



Fiscal Year 2017 Statement of Community District Needs and  
Community Board Budget Requests  
for  
Queens Community Board 7

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## INTRODUCTION

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

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

This report represents Queens Community Board 7's Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the Community Board which is displayed in italics.

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

## 1. COMMUNITY BOARD INFORMATION

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## 2. OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT

Queens Community Board 7 provided the following overview of their district:

*Community Board #7 is the largest in population and 5th largest citywide in acreage of all 59 Community Boards. It is comprised of eight towns, Bay Terrace, Beechhurst, College Point, most of Flushing, Malba, Queensborough Hill, Whitestone, and, Willets Point, making up 12.7 square miles and 285 miles of city streets. We are an extremely diverse community consisting of one and two family homes, suburban/urban high rise apartments, 64 park locations, 30 greenstreets, an intermodal transportation hub with 26 bus lines, the #7 train, and the L.I.R.R. In addition, we are the 4th busiest retail area in the city, the second largest industrial area in the borough because of the College Point Corporate Park, and, the 2nd busiest downtown behind Herald Square. Our board has the largest waterfront area running from Flushing Bay to Fort Totten.*

*Our diversity presents us with many challenges and problems, which we must address and resolve, if we are to maintain the level of our past accomplishments, and improve our quality of life in the 21st century. These can be summarized along the following issues: zoning, parking, the environment, transportation, traffic, service delivery, waterfront development, in addition to maintaining the economic growth in downtown Flushing, College Point, Bay Terrace and Whitestone.*

*We are concerned about meeting the needs of our senior citizens, the proliferation of houses of worship, maintaining the viability of our parks, as well as our historic heritage. Our most immediate emphasis is concentrating on managing new developments within our board area, and the potential of its impact on traffic, service delivery, and schools for our youngsters.*

*Evidence shows that our board has experienced enormous building growth in both commercial and residential areas. For example within only a four block radius of downtown Flushing, the housing stock in the past 25 years has grown, and projects presently on the drawing board will bring in additional units of housing within the next several years. Flushing Commons is doing a mixed use development on the old Municipal Parking lot #1, the Hyatt Place hotel opened on Prince Street as part of the Fulton 1 mixed use development, and the anticipated Fulton 11, also a mixed used "as of right" development, is on the drawing board directly across the street on 39th Avenue between Prince Street and College Point Boulevard.*

*With the completion of the 2010 census, our population was estimated to be approximately 250,000 documented persons, making us the largest population wise of all 59 boards. Many census tracts in and around downtown Flushing have experienced substantial population growth. This data confirms that the trend of substantial growth in our area has continued adding to the demand for new market rate and affordable housing, senior housing, classroom space, and city services.*

### 3. MAIN ISSUES

As part of this year's process, community boards were asked to select from a list the three most pressing issues facing their district. Queens Community Board 7 identified the following three issues:

- *Street conditions*
- *Traffic*
- *Other <I>Please specify below</I>|Economic Development within our board area, has mainly focused on two specific areas - downtown Flushing, and the College Point Corporate Park Special district. These two locations have seen a major increase in development, requiring municipal attention and funds to improve its infrastructure. Downtown Flushing is a vibrant location for investment, and opportunity. With regard to the Corporate Park, we need to insure that this final development includes maintaining the safeguards that are in place. We require assurances that the balance of development will address the community's quality of life.*

Queens Community Board 7 provided the following explanation for their choices:

*Federal, State and City funding is insufficient to meet the needs of our capital projects, which are necessary to provide desperately needed infrastructure improvements. The majority of our capital priorities has been and will remain, transportation requests. The commercial areas of Flushing, College Point, and Whitestone generate a tremendous amount of car, bus and truck traffic. This puts an incredible strain on the streets and highways of these communities. Capital construction needs to be accelerated to accommodate the increased volume of traffic, and deteriorated condition of our streets. We need to see Linden Place phase 2, connecting to 20th Avenue accelerated since this street will be needed for the reconstruction of Ulmer Street between the Whitestone Expressway Service road and 25th Avenue, as well as 28th Avenue between College Point Boulevard and Linden Place. Both Ulmer Street and 28th Avenue will have to closed for several years because of the necessity to do surcharging. The agency must seriously look at accelerating our number one capital budget request for the reconstruction of 20th Avenue from the Whitestone Expressway service road to College Point Boulevard, as well as 127th Street between 14th and 22nd Avenues. This major roadway connects the communities of Whitestone to College Point. The roadbed which is heavily utilized is uneven, has many ruts, as well as a serious drainage problem. The city recently resurfaced 20th Avenue, however, with its heavy utilization by cars, busses, and trucks - many of which are 18 wheelers, the roadbed will not be able to be sustained, and will eventually begin collapsing. The agency took a Band-Aid approach to a hemorrhage. The condition of our streets are terrible, and, Main Street, which is one of our major roadways, is not scheduled for resurfacing until FY2017. This is not acceptable. This road is a bus route connecting the Bronx to Jamaica, and, with its myriad of potholes and ruts it is difficult to navigate. The agency needs to accelerate some of its basic maintenance issues, such as repainting of street markers indicating "Stop Ahead", "Speed Bumps", school crossing signs, and re-installation of street name and stop ahead signs. These delays generate many community complaints.*

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

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

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

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

The following sections describe the specific needs and budget requests of Queens Community Board 7 for FY 2017.

