

Fiscal Year 2018



Brooklyn Community District 11

#### **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 11'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.

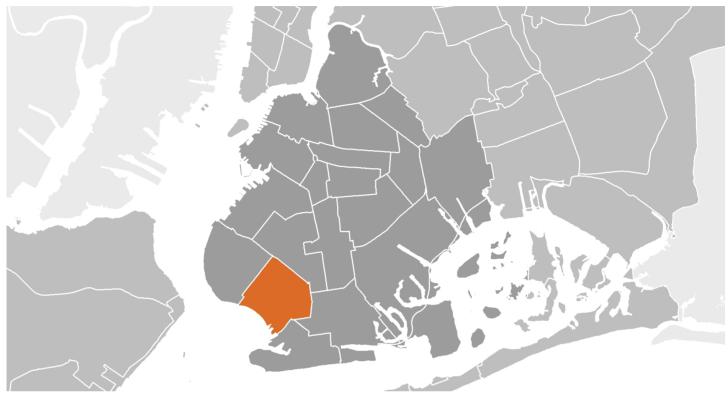
#### b) Policy Area- Specific District Needs

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.





# **Statements of Community District Needs**

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# **Community Board Budget Requests**

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# **Brooklyn Community District 11**

Fiscal Year 2018

**Submitted to the Department of City Planning January 2017** 

#### Disclaimer

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

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

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

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# THE CITY OF NEW YORK COMMUNITY BOARD No. 11

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#### **Brooklyn Community Board No.11 District Needs Statement**

On October 29, 2012, our city faced one of the worst natural disasters in recent memory as Hurricane Sandy hit our city and devastated entire communities and neighborhoods. We have great respect and admiration for the uniformed services, civilians and the countless volunteers who risked their safety for those in need.

Our city is still recovering from Sandy's destruction and is still rebuilding and preparing for future storms and weather events.

Community Board 11 will continue cooperating with the administration in preparing to make our city a stronger and more resilient place to live, work and raise our families.

Community Board 11's District Needs Statement and Budget Priorities for fiscal year 2018 will be recognizing the needs of our community, utilizing both official data driven resources and community input.

Respectfully Submitted,

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## 1. Community Board Information

## **Brooklyn Community Board 11**

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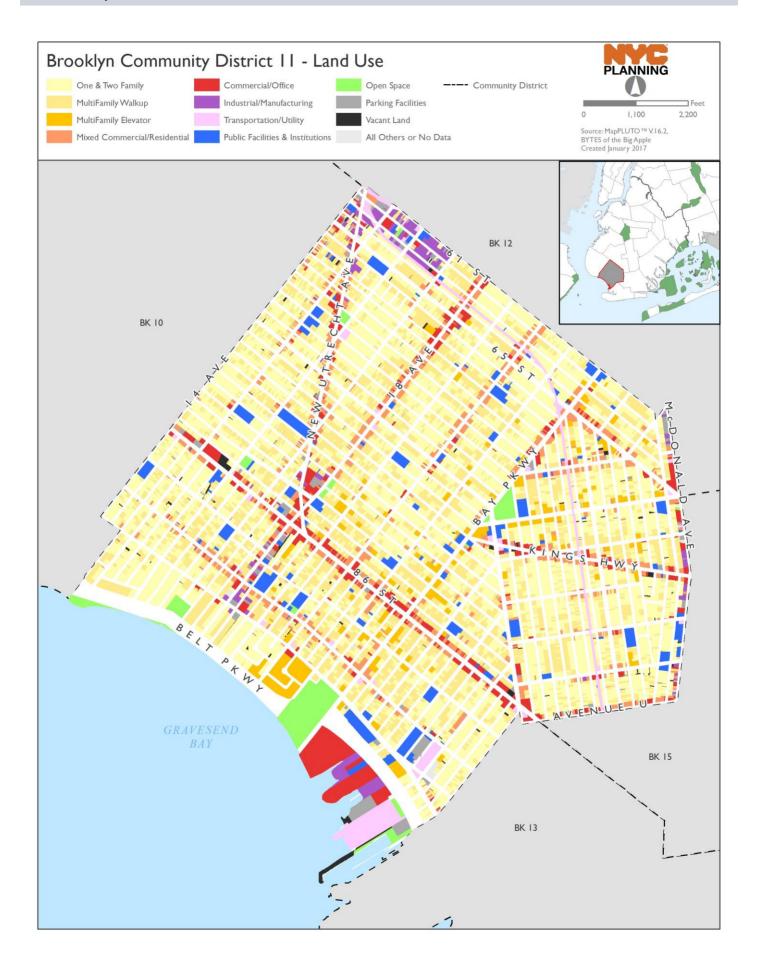
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#### 3. Overview of Community District

Community Board 11 encompasses four major neighborhoods: Bensonhurst, Bath Beach, Mapleton and Gravesend. The north, south, east, west limits of 61st Street, Gravesend Bay, 26th Avenue and Avenue U.

