

# Fiscal Year 2017 Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests

for

# **Bronx Community Board 4**

The City of New York

Bronx Community Board Four
"The Capitol District"

#### **DISTRICT NEEDS STATEMENT, FY' 2017**











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#### LETTER FROM THE COMMUNITY BOARD



Honorable Ruben Diaz, Jr. Bronx Borough President

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The process of developing our needs is an important and constructive measure taken by Community Boards in shaping our service and budget requests. This ongoing process requires the involvement of each Board Member, Committee, and the input from Board Member's personal observations, published surveys, public hearings, and discussions with local service chiefs. In developing our needs statement our goal is not to assign blame but to re-enforce community involvement, identify patterns or areas of concern and to improve upon what has been developed.

Community District Four, the Capital District is made up of the following Bronx neighborhoods: Mt. Eden, Highbridge, West Concourse, East Concourse, Morrisania and Concourse Village. Our strong, vibrant neighborhoods encompass East 149th Street on the South, East 174th Street on the North, The Harlem River on the West and Webster to Park Avenue on the East with easy access through major rail lines, roadways, and public transit, both surface and underground. Nearly 140,000 residents celebrate our distinct and varied positive contributions.

We are the host community to the world renown, Yankee Organization, Mill Pond Park, Macombs Park, The Gateway Center Mall, the Borough's Court System, the Bronx Museum of the Arts and many Art Deco buildings along the Grand Concourse Historic District. We are at the very center of the metropolitan region, only minutes from Manhattan, New Jersey, Long Island, and Westchester. We are the administrative center of the County, housing the offices of the Borough President, The District Attorney, the County and City Clerk.

As we prepare our Statement we are reminded that the responsibility of municipal government is to provide the services and resources to community districts that will enable them to thrive and meet their goals. The service demands of each neighborhood and constituency in our district must be matched with the appropriate response, not only from the appropriate City agency but from all our residents—especially parents—in order to create healthy living conditions in our fast-growing community.

We will do our best to ensure that our community board receives its 'fair share' of charter-mandated resources and stand at the forefront in protecting and servicing our citizenry.

Sincerely,

Jose Rodriguez District Manager

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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 Bronx Community Board 4'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

Bronx Community Board 4 provided the following overview of their district:

Community District # Four, the Capital District is made up of the following Bronx neighborhoods: Mt. Eden, Highbridge, West Concourse, East Concourse, and Concourse Village. Our strong, vibrant neighborhoods encompass East 149th Street on the South, East 174th Street on the North, The Harlem River on the West and Webster to Park Avenue on the East. Nearly 140,000 thousand residents celebrate our resurgence, and welcome new cultures, languages, hopes and dreams of the many new Americans making this district their home, from around the globe. We celebrate their distinct and varied positive contributions.

Ours is a great place to visit, work and live. We are the host community to the world renown, Yankee Stadium, The Terminal Market Gateway Center, the Borough's Court System, the Bronx Museum of the Arts and many Art Deco buildings along the Grand Concourse Historic District. Our community has enjoyed newly renovated recreational facilities, such as, tennis courts, a state of the art track & field and a new water front park. We continue to attract public and private sector economic development opportunities, again District #4 is an ideal location to do business and reside.

We are at the very center of the metropolitan region, only minutes from Manhattan, New Jersey, Long Island, and Westchester. We are the administrative center of the County, housing the offices of the Borough President, The District Attorney, the Courts and the County Clerk. There is easy access through major rail lines, roadways, and public transit, both surface and underground. We are a community of contrasts. Sleek silhouettes of artdeco buildings are a short stroll away from lovely small homes. Acre for acre we have more parks throughout our two square miles than any other district. All of our residents and guests get the "green carpet" treatment.

Community District # Four has experienced a commercial, residential and economic revival, making it a very exciting time for us here. We are excited about the roster of ongoing capital improvement projects and completed development projects earmarked for our district, projects we have fought long and hard for. We believe that our urban revival will continue and the fruits of years of advocacy will bear to sustain us as we move forward. Many of the capital improvement projects underway or slated for development, are part of Community Board Four's effort to include budget priority items, year after year, that will benefit the district.

- Development Improvements along the Grand Concourse
- The Jerome Neighborhood Study
- New Affordable and Market Rate Housing
- Opening of the Highbridge
- New Improvements to our Infrastructure

We will remain vigilant that Community District #4 receives its "fair share" of charter-mandated resources. The service demands of each neighborhood and constituency in our district needs to be matched with the appropriate response from the agencies for all categories of service and resources to create healthy conditions in this fast-growing community. We have a responsibility to care and plan for every segment represented in our district, including the young, the elderly, the native born, the foreign born, the poor, and the disabled.