##### 4.1. Health Care and Human Services Needs and Requests

###### Main Issue

*Programs, services or facilities for seniors*

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

*Community Board #7 being the largest population wise, have approximately 90,000 seniors living in our district. We have seen a younger, more vibrant senior whom want innovative and exciting programs. We are happy to see that the Department for the Aging has created more innovative centers. They have expanded the hours, their programs are more diverse, and have expanded programming by introducing technology, cultural arts, weekends, and addressing the needs of our multi-cultural community. They have realized that by keeping their minds active, they remain younger. In addition DFTA has seen the need to introduce Virtual Senior Centers programs, and has also implemented a tele-health kiosk to measure and track health outcomes for their members on an ongoing basis.*

###### Community District Needs and Requests

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

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

#### 4.1. Health Care and Human Services Needs and Requests

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

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

*Our concern is that 1/3 of our population are seniors, and growing. There is a need for additional services for better access to "Access A Ride". and, centers that would accommodate the active to frail senior with programs to meet their needs, as well as affordable housing. In addition with regard to the frail senior, these centers must actively pursue the idea of an ongoing intergenerational program connecting seniors with high school and college students who can either be companions, or assist them with simple chores.*

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
22	DFTA		Support Capital Funding for the Department for the Aging.	Funding must be obtained to allow the Department for the Aging to develop additional sites within Community Board #7. Our district has a Senior population with close to 90,000 Seniors, and with the lack of upgraded facilities this goal is hard to accomplish. These sites must be developed keeping in mind that our Seniors are more active and involved.		

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

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

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

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



## 4.2. Youth, Education and Child Welfare Needs and Requests

### Main Issue

#### *Preventive services*

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

*Beacon programs are effective programs that offer positive youth development through educational, cultural and literacy programs. Currently we have two Beacon sites that serve the needs of approximately 47,000 youth. Preventative programs are necessary to keep youngsters active and engaged in constructive programs, and should include educational and career choice counseling, as well as high school drop out prevention. Youth employment programs should be expanded to address youth employment, develop jobs, and job training programs. In order to make certain that we are doing the best for our youth, the Dept. of Youth and Community Development, must engage in cooperative planning, ensure the most effective use of current youth programs, as well as the development of additional pro*

### Community District Needs and Requests

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

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

*Construction of a middle school for College Point is essential. With the increase in population, and the only middle school that closed decades ago, these children need to travel to the communities of either Flushing or Whitestone. In addition anytime the board votes on a large scale development, one of the criteria for approval is that the developer must look at placing a school within the site to accommodate the children in the area. In downtown Flushing, due the school over-crowding, P.S. 107, which is located at 167-02 45th Avenue, for the next three years will be accepting the kindergarten children from P.S. 24, which is located at 141-11 Holly Avenue.*

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
20	SCA		<i>Fund the Dept. of Education for Joint Operated Playgrounds for Queens.</i>	<i>Joint Operated Playgrounds are presently maintained/operated solely with Parks Department personnel and budget. Due to severe cutbacks, the responsibility must be shared as joint operated implies. Department of Education must contribute a fair share to this Program. This is a matter of safety for the children that use these playgrounds.</i>		

## 4.2. Youth, Education and Child Welfare Needs and Requests

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

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

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
07	ACS		<i>Increase Funding for Day Care Centers.</i>	<i>Increase funding for Day Care Centers in order to accommodate the increasing population within our Board area. The need for this service has increased tremendously since both parents need to work.</i>		

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

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

*Since 1995 Community Board #7's youth population has suffered due to the funding cuts that resulted in the elimination of the position of Youth Coordinator. In the past, they have played a vital role by effectively monitoring youth programs, provide technical assistance to youth service providers, and to guide youth program users. In addition, they monitored programs funded by the Dept. of Education, Dept. of Youth and Community Development, the Borough President, and the council, to ensure that they were meeting the needs of our growing community. It has been over 20 years since this position was eliminated, and it is evident that it is having a negative impact on our youth population. The Youth Coordinator held monthly meetings with all groups, and they were able to discuss and resolve issue that might have arisen. This is not being done.*

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

### 4.3. Public Safety Needs and Requests

#### Main Issue

*Rapid response in service delivery*

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

*With both Police and Fire, our residents are concerned with the effect of quality of life issues. Due to the increased urbanization, and new high rise development, which is increasing the population, resulting in a heavier workload with our Public Safety agencies. The present geographical boundary, and the influx of new Americans within our district has been burdened with the demand to service the community properly. The ability to maneuver through the district with an emergency vehicle becomes a challenge. Thus delaying the response time to either a fire or police incident.*

#### Community District Needs and Requests

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

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

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
26	NYPD		<i>Fund a new Police precinct dedicated to Flushing Meadows Corona Park</i>	<i>Over the years crime has increased in Flushing Meadows Corona Park. The Precincts surrounding the park are too busy to assist with regard to park security. If an incident was to occur within the park the response time would be significantly improved with the establishment of a new precinct. Safety must be our number one priority for the mirrard of families utiizing the park on a daily basis.</i>		
27	NYPD	<i>NYPD facilities and equipment</i>	<i>Upgrade and Rehabilitate Willets Family farm House in Fort Totten</i>	<i>An architectural and structural assessment needs to be done in order to stabilize the building, salvage the remaining details that dated to its original 1829 construction. In 1867 remove inappropriate accretions. With stabiliztion the house will continue to be an important conribuing resource in the Fort Totten Historic District, as well as a testament to the early Development for the borough.</i>		
CS	NYPD		<i>Establish an Additional Police Precinct for Community District #7.</i>	<i>Community Board #7 having the largest population of the 59 Community Boards, and one of the largest in geographic area, there is a need for an additional Police Precinct for our district. According to information the 109th Precinct is 4th in overall index crime complaints in the city</i>		<i>Friends for Fort Totten Park; Bay Terrace Community Alliance</i>

### 4.3. Public Safety Needs and Requests

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
				<i>and 1st in Queens for radio runs (approximately 6,000 per month). The Fair Share Allocation for manpower has to take into consideration the quality of life issues that the precinct has to deal with. This requires time and manpower of which our precinct is being stretched far beyond their limit.</i>		

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

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
08	NYPD		<i>Allocate additional Personnel For The 109th Precinct.</i>	<i>Support funding for additional Personnel to address Quality of Life complaints, maintain the DARE program (workshop on drug education for school children), additional civilian personnel to relieve officers assigned to the 109th Precinct, school crossing guards. Additional Traffic Enforcement Agents are needed to intensify enforcement coverage. In addition, the K-9 Unit dogs are capable of sniffing-out drugs and bombs.</i>		
16	NYPD		<i>Fund Additional Equipment for the 109th Precinct.</i>	<i>Money needs to be allocated in order to fund boots for commercial trucks that park overnight in residential areas, as well as heavy duty tow trucks for eighteen wheelers. In addition, money must be allocated to purchase new equipment, such as Plate Readers, GLA Trackers, and Argus Cameras.</i>		

