Statements of Community
District Needs
and
Community Board
Budget Requests

Fiscal Year 2018



Queens
Community District 01

#### **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.

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This report represents Queens Community Board 1's Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2018. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the Community Board, collected through an online form available to community boards from September to November 2016.

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This report is broadly structured as follows:

#### a) Overarching Community District Needs

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

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

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

#### c) Community Board Budget Requests

The final section includes the two types of budget requests submitted to the City for the FY18 budget cycle; one list for capital and another for expense budget requests. For each budget request, community boards were able to provide a priority number, explanation, location, and supporters. OMB remains the definitive source on budget requests submitted to city agencies.

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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.

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# 1. Community Board Information

# **Queens Community Board 1**

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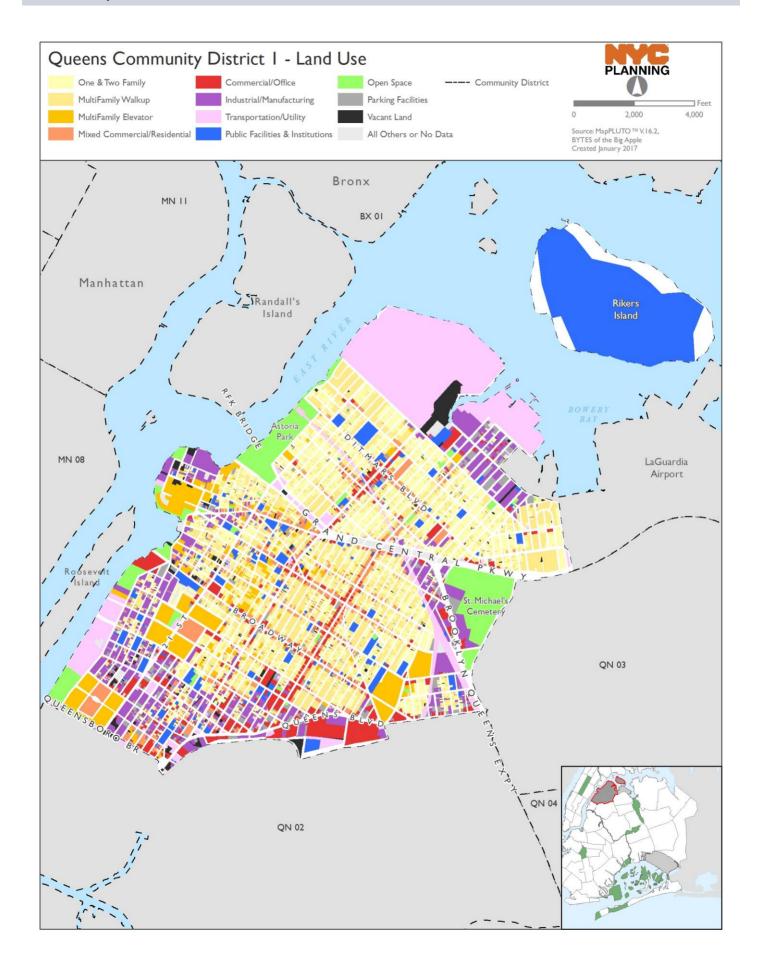
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#### 3. Overview of Community District

#### **NEEDS STATEMENT FY 2018**

#### INTRODUCTION

Community Board 1, Queens is bounded by Bowery Bay on the north, on the south by Queens Plaza North, Northern Boulevard and the LIRR Tracks, on the west by the East River, and on the east along the west bound curve of the Brooklyn Queens Expressway to the Grand Central Parkway and 82nd Street. We service the communities of Astoria and portions of Long Island City, Woodside and Jackson Heights.

Our zoning is mixed with residential, manufacturing, industrial and commercial areas, two Industrial Zones, and two Business Improvement Districts. We have major shopping areas along Broadway, Ditmars Boulevard, Steinway Street, 30th and 36th Avenues and Northern Boulevard.

The District abuts LaGuardia Airport, along with several major roads that provide access through our community to and from Manhattan via the Queens Borough Bridge, Brooklyn via the BQE and the Bronx via the RFK/Tribough Bridge. We also provide the only land access to Rikers and Roosevelt Islands. District 1 is home to the largest number of energy power plants that provide electricity to all of New York City.