Community Boards must continue to be a voice for the voiceless and a strong advocate for every constituency. It is the responsibility of municipal government to provide the services and resources to the community districts in this city that will enable them to thrive and meet their goals.

#### 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. Bronx Community Board 4 identified the following three issues:

- Business opportunities
- Parks
- Quality of life issues and neighborhood preservation

Bronx Community Board 4 provided the following explanation for their choices:

Community Board Four's objective in apprising the Parks Department of structural deficiencies impacting the use of our various parks, playgrounds and green spaces, thereby to obtain multi-sourced funding to remediate many of the substandard and/or hazardous conditions plaquing these parklands. Our earnest hope is that we may align the intent of the Parks Dept. and our elected officials to designate a budgetary line item to fund a Parks Administrator as a dedicated conservator of the District's marguis parks. In short, a dedicated Parks Administrator would best be able to allocate funds raised and/or earmarked for qualified District parks projects and prevent said funds from becoming diluted by the City's general parks fund, after which, as it is commonly understood, our ability to direct their application becomes significantly attenuated. Business opportunities and unemployment are related and is of great concern to CB4. We purpose the development of a "District Assessment" that will provide an unbiased snapshot of our district, so that we have the information to make strategic decisions about how to help existing businesses and address our unemployment issues. Responding to changes in market conditions, improving their competitiveness, and skill set training we thereby attract new businesses and employment opportunities. And improve our socio-economic condition. As one of the most populous Bronx districts, we continue to urge that our need for Public Safety be measured against our service area and high-density population. Particularly, because of our unique status as the "Capital District," this adds to an unusual and extensive drain on city resources. We feel that a focused aggressive enforcement and deterrence strategy applied on relatively minor offenses such as graffiti, loitering, loud music and petty crimes, coupled with aggressive condition unit monitoring of loitering around buildings and other public spaces would enhance our quality of life.

#### 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 Bronx Community Board 4 for FY 2017.

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

#### Main Issue

Other | The County Health Rankings and Roadmaps systems rank counties using a composite measure of health that accounts for mortality, morbidity, and other risk factors. Of the 62 counties Bronx County ranks last. The service area of (Highridge-Morrisania CB4) is disproportionately affected by serious health issues and risk factors. In the Bronx, racial health disparities exist for many of the aforementioned risk factors, diseases, and causes of mortality. Compared to white and Hispanic residents, Black residents are more likely to be hospitalized for nearly all of the prevention quality indicators conditions.

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

We are home to a young, predominantly minority population. Compared to the U.S., the prevalence of some health risk factors, including obesity, lack of fruits and vegetables, and not having health insurance, as well as diseases, such as HIV/AIDS, diabetes, and asthma are worse in the service area. The universally high prevention quality indicators and unusual mortality patterns indicate that regardless of the prevalence, diseases are not well managed in the community. There are many complex factors, such as physician shortages, limited educational attainment, language barriers, and reliance on public transportation, that likely contribute to this pattern.

#### **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 for this need category.

Supporting materials that were provided by the Community Board can be accessed by clicking on the link(s) below or by copying and pasting the link(s) into a browser.

https://a002-oom03.nyc.gov/IRM/Handlers/Campaign/Attachments.ashx?attachmentId=F0F9FA41-5DBA-4402-9E76-EFAB20718C1F

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

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

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

Budget Requests are listed for informational purposes only. OMB maintains the definitive list that may have more updated information on request for agencies, published in its Register.

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
01	DOHMH	Healthy life styles programs	Create or promote programs for education and awareness on nutrition, physical activity, etc.	Actions to assist in the reduction in obesity and diabetes among residents in the district 1. Promote Healthy Eating options. a. Throughout the district, there are limited options for purchasing healthier foods at grocery stores and restaurants, particularly in our commercial corridors. We support programs such as the DOHMHs Shop Healthy Initiative help to educate store owners on how to provide positive messaging, setup healthier alternatives, and work with distributors to bring healthier foods to the stores. b. We also ask the NYCEDC to support the DOHMHs mission of expanding access to healthier foods by considering significant modifications to the Food Retail Expansion to Support Health (FRESH) program. These modifications should include smaller and varied tax break options.		
09	DOHMH	Animal and pest control services	Reduce rat populations	For the past 7 years we have had several rat index initiatives to no avail. We have seen an increase in rodents especially in city owned areas.	The area in question is the East, West Concourse, and Concourse Village sections of our Community District.	