### 4.3. Public Safety Needs and Requests

#### 4.3.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Emergency Services

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

*As there has been an increase within the Asian community, our community desperately needs more Korean and Chinese personnel. Our board has over 600 establishments selling alcohol, karaoke bars, internet cafes to name a few. Several buildings within our district have these types of establishments under one roof. This does create a problem for emergency services, since the information that we are able to obtain from the Dept. of Buildings, may indicate several serious issues/violations which SLA pays no attention. Doors can be blocked, they have not built according to plans, no emergency lighting, sprinklers or secondary means of egress. In case of a real emergency the lives of the patron as well as the service provider will be in jeopardy. All agencies must be on the same page. SLA must listen to the Community Board as well as both fire and police departments as it pertains to the laws on the books.*

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
14	FDNY		<i>Upgrade Building Facilities for Engine Companies 274, 273, 297 and 295.</i>	<i>Due to the tremendous growth in the number of housing units in Community District #7, upgrading the firehouse is considered to be of utmost importance. Upgrading includes electrical system, plumbing, painting throughout, and back-up diesel generators.</i>		
23	FDNY		<i>Complete and Upgrade E.R.S. System for Community District #7.</i>	<i>Upgrade of E.R.S. boxes will cut down on false alarms and provide better services in times of real emergencies. Will eliminate wear and tear and waste of diesel fuel on the rigs.</i>		
28	FDNY	<i>FDNY facilities and equipment</i>	<i>Reconstruction of College Point Sports Fields Phases IV and V</i>	<i>Construction is to include a parking lot, sports lighting (night time) as well as athletic Fields (track and football).</i>	Fort Totten	
29	FDNY	<i>FDNY facilities and equipment</i>	<i>Construction of a Sidewalk for George U. Harvey along the Whitestone Expressway Service Road from 14th to 20th Avenues.</i>	<i>This sidewalk installation is necessary for the safety and security of the park patrons. This park is heavily utilized by the youth of the community with their various sports or utilization of the playground, and without sidewalks both parents and youngsters at times are seen walking in the roadbed in order to use the park, thus creating a very dangerous situation for both pedestrians and drivers</i>	Fort Totten park	
CS	FDNY		<i>Provide Funds to Build a Civic Learning Center to be located at</i>	<i>There is a need to develop a multi agency Civic Learning Center to teach youngsters about safety issues as it pertains to the Fire, Buildings, Environmental Protection,</i>		

### 4.3. Public Safety Needs and Requests

#### 4.3.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
			<i>Fort Totten.</i>	<i>Healthy, Police and Sanitation Departments. In addition, this site could be used for Seniors as a Refresher Center.</i>		

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

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
13	FDNY		<i>Support Funding for Fire Department Personnel.</i>	<i>Funding is needed to support Probie Training, Restoration of Salvage Unit, Establishment of SVC Liaison Unit, Expansion of Juvenile Fire Setter Intervention Program and The Arson Task Force.</i>		
14	FDNY		<i>Support Funding for Fire Department Equipment.</i>	<i>Each of our Fire houses need to be supplied with Generators, GPS Systems, Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors and CPR Kits. Support funding for senior dual C/O - smoke detector installations - CPR and Fire safety training.</i>		
21	FDNY		<i>Maintain funding for the Fire Marshal Base at Fort Totten.</i>	<i>Fire Marshals are the detectives for the Fire Department and are on the scene of a fire to determine if arson is the cause. The evidence must not be destroyed, and with the projected opening of the base in Queens the backload of open cases and arson fires will be reduced.</i>		

#### 4.4. Core Infrastructure and City Services Needs and Requests

##### Main Issue

##### *Cleanliness/trash collection*

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

*While they are all important, it is very difficult to just narrow it down. Our residents are constantly calling our office with regard to dump outs, improper garbage disposal, and persons going through the trash looking for bottles/cans for recycling. Because of the importance of this issue, the formation of a BID was established in the downtown Flushing area to help alleviate the debris left on the sidewalks, the overflowing baskets, as well as the greasy sidewalks. In addition the Councilperson in Whitestone has funded a twice a weekly BID operation to make sure that the Village is kept clean. With regard to Whitestone, we are working with the Dept. of Transportation to change the parking regulations in order to assist.*

##### Community District Needs and Requests

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

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

*Since 1984 our board has included in their capital and expense budget submissions the need to construct both sanitary and storm water systems within the district. We have seen a major increase due to the aging sewer systems which have resulted in major flooding problems especially in the areas of north Flushing, College Point as well as Whitestone. One of our major projects is SE809 which goes from along the N/B Whitestone Expressway Service Road from College Point Boulevard to 25th Road, and Union Street on the eastern portion. It entailed water mains, sanitary sewers, a storm system and chambers, and later this year we will see the start of SE807 which will cover the western portion of College Point, and, followed by SE810/811 which will be east of SE809. All of these projects have always received special attention when doing our budget due to the severity of the flooding that occurs, impacting not only homes, but, major roadbeds.*

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Water, Sewers and Environmental Protection (as provided by the Community Board)  
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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
09	DEP		Construct & Reconstruct Sanitary Storm & Combined Sewers within Community Board #7	The construction and reconstruction of sanitary storm and combined sewers will help lessen the incidence of sewer back-ups and will assist in the draining of storm and sanitary water. The modernization of interlocker catch basins and granite head catch basins will facilitate maintenance within Board #7.		
CS	DEP		Whitestone Expressway Drainage Plan - Phases I, II and III.	Construction of storm, sanitary and water mains from the northbound Whitestone Expressway Service Road going eastbound into the Whitestone Communities. Homeowners have been experiencing tremendous flooding in front of their homes as well as their basements. These projects will eliminate this ongoing problem.		Mitchell Linden Civic Association



