

Fiscal Year 2018



Brooklyn
Community District 17

#### **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 17'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.

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

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This report is broadly structured as follows:

#### a) Overarching Community District Needs

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

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

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

#### c) Community Board Budget Requests

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



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#### STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS FISCAL YEAR 2018

#### DISTRICT OVERVIEW

Community District 17 (CD17) hereby submits the following Statement of Community District Needs in accordance with §2800-d (10) of the Charter of the City of New York for Fiscal Year 2018. The contents of the statement result from local citizen complaints and testimony given at public hearings, as well as long-standing and, yet unmet needs and priorities.

CD17 is comprised of the following neighborhoods: East Flatbush, Northeast East Flatbush, Rugby, Farragut/Hyde Park, Remsen Village, Ditmas Village and the Erasmus area. The geographic district encompasses East New York Avenue from East 98 Street to Utica Avenue, south on Utica Avenue to Clarkson Avenue, West on Clarkson Avenue to Bedford Avenue, South on Bedford Avenue, to the Long Island Railroad/Glenwood Road East along the Long Island Railroad to East 98 Street, then North on East 98 Street to East New York Avenue.

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Based on the New York City Department of City Planning's District Profile report, the Land Area consist of 2,153.3 acres and 3.4 Square miles, with 44.7% of 1-2 Family Residential, 242% of Multi-Family Residential, 4.9% mixed Residential/Commercial, 3.7% Commercial/Office, 3.7% Industrial, 2.8% Transportation/Utility, 7.1% Institutions, 5.7% Open Space/Recreation, 1.9% Parking Facilities, 0.9% Vacant Land and 0.6% miscellaneous. The industrial area is located adjacent to the Bay Ridge line of the Long Island Railroad but threatens to spill over onto abutting property. The commercial strips consist primarily of small shops, fruits and vegetable stores, medical offices, few large dry goods stores, used car dealerships, one senior day care center, private day care and pre-school centers, restaurants and auto repair shops.

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### 1. Community Board Information

### **Brooklyn Community Board 17**

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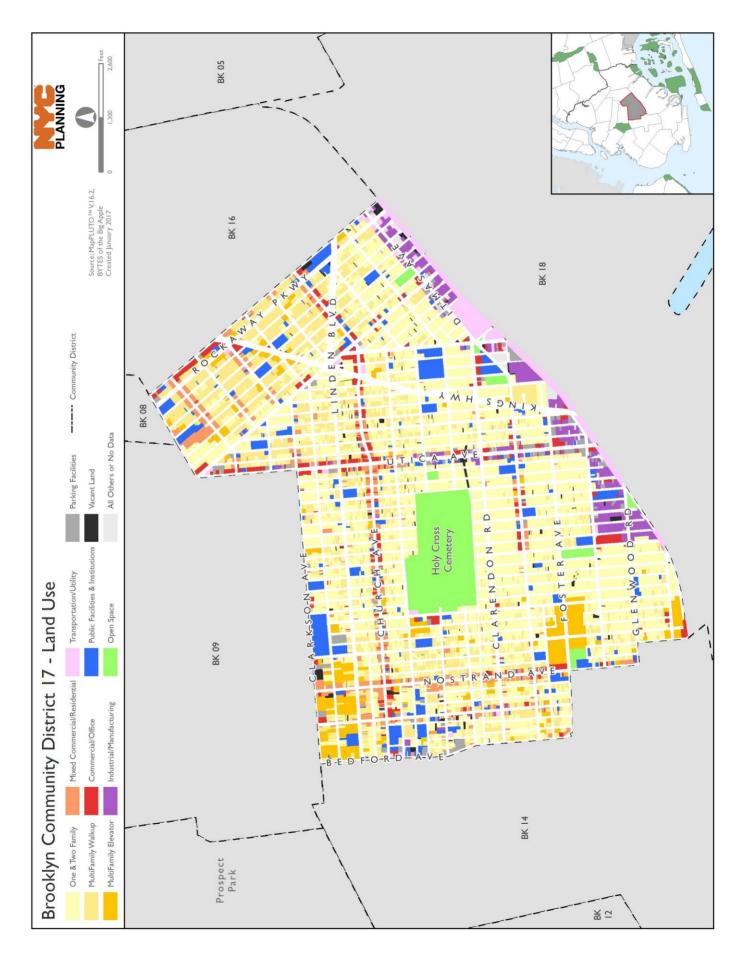
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#### 3. Overview of Community District

Community District 17 is a culturally diverse community. Between 2000 and 2010 there was a -6.3% change in total population. According to the 2010 U.S. Census the total population in 2000 was 165,753 compared to 155,252 in 2010, which includes White Nonhispanic -14.5%, Black/African American Nonhispanic – 6.3%, Asian or Pacific Islander Nonhispanic 4.5%, American Indian and Alaska Native Nonhispanic 33.2%, Other Race Nonhispanic -23.0%, Nonhispanic of Two or More Races -46.3%, and Hispanic Origin 13.7%. 33.2%, Other Race

The census count also highlight a decrease in our total population under 18 Years, compared to 44,792 in 2000 and 35,611 in 2010, and also a slightly lower percentage of -1.1% in the 18 Years and Over category with a population of 120,961 in 2000 and 119,641 in 2010.