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

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

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

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

There is, at no point, which Bronx Community Board 4 desires to be viewed as a community that is insensitive to a population of people that clearly need support and consideration. Homelessness is a serious issue in New York City and CB4 has done its part in working with organizations that provide supportive housing in our community. There are concerns that we have expressed to DHS, chief among them, is the communication and notification process. The administration has implemented certain policy and procedural changes that we are in agreement with however, we must be viewed as partners. We desire to understand and to be educated as to what social service remedies the agency and the administration are to implement in addressing the issue of homelessness. With respect to facility placement, we will continue to view each request and review each on a case by case basis as we ascertain our fair share. We will always review the make-up of our community's facilities to insure that we are not inundated with housing that overburdens the community at large.

At this time, the Community Board does not have any 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

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

#### Main Issue

Other | Year after year we have advocated for the increase in funding for youth programs and services. We strongly urge DYCD to consult with Community Boards on budgetary matters for we cannot continue to state that our youth are our future and at the same time, because of decisions made not provide them with the economic, educational and social opportunities they need to compete in an ever-changing global market. The lack of adequate funding for the Summer Youth Employment Program is a continual concern for the youth of our district. Year after year, summer job opportunities become less and less, which makes it very difficult to assure teens the life and work experience skills they need to enhance their development. Without these opportunities, our young people will be relegated to hanging out in the streets causing disruption to the quality of life of our community residents. In the end, the cost of addressing problems associated with at-risk youth will be far greater than providing them with the resources they need to enhance their productive growth.

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

We draw your attention to a few key indicators: • The large number of youth and youth density: Among Bronx neighborhoods, CD4 has the highest total population [N=138,518] and the largest number of youth under 18 years [N=43,868]. In terms of total number of children per square mile [N=21,934], CD4 ranks as the 3rd most dense neighborhood in NYC. • Children in CD4 are also among the very poorest in NYC: In CD 4, 22.4% of children aged 0-17 receive cash assistance – the 3rd highest rate in the Bronx and the 3rd highest rate in all of NYC. CD4 also has the 3rd lowest median household income [N=\$26,934] in all of NYC. • CD4 has the very highest teen birth rate (70.6 births per 1,000 girls aged 15-19) in all of New York City. It also has the highest number of births to teen mothers (aged 1

#### **Community District Needs and Requests**

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

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

#### 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 or budget requests for this need category.

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

#### 4.3. Public Safety Needs and Requests

#### Main Issue

Youth crime

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

While crime stats may suggest continued improvements, the fact remains that we have seen an increase in shootings and gang related activity. In addition we have witnessed an increase in low level quality of life offenses and discrete conditions of disorder in certain neighborhoods.

• Youth are at very high risk of involvement in juvenile and criminal justice systems: Juvenile felony arrests (youth under 16 years old) in CD4 [N=182 in 2008] are the very highest in the Bronx and 2nd highest in NYC. And youth misdemeanor arrests (youth aged 16-20) in CD4 [N=2,002 in 2008] are 2nd highest in the Bronx and 3rd highest in NYC.

#### **Community District Needs and Requests**

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

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

Hot Spot Initiative: Center for Court Innovation Initiative: The Hot Spot Initiative (working title) would work to reduce crime by addressing discrete conditions of disorder in certain neighborhoods. The Initiative would seek to leverage the expertise and resources of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York and Bronx Community Solutions, the Center for Court Innovations' alternative-to-incarceration program, along with other government and non-profit partners. The Hot Spot Initiative would target the intersection of crime and place. In doing so, it would build on cutting-edge criminal justice research and theory. For example, David Weisburd, the winner of the Stockholm Prize for Criminology, has demonstrated that crime is often concentrated in small areas – parts of neighborhoods or even individual blocks – and that these crime concentrations remain stable over time. Weisburd also has shown that targeted intervention can reduce disorder and offending in hot spots (as well as neighboring areas) without displacing the crime elsewhere. (See, for example, Anthony Braga and David Weisburd, Policing Problem Places: Crime Hot Spots and Effective Prevention, Oxford University Press, 2010.) In a similar vein, David Kennedy of John Jay College has written extensively about how to use various carrots and sticks to change the behavior of offenders. Kennedy's strategies go by various names (Operation Ceasefire, Drug Market Intervention, pulling levers, focused deterrence, etc.) but the underlying idea is basically the same: the criminal justice system can reduce offending by clearly and directly communicating to chronic offenders that there will be real consequences for continued misbehavior – and real opportunities, should they decided to change lives. (See David Kennedy, Pulling Levers: Getting Deterrence Right, National Institute of Justice, 1998.) The basic idea behind the Hot Spot Initiative is to address local hot spots and eye sores by combing aggressive enforcement with positive, pro-social activities. • Analysis: Local police precincts would provide sector reports of crime incidents to allow researchers from the Center for Court Innovation to map areas where crime most frequently occurs. The goal here is to be a granular as possible and identifying specific street segments to address the criminal activity.

