CENSUS DATA**

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

# **New York City**

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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
<b>MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPAN</b>	NIC 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 houing 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

# Brooklyn

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Total population	2,504,700	100.00	2,736,074	100.00	231,374	9.2	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	594,378	23.7	595,703	21.8	1,325	0.2	-1.9
MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPAN	NIC ORIGIN						
Total population	2,504,700	100.0	2,736,074	100.0	231,374	9.2	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	496,285	19.8	516,426	18.9	20,141	4.1	-0.9
White non-Hispanic	893,306	35.7	968,427	35.4	75,121	8.4	-0.3
Black non-Hispanic	799,066	31.9	729,696	26.7	-69,370	-8.7	-5.2
Asian non-Hispanic	260,129	10.4	370,776	13.6	110,647	42.5	3.2
Some other race, non-Hispanic	15,904	0.6	37,579	1.4	21,675	136.3	0.8
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	40,010	1.6	113,170	4.1	73,160	182.9	2.5
HOUSING OCCUPANCY							
Total houing units	1,000,293	100.0	1,077,654	100.0	77,361	7.7	0.0
Occupied housing units	916,856	91.7	1,009,804	93.7	92,948	10.1	2.0
Vacant housing units	83,437	8.3	67,850	6.3	-15,587	-18.7	-2.0

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

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AGE							
Total population	104,278	100.00	108,905	100.00	4,627	4.4	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	19,385	18.6	20,282	18.6	897	4.6	0.0
MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN							
Total population	104,278	100.0	108,905	100.0	4,627	4.4	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	17,423	16.7	17,508	16.1	85	0.5	-0.6
White non-Hispanic	59,405	57.0	56,345	51.7	-3,060	-5.2	-5.3
Black non-Hispanic	13,401	12.9	13,045	12.0	-356	-2.7	-0.9
Asian non-Hispanic	12,294	11.8	17,929	16.5	5,635	45.8	4.7
Some other race, non-Hispanic	453	0.4	894	0.8	441	97.4	0.4
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	1,302	1.2	3,184	2.9	1,882	144.5	1.7
HOUSING OCCUPANCY							
Total houing units	46,298	100.0	46,672	100.0	374	0.8	0.0
Occupied housing units	43,555	94.1	44,531	95.4	976	2.2	1.3
Vacant housing units	2,743	5.9	2,141	4.6	-602	-21.9	-1.3

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

### **Statement on Data Accuracy**

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

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

3. OVERVII	EW OF COM	MUNITY DIST	RICT	

### **Overview of Community Board 13**

Community Board 13 is composed of Coney Island, Brighton Beach, Sea Gate and Gravesend, where we are surrounded by water. We are a growing community with residential, commercial and amusement developments. We have a huge NORC population that has needs to be addressed, and a large immigrant community that also has special needs. The Russian immigrants are moving into the NYCHA projects and high-rise developments in Coney Island, changing the demographics and needs of the area. There has been an increase in Pakistani and Mexican immigrants moving into Brighton Beach.

### **Dwindling Effects of Superstorm Sandy**

During our season, March to October, the residents are forced to cope with increased traffic congestion and the severely dwindling number of parking spaces. Since Superstorm Sandy there have been many challenges rebuilding the area's infrastructure. The streets are still torn up due to the rebuilding of the infrastructure and when they are being repaired, traffic delays become a problem. In 2012, the community was not prepared for Superstorm Sandy. Eleven years later, we are still not prepared for another Superstorm Sandy. We realize that the need to protect our shoreline must be our first priority. We need both short term and long-term goals to fix the shoreline.

### **Infrastructure Improvements**

Since the last Community District Needs request, the EDC, DDC and Parks Dept have made some improvements to the infrastructure. Coney Island Phase 2A continues to work on West 16th Street between Hart Place and Surf Avenue and expects to finish in 2025. Triumph Construction is restoring the streets with the installation of porous pavements. This is the first-time porous pavement streets are being used in the area. Using porous pavements will mitigate the storm water overflow to decrease the flooding in many areas of our community. We request that in the future, when the streets are torn up for construction projects, the streets will be replaced by porous pavements. We are still waiting for EDC to begin to rebuild the bulkhead on Coney Island Creek from Cropsey Avenue to West 22nd Street. The Parks Dept has continued to protect the shoreline by planting sea grass along Coney Island beach and Coney Island Creek Park. We hope they will continue this for the next few years to help with the entire shoreline. The long-term solution is that we need the Army Corps of Engineers, the Federal government and ORR to fund the projects necessary to protect us if another disaster occurs with the installation of sea wall/flood gates. We found out that there is \$52 billion dollars allocated to the NYC area from the federal government to study and protect the shoreline. We need to fight for funding to come into the area.

### **Senior Population Assistance**

According to City Planning, our Community District Profile indicates that we have the largest senior population in NYC with 23.9% of the Community Board #13 being seniors. The issues caused by the ever-growing senior population must be addressed including more senior housing, additional senior centers and the need for additional health care facilities, specifically geared to the senior population. The NORC population has more time on their hands and work experiences, we need to tap into this resource and expand on any intergenerational programs and mentorship with the seniors.

### **Needs in our Seven-Policy Area**

Our most important needs in our seven policy area are: (1) Health: C1 Trauma Center needed in South Brooklyn Health; (2) Youth: Recreational/Educational Center needed for the youth and seniors; (3) Public Safety: more uniformed officers needed in the area; (4) Environmental: protecting the shoreline from the next disaster; (5) Housing/Economic Development: Overdeveloping the area with too many apartments, and need for more jobs; (6) Transportation: we need a traffic survey for the area during the summer time and improved mass transit; and (7) Parks: the permanent repair of the boardwalk. We will discuss this more in detail in each section.

### **ESOL Services and Immigration Rights**

With the growing immigrant population in Community Board #13, we need to address ESOL services, immigration rights, etc. Community Board #13 has been working with city and local agencies and the Brooklyn Public library to bring attention to the issues in the immigrant communities. According to the NYC Planning Community District Profiles, we are in the top three in Limited English Proficiency. To combat this, we need more ESOL and conversation classes so that our residents can become more proficient in the English language.

### **Issues with New Area Developments**

Currently, we have several new developments being built in the area. Six development sites, each bringing in between 200-500 units per development, will surely overtax the infrastructure with more cars, causing increased congestion and parking problems. More units mean more children and seniors coming into the area. The existing schools and senior centers cannot handle the new population. These needs must be addressed before they move in. Upgrading the infrastructure includes the sewer lines that are needed to be able to handle the new developments. Six developments (West 33rd Street apartment, and Rybak/Seabreeze Apartments, Ocean Dreams and Surf Vets Apartments, Raven Hall Apartments, L&M Project) have opened in 2021/2022. There are four more large apartment developments that will be opening in the next year.

### **Flood Insurance Rates Increase**

We are also concerned about the increase in the flood insurance rates. We know it will increase dramatically and will affect the small homeowners, renters and businesses in the area. We are disappointed with GOSR (Governor's Office of Storm Recovery) who has implemented the back flow prevention project for homeowners to have installed said preventors to prevent water from coming into the homes through the sewer lines. The program began during the pandemic and there wasn't a great response because people didn't want people in their homes. There were only two homeowners that were income qualified for the project in our district. The remaining homeowners are still without a back flow preventor and are prone to flood in the next big storm. The FEMA released preliminary flood insurance rate maps for the area.

In addition, the flood insurance rate increase will affect the high-rise developments. Building management will have to pass the increased costs on to the renters through their monthly rents and maintenance fees. The NORC in these high-rise developments are on a fixed income and will find it hard to pay the increase. With these increasing rates, people will be forced out of their homes. We would call this insurance gentrification, where the neighborhood would change because of the increase in flood insurance rates.

### Detriments with Traffic and the Denial of the Coney Island NYC Ferry Line

The traffic problem in the area has gotten worse with the new developments. The NYC Ferry will not come to Coney Island after extensive study on dredging Coney Island Creek, resulting in more frequently than anticipated annual dredging. To maintain the dredging, it would have cost over \$45 million dollars to clear the channel on a bi-annual basis. The other suggestion was to put it on the beach/oceanside but to do this, it would cost \$90-\$200 million dollars to build a breakwater to protect the dock. Both options had a high price tag, but no one is willing at this time to flip the bill. Therefore, EDC will not bring the ferry system to Coney Island.

### **Subway Stations Becoming ADA Compliant**

We need to concentrate on making our subway stations ADA compliant with elevators such as the F Train - Neptune Avenue, Q Train – Ocean Parkway, etc. These stations are used by the NORC population in our community.

### **Future Developments**

We need to look at all the future developments and how it impacts on the traffic and parking in the area. After the infrastructure projects are completed, we need to see how all these developments affect the community. With COVID-19 not on high alert, we learned that there will be new problems that will need to be addressed. Retrofitting of the schools, unemployment, closing businesses, vaccine/booster distributions, etc. are a few issues that everyone must face in the coming years. The City budget must address those needs for the neighborhood to flourish.

### **Proposed Casino in Coney Island**

Since the last report, Coney Island has been a targeted site for the proposed casino in the amusement area. The community came together for a community participation meeting in March and April 2023. At both meetings, the community residents were against the casino project. During the summer, the lobbyists reached out to local basketball clinics and sponsored many tournaments for the youth. At the time of this report, we do not know if Coney Island will be chosen as one of the locations and licensee in the metropolitan area.

### **Issuing of Licenses for Cannabis Dispensaries**

We are concerned with the issues of licensed cannabis dispensaries located within our community. There are constant changes in rules and regulations coming from the NYS Office of Cannabis Management. We need guidance to make sure our community does not become an unwanted home for cannabis dispensaries.