We are the most culturally diversified District in New York City with 119 diferent nationalities and counting.

Our community has many desirable qualities, including the beautiful waterfront, cultural establishments such as the Museum of the Moving Image, the Noguchi Museum, Socrates Sculpture Park and a replica of an ancient Greek Amphitheater at Athens Square. We are home to the Kaufman Astoria Studios, and Arts District and one of the largest film and television production centers on the east coast.

In May of 2016, District 1 welcomed the opening of Mount Sinai Hospital of Queens new additional building. This is the only hospital serving our community including the areas of Roosevelt Island and Riker's Island in critical, life saving time.

Our District has the greatest number of Enclosed and Unenclosed Sidewalk Cafes in Queens. The Board appreciates the ambiance that these cafes bring to our community and we realize that the quality-of-life of our residents must be maintained.

Currently, Queens County has the greatest number of trees of all the boroughs. Our Districts has numerous parks and recreation areas with Astoria Park being the crown jewel of our community. At the present time CB1 is in an upward transition and development of new housing is at an all time highand the infrastructure will soon require upgrades at all levels.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Risi, Chairperson

Florence Koulouris, District Manager

#### 4. Top Three Pressing Issues Overall

The three most pressing issues facing Queens Community Board 1 are:

- Affordable housing
- Police-community relations
- Traffic

AFFORDABLE HOUSING- The need for affordable housing in our district has produced a market for illegal apartment conversion. It has long been the Board's opinion that legislation should be considered to legalize apartments that meet all safety regulations. This will provide safe affordable housing and add to the City's tax base. Increased rents for those living on a fixed income are forcing many seniors and disable residents to move from their homes and our community, that they have lived in for many years, some a lifetime. POLICE-COMMUNITY RELATIONS- Residential developments has increased tremendously in our District impacting on all services, particularly the Police. We have an increase in night life, approximately 160 establishments in our District, that impacts on the quality of life in our neighborhood as in the surrounding communities. We urge the enforcement of regulations pertaining to cabarets and bars i.e.: excessive noise, drugs and serving alcohol to minors. The MARCH Program (Multi Agency Response to Club Hotspots) must be continued. TRANSIT- CB1 acknowledges the need for safe passages of cyclists through the City which we support, however, we have serious concerns regarding the elimination of parking spaces, particularly in our commercial areas. This creates a hardship for the business that need parking to accommodate patrons. New developments have brought more residents who depend on public transportation. In addition, many commuters from Nassau and Suffolk counties drive as far as Astoria and park their cars and board the train to Manhattan. We await the installation of Citi Bike to aid in Transportaion options.

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



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

#### Programs, services or facilities for seniors

Our District has a large population of seniors, many of whom are homebound and depend on home delivered meals, home health care and visiting nurse services. Home care for our frail and elderly is less costly to our City and more desirable to many in need. These services must be maintained and expanded when fiscally possible. Mount Sinai Hospital of Queens is the only hospital serving our community, surrounding areas including Roosevelt Island. The construction of a new 6 story ambulatory building will be completed ending of 2016. This addition will expand the Emergency Department and will include seven (7) new state-of-art operating rooms, primary care and multi specialized physician practices. Program services for seniors, adults, & children are in dire need.

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

Our request in the past has been to provide senior center staffing. The services for elderly and disabled including homecare, Meals on Wheels, and medical transportation are critically needed as our population is increasingly older and their funds are limited. Our Board experienced a DFTA Pilot Program, Taxi Smart Card. The program didn't have funding for advertising, so in turn, the community didn't have the opportunity to participate to its fullest ability. How ever, residents who did participate are urging our Board to advocate to have this program reinstated. Transportation for our elder population is in dire need as this portion of our community grows.

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

There is an increase in Seniors residing in CD1, which has resulted in a higher demand of all types of services such as; housing, specialized health care facilities, medical transportation services in addition to an expanded meal delivery system to the home bound.