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

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

# 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:

Our Sanitation score card during year was at a low scoring level. Our Council Member has now directed funding to supplement what the District has been doing especially around our commercial districts. With more individuals moving into the District it seems the worse these conditions get.

#### **Community District Needs and Requests**

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

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 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
08	DEP	Sewage and	Clean catch			
		flooding	basins			

#### 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:

The cleanliness level, or lack thereof, characterizes our district. We want to ensure that our image is a clean one and as such, we urge the restoration of DSNY personnel, including "hand" cleaners, to adequately maintain our streets and sidewalks. Community Board Four experiences difficulties having no regular cleaning and maintenance schedules for the extraordinary number of underpasses, step streets and sitting areas. Furthermore there needs to be a concerted effort with inter-agency coordination in addressing our high traffic areas of concern. While we understand the limited resources, it must not be the defining factor when addressing District Four's needs. It is our opinion that most of our concerns could be addressed at the District Manager's District Service Cabinet however, we must have local service chiefs willing to coordinate and work with the Community Board to address concerns.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
12	DSNY	Street and lot cleaning	Other cleaning requests	Placement of capped trash receptacles to encourage placement of street trash and to discourse household waste.	North and South bound on the Grand Concourse at 161st, 167th, 170th and Mt Eden Streets.	Supporters
					West and East.	

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

# Main Issue

Market assessment studies

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

1. SBS/EDC to Provide technical assistance to developing Community Boards in drafting Commercial District Assessments in an effort to provide guidance to our Merchants and Property owners along our commercial corridors. Purpose of a District Assessment: Provide an unbiased snapshot of our districts, so that we have the information to make strategic decisions about how to help existing businesses respond to changing market conditions and improve their competitiveness; and how to attract new businesses to meet the needs of consumers in our districts, including residents, workers, and visitors. Begins to collect information that helps answer key questions, including: Community configuration: What type of businesses will work best given our current community configuration?

#### **Community District Needs and Requests**

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

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

The Jerome study area, within CB4 is a 19-block area south of the Cross-Bronx Expressway (1-95) and west of the Grand Concourse, a major historic corridor in the west Bronx in the northeast corner of Community District 4. The study area has excellent access to mass transit with six subway stations serving two subway lines within easy walking distance of the study area. These subways provide access to major employment centers in Manhattan and points north in the Bronx. The Cross Bronx Expressway (1-95) is located just north of the study area and connects to upper Manhattan, points north in the Bronx, Westchester and Connecticut. The study area is predominantly characterized by vacant lots, parking and automotive uses and is zoned exclusively for industrial and heavy commercial use. It is bordered by stable and developing residential neighborhoods with emerging immigrant populations, Highbridge to the west and Mount Eden to the northeast. Over the last few years there has been increased interest in residential and commercial development in the area. More than 146,000 people reside in Community District 4, a 4.9%1 increase from 2001-2010 (compared to 3.9% in the Bronx and 2.1% citywide). This growth is expected to continue and the community faces many challenges including access to fresh produce open space and affordable housing. Board Four's interest is to create and implement a long-term strategy for the revitalization, growth and to develop a new sustainable neighborhood to serve the growing and diverse needs of this area of the Bronx. Goals and Objectives: • Create opportunities for economic development: including new commercial development and new job creation (e.g. fresh food stores and local retail establishments) • Incentivize new residential development, including affordable housing • Create a pedestrian-friendly, walk able, transit-oriented neighborhood • Better connect existing residential neighborhoods and commercial corridors • Revitalize a currently underutilized area.

Supporting materials that were provided by the Community Board can be accessed by clicking on the link(s) below or by copying and pasting the link(s) into a browser.

https://a002-oom03.nyc.gov/IRM/Handlers/Campaign/Attachments.ashx?attachmentId=8E005395-89EE-4330-B233-904837CFCB9E

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

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

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

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

HOUSING, LAND USE & PLANNING: Affordable Housing: It is in the interest of our Community District to promote economic diversity which is why we support the development of affordable housing for moderate and middle-income individuals. The lack of affordable housing for this demographic continues to leave our District at a disadvantage. We support this policy because we feel it will stabilize our district's quality of life and by having a mixed representation of income we serve to promote economic growth. We are specifically focusing on multi-dwellings in the form of rentals, condominiums and cooperatives. Our Housing and Land Use Committee recommends the following sites: the vacant lands at the west side of Grant Avenue, between E. 167th and E. 169th Streets; University Avenue, between W. 167th and W. 170th Streets (including the privately owned vacant land); and Concourse Village West, between E. 153rd and E. 156th Streets.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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