#### 4.4. Core Infrastructure and City Services Needs and Requests

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

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

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
05	DEP		<i>Increase Maintenance Staff for the Department of Environmental Protection.</i>	<i>Additional maintenance staff is needed to handle the increased number of street collapses and to perform odor control monitoring at water plants and staff to handle repairs for the general cleaning and repairing of catch basins.</i>		



#### 4.4. Core Infrastructure and City Services Needs and Requests

##### 4.4.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Sanitation Services

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

*Litter, especially in the downtown shopping areas, is a never ending problem even with the Flushing BID in place. Multi-language educational efforts are required to explain the various sanitation laws in the District's citizens and businesses. Enforcement is needed, but it must be fair and reasonable. We request that emphasis be placed on ticketing the litterbugs instead of where their litter falls. This will reduce litter now, and in the future as this will also be an educational effort for those ticketed. Community Board #7 supports the various recycling programs, and the outreach and educational efforts must continue, and be increased to encourage vigorous participation by all citizens and businesses. Weekly recycling must continue, and we are happy to see new materials targeted for recycling, such as textiles and food wastes. Multi language educational efforts must target those areas with lower capture and diversion rates. The towing of cars from snow emergency streets during snowstorms must be improved to allow for better snow removal. Snow removal efforts have improved since the agency added the trucking of snow out of the congested areas, and where possible, the melting of snow to reduce the mounds of plowed snow. With the recent opening of the North Shore Marine transfer station, efforts must be in place to ensure that sanitation drivers from other community districts use only the approved truck routes coming and going from the MTS. Local streets are not through streets, and should not be used.*

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
04	DSNY		<i>Increase Personnel for the Department of Sanitation.</i>	<i>Additional personnel are needed to handle basket pick-ups on Saturday, Sunday and holidays on commercial strips. Maintain 5 day school collection and twice weekly Recycling Collection and sweepers. In addition, the household bulk must be opened during the week to accommodate homeowners who need access to the dump. If the household dump is not accessible illegal dumping will increase.</i>		
15	DSNY		<i>Continue support for the Department of Sanitation Recycling Program.</i>	<i>Maintaining the weekly recycling program is a necessity with the increasing population, building growth and new products-ie: all plastics, clothing and food waste. It's extremely important to have weekly collections in order to accommodate the anticipated growth of the agency/population. Quota Numbers need to be increased.</i>		

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

### Main Issue

*Zoning review and enforcement, and code enforcement*

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

*Community Board #7 has been inundated with one and two family homes being converted to either hotels, S.R.O's or illegal conversions. According to the information received by the Dept. of Buildings we are number one in the borough for these types of illegal activity. In addition homeowners are frequently violating building dept. guides by not obtaining permits, working late in the evening and weekends. This has a tremendous negative impact on the abutting properties. There is also difficulty by the agency to obtain access warrants. Homeowners are very aware that they do not have to open the door to an inspector.*

### Community District Needs and Requests

#### 4.5.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Land Use

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

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
01	DOB		<i>Increase Personnel For The Department of Buildings.</i>	<i>Due to the increased construction in Community Board # 7, there is a need to increase the number of qualified inspectors to expand the Administrative Tribunal to deal with the volume of violations, to increase the number of inside personnel to assist community board staff. Eight (8) additional support staff, additional administrative staff and additional inspectors are needed.</i>		
22	DOB		<i>Support additional equipment for the Department of Buildings.</i>	<i>Money must be allocated to purchase noise mitigation equipment for the Agency to measure the sound levels of pile driving and jack hammering. With the accelerated new construction going on in our district we have been receiving an increase in complaints from area residents regarding noise which presently is being monitored and enforced by DEP.</i>		

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

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

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

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
24	HPD		<i>Increase staff at present level for the Department of Housing Preservation &amp; Development.</i>	<i>Increased staff is needed to maintain inspectors at current level. Money must be allocated to increase staff attorneys to handle the backload of cases. At present the Agency only has five (5) staff attorneys and each year the number of cases increases between 7 to 8 percent.</i>		

### 4.5.3. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Economic Development

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

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
CS	EDC		<i>Redesign Flushing Airport Site.</i>	<i>Improve and develop Flushing Airport site to be utilized for soft recreational uses which would include using an aviation theme. Site should include uses such as a driving range, miniature golf, water park to enhance the wetlands, etc. Community Board #7 does not want to see heavy trucking uses such as a manufacturing or a retail component.</i>		<i>Bowne Park Civic Association</i>

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

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
23	SBS		<i>Support Department of Small Business Services Programs.</i>	<i>Support Neighborhood Business Development Program (NBDP) and industrial development in Queens County.</i>		

## 4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

### Main Issue

#### *Traffic / traffic flow*

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

*While we are only given the opportunity to select one, each of the above, plays a very important role as to how our residents feel about the flow of traffic, accessibility to mass transit, the ability to safely navigate a congested sidewalk. In addition, there is a lack of properly maintaining our roadways and the maintenance of our bridges. Many of our complaints coming from our residents deal with the condition of the sidewalks, curbs, pedestrian pads as well as the many deteriorated bus pads. Each of these creates a major tripping problem, especially for seniors and the handicapped.*

### Community District Needs and Requests

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

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

*We are constantly receiving complaints from residents living in our district about the #7 train line. The station is filthy, the escalators are constantly in repair, the staircases are extremely narrow, the platforms during rush hour are jammed, and with the increase in population, we are concerned that this station will not be able to handle the crowds that will be utilizing this station. In addition, the L.I.R.R. is a nightmare in downtown Flushing. The staircases, are extremely steep and even able bodied individuals have a difficult time navigating these staircases onto the platform. The construction of the elevator must be accelerated.*

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
01	DOT		Reconstruct 20th Avenue from the Whitestone Expressway Service Road to College Point Blvd. And 127th Street From 14th to 22nd Avenues.	This heavily utilized main artery within our district connects the communities of Whitestone and College Point, and also services a large shopping mall between these two areas. The road has extensive flooding problems, and the existing road bed is sinking. Major road reconstruction and sewer work is necessary in order to bring this street up to grade.		College Point Civic & Taxpayers
04	DOT		Reconstruct Union Street from Northern Blvd. to 26th Avenue	This is a heavily used major artery serving the southern end of Whitestone into downtown Flushing, utilized by trucks and buses. The road, bus-pads and pedestrian ramps are badly deteriorated.		
05	DOT		Reconstruction of Willets Point Phase II	This area has been neglected by the City of New York and needs a total Capital Reconstruction to include Sidewalks, Roadbed, Sewers, and Street Lighting. This		Willets Point United