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
6/23	DFTA	Senior center programs	Provide additional senior center staffing	
11/23	DFTA	Services for homebound older adults	Increase transportation services capacity	
13/23	DOHMH	Health inspections	Increase health inspections, e.g. for restaurants	

#### Youth, Education and Child Welfare



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

#### After school programs

CB1 has had an increase in the school-age population from Pre-K to high school due to the influx of many families to the new residential buildings. After School Programs are crucial and must be maintained. The summer Youth Employment Program is unique and essential to youth 14 to 24 that provides 6 weeks of paid work experience. Child Welfare Services must be continued to help protect and advance the interests of all children in our community. Educational support for all students must be continued at all grade levels. It is of utmost importance that arts, music & cultural programs for our children be instituted. In addition, our youth particularly our female youth, must learn the computer skills, coding, and technological equipment in our schools that will prepare them for future employment opportunities and educational fulfillment.

# Community District Needs Related to Educational Facilities and Programs

High schools are overcrowed and additional shifts should be established to safely & adequately accommodate all high school students. It is important for all students to be aware of the importance of practicing saftey at all times.

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

Required installation of seat belts in school buses which transport children. This is a saftey issue and can save lives. This needs immediate attention. (item-2)

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
2/40	DOE	Educational programs	Improve school safety	
5/40	DOE	Schools and educational facilities	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	P .S. 2
33/40	DOE	Schools and educational facilities	Renovate or upgrade a middle or intermediate school	IS 126

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
9/23	DYCD	After School Programs	Expand After School Programs	
10/23	ACS	Child care	Provide, expand, or enhance funding for Day Care Slots and Head Start Programs	
16/23	TLC	Taxi Enforcement	Additional TLC Inspectors	

#### **Public Safety and Emergency Services**



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

#### Police-community relations

We have an increase in night life, approximately 160 establishments in our District that impacts on the quality of life for all our residents. The MARCH (Multi Agency Response to Club Hotspots) has been effective in monitoring these establishments that violate the law, it must be continued and expanded when fiscally possible. More Police are needed on the streets. Due to our close proximity to Manhattan, the Bronx and Roosevelt Island our Fire resources are stretched to supplement fire protection to those areas. The development of high-rise and multi-family dwellings where 1 and 2 family homes existed has created an even greater demand on our fire resources. Emergency Services Workers are critical as first responders to an emergency they must be maintained and expanded when possible.

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

Increased Uniform Personnel for the 114 Precinct. This is required to address all of the issues outlined in all sections of this Budget Submission. (item-1)

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
3/40	FDNY	FDNY facilities and equipment	Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station	Firehouse 261 Ladder 116 29th Street Between 37&38 Ave.
27/40	NYPD	NYPD facilities and equipment	Provide surveillance cameras	Hallets Peninsula

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
2/23	NYPD	NYPD staff and training resources	Assign additional uniformed officers	
4/23	FDNY	FDNY facilities and equipment	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	
22/23	NYPD	NYPD staff and training resources	Assign additional uniformed officers	114 PCT
23/23	FDNY	FDNY programs and staffing	Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives	

#### **Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency**



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

#### Sewer capacity

CB1 approved two major re-zoning in the vicinity of Hallet's Cove area. The zoning change for both projects will permit the construction of 4000 residential units with commercial development. This new development has placed an incredible large strain on our infrastructure, particularly on our combined and storm sewers. The City must plan for the increase in higher density development areas. The upkeep of the sewer catch basin is critical in preventing Floods. Our District has the greatest number of Power Plants in the City, LaGuardia Airport, the Grand Central Parkway, the BQE Expressway, the Robert F. Kennedy, Queensborough/Koch Bridges. Exhaust and air fuel fumes to our community's highest respiratory distresses and illnesses.

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

Increase man power for catch basin maintenance through out CD1.