Priority Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
07 HPD	Affordable housing programs	Provide more housing for medium income households	To increase the Districts economic index, we support the development of affordable housing for moderate and middle-income individuals and families as an added element to our new housing stock. The lack of affordable housing is contributing to the flight of moderate and middle-income people from our district. It is in the interest of our Community District to promote economic diversity within our community. We strongly advocate for City and State funds for the middle-income new construction program and the creation of assisted living housing for seniors.		

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
07	HPD	Housing oversight and emergency programs	Expand tenant protection programs			

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

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

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

1. SBS/EDC to Provide technical assistance to developing Community Boards in drafting Commercial District Assessments in an effort to provide guidance to our Merchants and Property owners along our commercial Purpose of a District Assessment: Provide an unbiased snapshot of our districts, so that we have the information to make strategic decisions about how to help existing businesses respond to changing market conditions and improve their competitiveness; and how to attract new businesses to meet the needs of consumers in our districts, including residents, workers, and visitors. Begins to collect information that helps answer key questions, including: Community configuration: What type of businesses will work best given our current community configuration? Space configuration: What type of businesses will work best in the physical spaces that are available? Market/Retail Analysis: What types of businesses are best-suited, based on the market/retail analysis? Retail synergy: What types of businesses will create retail synergy through co-tenancy or merchandising the district? 2. EDC in-conjunction with SBS to make a concerted effort to implement a Local Community Initiative that would survey and document Local, Minority and Women Business Enterprises (L/M/WBE). The purpose would be for Community Boards to cause development projects to achieve L/M/WBE contract participation goals set by the Boards for their projects all in an effort to assist Bronx & New York City based L/M/WBE to obtain equal footing on Development projects.

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161ST BID Market Study

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Existing Conditions Report Highridge-Main

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Economic Development (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 SBS	Commercial	Provide or		161st Street	
	district	expand district		Corridor from	
	revitalization	marketing,		Morris Avenue	
		branding, and		to River. The	
		promotion		Grand	
				Concourse from	
				167th Street to	
				149th Street	
06 SBS	Commercial	Support		Ogden Avenue	
	district	merchant		162nd Street	
	revitalization	organizing		E. L. Grant	
				Highway	

#### 4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

#### Main Issue

Traffic / traffic flow

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

The residents of this community district continues to voiced their anxieties and concerns about today's traffic conditions. No one listened then, and the situation has grown evermore harrowing each day. Consequently, this community is calling for clarity on a traffic reconfiguration plan for the "Court Corridor". The City needs to place permanent traffic control agents at said "Corridor" area for traffic relief assistance.

# **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:

153rd Street Bridge: We continue to voice our concerns about traffic conditions in our District and so we continue to advocate for the development of the East 153rd Street Bridge. While we understand the project remains in the projected capital plan, we stand firm in our support for the bridge development, which we believe would ease traffic congestion along 149th and 161st Streets, as well as alleviate some of the congestion on local streets in the neighborhood. Transportation and traffic are of particular importance to us since aside from being the "Capitol District" of this County; Community District Four is also the geographic center of the metropolitan region. In 2006 construction was to commence and the Department of Transportation received the Art Commission Award for Excellence in Design. The proposed bridge is a single tower cable stayed bridge, located over the Old Mott Haven Rail yard, connecting Concourse Village West at the west end and Park Avenue at the east end. It would have been the first new bridge built in 50 years and the first cable-stayed vehicular bridge in New York City. The Community Board has long advocated for measures that allow for making parking easier while reducing congestion and improving safety. We again inquire about the permit parking initiative (149th Street to 161st street from the Grand Concourse to River Avenue). The hardship that many residents and neighboring businesses endure due to stadium events would be eased with the advent of said initiative.