The most recent data derived from the census and the Furman Center, the population of the community has grown from approximately 150,000 in 1990 to 186,000 in 2013. Accordingly, the population density increased to about 50,000 people per square mile, with some census tracts increasing by as much as 16.8%.

Our community is ranked highest citywide for the share of population that lives in racially integrated tracts. The district's demographics are comprised of 48% white, 36% Asian, 14% Hispanic and 1% black. The population is by no means static as evidenced by the ongoing settlement of Asian, Russian, Hispanic and Middle Eastern/North African immigrants.

The economic level of the population is best defined as middle class with a considerable blue-collar emphasis.

The housing stock consists of one and two family homes with pockets of six-story buildings of 50-60 units, and four and five story walk-ups of 16 to 40 units.

Commercially, Community Board 11 is well served, as is all southern Brooklyn by 86th Street. This comparative commercial shopping street running from 14th Avenue to 26th Avenue, are extremely viable. There are few vacancies and rents are high. Additional strong commercial strips serving the district are 18th Avenue, Bay Parkway, Kings Highway, Avenue U and Bath Avenue.

With expanded areas of the community included in the Preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Maps, mitigation and resiliency projects are necessary. Storm water and sewer infrastructure upgrades, increased permeability, legislative action to enforce illegal parking pads and curb cuts are a priority for this community.

There is a need for coastal protections along the Shore Parkway promenade from Bay Parkway to Bay 8th Street, to protect the Belt Parkway and upland from wave action and tidal protection.

The Capital and Expense priorities submitted for Fiscal Year 2017, were carefully targeted to meet the needs of the entire community. Planning for Fiscal Year 2018 will continue the board's efforts to get adequate governmental assistance for all of Community Board 11.

#### 4. Top Three Pressing Issues Overall

The three most pressing issues facing Brooklyn Community Board 11 are:

- Quality of life issues (noise, graffiti, petty crime, etc.)
- Street conditions (roadway maintenance)
- Trash removal & cleanliness

Street Conditions Over the past fiscal years, we have seen extreme weather, from Hurricane Sandy to record setting blizzards, all of which have taken a toll on our streets and infrastructure. The Department of Transportation has prioritized many streets in our district, which are in need of capital improvements. High priority should be given to the inclusion of streets surveyed by this Department. As our priorities reflect, numerous locations have been referred by the Department of Transportation to the Department of Environmental Protection for action. These locations should be classified as capital projects. Over the past fiscal years, sewer reconstruction projects have only been conducted under emergency reconstruction projects. The board has identified roadways that are sinking, hummocked and have had numerous reoccurring cave-ins. To date, no plans have been submitted to address the defects. DEP needs an implemented capital plan in order to coordinate projects, address the aging infrastructure, and prevent massive sinkholes. Additionally, there needs to be better coordination between agencies to prevent planned work on newly repayed streets. Neighborhood Preservation With a growing population of approximately 30,000 residents in the past 20 years, the community needs additional resources allocated for city services in all service and program areas. There is a need for additional manpower and equipment for the 62nd Precinct and the Department of Sanitation. Headcounts have remained flat as quality of life complaints and requests for non-emergency calls have risen. Illegal building conversion, illegal curb cut complaints and litter continue to be the top complaints the board receives. The Department of Buildings needs additional allocations and legislative tools to address these complaints and ensure the safety of our first responders and residents. Flooding With the proliferation of illegal curb cuts and parking pads and the addition of properties that fall within the 100-year flood plain, efforts need to be undertaken to increase permeability to absorb storm water. Areas on the southern district boundary are experiencing new flooding.

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



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

#### State of health facilities

Community Board 11 is in need of an ambulatory health care facility. Long distances hamper the older population from easy access to Coney Island, NYU Lutheran and Maimonides Hospitals; existing emergency rooms are over capacity. It is vital that healthcare be made more accessible by having an outreach clinic within Community Board 11. A Naturally Recurring Retirement Community is designated within the district. It is vital that adequate assistance is given to the board through programs administered by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development, particularly Article 8A loans and increased community development funding for housing programs. Additionally, the Department should work closely with housing groups in our area.