## 4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
				<i>area has extensive flooding problems and the roadbed has sunk making it impossible for drivers to navigate the area.</i>		
07	DOT		<i>Reconstruction of Ulmer Street between the Whitestone Expressway Service Road and 25th Avenue</i>	<i>This street which is a main access road into College Point is collapsing causing drivers to lose control. The roadbed and sewers must be surcharged and placed on piles in order for the street to not collapse again.</i>		<i>College Point Civic &amp; Taxpayers Association</i>
08	DOT		<i>Reconstruction of 28th Avenue from Linden Place to College Point Blvd.</i>	<i>This street is an access road into College Point as well as the Corporate Park. The roadbed is collapsing and possibly causing drivers to lose control both the roadbed and sewers must be surcharged and placed on piles in order for the street not to collapse again.</i>		
11	DOT		<i>Implement Recommendations of Traffic Study for College Point Corporate Park.</i>	<i>College Point Corporate Park is rapidly developing and implementation of Traffic recommendations should move forward expeditiously. In addition, it will house the new Police Academy which will be completed in December of 2013, and eventually, with a full build out, housing additional 1,800 to 2,000 cars coming to the site. A commitment was made by the City to address our traffic concerns since this area is choking with traffic congestion. The Department of Sanitation is nearing completion of the Marine Transfer Station and that too will add to the congestion.</i>		<i>College Point Civic and Taxpayers Association</i>
16	DOT		<i>Implement Main Street Redesign Phase IV.</i>	<i>Downtown Flushing street improvements - sewer/waterline replacement, curbs, sidewalks, lights, landscaping. Phase IV - King Street from College Point Blvd., to Northern Blvd., 36th Avenue, 36th Road, 37th Avenue and 39th Avenue from College Point Blvd., to Prince Street.</i>		
18	DOT		<i>Reconstruct College Point Boulevard between 14th and 23rd Avenues.</i>	<i>This location is the main artery for the business district of College Point. The road has extensive flooding problems and street and sidewalk deterioration. This road reconstruction is necessary to bring this area up to grade.</i>		<i>College Point Board of Trade; College Point Civic/Taxpayers Association</i>
CS	DOT		<i>Construct Linden Place Ancillary Road from 23rd Avenue to 20th Avenue,</i>	<i>Due to proposed expansion and upgrading of Flushing Airport (FA308), realignment of Linden Place required drainage retention pond. Grade/curvature adjustments necessary due to location of drainage retention pond. Project abutted by Flushing</i>		<i>Joint Community Council; College Point Taxpayers &amp; Civic</i>

## 4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
			update - just marginal road. Other Streets in the Vicinity of 130th Street and 23rd Avenue and to Include a Marginal Road for College Point Corporate Park to Help Relieve Traffic-Back-Ups on the Whitestone Expressway.	Airport, College Point Sports Complex and Corporate Park. Roadways involved are cracked, uneven, and deteriorating. Linden Place has severe water ponding condition with non-existent curbs. There is a need for marginal road to get traffic off the southbound Whitestone Expressway Service Road.		Association

Expense Requests related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure (as provided by the Community Board)  
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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
06	DOT		Fund a Curb Replacement Program for Community Board #7.	Additional funding is needed to continue and accelerate a Curb Replacement Contract in conjunction with the Highways IFA Resurfacing Program to include 3 crews which would include cement masons and A.C.H.R's crew personnel.		
10	DOT		Support Replacement Contract for Deteriorated Bus Pads.	Community Board #7 with its 13 miles of streets and 24 bus lines, many of the bus pads in the area are deteriorated - they have either sunk or crumbled. The replacement program must be accelerated in order not to create a major liability for the city.		
11	DOT		Fund Additional Personnel for the Department of Transportation.	Personnel needed for engineering division to conduct traffic studies, signal investigations and surveys. Crews needed for handling replacement of missing, worn and faded signs. Additional personnel is needed to handle line markings. Also a need for bridge maintenance personnel. Need additional personnel to handle graffiti on highway structures. Need manpower to handle milling and resurfacing. The agency has requested an increase of maintenance crews to handle cave-ins, milling, potholes and wear and tear.		
12	DOT		Fund Additional Equipment For The Department of	For the engineering division, vehicles are needed for inspectors to do field studies, utility trucks, bucket trucks and machine counters. Arterial Highways needs back-up		

## 4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
			<i>Transportation.</i>	<i>trucks and rack trucks to handle tree pruning on the Arterial Highways. The sign shop needs additional traffic device maintainers and trucks. Asphalt allocations must be increased due to the size of our district.</i>		
CS	DOT		<i>Support Expansion of Muni-Meter Program for Community Board #7.</i>	<i>Over the past years Community Board #7 has seen an increase in growth. Parking in our commercial districts is at maximum capacity. With the inception of the muni meter program the number of available on street parking would increase by 20%. There is a need for commercial Muni Meters. These will eliminate the problem of the businesses from parking all day without paying.</i>		



## 4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

### 4.6.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Transit Services

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

*With the increased populations, and approximately 100,000 persons passing through downtown Flushing every day, we have requested that the #7 line platform be expanded west of Main Street, and that the subway line be extended east to the other neighborhoods of Flushing and Bayside. Thus relieving some of the congestion in the downtown area. We are an intra-modal transportation hub with 24 bus lines converging in downtown Flushing area. We are concerned that MTA wants to introduce SBS, which could possibly eliminate parking in the downtown area, which would have a negative impact on the small business community. In addition, the LIRR station at Willets Point must be in operation on a yearly basis. The only time that this station operates is for the Mets home games, as well as the USTA. If it were to operate full time, then drivers could utilize the abutting parking fields, thus relieving some of the congestion in downtown Flushing.*