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
03	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Other transportation infrastructure requests	The Board is asking the Department of Transportation to conduct and engineering assessment of the 174th Street Underpass. Specifically replace the metal protective mesh, the chipped, and spalled concrete.	174th Street Underpass	
06	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	,	The Board is requesting DOT expand the Macomb's project to the Jerome/Shakespeare/Cromwell green street Triangle. The triangle's configuration is to be widened to allow for safe pedestrian movement.	167th Street Jeome Avenue Cromwell Avenue	

# 4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

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

Priority 08	Agency DOT	<b>Need</b> <i>Transportation</i> <i>infrastructure</i>	Request Repair or provide new street lights	Request Explanation Install higher intensity lighting along Jerome Avenue. This special lighting is needed due to the elevated rail lines that cause the area to be dark and unsafe due to the poor lighting.	Location Jerome Avenue 167th Street 174th street	Supporters
11	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	,	Removal and resurfacing asphalt and brick. The Board has complained about this for the past 3 years to no avail. The redbrick and asphalt along the corridor is cracked and is a serious trip hazard. In addition, the texture of the brick does not allow for safe travel during inclement weather because it becomes very slippery and slick.	161st Street Gerard Avenue River Avenue	

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
03	DOT	Traffic and traffic flow	Conduct traffic or parking studies	The Board continues to request that DOT conduct study for residential parking.	149th Street to 167th Street from Grand Concourse to River Avenue.	Concourse Village Tenant Association; South Bronx Community Association
04	DOT	Transportation infrastructure		The Board would like Stop Sign and or a flashing yellow signal at the location.	156th Street and Park Avenue Park Avenue 156th Street	

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

# Main Issue

Quality of parks and park facilities

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

The Board's overarching objective in this undertaking is to apprise both the NYC Parks Department and the District's elected officials of structural deficiencies impacting the use of our various parks, playgrounds and green spaces, thereby to obtain multi-sourced funding to remediate many of the substandard and/or hazardous conditions plaguing these parklands. In view of the fact that CB4 represents the Bronx's Capital District -- the Borough's seat of Executive, Judicial and Economic Power and the location of grand parkland including Franz Sigel, Joyce Kilmer, Mullaly, Macombs Dam and Claremont parks.

#### **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:

1. Community Board Four is interested in having the matter of the City's Tennis Court (Millpond Park Courts) Permit Fee discussed on the ground that the policy adversely impacts NYC residents of less economic means for no valid reason. a. All sectors of our NYC community deserve an equal opportunity to engage in traditional urban sports and related parks amenities (basketball courts, handball courts) as well as traditionally suburban sports where public amenities permit. b. The City has a seasonal permit requirement for New Yorkers wishing to access and play on NYC public tennis courts, which requires payment of a yearly \$200 fee for adult players during the summer season. Importantly, the fee must be paid either at the main NYC Parks Dept. Office in Central Park, at one of a handful of NYC recreational centers, or on line, requiring a computer, internet access and a credit card. c. Both the fee and the permit acquisition process adversely impact NYC's low income residents by providing both an economic and procedural disincentive to those of lesser means. These disincentives prevent equal access to public tennis courts without basis or justification by filtering out NYC's economically challenged residents. d. Notably, for all intents and purposes, a tennis court is the same as a basketball court: both employ hard court running surfaces and a net. Hence, it stands to reason that both have virtually identical maintenance requirements. However, only the sport with the "royal" heritage is shielded by procedures discouraging full and equal participation by all NYC residents. The end result is filtration of potential participants of lesser means, effectively precluding the next Serena Williams or Rafael Nadal from emerging from less affluent communities. e. Any suggestion by the City that the permit process facilitates orderly access to the courts is without merit. The City merely needs to implement a "1 hour Court Reservation" policy, which can be enforced by the very same Parks personnel that presently approach players to ask if they have a permit to play. If no court is open for play, players with reservations can be guided by Park's personnel to a court occupied by players without a reservation, the former receiving court priority for 1 hour. Where courts are open and accessible, players need merely to occupy and play.

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CB4 Parks Survey Vol2

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

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CB4 Parks Assessment Pt3

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 02	<b>Agency</b> DPR	Need  Park facilities  and access	Request Improve access to a parks facility	Request Explanation  Grant Park is already the site of proposed renovation and a street de-mapping plan. The project, was to be done in stages to permit continued use by children of some areas of the park. However, the development of a series of large sink holes in the children's play area in the park's southwestern quadrant has effectively shut down the entire park indefinitely. This adversely impacts the entire community the park has historically served. Clearly capital funds are needed on an expedited basis, at a minimum, to restore access to the children's park	Location Grant Park	Supporters
04	DPR	Park facilities and access	Reconstruct or upgrade a parks facility	Reconstruct the following park facilities that are in poor condition. Basketball court at Bridge Playground and Ogden-Plimpton Playground, handball courts at Claremont Park and Jerome Playground South, , skate and bike park in Mullaly Park, Basketball and handball courts at Nelson Playground. For a detailed list of repairs required at each park facility, please refer to the CB4's Park and Recreation committee's park surveys submitted to the Bronx commissioner, Department of Parks and Recreation.	Bridge Playground Claremont Park Jerome Playground South Mullaly Park Ogden- Plimpton Playground Nelson Playground	
05	DPR	Park facilities and access	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or playground	Several parks in the community district are in need of structural upgrades. The upgrades range from structural restoration of tiles on pathways, curbs and retaining walls, reconstruct damaged or missing fencing, fix restrooms, restore or replace park benches and reconstruct and modernize broken playground equipment. There are 18 parks and playgrounds that	Barry Plaza (on 173rd Street between Clay and Anthony Avenue) Bridge Playground Plimpton Playground Claremont	