We strongly believe that we have many undocumented residents who, if counted, would probably increase the total population in District 17, Nonhispanic -23.0%, Nonhispanic of Two or More Races -46.3%, and Hispanic Origin 13.7%.

#### 4. Top Three Pressing Issues Overall

The three most pressing issues facing Brooklyn Community Board 17 are:

- Affordable housing
- Schools
- Senior services

Senior Services: Our population continues to age like the rest of the country; the frail and elderly are growing more numerous. The elderly age 65 and older stands at 12.2% according to the American Community Survey. We need the services provided by the programs funded by the Department for the Aging more than ever. There is a desperate need for C2 housing, additional centers throughout the distirct and the installation of a kitchen at the present ceter. Schools: In CD17, enrollment in public schools has increased. Public enrollment in 2009 for preschool was 32.2%, for grades K-5, 91.3%, grades 6-8, 98.5% and grades 9-12, 96.9. The average graduation rate is 54.4%, drop-out rate at 14.5% and college ready at 6.1%. We now have Universal Pre-K and these youngsters need to be college and career ready. We need to increase graduation rate and College readiness and decrease the drop-out rate. Community Board 17 continues to advocate for smaller classrooms, resource availability for teachers and all the amenities to ensure all students are college and career ready in addition to vocational and technical training for students to be able to compete in the world of technology. Additionally, there is a need for the implementation of an "Out of School Time" (OST) Program at P.S. 108. The Board strongly supports the Borough Field Support Centers (BFSC's) to take review this request and provide a favorable response. This program will provide a safe and nurturing environment for children whose parents have to work on non-school days and cannot afford the added expense of paying for child care Affordable Housing: According to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, people who pay more than 30% of their income for housing are considered cost burdened and have difficulty affording necessities such as food, clothing, transportation and medical care. Median rents continue to far outpace median incomes, making housing less and less affordable. CB17 supports the Mayor's proposal to reform housing, education, wage increases and increased job access, issues directly related to families living in poverty.

#### **Health Care and Human Services**



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

Other | Healthy Food option remains an issue in the community. CB17 advocates to protect and expand government programs that provide meals to children and help families purchase food, such as SNAP (food stamps) WIC (Women, Infant and Children), and emergency food programs. Efforts must be made to increase the number of eligible children who participate in free and reduced-price School Meals and Summer Meals programs. We advocate for healthy lifestyle programs that are community based initiated and managed by family and group based organization to effectively improve diet, increase physical activities and reduce chronic diseases. We need facilities that offer programs such as indoor and outdoor activities.

Increase Outreach to Seniors - Meals on Wheels Program in CB17. A small percentage of our seniors are enrolled in the Meals-on-Wheels program. We believe there re a number of seniors in our district eligible for this program but due to the lack of information cannot apply. With increased outreach, seniors 60 years and older who meets the criteria could take advantage of this service. The Elder Abuse Program should be enhanced to accommodate the growing senior population. Seniors are living longer, most elders live alone and are sometimes emotionally, financially and physically abused by their caretakers and sometimes strangers. We request enhanced funding to organizations and programs that participate in the Elder Abuse program.

#### Community District Needs Related to Health Care Facilities and Programming

Although Kings County Hospital is located at the border line of District 17, the hospital serves a large population of District 17's residents. The replacement of the Operating Room Microscope in Ophthalmology at Kings County Hospital Center is an essential tool for illumination and image quality in the operating room. Also, the replacement of the Nurse Call System in the Patient Care Service and the prioritization of funding for the neonatal Intensive Care Unit-NICU Transport Unit will continue a continuum of medical care to infants during their first month of birth.

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

We request that the Department For The Aging implement funded programs. There is a need for C2 housing to meet the needs of our aging population, namely: assisted living, independent living and dependent living. Our population continues to age like the rest of the country; the frail and elderly are growing more numerous

#### Community District Needs Related to Facilities and Services for the Homeless

Provide rental assistance/vouchers for permanent housing. The gap between affordability and unaffordable continues to rise. CB17 requests that programs are implemented to accommodate families and singles who due to their income range fall within the borders of unaffordability thus deeming them unable to apply for the affordable units. We believe the income range is a disadvantage to a large number of residents in our district.

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

Other Work Experience Program Requests: With the phasing out of the Work Experience Program slated for December of 2016, it is imperative that participants seeking independence and self-support are provided with the alternatives that continues to improve the skills they already possess and allow them opportunities to develop new abilities that increases their chances of employment.