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

Increased funding for Senior Services There is a need to provide increased services to our older residents, which have been diminished by budgetary constraints. According to the Department of City Planning our older population in New York City will increase by 40 percent to more than 1.4 million people between now and 2040. Support services should be increased to reflect this growing population.

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
14/29	DOHMH	Animal and pest control services	Reduce rat populations	
16/29	DOHMH	Programs to address other public health issues	Promote Quit Smoking Programs	
29/29	DFTA	Senior center programs	Other senior center program requests	

#### Youth, Education and Child Welfare



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

Support services for special needs youth (disabled, immigrant, non-English proficient, etc.)

Community Board 11 supports a variety of programs for youth; including community based counseling, recreational, tutoring and cultural programs. However, the existing needs in our community far exceed the services available. Due to the many problems faced by our youth and the lower socioeconomic character of our community today, increased services are need in all of the above-mentioned categories. Additional needs, which must be addressed, are free/low cost daycare programs, job opportunities for youths, summer programs/day camps at a reasonable cost, and, due to the growing immigrant population, special programs for immigrant youth.

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
23/29	FDNY	FDNY Programs	Increase Funding for Office of Community Affairs	
27/29	DYCD	Youth Services	Program Funding	





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

Other | Quality of Life issues continue to be a top priority for Community Board 11. The Police Department is the enforcement arm of regulatory agencies.

According to the State of New York City's Housing and Neighborhoods in 2015, the serious crime rate within Community Board 11 was 6.8 per 1,000 residents, making Bensonhurst one of the safest communities citywide. However, quality of life complaints remain high with a majority of those complaints being blocked driveways and illegal parking.

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

As previously stated, according to NYU Furman Center's, State of New York City's Housing and Neighborhoods in 2015, the serious crime rate was 6.8 per 1,000 residents, making Bensonhurst one of the safest communities citywide. While we applaud, the men and women of the 62nd Precinct for the work that they do to keep our community safe, quality of life complaints remain high. The 62nd Precinct, from January 1, 2015 to date, has already received 7,182 non-emergency service requests via the 311 system. From Fiscal Year 2013 through Fiscal Year 2017, the allocation for the local service district maintained an appropriation of 194 full-time positions. There is a need for increased manpower so that patrol services can adequately handle emergency calls and non-emergency calls for service. It should be pointed out that at times only three radio cars patrol our approximately one hundred miles of streets with an estimated 187,000 people. Our district is the second highest populated precinct in the borough. Over the past several years, area residents have ongoing concern regarding the proliferation of trucks and large tractor-trailers traversing through the community. While legislation has been enacted to increase the penalties to truckers that travel off the designated truck route, additional enforcement personnel are needed to ensure compliance.

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
15/22	NYPD	NYPD facilities and equipment	Provide surveillance cameras	62 Precinct

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
1/29	NYPD	NYPD facilities and equipment	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	62nd Precinct
4/29	NYPD	NYPD staff and training resources	Provide resources to train officers, e.g. in community policing	
10/29	NYPD	NYPD programs	Other NYPD programs requests	
21/29	NYPD	NYPD staff and training resources	Assign additional uniformed officers	

Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency



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

#### Cleanliness/trash collection

While all categories listed above are high priorities to this community, issues relating to street cleanliness are the most common, recurring concerns that we face. There is a need for additional personnel and equipment, specifically to handle cleaning activities. There is also a need for an increase in Sanitation Enforcement agents to address the illegal posting of signs on public structures, litter and the improper use of corner litter baskets. The placement of commercial and residential refuse in and alongside these baskets is a blight on our community. Additionally, there is an increase in the amount of improper disposal and dumping on our commercial corridors.

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

Over the past fiscal years, we have seen extreme weather, from Hurricane Sandy to record setting blizzards, all of which have taken a toll on our streets and infrastructure. The board has identified roadways that are sinking, hummocked and have had numerous reoccurring cave-ins. To date, no plans have been submitted to address the defects. DEP needs an implemented capital plan in order to coordinate projects, address the aging infrastructure, and prevent massive sinkholes. Numerous locations have been referred by the Department of Transportation to the Department of Environmental Protection for action. These locations should be classified as capital projects. Over the past fiscal years, sewer reconstruction projects have only been conducted under emergency reconstruction projects. Our community has seen a proliferation of illegal curb cuts, as well as the removal of front yard gardens to create concrete parking pads. Many of these locations received violations from the Department of Buildings, could never be legalized and are contrary to the Streetscape Preservation zoning text. While this could be viewed as a Department of Buildings issue, we believe this is an issue of resiliency and sustainability. With areas of the community now located in the special flood hazard areas efforts need to be made to increase permeability, divert storm water from our sewer system and help reduce discharges from the combined sewer outfalls.