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

Priority	y Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation have been identified for repair and restoration. For a detailed list of repairs required at each park, please refer to the CB4's Park and Recreation committee's park surveys submitted to the Bronx commissioner, Department of Parks and Recreation	Location Park Arcilla Park Mott Playground Goble Playground Jerome Playground South Merriam Playground Inwood Park Mullaly Park Mullaly Playground Summit Playgrounf Macombs Dam Park Corporal Irwin Fisher Park Franz Siegal Park Jerome Slope Ogden- Plimpton Playground Nelson Playground	Supporters
09	DPR	Park facilities and access	Other park facilities and access requests	Additional BBQ zones within the District are requested along with better signage stating clearly the Parks Departments barbeque policy. Mill Pond is the only park within the entire District that is designed with barbeque grills on the park grounds. Mill Ponds limited grills, which are greatly enjoyed, fall short of the demand for such amenities throughout the District. This unmet demand is compounded by the fact that Mill Pond is remotely situated under the Major Deegan Expressway which, assuredly serves as a deterrent to travel to the location. Consequently, every weekend from late Spring through the end of Summer, the Districts marquis parks (Claremont, Franz Sigel, Mullaly and Joyce Kilmer) are overrun with unmanageable barbeque gatherings.		
10	DPR	Park facilities and access	Provide a new or expanded park or playground	The Corporal Irwin Fisher Park is approximately 1.5 acres of gated unimproved NYC Parks green space that has never been accessible by the community since its acquisition some twenty years ago. The Community and the Community Board are hoping to change this by urging the	Corporal Irwin Fisher Park	

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation creation of a park dedicated to young pre- teen children (teenagers can use the ample Nelson Avenue Park facilities two blocks away.) Such a park will compliment the new residential construction across the street and help to improve property values in the area. History suggests that both Corporal Orwin Fisher and the community deserve it.	Location	Supporters
13	DPR	Park facilities and access	Other park facilities and access requests	Active development of a contiguous path joining the bike/run waterfront paths along Mill Pond Park (in Bronx CB4) to Roberto Clemente State Park (Bronx CB5) which also has a segment of a new bike/running path along the waterfront that ends at a chain linked fence separating the park land from property belonging to the Metro North/MTA train car cleaning facilities at the parks southern border. Using the precedent of the Riverbank Park in Manhattan, a similar greenway can be developed along the perimeter of the MTA's Bronx facility.	Bike/run path at Mill Pond Park to Roberto Clemente State Park	
14	DPR	Park facilities and access	Improve access to a park or playground	Provide access and information on opening times for the following two community gardens: Bette's Rose Garden (adopted by New York Restoration Project on Teller Ave) and Mossaic Success Garden (adopted by NYC's Green Thumb initiative on Ogden Ave). Currently there is no information is provided either within or outside the garden on opening times for the community gardens.	Bette's Rose Garden on Teller Avenue Mossaic Success Garden on Ogden Avenue	

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
02	DPR	Street trees and forestry services	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	The following parks have dead or crumbling trees that present a hazard to park patrons; Claremont Park, Grant Park	Claremont Park	
10	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Provide better park maintenance	Additional parks personnel and resources for rodent abatement is requested at all park sites, particular attention should be paid to Keltch Park that has pervasive rodent activity	Keltch Park	