# Illegal Vendor Situations in Coney Island

Illegal vendor situations in both Coney Island (during the summer season) and Brighton Beach (year-round), have gotten out of hand. We need a coordinated taskforce that will work on this issue. The new Neighborhood Support Team has been slow in taking steps to rid the community of these vendors. Now, due to DCWP no longer being the lead and DSNY has been given the task of summonsing these illegal vendors in both areas, things are slowly moving in the right direction.

### **Importance of Drones**

We need Drones! - drones are being used for public safety situations by FDNY, NYPD and Parks (assisting lifeguards in locating victims and bringing them life preservers to save them!). These agencies will need additional funds to purchase these important devices – where will these funds come from?

# 4. TOP THREE PRESSING ISSUES OVERALL

# **Brooklyn Community Board 13**

The three most pressing issues facing this Community Board are:

### Infrastructure resiliency

Sandy Recovery and Future Resiliency: High-rise structures, notably those of the City's Housing Authority, evidence of the storm's devastation – the presence of mold, the shuttered community centers, abandoned homes, empty stores and civic facilities. NYCHA buildings currently constructing 2nd floor generators to prevent future floodings. Homes were not qualified for the back flow prevention program the State had promised to the residents. The shoreline is our other concern. Nothing has been done to protect us from the next superstorm. We need short term solutions such as planting beach sea grass and putting in dunes along the shoreline. Long term projects, will have to deal with the Army Corp of Engineers to build a sea wall in the Rockaway Inlet. Currently, there are plans to construct 6 large residential developments in our community. Each development has between 200-500 units. We need to upgrade our infrastructure to sustain the new developments. The sewer lines need to handle the new load of people moving into the neighborhood. As mentioned below with traffic, these developments do not provide adequate parking and therefore the new residents will be forced to find street parking.

### **Traffic**

Traffic is one of the overwhelming problems in the peninsula. During the summer season, motorists come in and out of Coney Island and Brighton Beach, they are looking for free parking spots. When they realized there are no parking spots, they circle around the area waiting for someone to leave. This happens throughout the summer and residents feel hostage in their home, afraid to leave and lose their parking spot. There is limited amount of parking spaces and parking lots once they are filled up the streets. This causes a traffic nightmare. Emergency vehicles from Fire, Police, ambulances, EMS have difficulties reaching to their locations where time is an essence. One solution having people use mass transit. We finally have express service on the F train to Coney Island. We no longer have the ferry system come to Coney Island due to the enornmous cost of dredging the Coney Island Creek. Another solution is to have offsite parking and have people shuttled in on a jitney buses to their locations. This would partial alleviate the congestion coming into the area, and would give people an alternate route of getting out of the area.

### Other

Fixing up the Reigelmann Boardwalk - The Riegelmann Boardwalk has been neglected for so many years. Community Board #13 has put this in as a Top 3 important item to address. We understand there is a huge amount of funds to fix and maintain the boardwalk. It still needs to be fix and have a plan to have future maintenance, so we don't run into this problem again.

# 5. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND BUDGET REQUESTS

### **HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES**

# **Brooklyn Community Board 13**

Most Important Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

### **Other**

Community Board #13 needs a C1 Trauma Center in South Brooklyn Health (formerly Coney Island Hospital). Our hospital needs to address the growing population in the area. Time is of essence when a trauma patient is taken away from the area. If there was a C1 Trauma Center incorporated into South Brooklyn Health, it would cut down the time for helping the patient. We understand that this is not a City Budget item, but we need to make this situation aware to the city, state and federal government, that this is a priority for the neighborhood. With this pandemic, we need all the medical facilities to handle COVID19.

### <u>Community District Needs Related to Health Care and Human Services</u>

### **Needs for Health Care and Facilities**

Community Board #13 needs a C1 Trauma Center in South Brooklyn Health (formerly known as Coney Island Hospital). Our hospital needs to address the growing population in the area. Time is of the essence when a trauma patient is taken away from the area. If there was a C1 Trauma Center incorporated into South Brooklyn Health, it would cut down in the time needed to help the patient. We understand that this is not a City Budget item but we need to make this aware to the city, state and federal government, that this is a priority for the neighborhood. There are programs that have been funded in the current year. We would like these fundings to continue with the following requests: Funding is needed for South Brooklyn Health to handle the growing population and has to keep up with the medical needs in the area, such as obesity awareness, diabetes prevention program, cancer awareness, high blood pressure reduction program, living with asthma, improving pediatric care, preventing heart disease, etc. With a growing population, South Brooklyn Health has to meet up with the demand. Funding must continue to keep up with medical needs and expand the hospital wherever it is possible. We need to promote quit smoking programs for the immigrant community. The program must be translated into other languages to reach the target audience. There is a growing immigration population such as Pakistanian, Ukrainian, Russian, Spanish and Asian. They are either unaware or afraid to enter a hospital because of a language barrier or afraid of deportation. The neighborhood health facilities has to conform to the neighborhood and outreach to the immigrant in their native language or the patient will not come.

### **Needs for Older NYs**

Community Board #13 is a growing Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities (NORC). Community Board #13 has the largest senior population in NYC (23.3% of our population is over 65 years old)! With an aging community, we have to address the needs of this growing population. We find the older residents tend to live independently with their services nearby. As household size decreases and income is fixed, the residents downsize their apartments and remain in the area. Health care providers are needed to check in to see if everything is okay. Senior centers have grown giving the residents something to do during the day. With new housing developments coming into the neighborhood, there will be some senior residents occupying the new units. The new seniors will need additional senior services and they will overtax the existing senior services. The City has to build new senior centers or combine them with recreation center to create an intergenerational recreation center to bring the generation gap closer together. There is a large Asian population that uses the JCCGCI center on West 37th Street where the clients come from all over the borough. Their needs are different in culture and traditions and it would great to integrate with the rest of the community. A multicultural center would be able to address the growing Asian senior population. In Brighton Beach area, APNA Brooklyn Center has addressed the growing Muslim community. They

have expanded and helped the Pakistians with basic needs in the neighborhood. The Shorefront Y and the Shorefront Jewish Community Council address the Russian and Ukrainian population in Brighton Beach. Their programs are expanding to address the NORC community. More senior services are needed in the neighborhood.

### **Needs for Homeless**

There has been an increasing amount of seasonal homelessness in our community. Homeless people come down during the warmer months but never seem to leave until the weather becomes brutally cold. We need to address this problem year round. We DO NOT need a homeless shelter to address this problem because the community already has over seven NYCHA developments in a half mile radius. Coney Island has been the dumping ground for low income families and does not need to oversaturate the area with a homeless shelter. There are more affordable housing being built in our area. We do not saturate the area with more low income developments. The City needs to address the existing problems in the neighborhood before receiving a new shelter. There are programs that have been funded in the current year. We would like these funding to continue with the following requests: More rental assistance program is needed to help the homeless people in the community. We need anti-eviction legal services to prevent people from becoming homeless. We continued to support increase personnel Dept. of Homeless Services/Breaking Ground. More personnel is needed due to the increase of homeless people in the community. We need to expand street outreach to handle the seasonal homeless during the summer months.

### **Needs for Low Income NYs**

We need to help the low-income and vulnerable people in our community by providing job training, placement support, food assistance such as Food Stamps, improve delivery of emergency food and shelter in case of disaster. We also need to provide social services to domestic violence survivors and provide case management for persons living with HIV or AIDS. With over seven NYCHA developments, there are not enough programming to address the issues. We DO NOT need a homeless shelter, it would burden the area with more problems. There are programs that have been funded in the current year. We would like these funding to continue with the following requests: We need to expand our job training for the community. We have Workforce1 for Sandy victims, but we need to make it a permanent program. We need to have a training/vocational center to teach the people a skill. We need to expand our job search and placement support for the community. It is vital to make the people job ready and to keep the job with placement support. In our low-income neighborhood, we need to expand food assistance for getting healthy choices to the people. There is a need to provide social services for domestic violence survivors. The community needs more information for the victims to know their rights. We need to provide case management, cash assistance and social services for people living with clinically symptomatic HIV or AIDS. With no community based organization dealing with the HIV/AIDS issue we need funding for community. With this pandemic, we realized the low income children were neglected by not getting proper digital tools for school. People who were laid off from their jobs needed more food resources and job opportunities. Businesses are closed and unemployment checks are finished, people need assistance.

# **Capital Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/35	ННС	Other health care facilities requests	A C1 Trauma Center is needed in South Brooklyn Health (formerly known as Coney Island Hospital). With the increasing population due to new housing development and the influx of tourists during the summer time, we need a C1 Trauma Center in the neighborhood. We understand that this is not a City Budget item but we need to make this aware to the city, state and federal government, that this is a priority for the neighborhood.	
15/35	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	With the growing senior population in the district, we need more senior centers. Public land is limited in the area. A multi-use facility must be built as a multicultural, intergenerational, recreational center on City owned land. There is city owned land that can be develop by Mark Twain JHS (pumping station/handball courts/park circle, etc.) into this needed facility.	

# **Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
5/51	DOHMH	Animal and pest control requests including reducing rat and mosquito populations	Increase personnel for Rat Abatement. There has been a large increase of rats being displace by the new construction, they are running into existing buildings and causing problems to the neighborhood. We need to do a district wide abatement to tackle the rodent problem. In addition, we need to hire more exterminators to handle the increase of rodents issues.	
9/51	DFTA	Enhance NORC programs and health services	We need to expand NORC programs and health services to assist the aging population. In our area, we have 23.3% of the population over 65 and it continues to increase each year.	