#### Supporting Materials:

The Community Board has provided the following supporting materials which can be accessed by clicking on the link(s) below or by copying and pasting the link(s) found in the Appendix into a browser.

#### Removal of Permeable Surfaces and Sewer Defects

#### Community District Needs Related to Sanitation Services

With increased population and development, there is a need for additional sanitation personnel and equipment, specifically in the area of the delivery of cleaning activities. There has been a rise in illegal drops offs, illegal posting, and litter. There is a need for increased litter basket service and motorized litter patrol to address street cleanliness. One of the challenges that this community faces relates to the Scorecard/Street Cleanliness Rating Program. Community Board 11 generally rates very high on acceptably clean streets and sidewalks; however dirty sidewalks and streets are a top complaint received especially along the commercial corridors. There is also a need for an increase in Sanitation Police/Enforcement Agents to address the illegal posting on public structures, the improper use of corner litter baskets and illegal drop-offs.



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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
3/22	DEP	Sewage and flooding	Build new or expand wastewater treatment or water pollution control facilities	17th Ave Shore parkway Promenade
5/22	DEP	Sewage and flooding	Build new, expand or repair sanitary sewers	Shore Parkway 21st Avenue Bay 8th Street
6/22	DEP	Sewage and flooding	Provide new or expand green infrastructure, e.g. greenbelts, bio swales	
7/22	DEP	Sewage and flooding	Build new, expand or repair sanitary sewers	20th Avenue 86th Street Bath Avenue
8/22	DEP	Sewage and flooding	Build new, expand or repair storm sewers	
16/22	DSNY	Garbage collection and recycling infrastructure	Maintain replacement cycle for trucks and equipment	
21/22	DEP	Sewage and flooding	Build new or expand wastewater treatment or water pollution control facilities	

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
2/29	DSNY	Street and lot cleaning	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	
5/29	DSNY	Snow removal	Improve snow removal	Belt Parkway Cropsey Avenue 69th Street
11/29	DSNY	Garbage collection and recycling	Other garbage collection and recycling requests	
12/29	DSNY	Street and lot cleaning	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	
13/29	DSNY	Sanitation Enforcement	Increase enforcement of illegal posting laws	
17/29	DSNY	Street and lot cleaning	Other cleaning requests	
19/29	DSNY	Street and lot cleaning	Other cleaning requests	
24/29	DSNY	Sanitation Enforcement	Other enforcement requests	





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

#### Zoning review and enforcement

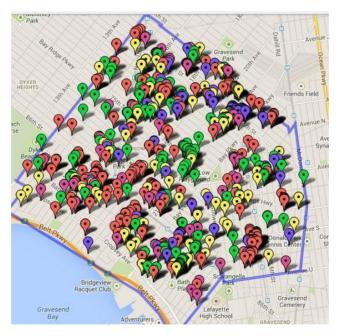
There has been an increase in the number of illegal activities, such as non-approved construction, building alterations, and zoning violations. Our community has numerous complaints for illegal basement apartments and illegal conversions. This type of building activity and use is a safety issue for the residents who reside in illegally occupied housing and for first responders.

#### Community District Needs Related to Land Use

There has been an increase in the number of illegal activities, such as non-approved construction, building alterations, illegal curb cuts, and the creation of front yard parking pads and zoning violations. Our community over the past few years has numerous complaints for illegal conversions and SRO's. This type of building activity and use is a safety issue for the residents who reside in illegally occupied housing and for emergency responders. With increased population and density and plans for new development a study should be initiated to determine how much additional development can be supported by existing infrastructure. The Department of Buildings needs increased enforcement authority. Inspectors responding to illegal conversion complaints are denied access and the complaints are closed after two attempts. In addition, there needs to be additional authority as it relates to illegal curb cuts and parking pads. While many locations have received violations, there is no mechanism to enforce compliance. This is not just a quality of life issue it is one of sustainability. The removal of front yards and green space limits our storm water absorption. Community Board 11 supports the city making restoration of illegal curb cuts and billing the property owner, similar to the Department of Transportation's Sidewalk Program.

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Curb cut complaints via 311





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

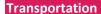
Community Board 11 is home to a large population of older adults. A portion of our district has been designated a Naturally Occurring Retirement Community (NORC). It is vital that adequate assistance be given to the Board through programs administered by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development, particularly Article 8A loans in addition to an increase in community development funding for housing programs.