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
15	NYCTA		<i>Expand Mezzanine Portion of #7 Line to Prince Street to Include Exit into 39-07 Prince Street.</i>	<i>Board #7 passed a zoning change that in the near future, downtown Flushing will see an insurgence of new development west of Main Street. Recently a developer made a commitment that if the mezzanine were extended west they would allow an entrance/exit into their building at 39-07 Prince Street.</i>		
CS	NYCTA		<i>Reconstruct and Correct Drainage Systems at Casey Stengel Bus Depot.</i>	<i>Reconstruct and Correct Drainage Systems at Flushing Bus Depot.</i>		



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

### Main Issue

#### *Park care and maintenance*

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

*Community Board #7 has 64 park locations, over 30 greenstreets, as well as a portion of Flushing Meadows Corona Park. Our residents are always concerned about the maintenance and care of their parks, as well as the care of the trees within each of these parks. Unfortunately the maintenance of the trees within Kissena Park resulted in the death of a pregnant woman. Our residents are always calling us to discuss the conditions of the equipment that their children use within the playgrounds, and many of our seniors call with regard to the tennis courts. Due to the fact that we have a lot of park properties, the leagues are always concerned about the maintenance of the ballfields, soccer and football fields.*

### Community District Needs and Requests

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

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

*In each of our parks, where there is a parkhouse, the residents are always requesting that the park have a full time park person over seeing the cleanliness of the building, as well as the balance of the park. As part of our budget we have always supported the needed for supplies that are for the park funded daycare programs. Within our expense budget priorities we have always supported an increase in regular as well as seasonal personnel in order to handle the ongoing maintenance of our tennis courts, proper tree maintenance, pruning and removals, We have quite a few Joint operated parks that need constant maintenance since they abut the local schools, and unfortunately the custodians of the schools do not assist. With the tremendous amount of parkland, our district needs a full time gardener and two part time gardeners to deal with the upkeep of the grass and flower beds within each of our parks. The sidewalk tree program time must be accelerated. Residents do not want to wait several years to have the roots trimmed on a city sidewalk tree that is uplifting their sidewalks causing tripping hazards and a liability to the homeowner.*

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
02	DPR		Reconstruct Little Bay Park.	Phase 1) Rehabilitation of Soccer Fields and Baseball Field 2) Install additional lighting along the paths.. 3) Construction of Fitness Track.		Bay Terrace Community Alliance; Robinwood Homeowners Association
03	DPR		Kissena Corridor Park Rehabilitation	A) Reconstruction of Ball Field at Colden Street and Elder Ave., and Little League baseball/soccer field and B) Installation of sidewalk on 56th Ave. side. C) Park needs additional benches, light poles for security and a designated walkway from 56th Ave to Colden and construction of Meditation Garden.		Queensborough Hill Neigh Association

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

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
06	DPR		Reconstruct McNeil Park.	A) Seawall/Drainage B) Paths C) Playground D) Installation of Sidewalk on Popenhusen side of Park		College Point Civic /Taxpayers Association
10	DPR		Reconstruction of Comfort Station/Park House for Flushing Memorial Field.	Reconstruction of existing Park house is necessary to house the pre-school, office, maintenance facility and comfort station. Comfort station is necessary to support the existing sports facilities within the Park.		
12	DPR		Reconstruct Frank Golden Park.	Reconstruction of Frank Golden Park is necessary in order to rehabilitate and correct serious drainage problems. After a heavy rainstorm these athletic fields cannot be utilized for several days.		College Point Civic and Taxpayers Association
13	DPR		Reconstruct Kissena Park.	Phase III - Design and rehabilitate park house abutting Kissena Lake (This park house is utilized by the pre-school program) Phase IV - Upgrade paths and landscaping throughout park. Phase V - Rehabilitate outdated and unsafe playgrounds throughout the park specifically the playgrounds at 164th Street and 160th Street and Booth Memorial Avenue. Phase VI - Construct comfort station in close proximity to Velodrome.		Kissena Park Civic Association
17	DPR		Upgrade paths and lighting for Flushing Meadow Corona Park and Joe Michael Mile.	These two parks located within our Board area, need extensive paths and lighting rehabilitation. They are heavily utilized by our residents and the Agency must seriously look at them in order to eliminate a potential liability to the City.		
19	DPR		Support Funding for Park Contracts to Handle Tree Removals, Pruning and Stump Removals.	Community Board #7 has an inordinate backlog of tree removals, pruning as well as, stump removals. This work cannot be handled with in-force crews. Funding must be maintained in order to continue the seven year cycle.		
20	DPR		Support new Parks Department equipment.	In order to handle the tremendous amount of park land and City trees in Queens, the following equipment is needed: Leaf Vacuum Truck; (Bobcat with attachment and trailer gator for Kissena Park ride on mower weedwackers, hand held blowers, lawn mowers, crew cab pick up, cub cadet, zero turn mower, and trailer for garden tracker. Crew cab pick-up with lift gate, 16 yard packer, and single cab pick-up with		

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

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
				<i>snow plows and power lift gate.</i>		
25	DPR		<i>Nature/Environmental Center for Flushing Meadow Corona Park.</i>	<i>There is a need for a Nature / Environmental Center to be located by the South West Corner of Meadow Lake in Flushing Meadow Corona Park. This Center would provide various groups i.e. birdwatchers, Boy and Girl Scouts and students to utilize the Park in a more organized environmental atmosphere. This building which would need renovation was originally utilized for boat storage.</i>		<i>Flushing Meadow Corona Park Conservancy</i>

Expense Requests related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming (as provided by the Community Board)  
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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
02	DPR		<i>Increase Personnel For Parks Department.</i>	<i>We support an increase in regular, as well as, seasonal personnel in order to maintain our park locations, tennis courts, proper tree maintenance which includes pruning and removals, Joint Operated Parks, PEP Workers, Greenstreet locations and playgrounds. Due to the tremendous amount of park land, Community Board #7's Parks needs 15 additional full time workers, 7 seasonal workers and 21 POP workers this will eliminate the full time and part time gardeners. Additional monies are needed for the sidewalk tree program, maintenance and recreational staff, and an operator for a Parks Department Tram.</i>		
09	DPR		<i>Increase Supplies and Equipment for Parks.</i>	<i>Supplies are needed for park programs: i.e., arts and crafts as well as equipment and tools in order to maintain our park locations, tennis facilities and greenstreets locations.</i>		