11/51 DOHMH Other programs to address public health issues requests  POHMH Other programs to address public health issues requests  POHMH Other programs to address of a public who are sensitive to molds from their buildings. People who are sensitive to molds have become sick and we need to test the air quality at these locations. With better technology, air monitors can isolate the problem.  13/51 DOHMH Other programs to address public health issues requests  POHMH Other programs to address public incidence of respiratory illness affecting the neighborhood population, thought to have been initially caused or worsened by the infiltration of mold and poor air quality resulting from the aftermath of Superstorm Sandy. An epidemiological study of the area's respiratory illnesses, including an in-depth examination of the neighborhood's air quality and other contributing factors, is requested to enable us to effectively advocate for strategies that would improve the quality of the health of our neighbors and our environment.  14/51 DOHMH Create or promote programs for education and awareness on preventing chronic diseases including quitting smoking, nutrition, physical activity, etc.	
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19/51 DOHMH Other programs to address public community. We need more programs in schools health issues and in the community to bring attention to the issue.	
20/51 DFTA Increase staffing for Increase personnel for Home Bound programs for disabled seniors. Due to the increasing NORC population, home bound programs for seniors are needed.	

27/51	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	Continued to support to promote flu shots, measles shots and other immunization for the immigrant community. The outreach must be translated into other languages to reach the target audience. It must be explain to them that it is essential to vaccinate the family in order not get sick or die. There are growing Asian, Pakistan, Hispanic, Russian and Ukrainian community that needs translation for immunization programs.
31/51	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	Continue Support - There needs to be a drug prescription awareness campaign for the community. Families need to know if there is any CBO to address this problem.
40/51	DFTA	Increase transportation services capacity	Fund Jewish Community Council of Greater Coney Island Senior Citizen Transportation (Project Ride) and other access a ride services for the Frail Elderly population. Traveling for seniors are limited due to their limited mobility. More funding are needed to address this in a growing NORC area.
47/51	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to destigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	Allocate funds for an existing social services and legal organization to set up a branch in Community Board #13 area in order to provide assistance to the vulnerable population, domestic violence victims, single mothers, and low-income residents living with serious mental health concerns. This funding would disrupt and dismantle cycles of hospitalization, homelessness, and incarceration by providing direct legal and social work services.

# YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

# **Brooklyn Community Board 13**

### Most Important Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

### Other

Our biggest concern in our neighborhood is reopening our community center that was destroyed by Superstorm Sandy. After ten years, some community centers/daycare centers are still closed and need to reopen soon. The youth have no where to go and limited resources out here to occupy them during the year. Wokforce1 has helped the young adults but the community centers are need for the children. Safe community centers need to be rebuilt and made resilient to address the needs of the area. A long term solution is to build a recreational center to address this need that would be intergenerational, multicultural, educational, multi-use recreational facility. This could be tied in with a boathouse to do water activities, too.

### Community District Needs Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

### **Needs for Youth Education**

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There are programs that have been funded in the current year. We would like these funding to continue until completed with the following requests: A full library are needed in our schools. The current library are not well stock and being under utilized without programs. With the school giving healthier choices to students during meal times, it is needed to explain to them that it is a life choice to make. Giving the youth nutritional program to educate them on what is healthy and what is junk food is greatly need. Also, we would like to look into the greenhouse garden to have the youth understand where the food is coming from and how they can prepare healthy for that they have grew will give them an idea where the healthy foods come from. The school buildings need to be retrofitted so the teachers and students have a safe place to go in case there are future pandemics. We need to bring back Workforce1 storefront instead of them having a mobile office in the neighborhood.

### **Needs for Youth and Child Welfare**

The early stages of child development is very important and we need quality childcare services in our daycare and head start centers. We need to rebuild childcare centers and improve on their service. After Superstorm Sandy, childcare and head starts center were destroyed and had to be rebuilt. Some are still not rebuilt and the void needs to be filled. The centers are either doubled up or ceased to exist. We have to rebuild or build new centers to have quality childcare services. There are programs that have been funded in the current year. We would like these funding to continue with the following requests: We need to expand options for kinship foster care services to help family integrate the child into their new environment. We need juvenile justice programs and preventive services in our neighborhood. We need to expand preventive services to avoid future delinquents in the community. All child care centers were affected by Superstorm Sandy needs to be renovated and upgrade to avoid future disaster. We need to continue support to increase personnel for monitoring of day care centers. The community needs adequate funding for preventative and child protection services. In low-income neighborhood, child protection services generally gets overlooked. We need to provide funding for youth program for 18 to 21 year olds who have aged out or been discharged from foster care services because at that age, the young adult has not been fully adapted to their new environment and without an education, they are likely not to get a high paying job. They will become the new homeless in our community.

# **Capital Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare**

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

# **Expense Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
16/51	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance adolescent literacy programs and services	We need to provide adolescent literacy programs and services for our young adults. We need to give them a chance to get a GED diploma to get to the next level.	
17/51	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance English for speakers of other languages (ESOL) services	Community Board #13 has a growing population of immigrants. We need to address their concern and issues. English as a second language services are needed.	
18/51	DOE	Assign more teaching staff	With the overdevelopment of our community and the overcrowding in classrooms, there is a need for more qualified teaching staff. We cannot justified overcrowded classrooms and not have enough teachers for the classes. We need to expand the budget for hiring teachers. Also, there is a need to have smaller class size in schools.	
22/51	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance skills training and employment services for high school students at risk of dropping out	We need to expand the skill training and employment services for high school students at risk of dropping out. We have an alternate high school that is filled and need to be expanded and enhanced.	
24/51	DOE	Other educational programs requests	We realized that the performing and cultural arts have been cut out from the curriculum. The children have no place to express themselves except through academic and sports. Their creative learning has been cut off and it is desperately needed.	
39/51	ACS	Provide, expand, or enhance housing assistance for youth that are leaving foster care	We need to enhance housing assistance for youth that are leaving foster care. We understand that at the age of 18 the young adult does not have a secure job to afford an apartment, or some type of housing assistance is needed or supplemented to the rent.	

42/51	ACS	Provide, expand, or enhance funding to support higher education and/or workforce development opportunities for youth who are leaving foster care	There is a need to provide funding for higher education and/or workforce development opportunities for youth who are leaving foster care. We see youth without a college degree or trade skills to compete for a job. We feel at least a CTE (certified technical education) degree would offer them a skill once completing.
43/51	DOE	Assign more non- teaching staff, e.g., to provide social, health and other services	We need additional school psychologists and social workers in our school system.

### **PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES**

# **Brooklyn Community Board 13**

### Most Important Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

### Traffic violations and enforcement

In our district, we are number one in crime reduction in NYC. With youth crime and gun violence down in our neighborhood, we now can concentrate on the quality of life issues such as traffic congestions and parking problems. With the hot summer days or big events in the area, we have traffic problems in getting people in and out of the area. People are held hostage trying to leave the area and cannot find parking when they returned home. We need to address this as a safety concern when emergency vehicles cannot move through the neighborhood without being stop by traffic.

### Community District Needs Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

### **Needs for Public Safety**

A summer detail is made available for the 60th Precinct, but growing crowds indicate that added personnel is needed. We need additional uniformed officers to keep law and order in community that has summer crowds in the thousands. The community is neglected when the officers are diverted to control the crowds. We need traffic enforcement officers to help direct traffic coming and going out of the area. We need them to keep the traffic flowing and ticket motorists for double parking and illegally blocking traffic in the area. There are programs that have been funded in the current year. We would like these funding to continue with the following requests: - Continue support for additional staff to address specific crimes such as drug, gang-related issues. - We need to continue to support resources to train officers in NCO and YCO to help with better relationships with the community. - We request to have heavy duty equipment such as heavy duty helmets and vests. With huge crowds in the summer time, we feel that it is an easy target for terrorist attacks and we should be equipment to handle the situation. We would like to see how we can use drones in our area to assist with chronic problems.

### **Needs for Emergency Services**

Our community stress highly on emergency/disaster services needs. Ever since Superstorm Sandy, we have found ourselves vulnerable to the environment and the increasing developments around the area. We need to be prepared for any situation whether it be another Superstorm Sandy, or a blizzard or even a blackout we have to protect our community. Even with this pandemic, a local emergency center for emergency/disaster/ pandemic assistance is needed. We need something that is central and is recognize by the community a place to get help and information. We would like to see how we can use drones in our area to assist with high rise fires and drowning victims along the beach.

# **Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
7/35	NYPD	Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras	Sufficient funds are requested for surveillance cameras in chronic troubled locations to provide enhanced security to enable law enforcement efforts to better monitor high crime areas including but not limited to the Coney Island and Brighton Beach areas but also the amusement area including the Riegelmann Boardwalk, and other chronic high crime locations in the district.	
9/35	NYPD	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	We need to renovate the 60th Precinct station and make it ADA compliance and expand the area. People cannot get to the second floor without an elevator and there isn't one available. Also there is need to expand the community meeting room on the second floor.	
17/35	FDNY	Upgrade communication equipment to improve emergency response	We need to upgrade communication equipment to improve emergency response such as digital/wifi towers.	
19/35	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	Sufficient funds are requested to immediately allocate additional bicycles, Segways and Gators to the 60th Precinct to reduce reliance on heavy motorized vehicles, to enhance mobility and to increase public safety. Our goal is to reduce the volume of heavy motorized vehicles driven on the boardwalk which creates preventable vehicular-pedestrian conflicts, significantly adds to the wear-and-tear maintenance requirements for the boardwalk, and takes away valuable public space needed for social distancing.	
30/35	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	With the new technology using drones, we feel that this can help in public safety with crowd management and traffic problems in the area.	

31/35	NYPD	Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct	The 60th Precinct building was built in 1971. It is in desperate need of a new building. Since Superstorm Sandy, the building has been rebuilt but is not protected from the next storm. It needs to be flood proof and parking space built into the new design. It also lacks ADA compliance for disable and elderly who need to get to the station. It also needs to be upgraded for electric stations for their fleet and light weight vehicles for emergency use on the boardwalk.
33/35	FDNY	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	With the new technology using drones, we feel that this can help in high-rise fires where the drones can view from above to see what danger are in the buildings.