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
13/22	HPD	Affordable housing programs	Expand loan programs to rehabilitate multiple dwelling buildings	
19/22	EDC	Economic development investments	Invest in piers or other capital projects to improve access to the waterfront	Bay Parkway Landing

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
8/29	HPD	Housing oversight and emergency programs	Expand tenant protection programs	
9/29	DOB	Building code and zoning enforcement	Address illegal conversions and uses of buildings	
15/29	EDC	Economic development investments	Expand graffiti removal services on private sites	
18/29	DCP	Zoning and land use	Other zoning and land use requests	
20/29	HPD	Housing oversight and emergency programs	Expand programs for housing inspections to correct code violations	
22/29	SBS	Commercial district revitalization	Support merchant organizing	





#### Main Issue Related to Transportation

#### Roadway maintenance

Over the past few years, the weather has taken a toll on our streets. While the Department of Transportation has recently resurfaced many streets throughout the district, there is still a need for additional streets to be resurfaced. Careful planning must be taken by all agencies to coordinate projects to prevent conflicts. In addition to weather related issues, many streets have had multiple street openings for utility work. Many of these locations do not wear as well as the roadway and the openings deteriorate. Along many of our commercial corridors the streets have hummocked especially near bus stops. Additional repairs are needed to make the street safer for all users of the roadway.

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
4/22	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Upgrade or create new greenways	Shore Parkway Greenway Bensonhurst Park Bay 8th Street
9/22	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Other transportation infrastructure requests	
14/22	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Repair or construct new sidewalks, curbs or pedestrian ramps	
17/22	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Install streetscape improvements	New Utrecht Avenue 86th Street 61 Street
18/22	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Bay parkway shore parkway
20/22	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Repair or construct new sidewalks, curbs or pedestrian ramps	
22/22	NYPD	Transportation infrastructure	Repair or construct new sidewalks, curbs or pedestrian ramps	1925 Bath Avenue

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
25/29	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Repair potholes (resurface roads)	
26/29	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Repair potholes (resurface roads)	
28/29	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Other transportation infrastructure requests	



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

#### Quality of parks and park facilities

During past fiscal years we saw the renovation of four of our local parks, Seth Low Park, Milestone Park that includes Garibaldi Park and Satellite Park. These four rehabilitation projects have significantly enhanced our community. Bensonhurst Park including the promenade are in need of capital improvements. Both are in need of new equipment and surfaces. With only 45% of residential units within 1/4 mile of a park, our existing parks are heavily used.

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

During past fiscal years we saw the renovation of four of our local parks, Seth Low Park, Milestone Park that includes Garibaldi Park and Satellite Park. These four rehabilitation projects have significantly enhanced our community. Bensonhurst Park including the promenade are in need of capital improvements. Both are in need of new equipment and surfaces. With only 45% of residential units within 1/4 mile of a park, our existing parks are heavily used. Community Board 11 supports the reconstruction and rehabilitation of the Shore Parkway Promenade from Bay 8th Street through Bay Parkway. This section of the promenade is in need of mitigation and resiliency efforts to protect the Belt Parkway, residential properties, businesses, and infrastructure from future storms. The parkway itself needs to be protected from storm surge and wave action so that first responders and military can move people and goods during an emergency.

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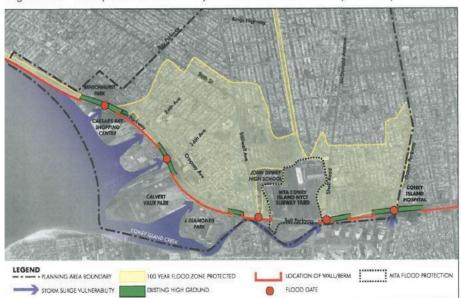


Figure 4-3: Area protected from 100-year floods with Belt Parkway berm implementation

Belt Parkway Berm

potential measures along belt



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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
1/22	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Shore Parkway Promenade Bay Parkway Bay 8th Street
2/22	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Shore Parkway Promenade Bay Parkway Bay 8th Stree
10/22	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Bensonhurst Park
11/22	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Bath Beach Park
12/22	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	Bath Beach Park

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
3/29	DPR	Street trees and forestry services	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	
6/29	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	
7/29	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Improve trash removal and cleanliness	

# 6. Additional Information and Other Budget Requests

# **Other Expense Requests**

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
23/29	FDNY	FDNY Programs	Increase Funding for Office of Community Affairs	
27/29	DYCD	Youth Services	Program Funding	

# **Brooklyn Community Board 11 Capital Requests**

Brooklyn Community Board 11 submitted 22 capital budget requests, organized by priority.