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
1/17	DFTA	Facilities for seniors	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	3304 Clarendon Road
1/17	DHS	Facilities for the homeless	Other facilities for the homeless requests	



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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
2/37	HRA	Domestic violence services	Other domestic violence services requests	
3/37	DFTA	Services for homebound older adults	Increase home delivered meals capacity	
5/37	HHC	Health care facilities	Other health care facilities requests	Kings County Hospital
6/37	HRA	Services to support low- income New Yorkers	Enhance cash assistance programs	
7/37	HRA	Services to support low- income New Yorkers	Provide, expand, or enhance educational programs for adults	

#### Youth, Education and Child Welfare



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

#### After school programs

There is a need for Youth Centers and publicly funded recreational facilities. Funding and efforts must be doubled to provide more job training, Youth Education, After School tutoring. In addition to the the expansion of Music Outreach Programs and the Beacon programs operating in schools throughout District 17. The children in our district, some from one-parent families, most from families where both parents are wage-earners, and many for whom English is a second language, all need after school and serious meaningful year round youth and after school programs.

#### Community District Needs Related to Educational Facilities and Programs

We request expanded fundings for CAMBA and Sesame Flyers programs. CAMBA provides thousands of low income youth from pre-school through high school with academic assistance, counseling, tutoring, art, drama, music, sports, SAT and Regents help, opportunities to serve their community, internships and employment. CAMBA encourages older youth who are disconnected from either school or work to further their education and employment opportunities and serve their community. Sesame Flyers offer tutoring, safe and nurturing spaces for children to play during the summer, youth-led community service activities, job readiness programs, case management and counseling for families in crisis, GED and computer technology programs, along with celebrations of the rich traditions of Caribbean nations as the eleven-time winner of the Large Band category in the West Indian American Labor Day Parade

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

Adequate funding for child welfare: Community Board 17 supports Federal and State child welfare financing, increase in funding which allows agencies to better protect, care for and provide services to at risk children or those who were abused or neglected. We also advocate for competitive salaries, opportunities for career advancement, adequate compensation and manageable caseload sizes for caseworkers. There should be adequate child abuse and neglect prevention services for every family in need to ensure children have safe and stable permanent families.

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

District 17 is in dire need of Youth Centers. The City of New York and the Department of Youth and Community Development must double its funding and efforts to provide for more Adult Job Training, Youth Education, after school tutoring and Youth Job Training. There is no doubt that effective youth service programs prepare young people to meet the challenges of adolescence and adulthood through structured, youth-centered activities that positively impact their development. New York's youth service programs provide youth development and enrichment opportunities during the school day, after school, and during the summer. Community Board 17 supports an increase in the number of youth employed through the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP). Employing more youth, allows them an opportunity to gain work experience and wages during the summer months. We also support and advocate for resources to the Beacon programs, and programs and initiatives that promotes youth's social, emotional cognitive, and physical development such as athletic programs, internships, tutoring, relationship violence prevention programs (such as Teen RAPP), the Fatherhood Initiative that engages young fathers in their children's lives, and services for runaway and homeless youth.

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
1/17	DOE	Schools and educational facilities	Renovate site component	
2/17	DOE	Schools and educational facilities	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	P.S 109-K109 1001 EAST 45TH STREET





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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
3/37	DYCD	Educational programs	Other educational programs requests	P.S 198
3/37	ACS	Child care	Other child care requests	
4/37	DYCD	Youth workforce development	Provide, expand, or enhance skills training and employment services for high school students at risk of dropping out	
5/37	DYCD	Youth workforce development	Provide, expand, or enhance the out-of-school youth program for job training and employment services	





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

#### Crime prevention programs

The Board believes that crime prevention programs are most effective when they operate within the community and involve community residents actively working with their local government agencies to address issues contributing to crime, delinquency, and disorder in their communities. We applaud the implementation of the Neighborhood Coordinating Officers, an initiative that engages community members and officers. This form of community policing, or community-oriented policing is a proven evident based model of police building ties and working closely with members of the communities. The Board also supports the Advocates Intervene Mentor (AIM) program and request the program be expanded to more communities, hire more mentores and resource specialist to work with youth facing a violation of probation due to chronic absenteeism and/or chronic unresponsiveness to interventions and engagement strategies.

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

We believe it's impossible for the 67th Precinct to respond to all calls made by the community based on the cars available. Both marked and unmarked cars and if possible, motor bikes and bicyles must be allocated to the precinct as means of transportation to help combat crime in the community. Deployment of officers after training must adequately address the safety needs in our District especially on the Merchant Strips where day time crime has increased. The 67th Precinct is also in desperate need of additional detectives to help solve crimes in the community.

#### Community District Needs Related to Emergency Services

Community Board 17 is overly concerned about the on-going vague response to issues of concerns to the community. We once again reiterate the importance of prioritizing the FDNY programs and staffing as noted: Fire Prevention and life Safety initiatives:

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
1/17	NYPD	NYPD facilities and equipment	Add NYPD parking facilities	2820 Snyder Avenue
CS	NYPD	NYPD facilities and equipment	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	2820 Snyder Avenue

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
1/37	FDNY	FDNY programs and staffing	Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives	
1/37	NYPD	NYPD staff and training resources	Assign additional uniformed officers	67th Police Precinct 2820 Snyder Avenue
2/37	NYPD	NYPD staff and training resources	Assign additional crossing guards	East 45th Street Glenwood Road Farragut Road
3/37	NYPD	NYPD staff and training resources	Provide resources to train officers, e.g. in community policing	
4/37	NYPD	NYPD programs	Other NYPD programs requests	
6/37	NYPD	NYPD facilities and equipment	Provide surveillance cameras	

#### Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency



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

#### Cleanliness/trash collection

On weeks when there are holidays, a regular two-day a week pickup becomes a one day scheduled pick-up. This diminution of service is even worse for recyclable materials and the problems of vermin and rodent infestation multiplies. Sanitation should coalesce with the Department of Consumer Affairs to improve cleanliness compliance by homeowners and businesses and address sidewalk clutter.

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

Environmental concerns ranges from complaints about clogged catch basins, many of which are imploding due to lack of repairs and the need for DEP and DOT to collaborate and resolve Trench Restoration work in the community. Funding for trench restoration projects in District 17 would address the increased number of sink holes, East 40th Street between Foster Avenue and Avenue D. The community is also saturated with auto repair shops which discharge large amounts of volatile organic solvents and volatile organic compounds into the air which could contribute to respiratory diseases.

#### Community District Needs Related to Sanitation Services

The New York City Department of Sanitation, via My Neighborhood Statistics recorded an average of 2.4 pounds of garbage and recycling collected per person each day in CD17. The Distict's average of 12.8% of recycling and 87.2% garbage is equivalent to approximately 174 Tons of garbage and recycling collected per day for disposal. The District needs all the necessary tools to ensure the cleanliness of our neighborhood.

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
1/17	DSNY	Garbage collection and recycling infrastructure	Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment	

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
1/37	DEP	Sewage and flooding	Clean catch basins	Farragut Road Kings Highway Utica Avenue
1/37	DEP	Sewage and flooding	Other sewer maintenance requests	East 40th St Avenue D Farragut Rd
1/37	DSNY	Street and lot cleaning	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	
2/37	DSNY	Sanitation Enforcement	Increase enforcement of illegal posting laws	
4/37	DSNY	Garbage collection and recycling	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick- up for schools and institutions	
4/37	DSNY	Sanitation Enforcement	Increase enforcement of canine waste laws	
4/37	DEP	Sewage and flooding	Clean catch basins	94th Street Avenue B
4/37	DEP	Sewage and flooding	Clean catch basins	

#### Land Use, Housing and Economic Development



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

#### Zoning review and enforcement

The Mayor is devoting much of his planning resources to the production of affordable housing. Community Board 17 believes it is important for the Community to offer City Planning consensus driven opportunities to upzone according to mandatory affordable housing. The Board supports the production of affordable housing and will be voting on the proposed Zoning for Quality and Affordability Text Amendment and Mandatory Inclusionary Housing Text Amendment.

#### Community District Needs Related to Land Use

There is a need to identify as many corridors/clusters that are considered worth investigating for upzone. Such corridors might be zoned to not now permit residential development or that might be representative of tax payers with minimal residential displacement or weathered-small homes where additional density might make sense such as adjacent to the Sear's parking lot. Proximity to the Nostrand Avenue subway stations or the Livonia Avenue 3 line stations along 98th street should also be given consideration.

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

Community Board 17 recommends funding for non-for-profit organizations engaged in Foreclosure Prevention, Financial Literacy and Mortgage Modification. It is imperative that funding be provided for the current calendar year and beyond. Neighborhood Housing Services of East Flatbush must be funded for Foreclosure Prevention through HPD's Neighborhood Preservation Consultant Contract. Also, such contracts should be awarded to organizations with the most experience and record of actual accomplishments that are engaged in the communities where their needs are. CB 17 supports Flatbush East Community Development Corporation, Neighborhood Housing Services of East Flatbush Inc. and Erasmus Neighborhood Federation in their request for funding to implement some much needed programs in our district. Annual funding is necessary to support all housing programs in District 17. With the present state of the economy, these programs are necessary to assist homeowners who are experiencing financial difficulties.

#### Community District Needs Related to Economic Development

There is a need to implement more BIDs in CB 17 business areas such as, but not limited to, Utica and East New York Avenue, going south bound on Utica Avenue to Clarendon Road and Utica Avenue and Church Avenue east bound on Church Avenue to Remsen Avenue. The implementation of a BID would promote goodwill between the association members and the residents of the immediate adjacent areas. It will also promote businesses, improve shopping in the community through merchants and civic action projects and foster a stronger relationship between merchants, residents, service agencies and law enforcement for the betterment of the community.

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
1/17	HPD	Affordable housing programs	Provide more housing for special needs households, such as seniors, or the formerly homeless	
1/17	HPD	Affordable housing programs	Expand loan programs to rehabilitate multiple dwelling buildings	





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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
1/37	SBS	Economic development programs	Expand programs to support local businesses and entrepreneurs	
2/37	SBS	Commercial district revitalization	Other commercial district revitalization requests	
3/37	HPD	Housing oversight and emergency programs	Expand programs for housing inspections to correct code violations	
4/37	DOB	Building code and zoning enforcement	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)	
5/37	HPD	Affordable housing programs	Other affordable housing programs requests	

#### Transportation



#### Main Issue Related to Transportation

#### Sidewalk and curb construction

We have requested construction of curb cuts throughout Community District 17. Curb cuts are needed throughout the district to meet the needs of our young children, seniors, the disabled and physically challenged. This is a top priority and one that will bring the city into compliance with the American with Disabilities Act passed by Congress.

#### Community District Needs Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

Community Board 17 supports the change of time in the select bus service lanes on Utica Avenue to accommodate motorist during non- rush hours and on weekends, Saturdays and Sundays. With the installation of the bus lanes, it has not remedy the situation. The Board continue to receive complaints regarding congestions on Utica Avenue.

#### Community District Needs Related to Transit Services

The Newkirk Avenue station has experienced significant deterioration over the years. Rehabilitation will greatly enhance the aesthetic of the station and provide safety and quality service to the commuters. Although parts of this project was approved for funding, CB17 request that the total rehabilitation of this subway station be considered.

#### **Capital Requests Related to Transportation**

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
1/17	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Other transportation infrastructure requests	
1/17	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	East 40th Street Farragut Road Avenue D
2/17	NYCTA	Transit Infrastructure	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	Newkirk Avenue Subway
2/17	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Repair or provide new street lights	Glenwood Road Nostrand Ave Albany avenue
3/17	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Repair or provide new street lights	Nostrand Ave Farragut Rd Beverley Road
3/17	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Repair or provide new street lights	Farragut Road New York Ave Nostrand Avenue
4/17	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Repair or provide new street lights	East 42nd Clarendon Rd Avenue D
4/17	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Repair or provide new street lights	Avenue D Beverley Road

#### **Expense Requests Related to Transportation**

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
3/37	DOT	Traffic and traffic flow	Address traffic congestion	Utica Avenue North South Bound

#### Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities



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

#### Library facilities and access

Community Board 17 supports increased funding for the Brooklyn Public Library's to provide the much needed services, supplies and equipment for our Branch libraries so that the needs of our students and adult population can be met. The three branches in CD 17, Rugby Branch, Clarendon Branch and East Flatbush Branch offer programs such as Homework help, Tutoring, Computer Classes and Games, Internet/Email Classes among other. Capital requirement to complete the renovation at the Rugby Branch for furnishing and equipment cannot be postponed. The commencement of this project is long overdue and adequate arrangements to serve the public during the renovation period must be a top priority.

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

Community Board 17 supports the increase in funding to employ a gardener to trim and maintain the garden at Paerdegat Park.

#### Community District Needs Related to Cultural and other Community Facilities and Programming

There is a urgent need for collaborative efforts to bring together various private and government funds to support, strengthen and expand arts and cultural nonprofits in Community District 17. The Board believes that cultural facilities and programs will promote and contribute to the culture and economic lives of the community, by creating jobs, cultural tourism, expand access and education in the arts, humanities and sciences, while improving the quality of life for community residents at large.

#### Community District Needs Related to Library Facilities and Programming

Community Board 17 supports increased funding for the Brooklyn Public Library to provide the much needed services, supplies and equipment for our Branch libraries so that the needs of our students and adult population can be met. The three branches in CD 17, Rugby Branch, Clarendon Branch and East Flatbush Branch offer programs such as Homework help, Tutoring, Computer Classes and Games, Internet/Email Classes among other.

#### Community District Needs Related to Community Boards

The role of the Community Boards has expanded throughout the years which requires more staffing to satisfy the needs of the office and assist with the required service delivery needs of the community. Adequate funding is requested to fulfill the Charter-mandated responsibilities of the Board.

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
1/17	DCLA	Cultural facilities and	Other cultural facilities and resources requests	
1/17	DCLA	Cultural facilities and resources	Other cultural facilities and resources requests	



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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
1/37	DPR	Street trees and forestry services	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	
1/37	DPR	Street trees and forestry services	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	
1/37	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Provide better park maintenance	East 40th Albany Avenue
1/37	DCAS	Community board facilities and staff	Renovate, upgrade or provide new community board facilities and equipment	4112 Farragut Road
2/37	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Other park maintenance and safety requests	
2/37	DPR	Park programming	Other park programming requests	East 40th Farragut Road
6/37	DPR	Park programming	Other park programming requests	2334 Tilden Avenue
8/37	BPL	Library facilities, equipment and	Provide more or better equipment to a library	Clarendon Road Library