# **Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
8/51	NYPD	Hire additional school safety agents	There is a need to improve school safety with security guards and crossing guards around the schools. With the increase violence in the neighborhood and children bring in weapons, there has to be better school safety for the schools. We have to educate the youth to respect each other and not resort to violence. There should be a program dealing with antiviolence, anti-bullying and cyber-bullying for the children. We need to get the elected officials and the D.A. office involve with this problems.	
32/51	NYPD	Hire additional school safety agents	We need to assign additional school safety officers to the community to teach the children about safety in the street.	
33/51	NYPD	Hire additional crossing guards	We need assign additional funding to hire full time crossing guards for the school to keep the children safe.	
34/51	NYPD	Hire additional traffic enforcement agents	Added traffic-control personnel to move motorists eastward to Ocean Parkway entrances to Belt; To curtail bumper-to-bumper traffic on Neptune Ave. to Cropsey Ave. during busy hours. Also, we need to address Brighton Beach Avenue and Coney Island Avenue and Surf Avenue, too.	Neptune Avenue Ocean Parkway Ocean Parkway

36/51	NYPD	Hire additional uniformed officers	We need additional summer detailed, uniformed officers for our community. With the growing developments, we are facing a population boom. We need additional uniformed officers to help keep down crime.
37/51	NYPD	Increase resources for youth crime prevention programs	We need to increase resources for youth crime prevention programs such as Explorers Program and Saturday Night Lights. We need to offer the youth more positive activities and not to fear law enforcement officers.
50/51	FDNY	Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives	With the new technology using drones, we feel that this can help in water safety to bring a life preservers to drowning victims that the lifeguards cannot reach in time.
51/51	NYPD	Increase resources for youth crime prevention programs	With the new technology using drones, we should purchase and teach the Explorers how to use drones to assist in police and patrols. This is the next generation of working smarter with the new technology out there.

# CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

# **Brooklyn Community Board 13**

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

### Protective Infrastructure (sea walls, flood walls, etc.)

After Superstorm Sandy, the community realized that our shorelines were not protected and we must protect our infrastructures. Short terms goals such as sand dunes, are needed for immediate protection. Long term goals such as living breakwaters will take time to implement and construct. We need to proceed with a definitive plan for the area, so that another hurricane season doesn't pass by without preventive measures in place.

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

### **Needs for Water, Sewers, and Environmental Protection**

Our biggest issue is to protect our shoreline from the next disaster. After Superstorm Sandy, we realized how vulnerable our shoreline is during a hurricane. We need to upgrade and maintain our sewer lines. Currently, DDC is upgrading our sewer lines at West 16 Street, we need to continue this throughout the whole community. DDC is reconstructing the streets with porous pavements; we hope this is successful and would be able to replace the remaining streets with this porous pavements. We found out the City does not have funds to relocate our sanitation garage. We have been waiting since 1983 to move this garage which will house two sanitation district. We will put this in as a top proirity for the area. There are programs that have been funded in the current year. We continue support to clean our catch basins throughout our community. We realized when Superstorm Sandy inundated the area with water, the catch basins backed up because they were never properly cleaned. We need to continue to expand the noise abatement programs and enforcement programs in the community. With our amusement area, there tends to have vendors who blast their music into the community. We need to have enforcement come out to fine these vendors who do not comply. We need air quality monitoring systems to measure the air quality in our community. Since Superstorm Sandy, residents have more respiratory problems and needs to be looked into. Also, with the pollution Coney Island Creek which adds to the air problem.

### **Needs for Sanitation Services**

Construction of Sanitation Garage for Community Board #13 has been promised to the community since 1980. The current site is on West 21 Street and the trucks are situated behind people's backyards. We heard earlier this year that the funding was not available for the garage. We are still interested in moving the sanitation garage to the new location. It will house two garages (BK13 and BK15) at the new site. We need the City to put the funding back into the relocation of the garage. There are programs that have been funded in the current year. We would like these funding to continue with the following requests: We need to continue to clean up the vacant lots that are privately and city owned lots. We need to have the lots cleaned to show the community that we are not here to be dumped on. Continue to support Sanitation Police Illegal Dumping Task Force. We continue to support enforcement of dirty sidewalk, dirty area, and failure to clean area laws. Property owners and commercial owners need to know they are responsible to keeping their area clean. We need enforcement officers to keep on top of the litter. We need to increase enforcement of illegal posting laws. We need to educate groups that it is illegal to do posting on certain poles. Also, we need to fine the distributors so they understand where they can post. We would like to continue support for NYC organics collection programs for our neighborhood. We understand that composting organic items will be keep the environment cleaner. We need to provide more frequent organics and recycling collection service for schools and institutions. With the collection of the organic items, they tend to decompose quickly and the smell cannot be housed in the location for too long before it becomes a health hazard. With the Sanitation Police having the new enforcement power over illegal vendors, we need to work with the PEP officers during the summer to tackle the problem in the amusement area.

# **Capital Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
4/35	DSNY	Provide new or upgrade existing sanitation garages or other sanitation infrastructure	Construction of Sanitation Garage for Community Board #13 has been promised to the community since the 1980s. The current site on West 21 Street and Neptune Avenue, are situated behind people's backyards. Since Superstorm Sandy Community Board #15 garage had been damaged, too and was to merge the two garages together. DSNY needs to find another location.	2012 Neptune Avenue
8/35	DEP	Evaluate a public location or property for green infrastructure, e.g. rain gardens, stormwater greenstreets, green playgrounds	We need to provide new green infrastructure such as stormwater green streets and green playgrounds and porous street pavements along the shoreline. We realize that short term solutions are needed until the long term plans are approved and financed.	
11/35	DEP	Develop a capital project for specific street segments currently lacking sanitary sewers	Coney Island infrastructure is currently being upgraded from West 12th Street to West 21st Street. We need to upgrade Surf Avenue, Mermaid Avenue, and Neptune Avenue with new sewer lines to West 37th Street.	
32/35	DEP	Inspect water main on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed	West 33rd Street to West 36th Street on Neptune Avenue continues to flood during a heavy rainstorm. We would like it to be repaired or replaced. There is a school (P.S. 188) adjacent which is affected every time it rains. We would like to suggest in putting porous pavement streets to alleviate park of the problem.	Neptune Avenue West 33rd Street West 36th Street
CS	DEP	Evaluate a public location or property for green infrastructure, e.g. rain gardens, stormwater greenstreets, green playgrounds	We need green infrastructure projects throughout the community. Since Superstorm Sandy, we realized that our infrastructure could not handle the overflow of water on the sewer lines and we need to fix it. One project is to have porous street pavements to handle the excess rain water. Strategically placed porous street pavements will be able to assist and handle the onslaught of water.	

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
12/51	DEP	Investigate and address water quality complaints at an address or on specific street segments	We Need more DEP Inspectors for industrial waste and water lines. Since the illegal dumping from Beach Haven Apartments, the community wants ongoing investigation of illegal connections and if found closed off.	
23/51	DSNY	Increase enforcement of canine waste laws	We need to increase enforcement of canine waste laws to catch the dog owners in the act of littering the street.	
35/51	DSNY	Expand disposal events for hazardous household waste	We need to expand disposal events for hazardous household waste. We would like to have the event locally so people do not have to travel half way across Brooklyn to dispose hazardous items. Also, suggested was to upgrade receptacles to solar activated compactors.	

# HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

# **Brooklyn Community Board 13**

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

### Workforce development (including MWBE opportunities)

Workforce1 is essential to the neighborhood. Creating jobs and training skills for young adults are very important. We need to expand the program and give more job opportunities to the community.

## <u>Community District Needs Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use</u>

### **Needs for Land Use**

We need to have more building inspectors to enforce the building codes in the neighborhood. Illegal conversions of buildings are being subdivided and are not up to code. It is a health and safety concern dealing with unlivable conditions and fire hazard with overloading the existing utilities. We need to do a land use study to see what is present and available and what is needed for the future. There are programs that have been funded in the current year. We would like these funding to continue with the following requests: Increase compliance division – Dept. of Buildings. We continue to support the need to assign additional building inspectors for code enforcements because property owners are constructing illegal conversions in the area and needs to be fined and stopped. We continued to support the need to address illegal conversions and uses of buildings. We get complaints from the neighborhood, and it needs to be resolved.

### **Needs for Housing**

Our concern in our community board for housing is our area is being overdevelop with apartments. Property owners are building apartments on a small parcel of property. We are oversaturated with large developments that our infrastructures made not handle the increase. Our concern is with traffic flow and parking. With new developments, there isn't enough adequate parking space to accommodate the renters. We need to continue to address the housing issues in the area by support our local housing groups. There are programs that have been funded in the current year. We would like these funding to continue with the following requests: - Continue support for Home Improvement program, Article 8A and PLP Loans - We need to expand programs for housing inspections to correct code violations in the high rise building. Management needs to correct violations in a timely manner or receive hefty fines for not being in compliance. - Continued support to expand tenant protection programs letting tenants know their rights. We need to support our existing housing groups and expand their services to the tenants. - We need to renovate and upgrade public housing developments. Since Superstorm Sandy, there are items still not fix, such as boiler system, community centers and other basic needs. - We need our community centers in NYCHA developments to be repaired and opened. Since Superstorm Sandy, our community centers have been closed and our youth have no where to play. - We need to improve public housing maintenance and cleanliness throughout the NYCHA developments. The lobby area needs to be kept clean and the grounds need to be tidy. We need to work with management with the office hours. We have renters who cannot meet during business hours without taking a day off. Extended nights and weekend shifts should be accommodating to the developments. Also, translation on notices are needed for people to read in their native language.

### **Needs for Economic Development**

We need economic development to the area to stimulate the community. With economic development comes jobs for the community. It will help the local economy and bring new business into the area. With the development of residential and commercial projects, we have to remember of the traffic problems, limited parking spaces and other infrastructure issues. We cannot develop without looking at the existing infrastructure and how it will impact on our limited services. There are programs that have been funded in the current year. We would like these funding to continue with the following requests: We need to improve our streetscapes in business district to attract and encourage commercial activities. We also need to make the street lights more resilient to future storms. We would like to have the street light run on solar panels so they are not dependent on the power lines. We need to expand

access to low cost financing to help neighborhood businesses construct or improve space. We know it is hard to obtain business loans for store improvements, we need to make it easier to apply and approve them. We need to support non-profit organizational development and capacity building for improving the commercial strip. After Superstorm Sandy, we need to provide business recovery assistance after an emergency. The community realize that we were not prepared to help our businesses after an emergency. We have youth that have not graduated from high school and can't get into college without job skills or job training. Workforce1 helps youth and adults in employment services but we also need to provide them with skills. Support for Job Training programs in C.B. 13. We need to expand occupational skills training programs to help our local residents. We need to support recruitment and hiring of employees in our neighborhood. We need to continue to support Workforce1 and bring it back to a storefront office. We need to improve disaster preparation for small businesses. After Superstorm Sandy, businesses were not prepared to handle a disaster. We need to programs to support local businesses and entrepreneurs. After Superstorm Sandy part of the neighborhood had a hard time re-opening their businesses and decided to close their stores. Since then, it has been a hardship to repair their stores and attract new businesses to the area. We need to address these issues. We need to support immigrant, minority, veteran and women-owned, as well as local and new businesses. We understand the minority are the hardest to work through the system, whether it be discrimination or a language barrier, we need to fix it. We need to provide assistance for minority women-owned businesses and small businesses in responding to bids and request for proposal. The businesses have to understand the process of working with the system to bid on proposals. Economic subsidies/tax breaks/grants are needed to bring back the businesses and jobs.

# Capital Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
12/35	NYCHA	Install security cameras or make other safety upgrades	Sufficient funds are requested for the installation of Secure Building Entrance Systems for all NYCHA housing developments including but not limited to security cameras (digital, high-resolution closed-circuit television cameras), televised intercom units, vandal-proof entrance doors, and any safety upgrades, etc. to provide enhanced security for tenants and additional monitoring capability for housing management and law enforcement.	
18/35	EDC	Invest in infrastructure that will support growth in commercial business districts	With the rise of smartphones and other portable electronic devices, we need to improve the availability speed and cost of broadcast access to local businesses and residents.	
22/35	EDC	Build or expand affordable work or research lab spaces related to key industries, such as film/tv, advanced manufacturing, life science and healthcare, renewable energy and freight maritime	We need to build an incubator/research lab spaces to entice small businesses to grow. With the increasing rental space and huge overhead cost to start a business, an incubator can address these issues.	
28/35	EDC	Invest in capital projects to improve access to waterfront	We need a ferry at the oceanside at Steeplechase Pier.	
Expense F	Requests Ro	elated to Housing, Ecor	nomic Development and Land Use	
Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location

6/51	HPD	Provide, expand, or enhance community outreach on HPD programs and services	We need to continue support to provide community outreach on HPD programs and services i.e. CCC program. Our housing groups are in need of funding for the area to help the tenants, homeowners and landlords. With tenants/landlords on the verge of losing their apartments due to the pandemic, more grants and programs need to help both deal with the problems. We need to expand the funding to anticipate the future emergencies, i.e. pandemic
10/51	SBS	Conduct BID Feasibility Analysis or support BID Formation Planning for a selected commercial district	We currently have a BID in Brighton Beach and it is successful in the area. We are looking to form a BID in Coney Island to handle the commercial and amusement area.
15/51	SBS	Support development of local Storefront / Facade Improvement Program	We need to support storefront/facade improvements for the area.
21/51	EDC	Invest in access to low cost financing and financial incentives to help businesses construct or improve space, job creation and retention, and catalyze new capital investment	We need to expand tax incentive programs to help neighborhood businesses construct or improve space. This would help entice businesses to come into the area.
26/51	SBS	Support local CBO's efforts to provide or expand retail attraction and retention assistance	We continue to support the need to provide retail attraction and retention assistance to revitalize the commercial strip in the area.
28/51	HPD	Provide, expand, or enhance emergency housing programs for households displaced by fires or City-issued vacate orders	We continue to support emergency housing for households displaced by fires or City-issued vacate orders. Tenants need to be housed in other locations while repairs are made.

38/51	SBS	Other workforce	We need to bring back Workforce1 to a storefront office. We understand they are	
		development	storefront office. We understand they are	
		requests	currently mobile but we need a place for people	
			to go and discuss employment opportunities.	

### TRANSPORTATION

# **Brooklyn Community Board 13**

## Most Important Issue Related to Transportation and Mobility

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

With successful developments come increased problems with traffic. It is one of the key worries for the peninsula. Motorists coming in and out of Coney Island, Brighton Beach, Sea Gate and Gravesend find themselves trapped in bumper-to-bumper traffic. During a major event or a hot summer weekend, it is a traffic nightmare and it has now become a safety issue for emergency vehicles getting around the neighborhood. It is a sad fact for residents of Coney's west and Sea Gate to find themselves stuck in gridlock for an hour in order to leave the vicinity; some simply turn back home. Traffic enforcement officers to ticket illegal cars double parked or direct traffic to flow smoothly during major events are needed in the area.

### Community District Needs Related to Transportation and Mobility

### **Needs for Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure**

As mentioned before, traffic congestion and limited parking spaces are a major issue in the area during the summer time. We need to do a traffic survey to alleviate the congestion issue and figure out what can be done. One idea is to build multi-deck parking lots to accommodate the increasing cars coming into the community. The MTA needs to provide express service to Coney Island so people can travel to and from the area in less than a hour. There are programs that have been funded in the current year. We would like these funding to continue with the following requests: Reconstruction streets, sidewalks. We need to install streetscape improvements for our area. After Superstorm Sandy, we need to provide new resilient street lights. Power was off for two weeks during Sandy, and everything was completely dark after sundown. If we had solar panel street lights, we would have been partly in the dark and would have felt more secured.

### **Needs for Transit Services**

The city, borough, and community all urge people to use public transportation, and, in the case of summertime Coney Island and Brighton Beach, it is the wisest move, but Transit uses weekend hours to fix its subway lines for needed rail and station work. The resultant shifts in movement of F, D, and other lines prove delays and confusion. The result: people may use their cars. We need to improve on the bus service coming into the area. We need to have express bus service over the weekend and SBS B82 ending in Coney Island rather than stopping at Cropsey Avenue and 25th Avenue. Also, we need more electronic kiosks to notify the public how long until the bus arrives at the stop. We are not getting the ferry service to Coney Island Creek. We still need a ferry on the beach side.

# **Capital Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
5/35	DOT	Repair or build new seawalls or bulkheads	We need to upgrade our seawalls and bulkheads. After Superstorm Sandy, our seawalls and bulkheads could not hold back the tides. We have to upgrade them before the next storm comes.	
10/35	DOT	Reconstruct streets	We need to reconstruct Brighton Beach Avenue.	Brighton Beach Avenue West 5th Street West 5th Street
16/35	NYCTA	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	Our district has the highest proportion of senior at 24% than any other neighborhood in New York City. As a naturally-occurring retirement community (NORC) our community is extremely dependent on the public transit. The Brighton Beach, Ocean Parkway and Neptune Avenue subway stations are also gateways to regional attractions such as the beach and our commercial corridors, and they provide essential intermodal connections for transit riders. These stations must be retrofit to build an elevator and make it ADA compliant to enhance access and mobility regionally and locally, and permit our seniors to continue to age-in-place.	
23/35	DOT	Other transportation infrastructure requests	We need a study to see if an on/off ramp can be constructed at Stillwell Avenue and Shore Parkway to alleviate traffic in the area.	
26/35	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	Brighton Beach Avenue is exceptionally wide, and the existing street lighting does not extend to adequately bathe pedestrians in light. This is especially true on the southside of Brighton Beach Avenue adjacent to the public park at the Oceana where the lush trees obscure the sidewalk and keep it in darkness. Pedestrianlevel lighting in the form of (what are called by DOT) B-pole lights would greatly enhance visibility and remove the element of vulnerability which is currently the pedestrian experience.	

27/35	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	Traffic safety is a very real concern. When motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians don't follow the rules of the road, public safety is endangered. Neckdowns provide safe refuges for pedestrians to wait to cross the street. They shorten the effective crossing distance for pedestrians. And they do not take away parking spaces. They should be in place at every intersection in every commercial corridor in Southern Brooklyn.
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# **Expense Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/51	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	We need new traffic and pedestrian signals to coordinate with traffic flow coming and going out of the area.	
3/51	DOT	Address traffic congestion	Coney Island and Brighton Beach needs a comprehensive traffic study to identify effective strategies to improve mobility and access while reducing congestion and improving traffic safety. The area is experiencing development pressures and continues to experience a significant seasonal surge in traffic volume demand which our local street network cannot adequately process.	
4/51	DOT	Improve parking operations	We need to improve parking operations by leasing City owned properties for off-site parking. The parking site should have a shuttle for people to travel to and from the area.	
41/51	NYCTA	Expand bus service frequency or hours of operation	SBS B82 Bus that makes ends at Cropsey Avenue - it should continue to Stillwell Avenue especially during the summer time and on weekends. We hope this will be part of the Bus Redesign plan.	
45/51	NYCTA	Expand subway service frequency or hours of operations	Request the B train service to start at Stillwell Avenue terminal during the morning rush hours when pulling the trains out of the yard.	