#### Community District Needs Related to Sanitation Services

The increase of sanitation police is necessary. Graffitti removal is essential, particulary in the commercial strips through out CD1. Increase sanitation levels of operation. It is extreemly necessary to relocate or expand the Queens West 1 Sanitation Garage. (item- 24)

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
10/40	DSNY	Garbage collection and recycling infrastructure	Provide new or upgrade existing sanitation garages or other sanitation infrastructure	34 - 28 21st St
11/40	DEP	Sewage and flooding	Build new, expand or repair storm sewers	Shore Blvd

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
1/23	DEP	Environmental protection	Address air quality issues	
3/23	DEP	Sewage and flooding	Clean catch basins	
14/23	DSNY	Garbage collection and recycling infrastructure	Other garbage collection and recycling infrastructure requests	
20/23	DSNY	Sanitation Enforcement	Other enforcement requests	36 Avenue
21/23	DSNY	Street and lot cleaning	Other cleaning requests	

#### Land Use, Housing and Economic Development



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

#### Affordable housing programs

Our District has five New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) developments; Astoria, Queensbridge, Ravenswood and the Woodside Houses. Funding from Federal/State/City sources for afterschool, senior citizens programs as well as repairs are essential. We are in need of a greater percentage of affordable units. District 1's commercial/manufacturing/industrial areas play an important role in the stability of our community. Commercial strips must be supported by City services as: curb and sidewalk repairs and tree maintenance. The need for parking spaces in these areas in crucial to their survival who must compete with the malls and cyber shopping.

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

CD1 is in extreem need to hire building inspectors for the multitde of complaints reported to the 311 system. (item 11)

#### Community District Needs Related to Economic Development

The revitalization of our commercial strips to increase the pedestrian traffic is immperative to the livelyhood of our merchants. We must expand telecommunications utilities through out CD1 for Wi-Fi access. (item-4)

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
32/40	EDC	Economic development investments	Invest in piers or other capital projects to improve access to the waterfront	Hallets Cove Piers
38/40	DOITT	Economic development programs	Improve the availability, speed, or cost of broadband access to local businesses and residents	
39/40	EDC	Economic development programs	Build or expand incubator or affordable work or research lab spaces	GCP 32nd street 42nd Street
40/40	SBS	Commercial district revitalization	Other commercial district revitalization requests	
CS	EDC	Tax and other incentives programs and financing support	Expand tax incentive programs to help neighborhood businesses construct or improve space	

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
5/23	HPD	Housing oversight and emergency programs	Other housing oversight and emergency programs	
12/23	DOB	Building code and zoning enforcement	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)	

#### Transportation



#### Main Issue Related to Transportation

#### Parking operations

CB1 acknowledges that cyclist safety is needed and we encourage sidewalk bike racks to accommodate them. The elimination of parking spaces particularly in commercial areas is of great concern to us. This creates a hardship for businesses that desperately need parking for their patrons. We await the installation of Citi Bike in our District.

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
1/40	NYCTA	Transit Infrastructure	Other transit infrastructure requests	31st Street 23rd Road 24th Avenue
7/40	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Repair or provide new street lights	
8/40	DOT	Traffic and traffic flow	Conduct traffic or parking studies	Grand Central Parkway 32nd street 41st street
13/40	DOT	Traffic and traffic flow	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	Queensborough Koch Bridge
34/40	NYCTA	Transit Infrastructure	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	Astoria Blvd 31st Street
36/40	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
19/23	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Other transportation infrastructure requests	

#### Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities



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

#### Community facility access and programming

Our increased population has created a greater need for the development of open spaces. Many of our playgrounds require renovations, with the inclusion of safety gates that would prevent primarily toddlers from leaving the playground. We eagerly anticipate the construction of a performance space, in the dormant diving pool area of the Landmarked Diving Pool in Astoria Park. This venue for live performance will be a show place for our community as well as the entire City.

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

Create New expanded Comfort Station in North Side of Astoria Park. Astoria Park Track: Reconstruct & Paint lines, Upgrade Infield for sports Use, using the artificial turf. Whitney Ford Field: Renovate Ball field and create Waterfront Access. Community Cultural Facilities need greater support for their activities. Community Board Office need additional staff and upgraded equipment,

#### Community District Needs Related to Community Boards

As our community grows we require more full time and part time staffing in the Community Board Office to assist the residents of our district in responding to the many needs and complaints the office receives on a daily basis. Preparation for the board meeting requires special attention due to the documents intense sensitivity, staffers are required to dedicate time and effort in exacting work on a timely basis.