# **Brooklyn Community Board 17 Capital Requests**

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Continued Support (CS)	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
1/17	DOT	Other transportation infrastructure requests	We request funding be allocated that will provide infrastructure investments that supports growth in local business districts.		Community Board Transportation Committee
1/17	DHS	Other facilities for the homeless requests	Provide facilities to house more veterans who after serving and protecting American's freedom, sometimes returns injured and due to circumstances fall on hard time and become homeless.		Social Services Committee of CB17
1/17	DOT	Reconstruct streets	Trench restoration on East 40th Street and Farragut Road and East 40 between Avenue D and Foster Avenue.	East 40th Street Farragut Road Avenue D	Community Board 17 Transportation Committee
1/17	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	The Board supports the funding and installation of a kitchen at the Senior Center located at 3304 Clarendon Road. Having a kitchen on site will greatly enhance the quality of food service to the seniors and eliminate the daily hassle of transporting meals to the center.	3304 Clarendon Road	Hon. Nick Perry, Assemblyman, 58th District; Hon. Jumaane Williams, 45th, District
1/17	DOE	Renovate site component	Construct permanent additions to P.S. 361, 208, 219, and 235 to ease overcrowding. Allocate funding to repair the roof, install an air conditioning unit and purchase a P.A. system for PS 198, in addition to the allocation of funding for window replacements and guards, repair of exit lighting, fence, gate and rear yard at P.S. 208.		Jumaane Williams 45th Council District; Mathieu Eugene - 40th, Council District
1/17	NYPD	Add NYPD parking facilities	Double and triple parking remains a MAJOR issue in the vicinity of the 67th Precinct. The Board was informed due to budget constraints, NYPD could not least the vacant property across from the precint. We once again request that NYPD officials and DOT conduct a feasibility study to determine which short streets, and/or one side of a long street can be converted to a parking space for service vehicles.	2820 Snyder Avenue	Hon. Jumaane Williams, 45th Council District
1/17	HPD	Expand loan programs to rehabilitate multiple dwelling buildings	Community Board 17 supports the expansion of the loan program to rehabilitate multiple dwelling buildings.		Community Board 17 Social Services Committee
1/17	HPD	Provide more housing for special needs households, such as seniors, or the formerly homeless	CB17 supports the allocation of funding for the expansion of housing for special needs housing, such as seniors or the formerly homeless.		Community Board 17 Social Services Committee

# **Brooklyn Community Board 17 Capital Requests**

Brooklyn Community Board 17 submitted 17 capital budget requests, organized by priority.

# Priority / Continued

Support (CS)	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
1/17	DSNY	Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment	There is a need for an additional Basket Truck at BK17 garage to address the overflow of litter on commercial strips.		Sanitation Committee of Community Board 17.
1/17	DCLA	Other cultural facilities and resources requests	CB17 supports the acquisition of City owned vacant land for other cultural facilities. There are approximately six (6) city owned vacant lots in district 17. The Board request the City lease one or two city owned lots to organizations/groups to be utilized for cultural events, such as steel band and marching band practice arts pop up arts galleries, etc. A dedicated location is necessary as opposed to a number of mass bands practicing at various locations throughout the community during the West Indian American Carnival Association celebrations.		Community Board 17
2/17	DOE	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	The gym at P.S. 109 - K109, located at 1001 East 45th Street, Brooklyn is in desperate need of repairs. The gym was damaged during the last major storm and to date funds have not been allocated in the capital budget for complete repairs. We request this item be prioritized.	P.S 109-K109 1001 EAST 45TH STREET	Community Board 17 Education Committee
2/17	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	Install street light at Glenwood Road from Nostrand Avenue to Albany avenue	Glenwood Road Nostrand Ave Albany avenue	Community Board 17 Transportation Committee
2/17	NYCTA	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	Community Board 17 supports funding for the total rehabilitation of the subway station, including a provision for security measures, such as foot patrol or security cameras especially at the back entrance of the subway. In addition to the tracks, platforms and stairways of the Newkirk Avenue Subway.	Newkirk Avenue Subway	Transportation Committee of Community Board 17
3/17	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	Install Street Light on Farragut Road between New York Avenue and Nostrand Avenue	Farragut Road New York Ave Nostrand Avenue	Community Board 17 Transportation Committee
3/17	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	Install street light on Nostrand Avenue from Beverly Road to Farragut Road	Nostrand Ave Farragut Rd Beverley Road	Community Board 17 Transportation Committee
4/17	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	Install Street Light on East 42nd Street between Clarendon Road and Avenue D	East 42nd Clarendon Rd Avenue D	Community Board 17 Transportation Committee
4/17	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	Install Street Light on Avenue D and Beverley Road	Avenue D Beverley Road	Community Board 17 Transportation Committee

# **Brooklyn Community Board 17 Capital Requests**

Brooklyn Community Board 17 submitted 17 capital budget requests, organized by priority.

# Priority / Continued

Support (CS)	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
CS	NYPD	Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses	For the past four years, the facade of the 67th Precinct has been under repairs with scaffolding in the front entrance of the Precinct building. The scaffolding has now become an eyesore to the community. This project needs to be completed along with the repairs of the sidewalk which will make it safe for both officers and residents.	2820 Snyder Avenue	Hon. Jumaane Williams, 45th, Council District.; Public Safety Committee of Community Board 17