49/51 DOT **Conduct traffic or** parking studies

We need a traffic study to address the parking situation and the traffic flow for the area. We realize during the summer time when tourists and beachgoers come to the area, they are searching for free parking. They fight for the same spot as the local residents does. When they leave at night, there is a mass exodus from the area and causes a gridlock throughout the streets. This causes a safety concern for emergency vehicles that cannot move if the traffic is backed up.

### PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES

### **Brooklyn Community Board 13**

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

#### Other

With the new landmark status for the boardwalk, the Community Board would like it to be fixed and maintained so it can be preserved as a landmark. We know there are challenges in getting the boardwalk fixed but now it has gotten to the point where it is unsafe in certain area and need to be address. We understand there are limits with the carpenters and the actual time to work on the boardwalk during the off season but there has to be a better way to fix the boardwalk before it become a safety hazard and lawsuits to follow with people tripping over loose planks and screws. We hope this can be address since this is our number one priority in our capital budget.

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

#### **Needs for Parks**

As mention before, we need to protect our shoreline from the next major storm. We have to secure the shoreline or all will be washed away with the next major storm. In addition, we need to repair and maintain our boardwalk. With part of the boardwalk falling apart will lead to lawsuit against the City. We need to fix the bathrooms and rebuild the ones on the west end of Coney Island. We need a New recreational center at West 23rd Street/Kaiser Park. The community needs an affordable recreational center that will be intergeneration, multicultural, educational, nature conservatory, ice skating rink, adult vocational training center, emergency center, greenhouse, boathouse, sport related activities, indoor skate board park, boxing ring, etc. This center would be located next to and behind Mark Twain JHS which would wrap around to West 23rd Street to West 25th Street. This would also include parking space/garage for people using the facility. We would like to model the recreational center like Ocean Breeze Complex in Staten Island.

We lost a child due to drowning at the beach. The child was swimming in an area where there were no lifeguards present. We need more lifeguards with new life saving technology. We would like the Parks Department to invest in drones to assist the lifeguards in spotting drowning victims in the water and bringing life preservers to the drowning victims. We understand this maybe new and expensive but can we put a price on a child's life if we could save them from drowning?

There are programs that have been funded in the current year. We would like these funding to continue until completed with the following requests: We need to hire more lifeguards for our beaches to prevent any lost of life. Renovation work on Asser Levy Park: infrastructure improvements to halt flooding; landscaping; etc. Upgrade Scarangella Park with comfort station and other amenity. We need more mobi-mats for accessibility to the beach. We need PEP officers at the beaches, boardwalk and Asser Levy Park to crack down illegal vendors selling to the public. Increase funds to keep Boardwalk bathrooms open to later hours. Continued support to increase personnel for Parks. Add light-weight vehicles for work on Boardwalk and beach; maintenance of vehicles to ensure ready use of light-weight vehicles. Tree Removal and Replacement: We continued to support the street tree maintenance throughout the community. We need to have public programming and activation of public spaces on City-owned sites. Help support the Operation GreenThumb Gardens in our neighborhood: Santos Community Garden, West 29th Street Surfside Gardens, and West 23rd Street Community Garden.

#### **Needs for Cultural Services**

We need a New recreational center in Kaiser Park. The community needs an affordable recreational center that will be intergeneration, multicultural, educational, nature conservatory, adult vocational training center, emergency center, greenhouse, boathouse, sport related activities, ice skating rink, indoor skate board park, boxing ring, etc.

This center would be located behind Mark Twain JHS which would wrap around to West 23rd Street to West 25th Street. This would also include parking space/garage for people using the facility. We would like to model the recreational center like Ocean Breeze Complex in Staten Island.

### **Needs for Library Services**

We need to upgrade our library facilities with more computers and innovative ideas to attract readers and the community. We need to expand the library hours and have weekend services, too. We also need more diverse variety of books in other language for the immigrant population.

#### **Needs for Community Boards**

We need to continue increase our presence in the area for people to use the community board as the central agency to handle local and community wide issues. We need to expand the staff and hire consultants to address the issues and solve current issues. We also need to relocate the board office to the ground floor to be closer to the public. This will give us the presence in the neighborhood.

### **Capital Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/35	DPR	Improve access to a building in a park	Rehabilitation of the Riegelmann Boardwalk in Coney Island and Brighton Beach. The boardwalk has been falling apart and need more maintenance to prevent any accidents from happening. Also, there needs to be some type of solution to get rid of the heavy vehicles that are not needed on the boardwalk. In addition, there needs to be a study on the storm surge and its effect on the different type of materials for the boardwalk.	
3/35	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	We need shoreline protection for the entire shorefront. This task requires multi-agencies to address this issue. The Army Corp of Engineers, Office of Resiliency and Recovery, Department of Environmental Protection, Parks Department, and other agencies needs to have short term and long term plans to handle the next storm. This is a long process that needs immediate attention and funding. Plans include but not limited to planting sea grass, green street gardens (bio swelles), back flow prevention valves, sea walls, etc.	
6/35	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	We need a New recreational center in our community. The community needs an affordable recreational center that will be intergenerational, multicultural, educational, nature conservatory, adult vocational training center, emergency center, greenhouse, boathouse, sport related activities, indoor skate board park, boxing ring, etc. This center could be located behind Mark Twain JHS which would wrap around to West 23rd Street to West 25th Street. This would also include parking space/garage for people using the facility. We would like to model the recreational center like Ocean Breeze Complex in Staten Island.	
13/35	DPR	Other capital budget request for DPR	We need Operation GreenThumb to assist Surfside Community Garden at W. 29 Street, Santos Community Garden and West 23rd Street Garden in providing materials and technical assistance to the gardeners.	

14/35	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	Construct bathrooms on Boardwalk, on the west end of peninsula; Add more drinking fountains and boardwalk showers.
20/35	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Reconstruct Luna Park playground
21/35	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	We would like to put some type of recreational activities in lieu of the bandshell at Asser Levy Park.
24/35	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	We need a dog run at Asser Levy Park.
25/35	DCLA	Other cultural facilities and resources requests	There is a lack of cultural facility for the area. We need to give the community choices other than sport facilities. We need a performing arts facility that will attract Southern Brooklyn people to the area.
29/35	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Sufficient funds are requested to reconstruct the Parks building at Bay 1 in Brighton Beach to replace the existing unwanted activities (homeless encampments, etc.) resulting from the abandonment of the area with a state-of-the-art facility that could include some passive recreation and cultural uses that would be compatible with the surrounding residential uses.
34/35	DPR	Provide new type and/or specific type of program	With the new technology using drones, we feel that this can help the lifeguards in spotting drowning victims and provide help by transporting life preservers to victims to far to reach by lifeguards (also, attach speakers to warn beachgoers of rough tides and riptides when there are no lifeguards present)

35/35	DPR	Provide new type and/or specific type of program	With the new technology using drones, we feel that this can hinder illegal vendors on the boardwalk and beach. The drones can warn the illegal vendors by announcing they are breaking the law and the will be ticketed and merchandise confiscated if caught. This can monitor where hot spots needs to be addressed and survey the crowded areas when enforcement is not available.	
CS	DCAS	Renovate, upgrade or provide new community board facilities and equipment	We need to move the Community Board office to the ground level. Currently, we are located on the 3rd floor, above two bars and a gentlemen's club. Our entrance is located in the back of the building through a dark alley. We need to move.	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	We need to reconstruct the Park Maintenance building on West 25th Street	3026 W 25th St
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Continued work at Kaiser Park handball court restoration and the circle area adjacent to Mark Twain school.	

## **Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/51	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	We need to hire more lifeguards for the beaches. We do not need to lose another life due to the lack of lifeguards.	
7/51	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	Additional operational resources are needed to meet the increasing demands for maintaining the Riegelmann Boardwalk in Coney Island and Brighton Beach in good condition. The safety and cleanliness of the boardwalk must be prioritized to protect our residents and the millions of tourist who visit each year. Sufficient resources are necessary for the regular repair of benches, drinking fountains, railings, signage, boardwalk surface treatments, access ramps and removal of excessive weed growth causing serious trip hazards.	

25/51	DCLA	Provide more public art	Southern Brooklyn is a public art desert. Additional funding is requested for the expansion of the Percent for Art program that will allow the department to expand its portfolio of active art projects associated with new capital projects in the district.
29/51	ОМВ	Other community board facilities and staff requests	Continue support to increase funding for Community Board operations.
30/51	ОМВ	Provide more community board staff	Community Boards require access to consultants who offer professional services not currently available to us, particularly land use and planning services to address local issues, which would enable us to fulfill our Charter mandates as planners and advocates for our community.
44/51	DPR	Improve trash removal and cleanliness	We need to have Parks to partner with DSNY to extend recycling collection options to include the Reigelmann Boardwalk using smaller collection equipment that would not damage the boardwalk.
46/51	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	We would like to request the Parks Dept to hire additional carpenters and expand their schedule from seasonal to year-round in order to keep up with the increasing demands and backlog of complaints related to the conidtion of the planking of the Riegelmann Boardwalk.
48/51	BPL	Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs (BPL)	Need to expand cultural and educational programs for residents to learn about other cultures in the neighborhood.