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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
4/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	
6/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Astoria Park Track
9/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Astoria Park
12/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Whitey Ford Field
14/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Astoria Park
15/40	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Other park maintenance and safety requests	Astoria Park
16/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Astoria Park
17/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Astoria skatepark
18/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Sixteen Oaks Grove
19/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Astoria Park
20/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Chappeto Park
21/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	St. Michael's Park
22/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	
23/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Lyster Creek 19th Ave. 37th St
24/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Astoria Park Pool
25/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Ditmars Playground
26/40	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Other park maintenance and safety requests	
28/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Rainey Park
29/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Hallets Cove Playground
30/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Astoria Pool Complex
31/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Hoyt Ave. Playground
35/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Hoyt Ave 19th St 21st St
37/40	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	Astoria Houses



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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
CS	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Astoria Park
CS	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Other park maintenance and safety requests	Astoria Heights Playground
CS	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Charybdis Playground
CS	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Playground 35
CS	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Astoria Pool Complex
CS	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Queensbridge Park
CS	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Astoria Heights Playground
CS	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Ravenswood Playground
CS	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Sean Place Park
CS	DPR	Park, buildings, and access improvements	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Astoria Heights Playground

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

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
7/23	DPR	Street trees and forestry services	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	
8/23	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	New equipment for maintenance	
15/23	QL	Library facilities, equipment and	Provide more or better equipment to a library	
17/23	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	Astoria Park
18/23	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Provide better park maintenance	

# 6. Additional Information and Other Budget Requests

# **Other Expense Requests**

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Location
9/23	DYCD	After School Programs	Expand After School Programs	
16/23	TLC	Taxi Enforcement	Additional TLC Inspectors	

# **Queens Community Board 1 Capital Requests**

Queens Community Board 1 submitted 40 capital budget requests, organized by priority.

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Support (CS)	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
1/40	NYCTA	Other transit infrastructure requests	Construct Noise Barriers between PS 85 and Train Tracks on 31st Street Elevated Structure to Eliminate the Disruption from Noise and Enhance the Classroom Experience Providing A Conducive Learning/Teaching Environment	31st Street 23rd Road 24th Avenue	
2/40	DOE	Improve school safety	Implement the Childrens Seat Belts Safety School Bus Ride Requirement		
3/40	FDNY	Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station	We Request to Re-open Firehouse 261, Ladder 116 at 29th Street Between 37th & 38th Avenues Due to the Immense Building in Our District. With the Influx of Thousands of Residents and Visitors, We Require the Firehouse to be Reopened for Community Safety. In this Area We have 47 Hotels and a few Large Developments in Progress. The Current Residents Safety Must be Addressed as Well.	Firehouse 261 Ladder 116 29th Street Between 37&38 Ave.	
4/40	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Provide Pedestrian Only Signage on all Pathways in all of the Astoria Park & throughout all CD1 Parks for Safety of Park Users		
5/40	DOE	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	Provide Accessibility at P.S. 2 for People with Disabilities. This Lack of Access Affects Students, Teachers, Employees, Visitors, and Community Residents.	P .S. 2	
6/40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Astoria Park Track: Reconstruct & Paint Lines, Upgrade Infield for Sports use Including Soccer. This is a Highly Used Space in our Park and the Work and Update is sorely needed.	Astoria Park Track	
7/40	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	Complete 2003 Streetlight Replacement Project on Commercial Strips: Steinway Between Astoria Blvd. & 30th Ave & Mid-Block Betw. Broadway & 35th Ave. and 30th Ave. Betw. 35th & Crescent Sts. to inc. Curbage		
8/40	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	Development for Parking over the Grand Central Parkway between 32nd and 41st Streets for 114th Police Precinct for Officers Use. Our District Requires a Large Number of Officers and with Extremely Limited Parking this is a Necessity for the Officers who Protect and Serve us as Well as the Community They Serve.	Grand Central Parkway 32nd street 41st street	
9/40	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Create a New Expanded Comfort Station in the North Side of Astoria Park Closer to Ditmars Boulevard this is a Necessary Amenity.	Astoria Park	
10/40	DSNY	Provide new or upgrade existing sanitation garages or other sanitation infrastructure	Relocate or Expand QW1 Sanitation Garage. The Existing Structure was Built in 1937 and is Dilapidated.	34 - 28 21st St	

# **Queens Community Board 1 Capital Requests**

Queens Community Board 1 submitted 40 capital budget requests, organized by priority.