# **Brooklyn Community Board 17 Expense Requests**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
1/37	NYPD	Assign additional uniformed officers	The allocation of more officers to the 67 Police Precinct is a much needed resource to help combat crime in the area. There is also a need for more detectives to help solve crimes when comitted.	67th Police Precinct 2820 Snyder Avenue	Jumaane Williams - 45th, Council District; Mathieu Eugene - 40th Council District
1/37	SBS	Expand programs to support local businesses and entrepreneurs	Funding should be increased to employ field liaisons to visit and educate businesses on the various SBS grant programs and benefits derived through participation. Locations such as Church Avenue from Utica Avenue to East 98th Street and Utica Avenue from East New York Avenue to Beverly Road.		Community Board 17 Commerce Committee
1/37	DCAS	Renovate, upgrade or provide new community board facilities and equipment	Community Board 17 remains concern about sewer backing up in the trap located inside of the office area where the Staff sits daily to conduct the business of the Board. To date, there were approximately, three sewerage back-ups, which caused the Staff to either go home, and/or stand for hours outside of the office on the sidewalk while the sewerage is being relieved by the plumber. We have just received an official report from the Landlord, stating the sewer trap cannot be moved to the outside of the building. With a sewer trap located in the work area of the office, and the occasional stench that emanate from the trap, affects the Staff's health. We are requesting that the City of New York take the appropriate step to remedy this situation.	4112 Farragut Road	
1/37	DEP	Clean catch basins	Installation of Catch Basins	Farragut Road Kings Highway Utica Avenue	Sanitation Committee
1/37	FDNY	Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives	Emergency Generators off-set that critical need that comes with the loss of eletricity during a power outage. We support the allocation of funding for emergency generators at Engine 248, BN41 and Engine 310, Ladder 174, BN 58. We also support full funding for fire Prevention Inspection Program, Fire Prevention Inspection Team and the Juvenile Fire Setter Intervention program, in addition to carbon monoxide and smoke detectors for distribution to seniors and the other population unable to afford the purchase.		Supported by All Elected Officials; Public Safety Committee of Community Board 17
1/37	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Funding for Tree Pruning and Maintenance must be enhanced to reduce the seven year pruning cycle.		Community Board 17 Parks Committee
1/37	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	Hire additional personnel to trim the grass and maintain the garden at Paerdegat Park.	East 40th Albany Avenue	Community Board 17 Parks Committe

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1/37	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Tree Stump Removal: Bundles of tree stumps chopped and placed on street corners are not only an obstruction to pedestrians but unsightly. CB17 requests that funding be extended to hire more contractors to remove trees branches and stumps when trees are pruned or tagged to be removed.		Community Board 17 Parks Committee
1/37	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	Expand litter basket collection through out the community and increased monitoring will prevent illegal utilization for household garbage and prevent overflows.		Community Board Sanitation Committee
1/37	DEP	Other sewer maintenance requests	Funding of Trench restoration projects in CB17.	East 40th St Avenue D Farragut Rd	
2/37	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	Enhance Park Safety. Funding must be increased and more enforcement personnel hired to monitor the parks. Off leash dogs, loitering and littering has become the norm in most neighborhood parks.		Community Board 17 Parks Committee
2/37	DPR	Other park programming requests	Community Board 17 request that the vacant land space at the location indicated be transformed into a community garden.	East 40th Farragut Road	Community Board 17 Parks Committee
2/37	DSNY	Increase enforcement of illegal posting laws	Illegal postering continues to be a problem. The Sanitation Inspectors who perform daily inspections, Sanitation Enforcement and the citywide postering team must make a concerted and consistent effort to reverse this trend.		Sanitation Committee of Community Board 17
2/37	SBS	Other commercial district revitalization requests	Allocate funding for Commercial district revitalization. There are locations in the business areas along the commercial strips that need benches, lighting, banners on the poles and holiday lighting decorations that would attract shoppers to the various areas.		Beautification Committee of Community Board 17.
2/37	HRA	Other domestic violence services requests	Community Board 17 supports expanded funding for existing Domestic Violence Victims and intervention programs that focuses on educating families on how to safely leave a situation before it becomes life threating in addition to recognize the various forms of abuse, emotional, physical, sexual and psychological.		Community Board 17's Social Services Committee
2/37	NYPD	Assign additional crossing guards	The Board request additional school crossing guards be assigned to schools in the confines of District 17	East 45th Street Glenwood Road Farragut Road	Community Board 17's Education and Public Safety Committees
3/37	ACS	Other child care requests	Community Board 17 request continued funding of Head Start delegate agencies, Child Care sponsors and Family Child Care networks that provides care to children whose families are defined as low income or receiving public assistance. These services have proven positive based on agency budget consultation.		

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Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
3/37	NYPD	Provide resources to train officers, e.g. in community policing	provide resources to enhance training for officers e.g. in community policing. The Board strongly believes community policing promotes partnership between police and community and proactively address the immediate conditions that give rise to public safety issues such as crime, social disorder and fear of crime. The implementation of the Neighborhood Coordination Officers program works best when officers are trained in cultural and sensitivity training.		Community Board 17's Public Safety Committee
3/37	DOT	Address traffic congestion	Congestion on Utica Avenue has increased due to the installation of the Select Bus Service lanes.	Utica Avenue North South Bound	Transportation Committee of Community Board 17
3/37	HPD	Expand programs for housing inspections to correct code violations	CB17 supports the increase of funding to hire additional inspectors to adequately inspect and/or investigate housing maintenance complaints.		Community Board 17 Housing Committee
3/37	DFTA	Increase home delivered meals capacity	Sincere efforts must be made to promote greater outreach to the shut-ins who depend on the Meals on Wheels program.		Hon. Jumaane Williams, 45th Council District; Hon. Mathieu Eugene, 40th, Council District
3/37	DYCD	Other educational programs requests	Implementation of an "Out of School Time" (OST) Programs at P.S. 198. The Board stronly supports the request for this program which is designed to create a safe and nurturing environment for children whose parents have to work on non-school days and cannot afford the added expense of paying for child care services.	P.S 198	Hon. Jumaane Williams, Councilmember - 45th Council District; Community Board 17's Education Committee
4/37	DEP	Clean catch basins	There should be yearly cleaning of catch basins throughtout Community Board 17's district, a minimum of twice per year.		Sanitation Committee of Community Board 17
4/37	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance skills training and employment services for high school students at risk of dropping out	Increase funding for more Youth Development Services such as skilled based programs that provide advance workforce development training such as resume writing, communication/interview skills etc. The Board also supports the Federal Community Services Block Grant funds that foster initiatives that combat poverty conditions. District 17 is one of the largest immigrant communities and we support this note worthy program that provides support to immigrants and establish routes for youth, families and neighborhoods to become more self- sufficient.		

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Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
4/37	NYPD	Other NYPD programs requests	Expand Funding for the PAL program at the 67th Precinct to include an exchange program allowing children opportunities that align with their curriculum or cultural and historical study.		Community Board 17's Public Safety Committee
4/37	DEP	Clean catch basins	Installation of Catch Basin	94th Street Avenue B	Sanitation Committee of CB17
4/37	DSNY	Increase enforcement of canine waste laws	The Board request that the enforcement of canine waste laws are enforced especially in areas where parks are located. Additionally, we request the restoration of funding to erect signage and the increase of Sanitation Police officers to monitor and issue summons to those in violation of the law.		Community Board 17 Sanitation Committee
4/37	DOB	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)	There is a need for inspection of new and in-progress construction, and violation removal throughout the district. Bi-annual and timely inspections of multiple dwellings and commercial properties must continue, including timely inspections due to complaints. Expanding the Building Inspector Training Program will assist in the enforcement of building and zoning codes.		Land Use Committee of Community Board 17.
4/37	DSNY		Fund five-day pick-up and summer collections at school. Five day collection at public and private schools must remain a high priority, especially at those schools with a breakfast program and several lunch hours. Collections must be made around schools that put out garbage on Friday past the regular pickup. Also, the Sanitation department must clean-up debris spilled when pick-ups are made especially at public schools on the weekend.		Sanitation Committee of Community Board 17
5/37	ННС	Other health care facilities requests	Prioritize funding for the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit-NICU Transport Unit at Kings County Hospital Center. Funding for this unit will enable Kings County Hospital Center to provide a continuum of medical care to infants during their first month of birth. Community Board 17 supports this much needed service to local community.	Kings County Hospital	Social Services Committee of Community Board 17
5/37	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	Extend Funding for the Multifamily Preservation Loan Program (MPLP) which guarantees the rehabilitation of distressed vacant and/or occupied multi-family properties and thus give housing opportunities to low-to-moderate income households.		Community Board Social Services Committee
5/37	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance the out-of- school youth program for job training and employment	Request the incorporation of STEM enrighment programs into ALL DYCD SONYC afterschool programs.		Education Committee of Community Board 17

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Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
6/37	NYPD	Provide surveillance cameras	Install surveillance cameras: (1) Corner of Albany Avenue and Clarendon Road (2) Snyder Avenue Between East 42nd Street and East 43rd Street (3) Farragut Place bet. East 32nd Street and East 31st Streets.94) Foster Avenue and East 37th Street (5) East 56th Street and Avenue D.		Hon. Jumaane Williams, Councilmember - 45th Council District
6/37	HRA	Enhance cash assistance programs	Enhance The Adult Protective Service that provides cash assistance for single individuals without children and those who have children but have already received cash assistance. Continue funding of the Adult Protective Service Program (APS) that assist adults who are physically and/or mentally inparired, so they can get the much needed service.		Hon. Jumaane Williams, Councilman, 45th Council District; Hon. Nick Perry, Assemblyman, 58th, Assembly District
6/37	DPR	Other park programming requests	Community gardens will be a great enhancement to the East Flatbush community while simultaneously providing fresh vegetables to the community.	2334 Tilden Avenue	Beautification Committee of Community Board 17
7/37	HRA	Provide, expand, or enhance educational programs for adults	All programs funded by HRA are sorely needed in CB17. HIV/AIDS Services Administration (HASA), Office of Domestic Violence & Emergency Intervention Services (ODVESIS), Family Independence Administration (FIA), Home Care Services Program (HCSP), Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE), Medical Assistance Programs (MAP) and Adult Protective Services (APS). Funding must be continuoulsy increased and expanded where needed. Increased awareness to clients by posting multi-lingual signs at their sites advising clients of free interpretation services, aslo the distribution of revised multi-lingual cards at sites that provides first-contact language support to clients.		
8/37	BPL	Provide more or better equipment to a library	Increase Funding for the Purchase of Computers and books at the Clarendon Road Library	Clarendon Road Library	Education Committee of Community Board 17