# 6. OTHER BUDGET REQUESTS

### **Other Capital Requests**

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

### **Other Expense Requests**

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

# 7. SUMMARY OF PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

## **Capital Budget Requests**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/35	DPR	Improve access to a building in a park	Rehabilitation of the Riegelmann Boardwalk in Coney Island and Brighton Beach. The boardwalk has been falling apart and need more maintenance to prevent any accidents from happening. Also, there needs to be some type of solution to get rid of the heavy vehicles that are not needed on the boardwalk. In addition, there needs to be a study on the storm surge and its effect on the different type of materials for the boardwalk.	
2/35	ННС	Other health care facilities requests	A C1 Trauma Center is needed in South Brooklyn Health (formerly known as Coney Island Hospital). With the increasing population due to new housing development and the influx of tourists during the summer time, we need a C1 Trauma Center in the neighborhood. We understand that this is not a City Budget item but we need to make this aware to the city, state and federal government, that this is a priority for the neighborhood.	
3/35	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	We need shoreline protection for the entire shorefront. This task requires multi-agencies to address this issue. The Army Corp of Engineers, Office of Resiliency and Recovery, Department of Environmental Protection, Parks Department, and other agencies needs to have short term and long term plans to handle the next storm. This is a long process that needs immediate attention and funding. Plans include but not limited to planting sea grass, green street gardens (bio swelles), back flow prevention valves, sea walls, etc.	
4/35	DSNY	Provide new or upgrade existing sanitation garages or other sanitation infrastructure	Construction of Sanitation Garage for Community Board #13 has been promised to the community since the 1980s. The current site on West 21 Street and Neptune Avenue, are situated behind people's backyards. Since Superstorm Sandy Community Board #15 garage had been damaged, too and was to merge the two garages together. DSNY needs to find another location.	2012 Neptune Avenue

5/35	DOT	Repair or build new seawalls or bulkheads	We need to upgrade our seawalls and bulkheads. After Superstorm Sandy, our seawalls and bulkheads could not hold back the tides. We have to upgrade them before the next storm comes.
6/35	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	We need a New recreational center in our community. The community needs an affordable recreational center that will be intergenerational, multicultural, educational, nature conservatory, adult vocational training center, emergency center, greenhouse, boathouse, sport related activities, indoor skate board park, boxing ring, etc. This center could be located behind Mark Twain JHS which would wrap around to West 23rd Street to West 25th Street. This would also include parking space/garage for people using the facility. We would like to model the recreational center like Ocean Breeze Complex in Staten Island.
7/35	NYPD	Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras	Sufficient funds are requested for surveillance cameras in chronic troubled locations to provide enhanced security to enable law enforcement efforts to better monitor high crime areas including but not limited to the Coney Island and Brighton Beach areas but also the amusement area including the Riegelmann Boardwalk, and other chronic high crime locations in the district.
8/35	DEP	Evaluate a public location or property for green infrastructure, e.g. rain gardens, stormwater greenstreets, green playgrounds	We need to provide new green infrastructure such as stormwater green streets and green playgrounds and porous street pavements along the shoreline. We realize that short term solutions are needed until the long term plans are approved and financed.
9/35	NYPD	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	We need to renovate the 60th Precinct station and make it ADA compliance and expand the area. People cannot get to the second floor without an elevator and there isn't one available. Also there is need to expand the community meeting room on the second floor.

10/35	DOT	Reconstruct streets	We need to reconstruct Brighton Beach Avenue.	Brighton Beach Avenue West 5th Street West 5th Street
11/35	DEP	Develop a capital project for specific street segments currently lacking sanitary sewers	Coney Island infrastructure is currently being upgraded from West 12th Street to West 21st Street. We need to upgrade Surf Avenue, Mermaid Avenue, and Neptune Avenue with new sewer lines to West 37th Street.	
12/35	NYCHA	Install security cameras or make other safety upgrades	Sufficient funds are requested for the installation of Secure Building Entrance Systems for all NYCHA housing developments including but not limited to security cameras (digital, high-resolution closed-circuit television cameras), televised intercom units, vandal-proof entrance doors, and any safety upgrades, etc. to provide enhanced security for tenants and additional monitoring capability for housing management and law enforcement.	
13/35	DPR	Other capital budget request for DPR	We need Operation GreenThumb to assist Surfside Community Garden at W. 29 Street, Santos Community Garden and West 23rd Street Garden in providing materials and technical assistance to the gardeners.	
14/35	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	Construct bathrooms on Boardwalk, on the west end of peninsula; Add more drinking fountains and boardwalk showers.	
15/35	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	With the growing senior population in the district, we need more senior centers. Public land is limited in the area. A multi-use facility must be built as a multicultural, intergenerational, recreational center on City owned land. There is city owned land that can be develop by Mark Twain JHS (pumping station/handball courts/park circle, etc.) into this needed facility.	

16/35	NYCTA	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	Our district has the highest proportion of senior at 24% than any other neighborhood in New York City. As a naturally-occurring retirement community (NORC) our community is extremely dependent on the public transit. The Brighton Beach, Ocean Parkway and Neptune Avenue subway stations are also gateways to regional attractions such as the beach and our commercial corridors, and they provide essential intermodal connections for transit riders. These stations must be retrofit to build an elevator and make it ADA compliant to enhance access and mobility regionally and locally, and permit our seniors to continue to age-in-place.
17/35	FDNY	Upgrade communication equipment to improve emergency response	We need to upgrade communication equipment to improve emergency response such as digital/wifi towers.
18/35	EDC	Invest in infrastructure that will support growth in commercial business districts	With the rise of smartphones and other portable electronic devices, we need to improve the availability speed and cost of broadcast access to local businesses and residents.
19/35	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	Sufficient funds are requested to immediately allocate additional bicycles, Segways and Gators to the 60th Precinct to reduce reliance on heavy motorized vehicles, to enhance mobility and to increase public safety. Our goal is to reduce the volume of heavy motorized vehicles driven on the boardwalk which creates preventable vehicular-pedestrian conflicts, significantly adds to the wear-and-tear maintenance requirements for the boardwalk, and takes away valuable public space needed for social distancing.
20/35	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Reconstruct Luna Park playground

21/35	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	We would like to put some type of recreational activities in lieu of the bandshell at Asser Levy Park.
22/35	EDC	Build or expand affordable work or research lab spaces related to key industries, such as film/tv, advanced manufacturing, life science and healthcare, renewable energy and freight maritime	We need to build an incubator/research lab spaces to entice small businesses to grow. With the increasing rental space and huge overhead cost to start a business, an incubator can address these issues.
23/35	DOT	Other transportation infrastructure requests	We need a study to see if an on/off ramp can be constructed at Stillwell Avenue and Shore Parkway to alleviate traffic in the area.
24/35	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	We need a dog run at Asser Levy Park.
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26/35	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	Brighton Beach Avenue is exceptionally wide, and the existing street lighting does not extend to adequately bathe pedestrians in light. This is especially true on the southside of Brighton Beach Avenue adjacent to the public park at the Oceana where the lush trees obscure the sidewalk and keep it in darkness. Pedestrianlevel lighting in the form of (what are called by DOT) B-pole lights would greatly enhance visibility and remove the element of vulnerability which is currently the pedestrian experience.

27/35	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	Traffic safety is a very real concern. When motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians don't follow the rules of the road, public safety is endangered. Neckdowns provide safe refuges for pedestrians to wait to cross the street. They shorten the effective crossing distance for pedestrians. And they do not take away parking spaces. They should be in place at every intersection in every commercial corridor in Southern Brooklyn.	
28/35	EDC	Invest in capital projects to improve access to waterfront	We need a ferry at the oceanside at Steeplechase Pier.	
29/35	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Sufficient funds are requested to reconstruct the Parks building at Bay 1 in Brighton Beach to replace the existing unwanted activities (homeless encampments, etc.) resulting from the abandonment of the area with a state-of-the-art facility that could include some passive recreation and cultural uses that would be compatible with the surrounding residential uses.	
30/35	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	With the new technology using drones, we feel that this can help in public safety with crowd management and traffic problems in the area.	
31/35	NYPD	Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct	The 60th Precinct building was built in 1971. It is in desperate need of a new building. Since Superstorm Sandy, the building has been rebuilt but is not protected from the next storm. It needs to be flood proof and parking space built into the new design. It also lacks ADA compliance for disable and elderly who need to get to the station. It also needs to be upgraded for electric stations for their fleet and light weight vehicles for emergency use on the boardwalk.	
32/35	DEP	Inspect water main on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed	West 33rd Street to West 36th Street on Neptune Avenue continues to flood during a heavy rainstorm. We would like it to be repaired or replaced. There is a school (P.S. 188) adjacent which is affected every time it rains. We would like to suggest in putting porous pavement streets to alleviate park of the problem.	Neptune Avenue West 33rd Street West 36th Street

33/35	FDNY	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	With the new technology using drones, we feel that this can help in high-rise fires where the drones can view from above to see what danger are in the buildings.	
34/35	DPR	Provide new type and/or specific type of program	With the new technology using drones, we feel that this can help the lifeguards in spotting drowning victims and provide help by transporting life preservers to victims to far to reach by lifeguards (also, attach speakers to warn beachgoers of rough tides and riptides when there are no lifeguards present)	
35/35	DPR	Provide new type and/or specific type of program	With the new technology using drones, we feel that this can hinder illegal vendors on the boardwalk and beach. The drones can warn the illegal vendors by announcing they are breaking the law and the will be ticketed and merchandise confiscated if caught. This can monitor where hot spots needs to be addressed and survey the crowded areas when enforcement is not available.	
CS	DEP	Evaluate a public location or property for green infrastructure, e.g. rain gardens, stormwater greenstreets, green playgrounds	We need green infrastructure projects throughout the community. Since Superstorm Sandy, we realized that our infrastructure could not handle the overflow of water on the sewer lines and we need to fix it. One project is to have porous street pavements to handle the excess rain water. Strategically placed porous street pavements will be able to assist and handle the onslaught of water.	
CS	DCAS	Renovate, upgrade or provide new community board facilities and equipment	We need to move the Community Board office to the ground level. Currently, we are located on the 3rd floor, above two bars and a gentlemen's club. Our entrance is located in the back of the building through a dark alley. We need to move.	
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### **Expense Budget Requests**

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2/51	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	We need new traffic and pedestrian signals to coordinate with traffic flow coming and going out of the area.	
3/51	DOT	Address traffic congestion	Coney Island and Brighton Beach needs a comprehensive traffic study to identify effective strategies to improve mobility and access while reducing congestion and improving traffic safety. The area is experiencing development pressures and continues to experience a significant seasonal surge in traffic volume demand which our local street network cannot adequately process.	
4/51	DOT	Improve parking operations	We need to improve parking operations by leasing City owned properties for off-site parking. The parking site should have a shuttle for people to travel to and from the area.	
5/51	DOHMH	Animal and pest control requests including reducing rat and mosquito populations	Increase personnel for Rat Abatement. There has been a large increase of rats being displace by the new construction, they are running into existing buildings and causing problems to the neighborhood. We need to do a district wide abatement to tackle the rodent problem. In addition, we need to hire more exterminators to handle the increase of rodents issues.	
6/51	HPD	Provide, expand, or enhance community outreach on HPD programs and services	We need to continue support to provide community outreach on HPD programs and services i.e. CCC program. Our housing groups are in need of funding for the area to help the tenants, homeowners and landlords. With tenants/landlords on the verge of losing their apartments due to the pandemic, more grants and programs need to help both deal with the problems. We need to expand the funding to anticipate the future emergencies, i.e. pandemic	

7/51	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	Additional operational resources are needed to meet the increasing demands for maintaining the Riegelmann Boardwalk in Coney Island and Brighton Beach in good condition. The safety and cleanliness of the boardwalk must be prioritized to protect our residents and the millions of tourist who visit each year. Sufficient resources are necessary for the regular repair of benches, drinking fountains, railings, signage, boardwalk surface treatments, access ramps and removal of excessive weed growth causing serious trip hazards.
8/51	NYPD	Hire additional school safety agents	There is a need to improve school safety with security guards and crossing guards around the schools. With the increase violence in the neighborhood and children bring in weapons, there has to be better school safety for the schools. We have to educate the youth to respect each other and not resort to violence. There should be a program dealing with antiviolence, anti-bullying and cyber-bullying for the children. We need to get the elected officials and the D.A. office involve with this problems.
9/51	DFTA	Enhance NORC programs and health services	We need to expand NORC programs and health services to assist the aging population. In our area, we have 23.3% of the population over 65 and it continues to increase each year.
10/51	SBS	Conduct BID Feasibility Analysis or support BID Formation Planning for a selected commercial district	We currently have a BID in Brighton Beach and it is successful in the area. We are looking to form a BID in Coney Island to handle the commercial and amusement area.
11/51	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	We need to address air quality issues in Coney Island, Brighton Beach, Gravesend and Sea Gate. We realized that people did not properly eliminate molds from their buildings. People who are sensitive to molds have become sick and we need to test the air quality at these locations. With better technology, air monitors can isolate the problem.

12/51	DEP	Investigate and address water quality complaints at an address or on specific street segments	We Need more DEP Inspectors for industrial waste and water lines. Since the illegal dumping from Beach Haven Apartments, the community wants ongoing investigation of illegal connections and if found closed off.
13/51	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	Coney Island historically suffers from a high incidence of respiratory illness affecting the neighborhood population, thought to have been initially caused or worsened by the infiltration of mold and poor air quality resulting from the aftermath of Superstorm Sandy. An epidemiological study of the area's respiratory illnesses, including an in-depth examination of the neighborhood's air quality and other contributing factors, is requested to enable us to effectively advocate for strategies that would improve the quality of the health of our neighbors and our environment.
14/51	DOHMH	Create or promote programs for education and awareness on preventing chronic diseases including quitting smoking, nutrition, physical activity, etc.	We need to emphasize on more educational programs dealing with obesity, healthy eating, nutrition, etc.
15/51	SBS	Support development of local Storefront / Facade Improvement Program	We need to support storefront/facade improvements for the area.
16/51	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance adolescent literacy programs and services	We need to provide adolescent literacy programs and services for our young adults. We need to give them a chance to get a GED diploma to get to the next level.
17/51	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance English for speakers of other languages (ESOL) services	Community Board #13 has a growing population of immigrants. We need to address their concern and issues. English as a second language services are needed.

18/51	DOE	Assign more teaching staff	With the overdevelopment of our community and the overcrowding in classrooms, there is a need for more qualified teaching staff. We cannot justified overcrowded classrooms and not have enough teachers for the classes. We need to expand the budget for hiring teachers. Also, there is a need to have smaller class size in schools.
19/51	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	We need to address teen pregnancy for our community. We need more programs in schools and in the community to bring attention to the issue.
20/51	DFTA	Increase staffing for homebound adult programs	Increase personnel for Home Bound programs for disabled seniors. Due to the increasing NORC population, home bound programs for seniors are needed.
21/51	EDC	Invest in access to low cost financing and financial incentives to help businesses construct or improve space, job creation and retention, and catalyze new capital investment	We need to expand tax incentive programs to help neighborhood businesses construct or improve space. This would help entice businesses to come into the area.
22/51	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance skills training and employment services for high school students at risk of dropping out	We need to expand the skill training and employment services for high school students at risk of dropping out. We have an alternate high school that is filled and need to be expanded and enhanced.
23/51	DSNY	Increase enforcement of canine waste laws	We need to increase enforcement of canine waste laws to catch the dog owners in the act of littering the street.
24/51	DOE	Other educational programs requests	We realized that the performing and cultural arts have been cut out from the curriculum. The children have no place to express themselves except through academic and sports. Their creative learning has been cut off and it is desperately needed.

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NYPD	Hire additional school safety agents	We need to assign additional school safety officers to the community to teach the children about safety in the street.	
NYPD	Hire additional crossing guards	We need assign additional funding to hire full time crossing guards for the school to keep the children safe.	
NYPD	Hire additional traffic enforcement agents	Added traffic-control personnel to move motorists eastward to Ocean Parkway entrances to Belt; To curtail bumper-to-bumper traffic on Neptune Ave. to Cropsey Ave. during busy hours. Also, we need to address Brighton Beach Avenue and Coney Island Avenue and Surf Avenue, too.	Neptune Avenue Ocean Parkway Ocean Parkway
DSNY	Expand disposal events for hazardous household waste	We need to expand disposal events for hazardous household waste. We would like to have the event locally so people do not have to travel half way across Brooklyn to dispose hazardous items. Also, suggested was to upgrade receptacles to solar activated compactors.	
NYPD	Hire additional uniformed officers	We need additional summer detailed, uniformed officers for our community. With the growing developments, we are facing a population boom. We need additional uniformed officers to help keep down crime.	
NYPD	Increase resources for youth crime prevention programs	We need to increase resources for youth crime prevention programs such as Explorers Program and Saturday Night Lights. We need to offer the youth more positive activities and not to fear law enforcement officers.	
SBS	Other workforce development requests	We need to bring back Workforce1 to a storefront office. We understand they are currently mobile but we need a place for people to go and discuss employment opportunities.	
ACS	Provide, expand, or enhance housing assistance for youth that are leaving foster care	We need to enhance housing assistance for youth that are leaving foster care. We understand that at the age of 18 the young adult does not have a secure job to afford an apartment, or some type of housing assistance is needed or supplemented to the rent.	
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40/51	DFTA	Increase transportation services capacity	Fund Jewish Community Council of Greater Coney Island Senior Citizen Transportation (Project Ride) and other access a ride services for the Frail Elderly population. Traveling for seniors are limited due to their limited mobility. More funding are needed to address this in a growing NORC area.
41/51	NYCTA	Expand bus service frequency or hours of operation	SBS B82 Bus that makes ends at Cropsey Avenue - it should continue to Stillwell Avenue especially during the summer time and on weekends. We hope this will be part of the Bus Redesign plan.
42/51	ACS	Provide, expand, or enhance funding to support higher education and/or workforce development opportunities for youth who are leaving foster care	There is a need to provide funding for higher education and/or workforce development opportunities for youth who are leaving foster care. We see youth without a college degree or trade skills to compete for a job. We feel at least a CTE (certified technical education) degree would offer them a skill once completing.
43/51	DOE	Assign more non- teaching staff, e.g., to provide social, health and other services	We need additional school psychologists and social workers in our school system.
44/51	DPR	Improve trash removal and cleanliness	We need to have Parks to partner with DSNY to extend recycling collection options to include the Reigelmann Boardwalk using smaller collection equipment that would not damage the boardwalk.
45/51	NYCTA	Expand subway service frequency or hours of operations	Request the B train service to start at Stillwell Avenue terminal during the morning rush hours when pulling the trains out of the yard.
46/51	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	We would like to request the Parks Dept to hire additional carpenters and expand their schedule from seasonal to year-round in order to keep up with the increasing demands and backlog of complaints related to the conidtion of the planking of the Riegelmann Boardwalk.

47/51	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to destigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment	Allocate funds for an existing social services and legal organization to set up a branch in Community Board #13 area in order to provide assistance to the vulnerable population, domestic violence victims, single mothers, and low-income residents living with serious mental health concerns. This funding would disrupt and dismantle cycles of hospitalization, homelessness, and incarceration by providing direct legal and social work services.
48/51	BPL	Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs (BPL)	Need to expand cultural and educational programs for residents to learn about other cultures in the neighborhood.
49/51	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	We need a traffic study to address the parking situation and the traffic flow for the area. We realize during the summer time when tourists and beachgoers come to the area, they are searching for free parking. They fight for the same spot as the local residents does. When they leave at night, there is a mass exodus from the area and causes a gridlock throughout the streets. This causes a safety concern for emergency vehicles that cannot move if the traffic is backed up.
50/51	FDNY	Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives	With the new technology using drones, we feel that this can help in water safety to bring a life preservers to drowning victims that the lifeguards cannot reach in time.
51/51	NYPD	Increase resources for youth crime prevention programs	With the new technology using drones, we should purchase and teach the Explorers how to use drones to assist in police and patrols. This is the next generation of working smarter with the new technology out there.