



Fiscal Year 2017 Statement of Community District Needs and
Community Board Budget Requests
for
Brooklyn Community Board 12

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INTRODUCTION

The annual Statements of Community District Needs (CD Needs Statements) and the Community Board Budget Requests (Budget Requests) are Charter requirements and an integral part of the City's budget process. When developed through informed planning and careful consideration, CD Needs Statements and Budget Requests can play an important role in consultations of community boards with agencies, elected officials and other key stakeholders on a broad range of local planning and budget priorities. These tools also provide a valuable public resource for neighborhood planning and research purposes, and are used by a wide audience seeking information about New York City's diverse communities.

This year, for the first time, community boards electronically submitted a CD Needs Statement combined with their Budget Requests. The goal of these improvements is to simplify preparation of both documents for the community boards and to make the information community boards provide more easily accessible for City agencies and other stakeholders. Simplified and more efficient processes will allow all parties involved in the budget process to consider budget decisions more thoroughly, with better results for all New Yorkers.

This report represents Brooklyn Community Board 12's Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the Community Board which is displayed in italics.

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 them into a browser.

1. COMMUNITY BOARD INFORMATION

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2. OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT

Brooklyn Community Board 12 provided the following overview of their district:

Brooklyn Community Board Twelve represents the neighborhoods of Borough Park, Dahill, Kensington and Midwood. In the past few years, we have had a sizeable increase in population. Since many of our residents are Orthodox and Chasidic, large families are the rule rather than the exception. The birthrate in this community far exceeds the national average. In addition to increased family size, new families are locating to our District. We have also experienced an influx of many new immigrants, i.e. Chinese, Russians, Polish, Pakistani and Bangladeshi. The Chinatown of Brooklyn is located on 8th Avenue, which is the boundary between Community Board 7 and Community Board 12. This area is comprised mainly of immigrants from mainland China. The influx has been steadily increasing over the years which now represent a significant percentage of our total population. The Borough Park West section of our District now hosts many Chinese businesses, medical offices and outreach centers as well as property owners, tenants and students. The Pakistani and Bangladeshi immigrant population has continued to grow in leaps and bounds in the Kensington/Dahill area of our District as have the immigrants from India. In addition, with the building of several new housing units in our District and more to come, it will and has added a significant increase in population to our District. Also, Kensington, particularly the Ocean Parkway corridor, is a hot location for Russian immigrants who are replacing the senior population of that area who formerly occupied the high-rise apartment buildings along that corridor. The Kensington area itself has welcomed many new families with young children. However, the Kensington area is devoid of Parks or Green streets. Parks that are in our district are too far for young children to go alone and play and use the recreational facilities as well as for residents, especially seniors, to sit and enjoy the greenery rather than cement. In addition, our Polish immigrant population, as well as the Hispanic population is located in the Borough Park section of our District, along with the Orthodox and Chasidic population. The Midwood section is in the throes of change with more and more construction of larger homes to accommodate the needs of the Sephardic community. Borough Park continues to be the most densely populated section of the District. Because of religious constraints, the large families remain within walking distance of their houses of worship, shopping areas and each other. Borough Park is in dire need of affordable housing for these large families. All areas of our District are experiencing resurgence of immigrants. All of this is contributing to the density of this District as a whole. The Community Board 12 District, mostly through its Community efforts has become a much desired area in which to live, as it serves the dietary, religious and other aspects of the various ethnic groups living within our boundaries. Since Community Board 12 does not have a proliferation of large conglomerates, nationwide chains, or corporate structures in our District, the small business and property owner is our mainstay. People work and live in our District, thereby assuring the viability of our area and keeping the dollar flow in the community. At present, our residents retain a commitment to our area. The City, State and Federal Government must allocate fair-share funding to urban communities to encourage and foster this commitment. The Community Board 12 District is an area that dates back to 1900. Many of our structures, streets and sewer systems date back to that era and are antiquated. Through various means of development, the Community Board 12 District has remained a viable tax base. However, City response to genuine needs of this area must be addressed.

3. MAIN ISSUES

As part of this year's process, community boards were asked to select from a list the three most pressing issues facing their district. Brooklyn Community Board 12 identified the following three issues:

- *Police-community relations*
- *Traffic*
- *Other <I>Please specify below</I>*

Brooklyn Community Board 12 provided the following explanation for their choices:

Community Board 12 serves an "old" community and many of our streets need resurfacing or reconstruction; intermittent pothole repair is a temporary remedy and does not alleviate the real problem. Parking is at a premium. Traffic is congested everyday of the week throughout the district. Traffic studies are needed at several locations in our district to help ease traffic and parking congestion and design alternatives to enhance traffic and parking flow throughout the district. The 66th Precinct is very old and needs to be updated with a new state of the art Precinct. Community Board 12 is in dire need of an HRA office. Our district has a high population of seniors who use snap, medicaid, welfare and other services, but can't get to a HRA office or don't know where one is.

4. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND COMMUNITY BOARD BUDGET REQUESTS

Community Boards were asked to identify their district's needs related to the following seven policy areas:

- Health Care and Human Services;
- Youth, Education and Child Welfare;
- Public Safety;
- Core Infrastructure and City Services;
- Land Use, Housing and Economic Development;
- Transportation; and
- Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities.

Based on the needs identified, community boards then had the opportunity to make budget requests to address these needs.

The following sections describe the specific needs and budget requests of Brooklyn Community Board 12 for FY 2017.

4.1. Health Care and Human Services Needs and Requests

Main Issue

New or renovated health facilities

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

While many social services are needed, few are implemented because the Community is not aware of the programs that are available. Community Board 12 is dire need of an HRA social service agency in this district. So many of our residents use services from HRA such as; SNAP (food stamps), Medicaid, welfare, HEAP, and childcare vouchers. The latest numbers show that for cash assistance, our District is the fourth highest in the borough; for SNAP and Medicaid, we are the top in the Borough as of now.

Community District Needs and Requests

4.1.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Health Care Facilities and Programming

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments or budget requests for this need category.

4.1. Health Care and Human Services Needs and Requests

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

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

As the senior population grows we need senior center and more programs. Senior center budget's need to be increased and not decreased due to the growing population.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Facilities and Programming for Older New Yorkers (as provided by the Community Board)

Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
19	DFTA	Services for homebound older adults	Enhance home care services	In the Community Board 12 District, we have one of the largest senior populations in the country, as well as the largest population of holocaust survivors. There is an unmet need for adequate home care, particularly if the seniors live alone. Since people are living longer, additional assistance must be available. Services must be increased and not reduced. Eligibility for public assistance needs to be re-evaluated.		Community Board 12

4.1.3. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Facilities and Services for the Homeless

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments or budget requests for this need category.

4.1. Health Care and Human Services Needs and Requests

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

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

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

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Services and Programming for Low-Income and Vulnerable New Yorkers (as provided by the Community Board)

Priority numbers apply to capital budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.1. of this document. CS in the priority column indicates the Board's Continued Support for a fully or partially funded project.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
02	HRA	Services to support low-income New Yorkers	Other request for services to support low-income New Yorkers	Community Board 12 is in dire need of a HRA Social Services agency in this district; to aid residents with social issues such as welfare, snap, medicaid, heap and vouchers.	We are in dire need of a HRA office in our district.	Community Board 12

4.2. Youth, Education and Child Welfare Needs and Requests

Main Issue

Additional childcare services

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

With the steady increase in population in the Community Board 12 area, there is a definite need for additional Day Care, particularly for toddlers 2-3 years of age. Increased emphasis should be given to the Head Start Program with many more slots made available to accommodate our ever- increasing population.

Community District Needs and Requests

4.2.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Educational Facilities and Programs

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

Children are our most valuable resource and in lieu of the various terror attacks and the terrorist climate in and around our City, this should be a top priority.

At this time, the Community Board does not have any budget requests for this need category.

4.2.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Services for Children and Child Welfare

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

A special Child Abuse/Neglect hot line should be established for Brooklyn, it is ludicrous that a brough of more than 2 1/2 million people must report incidents of child abuse and neglect to Albany while small cities in New York State with modest populations have "Hot Lines" Strict guidelines should be established and monitored when reviewing, assessing or investigating each case.

At this time, the Community Board does not have any budget requests for this need category.

4.2.3. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Youth and Community Services and Programs

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

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

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Youth and Community Services and Programs (as provided by the Community Board)

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
18	DYCD	Youth workforce development	Provide, expand, or enhance the Summer Youth Employment Program	Adequate funding is needed for the Community based programs that are youth oriented. More funding should be applied to the Summer Youth Employment Program. Many youths are denied employment due to lack of funding.		Community Board 12

4.3. Public Safety Needs and Requests

Main Issue

Public safety facilities, e.g. precinct or fire houses

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

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

Community District Needs and Requests

4.3.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Policing and Crime

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

Our precinct is not technical equipped to handle state of art new technically devices which help prevent crime.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Policing and Crime (as provided by the Community Board)

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
01	NYPD	NYPD facilities and equipment	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	66th Precinct - The need for a new facility to house the 66th Precinct is crucial and imperative. This is our oldest budget request. Generations of Police Officers have had to "live " in a decrepit, antiquated "House" with absolutely no amenities and with conditions that would be considered substandard and inferior for the criminals and derelicts, but are accepted and condones at this Station House as suitable for our Police Officers. Although some reconstruction has occurred at the Precinct, these modest renovations are only band-aid in nature and do not suffice, much more is needed. The new Precinct can be built on the footprints of the present site. Money saved by not having to acquire land will pay for a new state of the art building.	66th Police Precinct 5822 16th Avenue	Community Board 12

Expense Requests related to Policing and Crime (as provided by the Community Board)

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
04	NYPD	NYPD facilities and equipment	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	The sidewalk area on the 59th Street, side of the Precinct is crumbling and is causing trip factors which are a safety issue for pedestrians, as well as creating law-suits against the City of New York if someone trips and gets hurt. The curb cut which	66th Police Precinct 5822 16th Avenue	Community Board 12

4.3. Public Safety Needs and Requests

4.3.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Policing and Crime

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
				<i>leads into the small parking lot also on 59th Street side needs replacement.</i>		

4.3.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Emergency Services

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

The lives of the citizens of New York should not be put in harms way because of budget constraints. This would help speed up emergency responses in our district.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Emergency Services (as provided by the Community Board)

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
13	FDNY	<i>FDNY facilities and equipment</i>	<i>Upgrade communication equipment to improve emergency response</i>	<i>Firehouses must be adequately equipped and maintained. Arson investigation particularly with respect to abandoned buildings must be expanded. There must be no further deterioration of service to our District. Firefighting is not to be viewed lightly nor should our residents be put at risk because of fiscal constraints. Fire is indiscriminate. It does not differentiate between socioeconomic groups, ethnic groups, and it does not vary from location to location.</i>		<i>Community Board 12</i>
14	FDNY	<i>Additioanl Fire Hydrants</i>	<i>Other FDNY equipment</i>	<i>HYDRANTS - State of the Art fire hydrants should be installed through the Community Board 12 District. Present hydrants are over 80 years old and many are in disrepair, leaking, knocked down or inoperable. These damaged, old hydrants present a threat to the safety and well-being of our community. Hydrants should be inspected on a regular basis. Summer use of hydrants is abused. Spray caps are rarely utilized. Most of the time, the hydrants are opened to full capacity, with extensive water waste that creates hazardous conditions for drivers and pedestrians. Open hydrants are not toys and the public abuse of it should be curtailed or eliminated entirely.</i>		<i>Community Board 12</i>

4.4. Core Infrastructure and City Services Needs and Requests

Main Issue

Cleanliness/trash collection

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

In our densely populated District, there is a need for a minimum of 20 laborers for street cleaning purposes. It is also important that a full complement of laborers be maintained at all times at BK12. Lot cleaning should be provided for all lots located in our District. Garbage strewn lots in an otherwise stable area, create an aura of blight and deterioration. In addition, garbage-strewn lots attract dumpers; become rat harborages, with roach infestation. Sanitation should have sufficient personnel to address the ever-present illegal dumping problem prevalent in our District. Sanitation Police must be assigned to 11:00 P.M. to 7:00 A.M. shifts when most dumping occurs. The seriousness of the illegal dumping problem should not be underestimated.

Community District Needs and Requests

4.4.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Water, Sewers and Environmental Protection

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

Many of sewers in our district are antiquated and need to be replaced.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Water, Sewers and Environmental Protection (as provided by the Community Board)
Priority numbers apply to capital budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.1. of this document. CS in the priority column indicates the Board's Continued Support for a fully or partially funded project.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
10	DEP	<i>Sewage and flooding</i>	<i>Build new, expand or repair storm sewers</i>	<i>SEWERS - In as much as the installations of the sewers in Community Board 12 District were done over 80 years ago, many sewer lines in our Board need rehabilitation and/or replacement. In some instances, defective sewers have caused sagging roadbeds. Construction of new sewer lines on 11th Avenue from 50th Street to 60th Street and on 14th Avenue from 45th to 55th Streets must be a top priority. This condition must be corrected before a major catastrophe occurs. Several of our existing sewers are in poor condition and in imminent danger of collapse.</i>		<i>Community Board 12</i>
15	DEP	<i>Water supply system</i>	<i>Other water supply system maintenance requests</i>	<i>The Lifetime of a Water Main should be established: periodic inspections, after the projected life span, should be made in order to determine the condition and regular maintenance instituted.</i>		<i>Community Board 12</i>

Expense Requests related to Water, Sewers and Environmental Protection (as provided by the Community Board)

Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
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4.4. Core Infrastructure and City Services Needs and Requests

4.4.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Water, Sewers and Environmental Protection

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
11	DEP	<i>Sewage and flooding</i>	<i>Clean catch basins</i>	<i>All catch basins should be cleaned on a regular scheduled basis. Deteriorated catch basins should be repaired or replaced as part of a regular maintenance schedule.</i>		<i>Community Board 12</i>

4.4. Core Infrastructure and City Services Needs and Requests

4.4.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Sanitation Services

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

Sanitation plays a huge part in our district cleaning it clean.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Sanitation Services (as provided by the Community Board)

Priority numbers apply to capital budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.1. of this document. CS in the priority column indicates the Board's Continued Support for a fully or partially funded project.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
07	DSNY	Garbage collection and recycling infrastructure	Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment	A dedicated Sanitation truck for all schools that get regular pickups. This would help alleviate traffic tie ups and help keep the area clean. A basket truck with daily pickups seven days a week is necessary to collect the overflowing letter baskets. A dedicated midnight sanitation basket truck on Sunday is needed.		Community Board 12
09	DSNY	Street and lot cleaning	Other cleaning requests	Two extra broom routes needed to alleviate heavy litter. Heavy traffic in the area creates overabundances of litter and causes delays in completing some routes. These brooms would benefit the district by keeping it cleaner and easier to keep up with finishing routes and eliminate missed sweep 311 calls during heavy leaf season and throughout the year of the day shift.		Community Board 12
11	DSNY	More Sanitation employees	Increase work force	Increase Sanitation work force to help with all our concerns in our district.		Community Board 12

Expense Requests related to Sanitation Services (as provided by the Community Board)

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
02	DSNY	Garbage collection and recycling	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up for schools and institutions	Provide daily garbage or recycling pick-up for Private Schools. CB 12 has about 80 private schools serving approximately 100,000 or more children. The District has 16 public schools which serve approximately a third of the total enrollment of the private schools. The student enrollment in some of the public schools has been dwindling rather than increasing. Most of these private schools have year round lunch programs with perishable foods. However, the private schools only receive two pickups per week while the public schools are picked up daily.		Community Board 12

4.4. Core Infrastructure and City Services Needs and Requests

4.4.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Sanitation Services

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
				<i>Something is wrong. The student enrollment in private schools far outnumber the enrollment in public schools in this district and because of the amount of garbage generated from these schools each day, daily pickups must be implemented</i>		
05	DSNY	Street and lot cleaning	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	Provide additional broom and added litter baskets collections		
07	DSNY	Garbage collection and recycling	Provide more on-street trash cans and recycling containers	Provide more litter baskets on streets. Due to the overflowing garbage in our district it is necessary to provide more trash cans in our district.		Community Board 12
08	DSNY	Garbage collection and recycling	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up	Reinstate mechanical sweeper on the 12am to 8am shift. This sweeper would effectively clean the district and will be deployed six days a week. The district falls 2nd lowest in the scorecard ratings citywide, and this should help maintain cleanliness of our district. Overflowing baskets on the corners give perception of a deteriorated neighborhood. Collection of litter basket refuse must be done on a regular, daily basis, seven days a week. Serious consideration must be given to this most reasonable request.		Community Board 12
09	DSNY	Garbage collection and recycling	Other garbage collection and recycling requests	Request alternate side street cleaning be changed to the midnight shift Monday through Friday on 13th Avenue from 37th Street to 57th Street, 39th Street from 9th Avenue to New Utrecht Avenue, 37th Street from 12th Avenue to 14th Avenue and Utrecht Avenue from 45th Street to 60th Street. These streets will be swept by the 12am to 8am mechanical sweeper as requested.	Midnight shift Monday through Friday on 13th Avenue from 37th Street to 57th Street, 39th Street from 9th Avenue to New Utrecht Avenue, 37th Street from 12th Avenue to 14th Avenue and Utrecht Avenue from 45th Street to 60th Street.	Community Board 12
10	DSNY	Sanitation Enforcement	Increase enforcement of illegal dumping laws	Sanitation Police should be assigned in our district from 11:00PM to 7:00AM shift when most dumping occurs.		Community Board 12
17	DSNY	Street and lot	Increase vacant	Lot cleaning should be provided for all lots		Community

4.4. Core Infrastructure and City Services Needs and Requests

4.4.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Sanitation Services

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
		<i>cleaning</i>	<i>lot cleaning</i>	<i>located in our District. Garbage strewn lots in an otherwise stable area, create an aura of blight and deterioration. In addition,, garbage-strewn lots attract dumpers; it becomes rat and roach infestation. Sanitation should have sufficient personnel to address this present illegal dumping problem prevalent in our District. At the several sites in the community board 12 district where illegal dumping is present, we have experienced dangerous and hazardous items that imperil the health and well being of our residents, i.e. medical waste, asbestos, chemicals, contaminants and poisons. All this is in addition to the regular construction materials, dead flowers, rotted fruit and vegetables, auto parts and scrap materials.</i>		<i>Board 12</i>

4.5. Land Use, Housing and Economic Development Needs and Requests

Main Issue

Commercial district revitalization

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

The need to organize Merchant's Associations or BIDs on our major commercial strips is vital to their stability. Those strips are 13th Avenue, 16th Avenue, 18th Avenue and Church Avenue. These commercial strips are experiencing new vitality due to the influx of the new immigrants. Economic assistance should be made available for revitalization of these strips. Monies should be made available for new storefronts, increased security, and improved lighting and sidewalk restoration. This would encourage new shops to locate here and would encourage existing businesses to expand, thereby creating additional jobs and boosting the economy.

Community District Needs and Requests

4.5.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Land Use

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments for this need category.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Land Use (as provided by the Community Board)

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
19	DCP	Zoning and land use	Study land use and zoning to better match current use or future neighborhood needs	BUILDINGS - A more efficient system must be devised to handle Stop Work Orders correct and current information must be disseminated to enforcement agencies. Inspectors, assigned on a regular basis to each Community Board would provide a much needed personal relationship with the community board thereby helping to solve problems and cut through the red tape.		Community Board 12

4.5. Land Use, Housing and Economic Development Needs and Requests

4.5.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Housing Needs and Programming

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

Continuation of funding for additional programs.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Housing Needs and Programming (as provided by the Community Board)

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
17	HPD	<i>Affordable housing programs</i>	<i>Expand loan programs for rehabilitation of privately-owned multiple dwelling buildings</i>	<i>Continuation of HPD programs is essential for the continued rehabilitation and development of our Community. HIP, 8A, PLP and 202 loans are vital in order for this work to continue. Continuation of funding for additional consultant contracts to those organizations that are addressing needs that heretofore were not being addressed.</i>		<i>Community Board 12</i>

4.5. Land Use, Housing and Economic Development Needs and Requests

4.5.3. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Economic Development

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

Economic Development is a prime concern to our area.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Economic Development (as provided by the Community Board)

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
20	SBS	<i>Business regulatory assistance</i>	<i>Other business regulatory assistance requests</i>	<i>Community organizations must receive private and public agency support. Successful economic development depends on the dollar structure remaining in the community. Leakage of funds through absentee ownership of housing and businesses does not generate dollars back into the Community. Small businesses that employ local people and the owner occupied dwelling help to insure that funds will remain in a Community. Local banks must make mortgage loans, home improvement loans, business loans, etc. easily available to the local community, thereby insuring that investment dollars remain in the Community. Additionally, these local banks of which we have a lot should be encouraged to hire from the community through incentives (this goes for many other businesses, corporations and institutions</i>		<i>Community Board 12</i>

4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

Main Issue

Traffic / traffic flow

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

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

Community District Needs and Requests

4.6.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments for this need category.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure (as provided by the Community Board)

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
04	DOT	Traffic and traffic flow	Conduct traffic or parking studies	AVENUE I - A complete traffic study on Avenue I from McDonald Avenue to Coney Island Avenue is needed. There is server congestion as well as horn honking during both AM and PM rush Hours. It can take up to one hour during rush hours to travel this strip.	Avenue I McDonald Avenue to Coney Island Avenue	Community Board 12
05	DOT	Traffic and traffic flow	Conduct traffic or parking studies	AVENUE J - A complete traffic study on Avenue J from McDonald Avenue to Coney Island Avenue is needed as well, especially at the intersection of Avenue J and Bay Parkway where there is a constant bottleneck. There is severe congestion during both AM and PM rush hours. It can take very long to travel this strip, especially from the Bay Parkway intersection to Ocean Parkway.	Avenue J McDonald Avenue to Coney Island Avenue	Community Board 12
06	DOT	Traffic and traffic flow	Conduct traffic or parking studies	THIRTEENTH AVE -Thirteenth Avenue is the commercial shopping Mecca in Community Board 12. People come from all over to shop on Thirteenth Avenue due mainly to its ethnic flavor. On any given Sunday, more than 10,000 people traverse this shopping strip. Parking is at a premium. Traffic is congested, every day of the week; it can take up to an hour to traverse the 23 blocks of this shopping mecca. Thirteenth Avenue		Community Board 12

4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

4.6.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
				<i>has not been reconstructed in more than 21 years, and is in dire need of redesign and reconstruction. We are requesting that a study be done to help ease traffic and parking congestion along this strip as well as design alternatives to enhance this viable commercial strip.</i>		
08	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	<i>Improve traffic signals on Ocean Parkway and enhance them both on the main and service roads. State of the art traffic controls must be implemented on turning lanes. Left hand turning signals must be provided on all streets in both directions from Beverly Road to Avenue P.</i>	<i>Left hand turning signals must be provided on all streets in both directions from Beverly Road to Avenue P.</i>	Community Board 12
12	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Repair or provide new street lights	<i>New Utrecht Avenue is a commercial strip located under an extremely low elevated structure. Because the structure is so low, conventional light poles could not be used. Consequently, short stem globe lights should be installed on the remainder of the this strip.</i>	<i>From Fort Hamilton Pkwy. to 41st Street at which point the elevated structure curves and continues on 10th Avenue. The unlit area is extremely dark.</i>	Community Board 12
18	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Other transportation infrastructure requests	<i>There should be closer scrutiny of a contractor's performance. Contracts should not be signed off until it has been satisfactorily established that the work was properly performed. This would eliminate the problems of ponding, improper grading, etc. that so often arise after the contract has been signed off.</i>		Community Board 12

Expense Requests related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure (as provided by the Community Board)

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
06	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	<i>Upgrade Street Signs. Street markings are needed on 60th Street and 13th Avenue showing northbound traffic must turn either left or right as traffic flowing on 13th avenue southbound up to 60th street is ONE-WAY. We have at least 5 cars a day going the wrong way southbound from 60th street to 59th Street. Also, signage is needed that cars travelling east and west on 60th Street cannot make turns omit 13th avenue going northbound.</i>	<i>13th Avenue 59th Street to 60th Street</i>	Community Board 12

4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

4.6.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Transit Services

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments or budget requests for this need category.

4.7. Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities Needs and Requests

Main Issue

Park care and maintenance

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

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

Community District Needs and Requests

4.7.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments for this need category.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming (as provided by the Community Board) Priority numbers apply to capital budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.1. of this document. CS in the priority column indicates the Board's Continued Support for a fully or partially funded project.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
03	DPR	Park facilities and access	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or playground	COL. MARCUS PARK - A comfort station in the playground area is needed. Numerous children and adults must cross East 5th Street to go to the other side of the park in order to use the restrooms. This is a highly trafficked street. A restroom, especially for the children using this park, is essential to this playground.	COL. MARCUS PARK	Community Board 12
16	DPR	Park facilities and access	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or playground	Fund the needed new irrigation & drainage system for Friends Field	Friends Field	

Expense Requests related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming (as provided by the Community Board) Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
03	DPR	Park facilities and access	Improve access to a park or playground	Funding to Assist Park Personnel to lock Gravesend Park at Dusk. There are constant complaints about basketball playing at one and two O'clock in the morning as well as drugs being dealt and used in the park. This is a quality-of-life issue that needs to be addressed.		Community Board 12
12	DPR	Street trees and forestry services	Forestry services, including street tree	Increase the number of workers for tree pruning, stump removal and maintenance of parks.		Community Board 12

4.7. Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities Needs and Requests

4.7.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming

Priority	Agency	Need	Request maintenance	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
13	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Provide better park maintenance	OCEAN PARKWAY MALLS - Ocean Parkway is a main thoroughfare and is highly trafficked. In addition, Ocean Parkway is a Special District. The beauty of Ocean Parkway must not be allowed to deteriorate. Some of our elected officials have designated monies for the upgrade and beautification of the Malls. Maintenance must be ongoing to make sure the upgrades and beautification remains intact. In order to maintain this arena in a sanitary and groomed condition, a crew should be assigned to maintain the malls of this thoroughfare. An additional crew cab truck is requested to transport the men the length and breathe of this roadway. The Malls and trees must receive regular and concentrated attention so that the Parkway can be properly maintained.		Community Board 12
14	DPR	Street trees and forestry services	Other street trees and forestry services requests	GREEN STREETS - The Kensington area itself has welcomed many new families with young children. However, the Kensington area is devoid of Parks or Green streets. Parks that are in our district are too far away for young children to go alone and play and use the recreational facilities. The Parks are also too far for seniors to travel and to sit and enjoy the greenery rather than cement. This is a quality of life issue that must be addressed.		Community Board 12
15	DPR	Street trees and forestry services	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Dead or diseased trees should be routinely removed and replacement should be made as soon as possible. Tree pruning and stump removal should be regularly scheduled. Preventive spraying for mosquito, beetle, and gypsy moths as well as spraying area known to harbor West Nile Virus infestation should be done on a seasonal basis, before waiting for confirmation of West Nile Virus.		Community Board 12
16	DPR	Park facilities and access	Provide a new or expanded parks facility, e.g. recreation center	District 12 needs more regularly scheduled programs for pre-school youngsters, young adults and senior citizens The park behind PS 223, on 23rd Avenue between 60th & 61st Streets needs more child and toddler equipment. Requests have been made to remove the basketball hoops and add more child friendly equipment such as swings, etc. Right now there are only slides. More families with children are moving into this area and the need for more playground equipment for young children is needed.	23rd Avenue 60th Street 61st Street	Community Board 12

4.7. Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities Needs and Requests

4.7.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Cultural and other Community Facilities and Programming

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments or budget requests for this need category.

4.7.3. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Library Facilities and Programming

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

The three Libraries located in the Community Board 12 District have a combined book circulation of over 800,000 with a vast registry of borrowers.

At this time, the Community Board does not have any budget requests for this need category.

4.7. Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities Needs and Requests

4.7.4. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Community Boards

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

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

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Community Boards (as provided by the Community Board)

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
01	OMB	Community board facilities and staff	Other community board facilities and staff requests	Adequate funding should be made available for Community Boards to insure that increased cost of goods and other expenses as well as hiring additional staff are met and to keep up with inflation. Collective bargaining and mayoral issued management increases should be added to the internal budget as settlements with Unions are reached and when the Mayor issues Mayoral Personnel orders for pay raises for managerial employees. Monies should not be taken out of the internal budget for Community Boards for the above mandates. Increase Community Boards budget.		Community Board 12