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

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

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

*Flushing being the home of religious freedom, we house a myriad of cultural institutions that play a vital part for our communities. We have Flushing Council on Culture and the Arts housed in Flushing Town Hall, Queens Botanical Gardens, Poppenhusen Institute, Kingsland House, the Louis Latimer House, and Volker Orth House. Each of these buildings have played a very important role in the history of Queens, and we must constantly support their survival. These facilities provide music, art, and historical programs that our communities have requested, and they depend on financial help in order to address these requests. During a difficult budget year, their much needed funding has always been cut. Unfortunately these cuts result in an increase in monies that the patrons have to allocate. These institutions even though they are housed in our community, they serve the borough with programs of interest for all age groups, as well as ethnic populations.*

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Cultural and other Community Facilities and Programming (as provided by the Community Board)

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
21	DCLA		Increase support for funding for the Poppenhusen Institute.	Poppenhusen Institute is a Landmark Building in College Point that is in need of funding to preserve its historic structure. Over the years this building has sustained damage and needs a handicapped service elevator installed in addition to exterior restoration of the building. In addition to interior work including upgrading of electric and installation of gas light facsimile system plus upgrading of second means of egress to include raise railings for public safety.		College Point Civic & Taxpayers Association
24	DCLA		Continue upgrade of Queens Botanical Gardens at 43-50 Main St., Flushing.	Repairs are needed for their additional service buildings as well as upgrading their greenhouses to include emergency heating systems. Additional bathrooms as well as handicapped facilities are needed when these service buildings are either upgraded or replaced.		
30	DCLA	Cultural facilities and resources	Upgrade Signage for Flushing Meadow Corona Park.	A design consultant needs to evaluate the Existing signage within the park to determine what new signage needs to be installed, as well as where it should be installed. At present the existing signage at times, is not very clear, and must be upgraded in order to get patrons to the correct venue within the Park.		
31	DCLA	Cultural	Upgrade Locker	At present the locker rooms are old and		

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

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
		<i>facilities and resources</i>	<i>Rooms for the 109th Precinct.</i>	<i>need to be upgraded - they must also deal with more female Police. Officers.</i>		

Expense Requests related to Cultural and other Community Facilities and Programming (as provided by the Community Board)

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
17	DCLA		<i>Continue Support for the Department of Cultural Affairs.</i>	<i>Funding is needed to maintain programs through Flushing Council on Culture and the Arts, Lewis Latimer House, Queens Botanical Gardens, Poppenhuisen Institute and Kingsland house. While these five institutions are in Community Board #7 they serve the Borough by providing programs for all age groups.</i>		<i>Downtown Flushing Dev. Corp.- Change</i>

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

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

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Library Facilities and Programming (as provided by the Community Board)

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
18	QL		<i>Continue funding for 6 day library service in Community Board #7.</i>	<i>Additional funding is needed to keep all branches open 6 days a week. With our ever growing population, many of our residents only have the weekends to utilize the libraries, by not giving them access, it has forced them to go into other boroughs to utilize the library system.</i>		
19	QL		<i>Increase Book Budget for Libraries in Community Board #7.</i>	<i>Community Board #7 is one of the most ethnically diverse communities in the city. It is necessary for our Libraries to have books and electronic equipment not only in English, but in the languages familiar to our newly arrived population.</i>		
25	QL	<i>Library facilities, equipment and programs</i>	<i>Increase Services for the Department of Human Resources.</i>	<i>Many eligible seniors (68%) and immigrant adults have signed up to receive food stamps. SNAP benefits are available as Nutritional support to low income individuals which is based on household size and gross income limits established by the Federal government annually.</i>		

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

### 4.7.4. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Community Boards

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

*Community Board #7 is the largest population wise of all 59 community boards, in addition to being the most diverse world wide. Even though we are a city agency, and we do appreciate the city picking up the cost of our rent, we still must pay for various service contracts in order for our agency to operate on a daily basis. In addition, the work load is tremendous due to the increase in population, development within the community - large scale developments - shopping malls and commercials establishments, we are working with 3 1/2 people including the District Manager. With a recorded population of over 300,000 people, of which 1/3 are seniors, and 1/3 new Americans of which many do not have a command of the English language. This all takes more time, and while all boards receive the same budget, we feel this has a tremendous impact on our dedicated staff that works extremely hard to make sure that the needs of our residents are met.*

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
03	OMB		Increase Community Board #7's Budget.	The workload continues to increase as the community relies on the Community Board to assist with the delivery of municipal services, zoning matters, land use issues, the city budget and any problem which affects the community. For Community Boards to fulfill their expanded Charter mandated roles, and to operate efficiently, an increase in funds is needed to hire an additional full time staff member, and for the replacement of aged and inefficient equipment. Board #7 requests that their operating budget be increased. Since we are the largest population wise of all 59 boards. According to several service agencies as well as the Police Department our population hovers just below 300,000 people.		