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

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

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

Community Board 4 (Bronx) Community Board 4 (Bronx) has three branches of the New York Public Library (NYPL) system: Grand Concourse, High Bridge, and Melrose Key Factors According to NYPL statistics (below), in Fiscal Year 2015 the libraries in CB 4 had 146,775 visits. NYPL Branch Number of Visit Program Attendance Grand Concourse High Bridge Melrose 115,559 155,387 156,662 12,608 16,333 13,328 TOTAL 427,608 42,269 • Based on a 2015 report from the Center for an Urban Future, libraries in the Bronx saw the biggest increase in program attendance and circulation out of the five boroughs. The Bronx has seen a 225 percent increase in program attendance and a 35 percent increase in circulation. Data shows that these statistics will continue to increase throughout the New York public Library system. • The libraries are especially important to low and moderate income residents who depend on the libraries for access to books, internet access, job search and film and as the only quiet place to read or do homework or other work. • Residents who have laptop computers but cannot afford internet fees use the library for internet access. • The arts and cultural programming along with English for Speakers of Other Languages and Out-of School Time programs in the neighborhood are extremely important to many residents, particularly families with children and seniors, who cannot otherwise afford access to commercial alternatives.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Library 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
15	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and programs	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	FY 17 Budget Priorities The NYPL received an increase of \$18.860 million in operating funding in the FY 16 City Budget. This represents the largest single year increase in city funding in the Librarys history. However, the funding was not baselined and the Library will continue to work with the Mayors office with the goal of having the increased funding baselined. The restoration of expense funding in the citys FY 16 budget will allow NYPL to increase hours, programs, services, materials and staff throughout the system. We seek to baseline the current level of library funding in order to preserve these systemwide enhancements. The NYPL libraries within CB 4 (Bronx) are used extensively. The community relies on them to provide essential library services, as well as educational		

#### 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 BOARDS (Increase in funding to \$350, 000): The City Charter states with vigor the importance and obligations mandated to Community Boards. Experience has taught us that intended programs are without meaning when they are without funds. We are currently operating on an internal budget of \$198,895 for a district with nearly 140,000 residents. Actually, the financial figure is far less than that since much of the Board's budget is pre-allocated for fixed expenses. Community Boards provide direct and almost immediate access between community residents and city government. That link must be strengthened. Instead, we have been weakened because of past agency service reductions, we were being called upon with greater urgency to fill the gaps without the adequate financial resources. We recognize existing difficulties but we believe that Community Boards are the best thing to have happened for New York City. We are gratified that the City Council with Mayoral support spared Community Boards from budget cuts this time, but while we have regained an inch, we are still miles behind when it comes to an equitable allocation of city funding. Let us conclude this portion of our commentary by saying that with the adequate fiscal support, Community Boards can provide the proverbial "ounce of prevention" that makes it unnecessary for the city to pay dearly for the "pound of cure" often needed.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Community Boards (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
01	DCAS	Community board facilities and staff	Renovate, upgrade or provide new community board facilities and equipment	The Board Four has requested DCAS to facilitate moving to better suite the needs of our Community District to no avail.  Community Boards are the most local form of government, and as such, we should be more accessible to the public at large. Our current location does not allow for such engagement, that we are Charter mandated to do. With a Community District that high levels of unemployment, recipients of social services, poor health indicators, and quality of life issues its imperative that we are situated in an area with access from the community and to the community.		

# **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	DCAS	Community board facilities and staff	Renovate, upgrade or provide new community board facilities and equipment	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
02	DPR	Park facilities and access	Improve access to a parks facility	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
03	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Transportation
04	DPR	Park facilities and access	Reconstruct or upgrade a parks facility	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
05	DPR	Park facilities and access	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or playground	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
06	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Resurface roads or repair potholes	Transportation
07	HPD	Affordable housing programs	Provide more housing for medium income households	Land Use, Housing and Economic Development
08	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Repair or provide new street lights	Transportation
09	DPR	Park facilities and access	Other park facilities and access requests	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
10	DPR	Park facilities and access	Provide a new or expanded park or playground	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
11	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Resurface roads or repair potholes	Transportation
12	DSNY	Street and lot cleaning	Other cleaning requests	Core Infrastructure and City Services
13	DPR	Park facilities and access	Other park facilities and access requests	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
14	DPR	Park facilities and access	Improve access to a park or playground	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
15	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

# 5.2. Table of All Expense Requests (Prioritized)

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Priority No.	Agency	Need	Request	Policy Area
01	DOHMH	Healthy life styles programs	Create or promote programs for education and awareness on nutrition, physical activity, etc.	Health Care and Human Services
02	DPR	Street trees and forestry services	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
03	DOT	Traffic and traffic flow	Conduct traffic or parking studies	Transportation
04	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	Transportation
05	SBS	Commercial district revitalization	Provide or expand district marketing, branding, and promotion	Land Use, Housing and Economic Development
06	SBS	Commercial district revitalization	Support merchant organizing	Land Use, Housing and Economic Development
07	HPD	Housing oversight and emergency programs	Expand tenant protection programs	Land Use, Housing and Economic Development
08	DEP	Sewage and flooding	Clean catch basins	Core Infrastructure and City Services
09	DOHMH	Animal and pest control services	Reduce rat populations	Health Care and Human Services
10	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Provide better park maintenance	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities