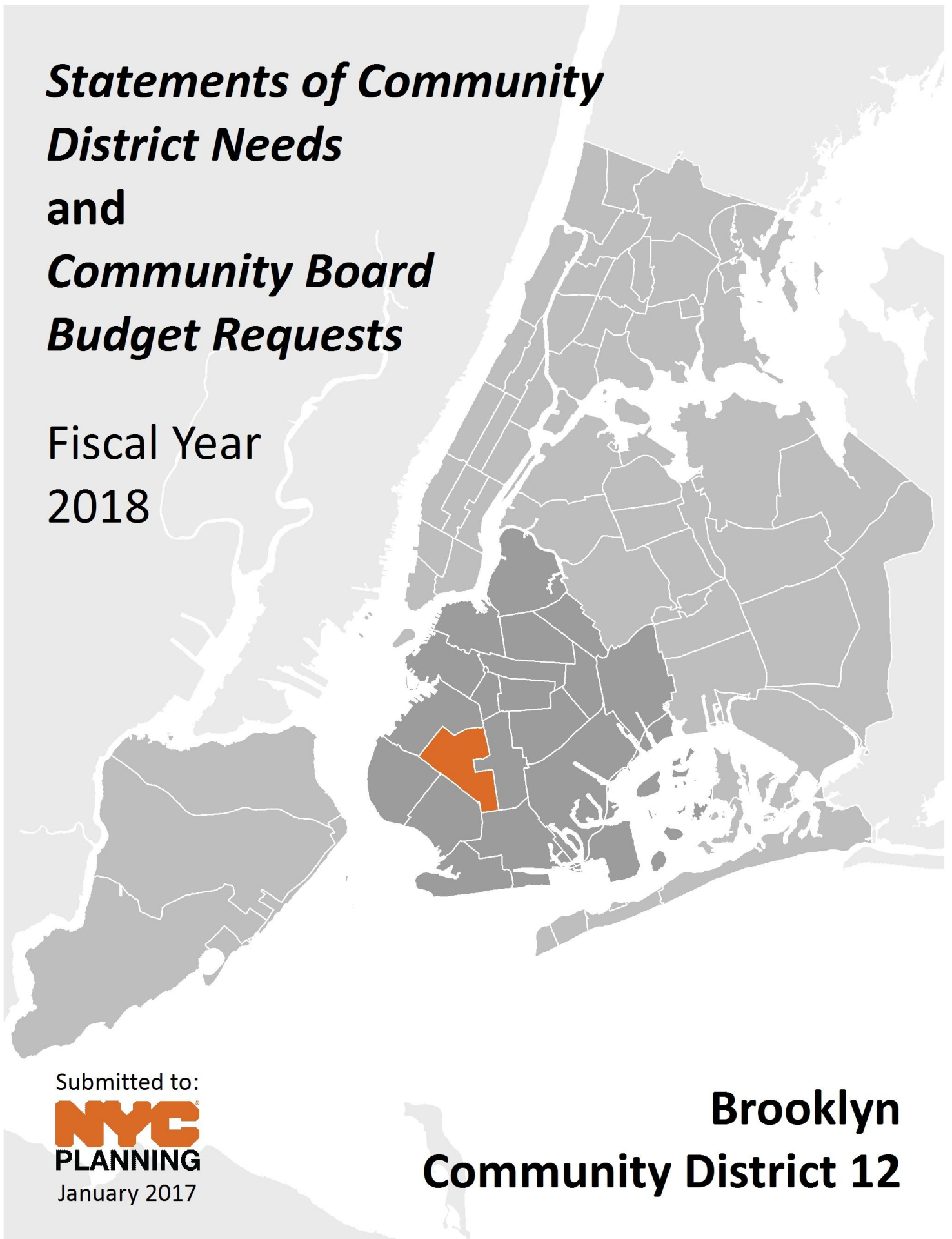


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## INTRODUCTION

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

## HOW TO USE THIS REPORT

This report represents Brooklyn Community Board 12's *Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2018*. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the Community Board, collected through an online form available to community boards from September to November 2016.

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This report is broadly structured as follows:

### **a) Overarching Community District Needs**

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

### **b) Policy Area- Specific District Needs**

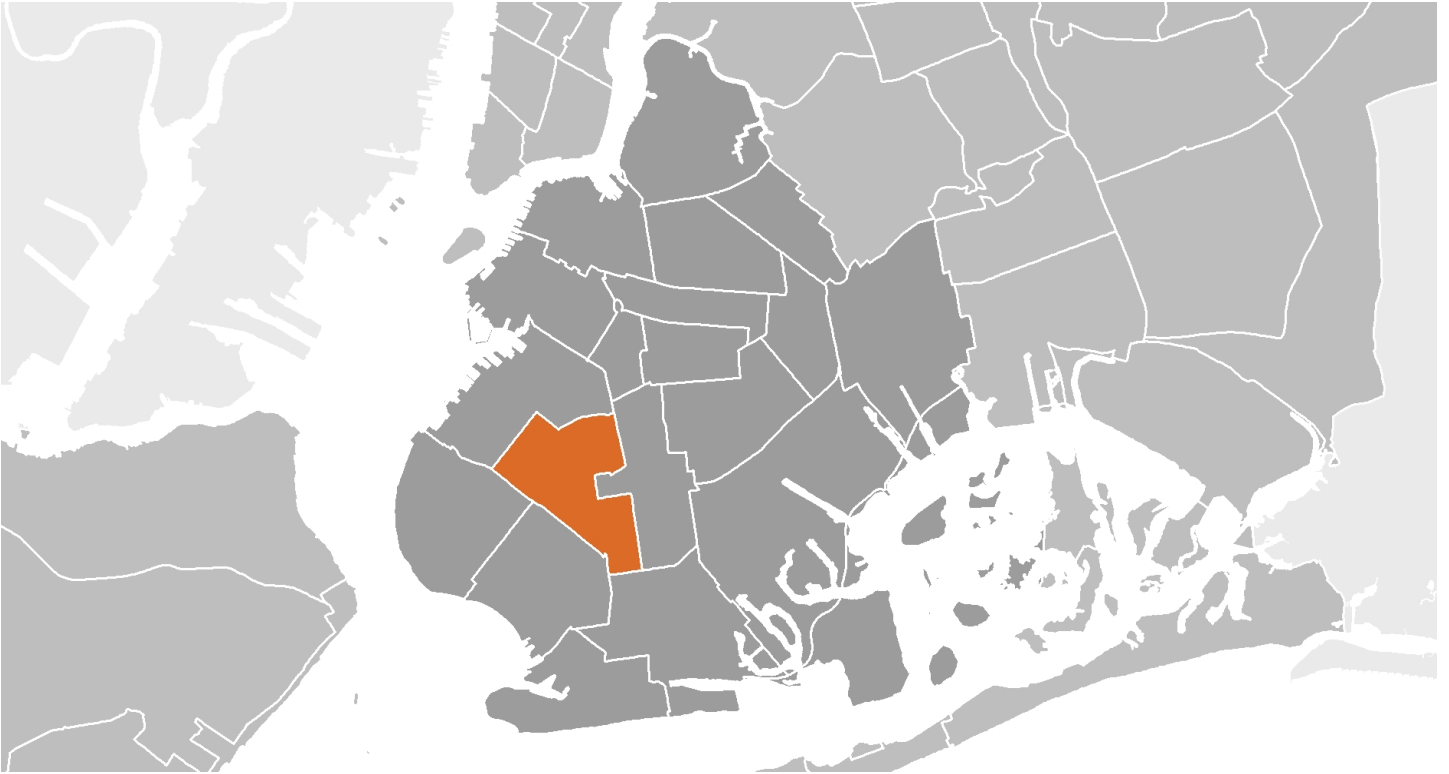
Section 5 is organized by seven distinct policy areas aligned with the service and program areas of city agencies. For each policy area, community boards selected the most important issue for their districts and could provide a supporting narrative. The policy area section also includes any agency-specific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

### **c) Community Board Budget Requests**

The final section includes the two types of budget requests submitted to the City for the FY18 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.



Community Board 12



# **Statements of Community District Needs**

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## 1. Community Board Information

### Brooklyn Community Board 12

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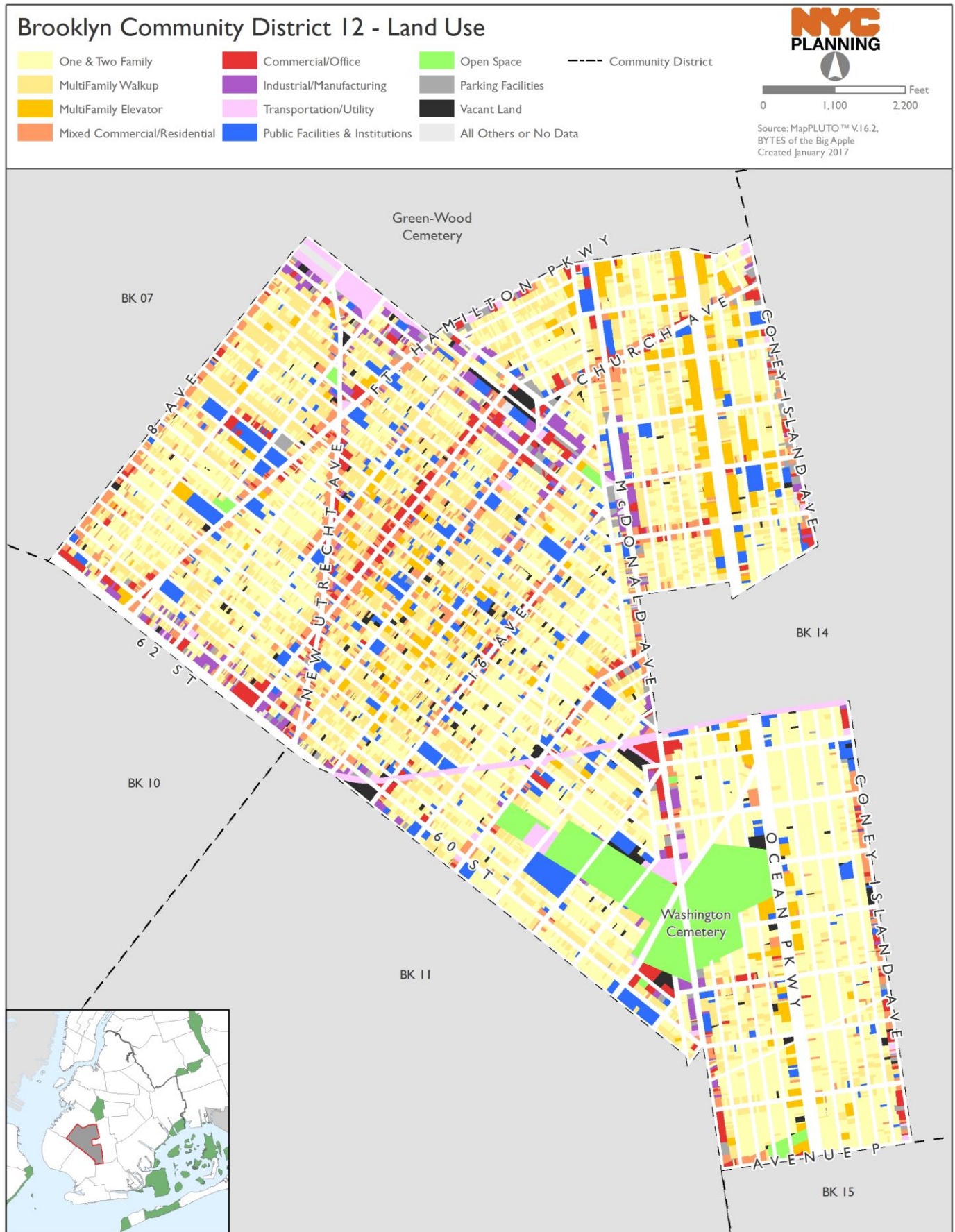
**District Manager:** Mr. Barry Spitzer

#### Community Board Officers:

Ann Marie Honan, Community Assistant



## 2. Community District Land Use



### 3. Overview of Community District

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



#### 4. Top Three Pressing Issues Overall

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

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

Community Board 12 serves an "old" community and many of our streets need resurfacing or reconstruction; intermittent pothole repair and even resurfacing is a temporary remedy and does not alleviate the real problem. Parking is at a premium. Traffic is congested every day of the week throughout the district. A lot of it is due to the inordinate amount of school buses during morning and evening rush hours. Traffic studies are needed at several locations in our district to help ease traffic and parking congestion and design alternatives to enhance traffic and parking flow throughout the district. Our district is so densely populated that there is a need for a full complement of traffic control agents at strategic areas at all times. Community Board 12 has many problems with illegal dumping and has experienced dangerous and hazardous items that imperil the health and well-being of our residents and destroys their quality of life. This district has many more private schools than public schools, with private school enrollment far outnumbering the student enrollment in public schools. However, private schools only get two collections a week and the garbage becomes a health and quality of life hazard because of the lack of daily pick-ups. Community Board 12 is a densely populated community with large religious families living in the district because it meets their religious needs. The housing supply is low and the demand very high therefore driving property values up and making affordable housing almost non-existent. For most families in our district, buying a home is practically out of reach and renting for a reasonable rate is almost impossible. Even if one can afford the high prices, it is very difficult for young married couples and those with large families to find adequate housing, through renting or buying.

## 5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests



### Health Care and Human Services

#### Main Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

##### *Services for low-income and vulnerable New Yorkers*

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

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

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

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

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

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
2/15	HRA	Services to support low-income New Yorkers	Other request for services to support low-income New Yorkers	

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
31/41	DFTA	Senior center programs	Other senior center program requests	
36/41	DFTA	Services for homebound older adults	Enhance home care services	



## Youth, Education and Child Welfare

### Main Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

#### *Childcare services*

With the steady increase in population in the Community Board 12 area, there is a definite need for additional Child Care, particularly for toddlers 2-3 years of age. With the cost of living continuing to rise and an increasing amount of families consist of both parents working, the need for child care is as high as ever. Increased emphasis should be given to the Head Start Program with many more slots made available to accommodate our ever-increasing population. Additionally, more child care vouchers need to be made available.

### Community District Needs Related to Services for Children and Child Welfare

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

### Community District Needs Related to Youth and Community Services and Programs

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

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
15/41	ACS	Child care	Provide, expand, or enhance funding for Day Care Slots and Head Start Programs	
35/41	DYCD	Youth workforce development	Provide, expand, or enhance the Summer Youth Employment Program	

## 5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests



### Public Safety and Emergency Services

#### Main Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

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

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

#### Community District Needs Related to Policing and Crime

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

#### Community District Needs Related to Emergency Services

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.

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
1/15	NYPD	NYPD facilities and equipment	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	66th Police Precinct
3/15	NYPD	NYPD facilities and equipment	Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles	66th Precinct 5822 16th Avenue
12/15	DEP	FDNY facilities and equipment	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	
14/15	NYPD	NYPD facilities and equipment	Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles	66th Precinct 5822 16th Avenue

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
24/41	NYPD	NYPD facilities and equipment	Provide surveillance cameras	66th Precinct 5822 16th Avenue
25/41	NYPD	NYPD facilities and equipment	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	66th Precinct 5822 16th Avenue
26/41	NYPD	NYPD facilities and equipment	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	66th Precinct

## 5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests



### Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

#### Main Issue Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

##### *Cleanliness/trash collection*

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

#### Community District Needs Related to Water, Sewers and Environmental Protection

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

#### Community District Needs Related to Sanitation Services

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

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
9/15	DEP	<i>Sewage and flooding</i>	<i>Build new, expand or repair storm sewers</i>	
10/15	DSNY	<i>Sanitation Enforcement</i>	<i>Other enforcement requests</i>	
CS	DSNY	<i>Garbage collection and recycling</i>	<i>Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up</i>	

#### Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
5/41	DSNY	<i>Garbage collection and recycling</i>	<i>Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up for schools and institutions</i>	
6/41	DSNY	<i>Garbage collection and recycling</i>	<i>Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up for schools and institutions</i>	
8/41	DSNY	<i>Street and lot cleaning</i>	<i>Provide more frequent litter basket collection</i>	
10/41	DSNY	<i>Sanitation Enforcement</i>	<i>Increase enforcement of illegal dumping laws</i>	
11/41	DSNY	<i>Street and lot cleaning</i>	<i>Increase cleaning of dump-out/drop-off locations</i>	61st Street 8th Avenue 14th Avenue
13/41	DSNY	<i>Street and lot cleaning</i>	<i>Other cleaning requests</i>	
14/41	DSNY	<i>Garbage collection and recycling</i>	<i>Provide more on-street trash cans and recycling containers</i>	
16/41	DSNY	<i>Street and lot cleaning</i>	<i>Other cleaning requests</i>	
21/41	DSNY	<i>Garbage collection and recycling</i>	<i>Other garbage collection and recycling requests</i>	
28/41	DEP	<i>Sewage and flooding</i>	<i>Clean catch basins</i>	
39/41	DEP	<i>Water supply system</i>	<i>Other water supply system maintenance requests</i>	
40/41	DSNY	<i>Sanitation Enforcement</i>	<i>Increase enforcement of illegal posting laws</i>	

## 5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests

### Land Use, Housing and Economic Development



#### Main Issue Related to Land Use, Housing and Economic Development

##### *Affordable housing programs*

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

#### Community District Needs Related to Land Use

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

#### Community District Needs Related to Housing Needs and Programming

Continuation of funding for additional programs.

#### Community District Needs Related to Economic Development

Economic Development is a prime concern in our area.

#### **Expense Requests Related to Land Use, Housing and Economic Development**

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
9/41	DCP	<i>Zoning and land use</i>	<i>Study land use and zoning to better match current use or future neighborhood needs</i>	
27/41	SBS	<i>Business regulatory assistance</i>	<i>Other business regulatory assistance requests</i>	
30/41	DOB	<i>Building code and zoning enforcement</i>	<i>Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)</i>	
34/41	HPD	<i>Affordable housing programs</i>	<i>Provide more housing for extremely low and low income households</i>	
37/41	HPD	<i>Affordable housing programs</i>	<i>Expand loan programs to rehabilitate multiple dwelling buildings</i>	





## Transportation

### Main Issue Related to Transportation

#### *Traffic congestion*

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

### Capital Requests Related to Transportation

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
5/15	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Other transportation infrastructure requests	
6/15	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Repair or construct new sidewalks, curbs or pedestrian ramps	
7/15	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	37th street 14th & 15th Avenues 50th Street between 13th & 14th Avenues
8/15	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	50th Street 13th Avenue 14th Avenue
11/15	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Repair or provide new street lights	New Utrecht Avenue Fort Hamilton Pkwy 41st Street
15/15	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	Ocean Parkway Beverly Road Avenue P

### Expense Requests Related to Transportation

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
1/41	DOT	Traffic and traffic flow	Conduct traffic or parking studies	18th Avenue 45th Street Ocean Parkway
2/41	DOT	Traffic and traffic flow	Conduct traffic or parking studies	Avenue I McDonald Avenue to Coney Island Avenue
3/41	DOT	Traffic and traffic flow	Conduct traffic or parking studies	Avenue J McDonald Avenue to Coney Island Avenue
4/41	DOT	Traffic and traffic flow	Conduct traffic or parking studies	
7/41	NYPD	Traffic and traffic flow	Other traffic improvements requests	
12/41	DOT	Traffic and traffic flow	Other traffic improvements requests	13th Ave 60th Street
23/41	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	
33/41	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Other transportation infrastructure requests	



## Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

### Main Issue Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

#### *Park care and maintenance*

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

### Community District Needs Related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming

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

### Community District Needs Related to Community Boards

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

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
4/15	DPR	<i>Park, buildings, and access improvements</i>	<i>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</i>	<i>COL. MARCUS PARK</i>
13/15	DPR	<i>Park, buildings, and access improvements</i>	<i>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</i>	<i>Friends Field</i>



## Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

## Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
17/41	DPR	<i>Park maintenance and safety</i>	<i>Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)</i>	
18/41	DPR	<i>Street trees and forestry services</i>	<i>Forestry services, including street tree maintenance</i>	
19/41	DPR	<i>Street trees and forestry services</i>	<i>Forestry services, including street tree maintenance</i>	
20/41	DPR	<i>Street trees and forestry services</i>	<i>Forestry services, including street tree maintenance</i>	
22/41	DPR	<i>Street trees and forestry services</i>	<i>Forestry services, including street tree maintenance</i>	
29/41	DPR	<i>Park maintenance and safety</i>	<i>Provide better park maintenance</i>	
32/41	DPR	<i>Street trees and forestry services</i>	<i>Other street trees and forestry services requests</i>	
38/41	DPR	<i>Park, buildings, and access improvements</i>	<i>Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park</i>	<i>23rd Avenue 60th Street 61st Street</i>
41/41	OMB	<i>Community board facilities and staff</i>	<i>Other community board facilities and staff requests</i>	

## 6. Summary of Prioritized Budget Requests

### Brooklyn Community Board 12 Capital Requests

Brooklyn Community Board 12 submitted 15 capital budget requests, organized by priority.

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Support (CS)	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
1/15	NYPD	<i>Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses</i>	<i>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.</i>	66th Police Precinct	Community Board 12
2/15	HRA	<i>Other request for services to support low-income New Yorkers</i>	<i>Community Board 12 is in dire need of a HRA Social Services agency office in this district; to aid residents with social services such as welfare, snap, cash assistance, medicaid, heap and child care vouchers.</i>		Community Board 12
3/15	NYPD	<i>Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles</i>	<i>The 66th Precinct Community Affairs Units unmarked vehicle was condemned and never replaced. We are requesting one unmarked vehicle dedicated to the Community Affairs Unit.</i>	66th Precinct 5822 16th Avenue	Community Board 12
4/15	DPR	<i>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</i>	<i>COL. MARCUS PARK - A comfort station in the playground area is needed. Numerous children and adults must cross East 5th Street to go to the other side of the park in order to use the restrooms. This is a highly trafficked street. A restroom, especially for the children using this park, is essential to this playground.</i>	COL. MARCUS PARK	Community Board 12
5/15	DOT	<i>Other transportation infrastructure requests</i>	<i>Install bus shelters at all bus stops in our district. There are many bus stops that do not have bus shelters, specifically on 49th and 50th Streets on the B-11 bus route.</i>		
6/15	DOT	<i>Repair or construct new sidewalks, curbs or pedestrian ramps</i>	<i>Funding must be allocated for a curb program and sidewalk repair. There are many damaged and disintegrating curbs and sidewalks in our district that have been waiting for years to get the necessary repairs.</i>		
7/15	DOT	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>37th Street between 14th &amp; 15th Avenues is dire need of reconstruction. This street is plagued with pot holes, sinking holes and open cracked streets that are dangerous to motorist as well as pedestrians crossings. It also floods every time it rains.</i>	37th street 14th & 15th Avenues 50th Street between 13th & 14th Avenues	Community Board 12

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Support (CS)	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
8/15	DOT	Reconstruct streets	50th Street between 13th & 14th Avenues needs to be reconstructed. Going down this street is like going on a roller coaster. This street has been repaved a few times but it always reverts back to the same bad condition.	50th Street 13th Avenue 14th Avenue	
9/15	DEP	Build new, expand or repair storm sewers	SEWERS - In as much as the installations of the sewers in Community Board 12 District were done over 80 years ago, many sewer lines in our Board need rehabilitation and/or replacement. In some instances, defective sewers have caused sagging roadbeds. Several of our existing sewers are in poor condition and in imminent danger of collapse.		Community Board 12
10/15	DSNY	Other enforcement requests	Increase Sanitation work force to help with all our concerns in our district.		Community Board 12
11/15	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	New Utrecht Avenue is a commercial strip located under an extremely low elevated structure. Because the structure is so low, conventional street lights cant be used. Consequently, short stem globe lights should be installed along the length of the elevated train tracks.	New Utrecht Avenue Fort Hamilton Pkwy 41st Street	Community Board 12
12/15	DEP	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	HYDRANTS - State of the Art fire hydrants should be installed through the Community Board 12 District. Present hydrants are over 80 years old and many are in disrepair, leaking, knocked down or inoperable. These damaged, old hydrants present a threat to the safety 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.		Community Board 12
13/15	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Funds are needed for a new irrigation & drainage system for Friends Field.	Friends Field	
14/15	NYPD	Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles	The 66th Precinct Auxiliary Officers currently have only one vehicle and are in need of additional marked Auxiliary car. Due to the large amount of events in our district, the Auxiliary Officers are used constantly and sometimes in various locations at once.	66th Precinct 5822 16th Avenue	Community Board 12

## 6. Summary of Prioritized Budget Requests

### Brooklyn Community Board 12 Capital Requests

Brooklyn Community Board 12 submitted 15 capital budget requests, organized by priority.

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Support (CS)	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
15/15	DOT	<i>Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals</i>	<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>Ocean Parkway Beverly Road Avenue P</i>	<i>Community Board 12</i>
CS	DSNY	<i>Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up</i>	<i>Keep mechanical sweeper on the 12am to 8am shift (it has been taken away in the past). This sweeper effectively cleans the district and is deployed six days a week. Our district constantly rates low on the scorecard and this should help maintain cleanliness throughout the district.</i>		<i>Community Board 12</i>



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### Brooklyn Community Board 12 Expense Requests

Brooklyn Community Board 12 submitted 41 expense budget requests, organized by priority.

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
1/41	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	18th AVENUE Traveling on 18th Avenue from 45th Street to Ocean Parkway is a nightmare especially during the morning hours. We are requesting a traffic study to determine the feasibility of certain ideas. For instance, the possibility of adding an additional lane with interchangeable direction depending on the time of day or adding turning lanes and maybe eliminating parking at certain times to increase traffic flow.	18th Avenue 45th Street Ocean Parkway	
2/41	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	AVENUE I - A complete traffic study on Avenue I from McDonald Avenue to Coney Island Avenue is needed. There is server congestion as well as horn honking during both AM and PM rush Hours. It can take up to one hour during rush hours to travel this strip.	Avenue I McDonald Avenue to Coney Island Avenue	Community Board 12
3/41	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	AVENUE J - A complete traffic study on Avenue J from McDonald Avenue to Coney Island Avenue is needed as well, especially at the intersection of Avenue J and Bay Parkway where there is a constant bottleneck. There is severe congestion during both AM and PM rush hours. It can take very long to travel this strip, especially from the Bay Parkway intersection to Ocean Parkway.	Avenue J McDonald Avenue to Coney Island Avenue	Community Board 12
4/41	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	THIRTEENTH AVE -Thirteenth Avenue is the commercial shopping Mecca in Community Board 12. People come from all over to shop on Thirteenth Avenue due mainly to its ethnic flavor. On any given Sunday, more than 10,000 people traverse this shopping strip. Parking is at a premium. Traffic is congested, every day of the week; it can take up to an hour to traverse the 23 blocks of this shopping mecca. Thirteenth Avenue has not been reconstructed in more than 21 years, and is in dire need of redesign and reconstruction. We are requesting that a study be done to help ease traffic and parking congestion along this strip as well as design alternatives to enhance this viable commercial strip.		Community Board 12

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5/41	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up for schools and institutions	Provide daily garbage and recycling pick-up for Private Schools. CB 12 has about 80 private schools serving approximately 100,000 or more children. The District has 16 public schools which serves approximately a third of the total enrollment of the private schools. The student enrollment in some of the public schools has been dwindling rather than increasing. Most of these private schools have year round lunch programs with perishable foods. However, the private schools only receive two pickups per week while the public schools are picked up daily. The student enrollment in private schools far outnumber the enrollment in public schools in this district and because of the amount of garbage generated from these schools each day, daily pickups must be implemented.		Community Board 12
6/41	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up for schools and institutions	A dedicated school Sanitation truck for our district. Many times the school truck becomes full way before it covered even half of its route. This causes the garbage to mount and creates a quality of life hazard in addition to becoming a dumping area.		
7/41	NYPD	Other traffic improvements requests	TCAs (Traffic Control Agents): Our district is in dire need of Traffic Control Agents assigned to critical areas in our District as well as alternative measures to decrease congestion. At this time, we have none. Locations where traffic congestion is out of control are 18th Avenue from 45th Street to Ocean Parkway; 15th Avenue from 42nd Street to 45th Street; 14th Avenue from 49th Street to 42nd Street (morning hours) 13th Avenue the entire day from 39th Street to 54th Streets and Avenues I and J from McDonald Avenue to Coney Island Avenue, Fort Hamilton Parkway from 36th Street to 46th Street, especially during rush hours (these are just to name a few). The traffic congestion is extremely severe as well as the horn honking during both the AM and PM rush hours.		
8/41	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	Add two days to the litter basket collection schedule. Currently we have basket services on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday and due to our large population the litter baskets are filling up rapidly in addition to the dumping so we are requesting Tuesday and Friday be added to the schedule.		
9/41	DCP	Study land use and zoning to better match current use or future neighborhood needs	We would like for some commercial areas in our district, specifically in the 60s, to be studied for the purposes of being rezoned for residential development with an increased focus on affordable housing.		

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10/41	DSNY	Increase enforcement of illegal dumping laws	There has been a major increase of illegal dumping on avenues and street corners all across the district. Sanitation Police Officers should be assigned to our district to catch violators and enforce Sanitation laws. Specific locations are 13th Avenue, 16th Avenue and Avenue J.		Community Board 12
11/41	DSNY	Increase cleaning of dump-out/drop-off locations	Increase vacant lot cleaning and known dumping locations. Specifically, South-side of 61st Street has become a dumping ground for all bulk and trash debris due to the fact that there are no houses on that side of the street from 8th Avenue to 14th Avenue. Due to constant dumping the area is full of rats etc. and has become a health hazard.	61st Street 8th Avenue 14th Avenue	Community Board 12
12/41	DOT	Other traffic improvements requests	Upgrade street signs and markings throughout the district as needed. Specifically on 60th Street and 13th Avenue showing northbound traffic must turn either left or right as traffic flowing on 13th avenue southbound up to 60th street is ONE-WAY. We have 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 onto 13th avenue going northbound.	13th Ave 60th Street	Community Board 12
13/41	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	Two extra broom routes for the months of August through December are needed to alleviate heavy litter. Heavy traffic in the area creates an overabundance 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
14/41	DSNY	Provide more on-street trash cans and recycling containers	Provide more litter baskets on our streets. Due to the overflowing garbage in our district it is necessary to provide more trash cans to accommodate the need.		Community Board 12
15/41	ACS	Provide, expand, or enhance funding for Day Care Slots and Head Start Programs	Our district consists of very large families. With the growing financial strain; both parents must work in order to provide for their families. Due to both parents working, more families need child care services. More daycare slots, head start programs and childcare vouchers are needed to adequately care for these children.		Community Board 12
16/41	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	Increase the current four half MLPs to six full MLPs (for eight hour shifts from 6am to 2pm).		
17/41	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	Funding for Parks Personnel to lock all parks in our district after dusk, particularly Gravesend Park. There are constant complaints about people hanging out in the parks after hours. A lot of money has been put into the parks in our district by our local elected officials and its a shame for that to go to waste.		

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18/41	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Funds should be allocated for repairing sidewalks that are damaged by trees. Some of these areas are extremely dangerous for pedestrians and have been waiting for repairs for a very long time.		
19/41	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Increase the number of workers for tree pruning, stump removal and maintenance of parks.		Community Board 12
20/41	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Dead or diseased trees should be routinely removed and replacement should be made as soon as possible.		Community Board 12
21/41	DSNY	Other garbage collection and recycling requests	Assign one cleaning officer to the district and increase the amount of supervisors to the previous level. Currently we have two whereas in the past we had six.		
22/41	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Trees in our district should be routinely checked for their health to prevent them falling during severe weather occurrences.		
23/41	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	Decrease the amount of time it takes to install or replace street signs.		
24/41	NYPD	Provide surveillance cameras	The entire 66th Precinct needs to be outfitted with a CCTV system. The executive officers need to be able to monitor whats going on in the precinct at all times.	66th Precinct 5822 16th Avenue	Community Board 12
25/41	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	As of now the male officers do not have any type of air conditioner in their locker room, they need a ductless air conditioner.	66th Precinct 5822 16th Avenue	Community Board 12
26/41	NYPD	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	The sidewalk area on the 59th Street, side of the Precinct is crumbling and is causing trip hazards 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. Additionally, The curb cut which leads into the small parking lot also on 59th Street side needs replacement.	66th Precinct	Community Board 12
27/41	SBS	Other business regulatory assistance requests	Successful economic development depends on the dollar structure remaining in the community. Small businesses owners should be incentivized to employ local people to insure that jobs and funds remain in the Community. Local banks must make mortgage loans, home improvement loans, business loans, etc. easily available to the local community, thereby insuring that investment dollars remain in the Community. Additionally, these local banks of which we have a lot should be encouraged to hire from the community through incentives (this goes for many other businesses, corporations and institutions).		Community Board 12
28/41	DEP	Clean catch basins	All catch basins should be cleaned on a regular scheduled basis. Deteriorated catch basins should be repaired or replaced as part of a regular maintenance schedule.		Community Board 12

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29/41	DPR	<i>Provide better park maintenance</i>	<i>OCEAN PARKWAY MALLS - Ocean Parkway is a main thoroughfare and is highly trafficked. In addition, Ocean Parkway is a Special District. The beauty of Ocean Parkway must not be allowed to deteriorate. Some of our elected officials have designated monies for the upgrade and beautification of the Malls. Maintenance must be ongoing to make sure the upgrades and beautification remains intact. In order to maintain this arena in a sanitary and groomed condition, a crew should be assigned to maintain the malls of this thoroughfare. An additional crew cab truck is requested to transport the men the length and breathe of this roadway. The Malls and trees must receive regular and concentrated attention so that the Parkway can be properly maintained.</i>		<i>Community Board 12</i>
30/41	DOB	<i>Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)</i>	<i>BUILDINGS - A more efficient system must be devised to handle Stop Work Orders correct and current information must be disseminated to enforcement agencies. Inspectors, assigned on a regular basis to each Community Board would provide a much needed personal relationship with the community board thereby helping to solve problems and cut through the red tape.</i>		<i>Community Board 12</i>
31/41	DFTA	<i>Other senior center program requests</i>	<i>In the Community Board 12 District, we have one of the largest senior populations in the country, as well as he largest population of holocaust survivors. There is an unmet need for adequate home care, particularly if the seniors live alone. Since people are living longer, additional assistance must be available. Services must be increased and not reduced. Eligibility for public assistance needs to be re-evaluated.</i>		<i>Amico Senior Center; Councilman Greenfield</i>
32/41	DPR	<i>Other street trees and forestry services requests</i>	<i>GREEN STREETS - The Kensington area itself has welcomed many new families with young children. However, the Kensington area is devoid of Parks or Green streets. Parks that are in our district are too far away for young children to go alone and play and use the recreational facilities. The Parks are also too far for seniors to travel and to sit and enjoy the greenery rather than cement. This is a quality of life issue that must be addressed.</i>		<i>Community Board 12</i>
33/41	DOT	<i>Other transportation infrastructure requests</i>	<i>There should be closer scrutiny of a contractor's performance. Contracts must not be signed off until it has been satisfactorily established that the work was properly performed. This would eliminate the problems of ponding, improper grading, etc. that so often arise after the contract has been signed off.</i>		<i>Community Board 12</i>
34/41	HPD	<i>Provide more housing for extremely low and low income households</i>	<i>Housing programs for the indigent need to be expanded to help those in need have a better quality of life.</i>		<i>Community Board 12</i>

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35/41	DYCD	<i>Provide, expand, or enhance the Summer Youth Employment Program</i>	<i>Adequate funding is needed for the Community based programs that are youth oriented. More funding should be applied to the Summer Youth Employment Program. Many youths are denied employment due to lack of funding.</i>		Community Board 12
36/41	DFTA	<i>Enhance home care services</i>	<i>In the Community Board 12 District, we have one of the largest senior populations in the country, as well as the largest population of holocaust survivors. There is an unmet need for adequate home care, particularly if the seniors live alone. Since people are living longer, additional assistance must be available. Services must be increased and not reduced. Eligibility for public assistance needs to be re-evaluated.</i>		Community Board 12
37/41	HPD	<i>Expand loan programs to rehabilitate 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>		Community Board 12
38/41	DPR	<i>Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park</i>	<i>District 12 needs more regularly scheduled programs for pre-school youngsters, young adults and senior citizens. The park behind PS 223, on 23rd Avenue between 60th &amp; 61st Streets needs more child and toddler equipment. Requests have been made to remove the basketball hoops and add more child friendly equipment such as swings, etc. Right now there are only slides. More families with children are moving into this area and the need for more playground equipment for young children is needed.</i>	23rd Avenue 60th Street 61st Street	Community Board 12
39/41	DEP	<i>Other water supply system maintenance requests</i>	<i>The Lifetime of a Water Main should be established: periodic inspections, after the projected life span, should be made in order to determine the condition and regular maintenance instituted.</i>		Community Board 12
40/41	DSNY	<i>Increase enforcement of illegal posting laws</i>	<i>Community Board 12 has become inundated with posters on poles and trees causing major litter problems throughout the district.</i>		Community Board 12
41/41	OMB	<i>Other community board facilities and staff requests</i>	<i>Adequate funding should be made available for Community Boards to insure that increased cost of goods and other expenses as well as hiring additional staff are met and to keep up with inflation. 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.</i>		Community Board 12