5. SUMMARY TABLES OF ALL PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

5.1. Table of All Capital Requests (Prioritized)

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Priority No. / Continued Support (CS)	Agency	Need	Request	Policy Area
01	NYPD	<i>NYPD facilities and equipment</i>	<i>Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
02	HRA	<i>Services to support low-income New Yorkers</i>	<i>Other request for services to support low-income New Yorkers</i>	<i>Health Care and Human Services</i>
03	DPR	<i>Park facilities and access</i>	<i>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or playground</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
04	DOT	<i>Traffic and traffic flow</i>	<i>Conduct traffic or parking studies</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
05	DOT	<i>Traffic and traffic flow</i>	<i>Conduct traffic or parking studies</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
06	DOT	<i>Traffic and traffic flow</i>	<i>Conduct traffic or parking studies</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
07	DSNY	<i>Garbage collection and recycling infrastructure</i>	<i>Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
08	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
09	DSNY	<i>Street and lot cleaning</i>	<i>Other cleaning requests</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
10	DEP	<i>Sewage and flooding</i>	<i>Build new, expand or repair storm sewers</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
11	DSNY	<i>More Sanitation employees</i>	<i>Increase work force</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
12	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Repair or provide new street lights</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
13	FDNY	<i>FDNY facilities and equipment</i>	<i>Upgrade communication equipment to improve emergency response</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
14	FDNY	<i>Additioanl Fire Hydrants</i>	<i>Other FDNY equipment</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
15	DEP	<i>Water supply system</i>	<i>Other water supply system maintenance requests</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
16	DPR	<i>Park facilities and access</i>	<i>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or playground</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
17	HPD	<i>Affordable housing programs</i>	<i>Expand loan programs for rehabilitation of privately-owned multiple dwelling buildings</i>	<i>Land Use, Housing and Economic Development</i>
18	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Other transportation infrastructure requests</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
19	DCP	<i>Zoning and land use</i>	<i>Study land use and zoning to better match current use or future neighborhood needs</i>	<i>Land Use, Housing and Economic Development</i>

5.2. Table of All Expense Requests (Prioritized)

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Priority No.	Agency	Need	Request	Policy Area
01	OMB	<i>Community board facilities and staff</i>	<i>Other community board facilities and staff requests</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
02	DSNY	<i>Garbage collection and recycling</i>	<i>Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up for schools and institutions</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
03	DPR	<i>Park facilities and access</i>	<i>Improve access to a park or playground</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
04	NYPD	<i>NYPD facilities and equipment</i>	<i>Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
05	DSNY	<i>Street and lot cleaning</i>	<i>Provide more frequent litter basket collection</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
06	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
07	DSNY	<i>Garbage collection and recycling</i>	<i>Provide more on-street trash cans and recycling containers</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
08	DSNY	<i>Garbage collection and recycling</i>	<i>Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
09	DSNY	<i>Garbage collection and recycling</i>	<i>Other garbage collection and recycling requests</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
10	DSNY	<i>Sanitation Enforcement</i>	<i>Increase enforcement of illegal dumping laws</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
11	DEP	<i>Sewage and flooding</i>	<i>Clean catch basins</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
12	DPR	<i>Street trees and forestry services</i>	<i>Forestry services, including street tree maintenance</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
13	DPR	<i>Park maintenance and safety</i>	<i>Provide better park maintenance</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
14	DPR	<i>Street trees and forestry services</i>	<i>Other street trees and forestry services requests</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
15	DPR	<i>Street trees and forestry services</i>	<i>Forestry services, including street tree maintenance</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
16	DPR	<i>Park facilities and access</i>	<i>Provide a new or expanded parks facility, e.g. recreation center</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
17	DSNY	<i>Street and lot cleaning</i>	<i>Increase vacant lot cleaning</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
18	DYCD	<i>Youth workforce development</i>	<i>Provide, expand, or enhance the Summer Youth Employment Program</i>	<i>Youth, Education and Child Welfare</i>
19	DFTA	<i>Services for homebound older adults</i>	<i>Enhance home care services</i>	<i>Health Care and Human Services</i>
20	SBS	<i>Business regulatory assistance</i>	<i>Other business regulatory assistance requests</i>	<i>Land Use, Housing and Economic Development</i>