## 5. SUMMARY TABLES OF ALL PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

### 5.1. Table of All Capital Requests (Prioritized)

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Priority No. / Continued Support (CS)	Agency	Need	Request	Policy Area
01	DOT		<i>Reconstruct 20th Avenue from the Whitestone Expressway Service Road to College Point Blvd. And 127th Street From 14th to 22nd Avenues.</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
02	DPR		<i>Reconstruct Little Bay Park.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
03	DPR		<i>Kissena Corridor Park Rehabilitation</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
04	DOT		<i>Reconstruct Union Street from Northern Blvd. to 26th Avenue</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
05	DOT		<i>Reconstruction of Willets Point Phase II</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
06	DPR		<i>Reconstruct McNeil Park.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
07	DOT		<i>Reconstruction of Ulmer Street between the Whitestone Expressway Service Road and 25th Avenue</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
08	DOT		<i>Reconstruction of 28th Avenue from Linden Place to College Point Blvd.</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
09	DEP		<i>Construct &amp; Reconstruct Sanitary Storm &amp; Combined Sewers within Community Board #7</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
10	DPR		<i>Reconstruction of Comfort Station/Park House for Flushing Memorial Field.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
11	DOT		<i>Implement Recommendations of Traffic Study for College Point Corporate Park.</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
12	DPR		<i>Reconstruct Frank Golden Park.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
13	DPR		<i>Reconstruct Kissena Park.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
14	FDNY		<i>Upgrade Building Facilities for Engine Companies 274, 273, 297 and 295.</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
15	NYCTA		<i>Expand Mezzanine Portion of #7 Line to Prince Street to Include Exit into 39-07 Prince Street.</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
16	DOT		<i>Implement Main Street Redesign Phase IV.</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
17	DPR		<i>Upgrade paths and lighting for Flushing Meadow Corona Park and Joe Michael Mile.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>

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18	DOT		<i>Reconstruct College Point Boulevard between 14th and 23rd Avenues.</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
19	DPR		<i>Support Funding for Park Contracts to Handle Tree Removals, Pruning and Stump Removals.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
20	DPR		<i>Support new Parks Department equipment.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
21	DCLA		<i>Increase support for funding for the Poppenhusen Institute.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
22	DFTA		<i>Support Capital Funding for the Department for the Aging.</i>	<i>Health Care and Human Services</i>
23	FDNY		<i>Complete and Upgrade E.R.S. System for Community District #7.</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
24	DCLA		<i>Continue upgrade of Queens Botanical Gardens at 43-50 Main St., Flushing.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
25	DPR		<i>Nature/Environmental Center for Flushing Meadow Corona Park.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
26	NYPD		<i>Fund a new Police precinct dedicated to Flushing Meadows Corona Park</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
27	NYPD	<i>NYPD facilities and equipment</i>	<i>Upgrade and Rehabilitate Willets Family farm House in Fort Totten</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
28	FDNY	<i>FDNY facilities and equipment</i>	<i>Reconstruction of College Point Sports Fields Phases IV and V</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
29	FDNY	<i>FDNY facilities and equipment</i>	<i>Construction of a Sidewalk for George U. Harvey along the Whitestone Expressway Service Road from 14th to 20th Avenues.</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
30	DCLA	<i>Cultural facilities and resources</i>	<i>Upgrade Signage for Flushing Meadow Corona Park.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
31	DCLA	<i>Cultural facilities and resources</i>	<i>Upgrade Locker Rooms for the 109th Precinct.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
CS	NYCTA		<i>Reconstruct and Correct Drainage Systems at Casey Stengel Bus Depot.</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
CS	EDC		<i>Redesign Flushing Airport Site.</i>	<i>Land Use, Housing and Economic Development</i>
CS	DOT		<i>Construct Linden Place Ancillary Road from 23rd Avenue to 20th Avenue, update - just marginal road. Other Streets in the Vicinity of 130th Street and 23rd Avenue and to Include a Marginal Road for College Point Corporate Park to Help Relieve Traffic- Back-Ups on the Whitestone Expressway.</i>	<i>Transportation</i>



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CS	FDNY		<i>Provide Funds to Build a Civic Learning Center to be located at Fort Totten.</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
CS	NYPD		<i>Establish an Additional Police Precinct for Community District #7.</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
CS	DEP		<i>Whitestone Expressway Drainage Plan - Phases I, II and III.</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>

## 5.2. Table of All Expense Requests (Prioritized)

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Priority No.	Agency	Need	Request	Policy Area
01	DOB		<i>Increase Personnel For The Department of Buildings.</i>	<i>Land Use, Housing and Economic Development</i>
02	DPR		<i>Increase Personnel For Parks Department.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
03	OMB		<i>Increase Community Board #7's Budget.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
04	DSNY		<i>Increase Personnel for the Department of Sanitation.</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
05	DEP		<i>Increase Maintenance Staff for the Department of Environmental Protection.</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
06	DOT		<i>Fund a Curb Replacement Program for Community Board #7.</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
07	ACS		<i>Increase Funding for Day Care Centers.</i>	<i>Youth, Education and Child Welfare</i>
08	NYPD		<i>Allocate additional Personnel For The 109th Precinct.</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
09	DPR		<i>Increase Supplies and Equipment for Parks.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
10	DOT		<i>Support Replacement Contract for Deteriorated Bus Pads.</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
11	DOT		<i>Fund Additional Personnel for the Department of Transportation.</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
12	DOT		<i>Fund Additional Equipment For The Department of Transportation.</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
13	FDNY		<i>Support Funding for Fire Department Personnel.</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
14	FDNY		<i>Support Funding for Fire Department Equipment.</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
15	DSNY		<i>Continue support for the Department of Sanitation Recycling Program.</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
16	NYPD		<i>Fund Additional Equipment for the 109th Precinct.</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
17	DCLA		<i>Continue Support for the Department of Cultural Affairs.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
18	QL		<i>Continue funding for 6 day library service in Community Board #7.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
19	QL		<i>Increase Book Budget for Libraries in Community Board #7.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
20	SCA		<i>Fund the Dept. of Education for Joint Operated Playgrounds for Queens.</i>	<i>Youth, Education and Child Welfare</i>

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21	FDNY		<i>Maintain funding for the Fire Marshal Base at Fort Totten.</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
22	DOB		<i>Support additional equipment for the Department of Buildings.</i>	<i>Land Use, Housing and Economic Development</i>
23	SBS		<i>Support Department of Small Business Services Programs.</i>	<i>Land Use, Housing and Economic Development</i>
24	HPD		<i>Increase staff at present level for the Department of Housing Preservation &amp; Development.</i>	<i>Land Use, Housing and Economic Development</i>
25	QL	<i>Library facilities, equipment and</i>	<i>Increase Services for the Department of Human Resources.</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
CS	DOT		<i>Support Expansion of Muni-Meter Program for Community Board #7.</i>	<i>Transportation</i>