Priority /
Continued

Continued Support (CS)	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
1/22	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Initiate study and planning for long term coastal protections due to tidal surge and wave action on the Shore Parkway Promenade from Bay 8th Street across Bay Parkway This area from Bay Parkway to Bay 8th Street floods during high tides and storms. Infrastructure needs to be protected as well as evacuation routes.	Shore Parkway Promenade Bay Parkway Bay 8th Street	
2/22	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Initiate study and planning of the open space along the Belt Parkway from Bay Parkway to Bay 8th Street to mitigate storm surge and be more resilient in order to protect infrastructure and property. The open space along the Belt Parkway should be utilized to absorb seawater to protect infrastructure and property. Currently the open space consists of dead grass and dirt. Native plantings and progressive planning would increase absorption and improve resiliency.	Shore Parkway Promenade Bay Parkway Bay 8th Stree	
3/22	DEP	Build new or expand wastewater treatment or water pollution control facilities	Fund study to determine the feasibility of installing a tidal gate at the 17th Avenue combined sewer outfall to prevent discharge and washout of sewage into Gravesend Bay. The 17th Avenue combined sewer outfall has dry weather discharges of sewage into Gravesend Bay. It has been suggested that this is due to washout of the pipe due to tidal action. A tidal gate would prevent these occurrences and the associated smell of sewage in the community.	17th Ave Shore parkway Promenade	
4/22	DOT	Upgrade or create new greenways	Guardrails to do not protect the Shore Parkway Greenway from Bensonhurst Park to Bay 8th Street on the Belt Parkway side. There are no shoulders and most of the curbing has deteriorated or are below grade. New lamp poles have been installed and should be protected. Additionally, users of the greenway and the planted areas should be protected from motor vehicles.	Shore Parkway Greenway Bensonhurst Park Bay 8th Street	
5/22	DEP	Build new, expand or repair sanitary sewers	Study and planning to reconstruct Shore Parkway from 21st Avenue to Bay 8th Street. This segment of the roadway has cave-ins along the sewer-line in the center roadway. While televising has been completed, planning needs to be initiated to address flooding, drainage and roadway integrity.	Shore Parkway 21st Avenue Bay 8th Street	
6/22	DEP	Provide new or expand green infrastructure, e.g. greenbelts, bio swales	Our community especially along the southern portion of the district is prone to stormwater flooding. In order to reduce street flooding green technology should be introduced in these areas. This would divert storm water from our sewer system and reduce CSO discharges.		

# **Brooklyn Community Board 11 Capital Requests**

Brooklyn Community Board 11 submitted 22 capital budget requests, organized by priority.

# Priority / Continued

Support (CS)	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
7/22	DEP	Build new, expand or repair sanitary sewers	20th Avenue between Bath Avenue and 86th Street, has multiple cave-ins, raised manholes and the center of the roadway is depressed. The Department of Environmental Protection has televised the sewers and found defects. To date, no repairs have been made.	20th Avenue 86th Street Bath Avenue	
8/22	DEP	Build new, expand or repair storm sewers	The area bounded by Shore Parkway to Benson Avenue and Bay Parkway to 26th Avenue, following Hurricane Sandy has experienced street flooding during heavy rains. A study should be initiated to determine the cause of this new issue.		
9/22	DOT	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Street name signs and alternate side parking signs throughout the district are faded and illegible. Funding should be provided for replacement signs.		
10/22	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Bensonhurst Park recently received funding for phase 1 and phase 2 of renovations. While plans are preliminary, additional funding is requested for the final renovation phases.	Bensonhurst Park	
11/22	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Bath Beach Park including the basketball and handball courts are in need of capital improvements. The handball and basketball courts are in terrible disrepair. The bocce court area has been closed to the public and should be redesigned into a usable area.	Bath Beach Park	
12/22	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	The sidewalk area along the perimeter of Bath Beach Park is in need of sidewalk replacement. There are areas that are broken and crumbling that are in need of repair.	Bath Beach Park	
13/22	HPD	Expand loan programs to rehabilitate multiple dwelling buildings	Increase Community Development Funding for Housing Programs. Housing stock in area has deteriorated. To keep landlords from abandoning buildings, funding is needed for loans to rehabilitate their properties.		
14/22	DOT	Repair or construct new sidewalks, curbs or pedestrian ramps	At many locations the bus pads are hummocked and ridges and in need of repair. Especially along Cropsey Avenue, 65th Street and 18th Avenue.		
15/22	NYPD	Provide surveillance cameras	Request to purchase and install rooftop cameras and lighting for the 62nd Precinct to enhance security for the precinct and surrounding area.	62 Precinct	
16/22	DSNY	Maintain replacement cycle for trucks and equipment	New mechanical brooms are needed to replace the aging equipment within the fleet. Often streets are not cleaned due to mechanical failure.		

# **Brooklyn Community Board 11 Capital Requests**

Brooklyn Community Board 11 submitted 22 capital budget requests, organized by priority.

# Priority / Continued

Support (CS)	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
17/22	DOT	Install streetscape improvements	New Utrecht Avenue within the confines of Community Board 11 is a wholly commercially zoned corridor located under the elevated train. This segment is in need of reconstruction, which includes additional security lighting, benches, bike racks and resurfacing of the existing cement roadway, which is in poor condition.	New Utrecht Avenue 86th Street 61 Street	
18/22	DOT	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Relocate eastbound Belt Parkway entrance from Bay Parkway easterly. With increased population and vehicular traffic, planning needs to be initiated to allow access to east bound Belt Parkway. Presently, vehicles cannot enter the eastbound Belt Parkway upon exiting the shopping centers on Shore Parkway. This may also address congestion at the Bay Parkway two left turn lanes onto Shore Parkway.	Bay parkway shore parkway	
19/22	EDC	Invest in piers or other capital projects to improve access to the waterfront	Initiate study for ferry service from the Bay Parkway Landing. With increased development along the waterfront of CB 11 and neighboring waterfront communities, a study should be initiated to provide alternative transportation modes. Ferry service could provide alternative transportation service especially during during emergencies, to provide economic development opportunities, reduce congestion on our roadways and provide recreational access to our waterfront.	Bay Parkway Landing	
20/22	DOT	Repair or construct new sidewalks, curbs or pedestrian ramps	Fund citywide concrete curbing program for commercial and multiple dwelling properties.		
21/22	DEP	Build new or expand wastewater treatment or water pollution control facilities	Provide funding to study the removal of permeable surfaces for illegal front yard parking and the amount of storm water that could be diverted from the system thereby preventing combined sewer overflows.		
22/22	NYPD	Repair or construct new sidewalks, curbs or pedestrian ramps	The sidewalks surrounding the 62nd Precinct, located at 1925 Bath Avenue, are in need of replacement to prevent trip hazards and injury.	1925 Bath Avenue	

# **Brooklyn Community Board 11 Expense Requests**

Brooklyn Community Board 11 submitted 29 expense budget requests, organized by priority.

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
1/29	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	Allocate funding for bulletproof vests and flashlights for the 62nd Precinct.	62nd Precinct	
2/29	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	Funding for additional basket truck collection on commercial strips within Community Board 11. One collection is not enough to address the overflowing baskets on our commercial strips.		
3/29	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Improve Forestry Operations. Assign additional pruners and climbers borough-wide. While the trees are dying, manpower needed to care for our trees has diminished. The Board recommends that either additional manpower be hired or contractors should make the necessary repairs.		
4/29	NYPD	Provide resources to train officers, e.g. in community policing	The Police Department is the enforcement arm of some regulatory agencies. Many of the quality of life complaints, as it relates to general vending, mobile food vending, restricted streets, and oversized stoopline stands are codified by the Rules of the City of New York and the Administrative Code. Additional training is needed to address and recognize these conditions.		
5/29	DSNY	Improve snow removal	Allocate an additional salt spreader for the Belt Parkway. Currently the allocation of spreaders provides one for each section. The Belt Parkway should have a dedicated salt spreader that is not from BK 11's allotment.	Belt Parkway Cropsey Avenue 69th Street	
6/29	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	Allocate Funding for Park Enforcement Police. Additional Park Enforcement Patrol officers are needed for parks within Community Board 11.		
7/29	DPR	Improve trash removal and cleanliness	Assign Additional Maintenance and Recreation Workers. The parks in Community Board 11 are fully utilized and additional maintenance and recreation workers are needed to address increased trash and litter.		
8/29	HPD	Expand tenant protection programs	Allocate funding for HPD Housing Litigation. Housing Litigators bring non conforming landlords to court to advocate on behalf of tenants.		
9/29	DOB	Address illegal conversions and uses of buildings	The illegal use of buildings and zoning infractions are increasing in violation of building and fire codes. Inspections and follow-ups are needed to curtail these activities. Additional Inspectors should be hired and trained so that buildings can be inspected on a regular basis.		
10/29	NYPD	Other NYPD programs requests	Additional funding is requested to enhance truck enforcement. Presently the truck enforcement unit is understaffed and cannot address the increased amount of truck traffic on our streets.		

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11/29	DSNY	Other garbage collection and recycling requests	Assign additional personnel for motorized litter patrols to address litter and drop-offs within the district.		
12/29	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	Allocate funding for dedicated basket truck on day- line for DSNY. This would insure that the commercial corridors would be serviced daily in the early morning hours and prevent overflow.		
13/29	DSNY	Increase enforcement of illegal posting laws	Our community has been bombarded with illegally posted "moving" signs and "cash for cars" advertisements throughout this district. Many poles are plastered with old tape and torn off fliers are often littered in the streets.		
14/29	DOHMH	Reduce rat populations	There has been an increase in the amount of rat sightings being reported within the district. The board has done extensive outreach, education and made recommendations to reduce garbage and food availability; there is still a need for increased funding for inspection services and abatement.		
15/29	EDC	Expand graffiti removal services on private sites	Graffiti removal services should be expanded to preserve our commercial corridors and maintain property values in our community.		
16/29	DOHMH	Promote Quit Smoking Programs	In recent years the smoking rates have declined citywide due to outreach, education and support; however there is still a need in our community to further these reductions. According to the Department of Health the smoking rate is at 20.1%, ranking in the top 3 citywide.		
17/29	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	Allocate funding for dedicated 12AM - 8AM broom Our community has commercial and manufacturing areas that have overnight street cleaning regulations. The dedicated broom would provide cleaning services on a daily basis and could provide additional cleaning service to the commercial corridors.		
18/29	DCP	Other zoning and land use requests	Initiate study to determine if infrastructure can support increased development within CB 11. With increased development and population, data is needed to determine if our infrastructure can support additional population growth.		
19/29	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	Supervisory personnel in each cleaning section would oversee street cleaning operations on a daily basis, enforce the street cleaning regulations, and develop relationships with the business community to ensure education and compliance with cleaning regulations.		
20/29	HPD	Expand programs for housing inspections to correct code violations	Allocate additional funding for H.P.D. Code Enforcers. Funding is needed for additional personnel to inspect citizen complaints.		

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21/29	NYPD	Assign additional uniformed officers	From Fiscal Year 2013 through Fiscal Year 2017, the allocation for the local service district maintained an appropriation of 194 full-time positions. There is a need for increased manpower so that patrol services can adequately handle the approximately 60,000 emergency calls and non-emergency calls for service.		
22/29	SBS	Support merchant organizing	Community Board 11 has several strong commercial corridors with no formal merchant's association or BID. There are many programmatic opportunities available for organized merchants.		
23/29	FDNY	Increase Funding for Office of Community Affairs	Increase funding for the Office of Community Affairs to expand citywide open houses and community summer block parties. These venues are used to promote fire and life safety practices.		
24/29	DSNY	Other enforcement requests	Allocate Funding for Additional Sanitation Enforcement. Additional enforcement agents are needed to address illegal dumping and/or drop offs, improve ability to conduct surveillance and apprehend those illegally dumping, and would ensure that there is adequate coverage to enforce residential and commercial routing times.		
25/29	DOT	Repair potholes (resurface roads)	Allocate additional funding for the milling and resurfacing program.		
26/29	DOT	Repair potholes (resurface roads)	Allocate additional funding for the night resurfacing program		
27/29	DYCD	Program Funding	Increase funding for youth programs within Community Board 11.		
28/29	DOT	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Allocate funding for additional cleaning personnel for arterial highways.		
29/29	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	Increase funding for senior services.		

#### **Appendix - Supporting Materials**

The Community Board has provided the following supporting materials which can be accessed by clicking on the link(s) below or by copying and pasting the link(s) into a browser.

#### Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency



Removal of Permeable Surfaces and Sewer Defects

https://a002-oom03.nyc.gov/IRM/Handlers/Campaign/Attachments.ashx?attachmentId=3C859C8E-7664-4F17-9FBE-FCAD3E478F1C

#### Land Use, Housing and Economic Development



Curb cut complaints via 311

https://a002-oom03.nyc.gov/IRM/Handlers/Campaign/Attachments.ashx?attachmentId=D09B99D7-9B4F-4099-A547-4C9033612C9D

#### Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities



Belt Parkway Berm

https://a002-oom03.nyc.gov/IRM/Handlers/Campaign/Attachments.ashx?attachmentId=D473507B-15EB-40FD-A3FB-DCCE5FF902A4

potential measures along belt

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