# Priority / Continued

Support (CS)	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
11/40	DEP	Build new, expand or repair storm sewers	Upgrade Storm Sewers to Relieve Flooding in Vicinity of Shore Blvd.	Shore Blvd	
12/40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Whitey Ford Field: Renovate Ball Field & Create Waterfront Access for Community Use	Whitey Ford Field	
13/40	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	Installation of Real Time Traffic Boards at the Approaches to the Queensborough Koch Bridge for Lower & Upper Levels to update travelers of road conditions, delays and any necessary important information that may have an impact	Queensborough Koch Bridge	
14/40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Replace All Water Fountains in Astoria Park	Astoria Park	
15/40	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	Astoria Park Erosion Control Plan- Implement Erosion Plan	Astoria Park	
16/40	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Construct a Raised (Performance) Platform Stage in Astoria Park Betw. Hells Gate Bridge & Pool Adjacent to Shore Blvd.	Astoria Park	
17/40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Enhance Lighting at Skateboard Park & North Astoria Park Utilizing Solar Power	Astoria skatepark	
18/40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Sixteen Oaks Grove (Pacella Park): Improve Drainage and Renovate Park (14th to 21st Streets bet. 36th and 37th Aves.)	Sixteen Oaks Grove	
19/40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Astoria Park: Expand and Upgrade Field House and Comfort Stations for Park Staff and Community Recreational Use	Astoria Park	
20/40	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Chappetto Park Extension: Establish Passive Recreational Use (21st Street/Hoyt Ave. North)	Chappeto Park	
21/40	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Construct Passive Recreation Area in St. Michael's Park with Benches, Tables and Bleachers for Community Use.	St. Michael's Park	
22/40	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Provide Additional Benches, Concrete Game Tables, Concrete Trash Bins in all CD 1 Parks for Community Use.		
23/40	DPR	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Establish Waterfront Access Along North Shore of CD 1 at Lyster Creek (19th Avenue & 37th Street)	Lyster Creek 19th Ave. 37th St	
24/40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Renovation of Astoria Park Diving Pool /Terrace Complex Including New Concrete Surface and Electric Upgrade for Performance Space	Astoria Park Pool	

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25/40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Ditmars Playground: Upgrade and Repair Comfort Station (Steinway Street between Ditmars & 23rd Avenue) as these repairs are required.	Ditmars Playground	
26/40	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	Purchase Single CAB Pick Up with Plow & Lift Gate for use in CD 1 for Maintenance of the District		
27/40	NYPD	Provide surveillance cameras	CCTV system installation on the Hallets Peninsula	Hallets Peninsula	
28/40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Rainey Park: Renovations Including Repaving, Fencing, Benches, Volleyball Court, Tree Planting and BBQ Area, & Basketball for Community Use upgrades are needed	Rainey Park	
29/40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Hallets Cove Playground: Repair Fence and Comfort Station, Resurface	Hallets Cove Playground	
30/40	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Build Ice Skating Rink in Astoria Pool Complex for Seasonal Use	Astoria Pool Complex	
31/40	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Hoyt Ave. Playground: Phase 2 Renovations (31st Street & Hoyt Avenue)	Hoyt Ave. Playground	
32/40	EDC	Invest in piers or other capital projects to improve access to the waterfront	Hallets Cove Piers: Reconstruct for Waterfront Recreational Use at 31 Avenue and Vernon Boulevard	Hallets Cove Piers	
33/40	DOE	Renovate or upgrade a middle or intermediate school	IS 126 Schoolyard/Playground: Upgrade Community Play Area at Rear of School 31-52 21st Street	IS 126	
34/40	NYCTA	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	Provide Access to People with Disabilities to Elevated Train Along 31st Street	Astoria Blvd 31st Street	
35/40	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Return Recreational Uses Under the Triboro Bridge on Hoyt Ave. Playground A between 19th & 21st Streets and Playground D between 24th & Crescent Streets	Hoyt Ave 19th St 21st St	

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36/40	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	Installation of Real Time Traffic Boards at Train Station & Bus Stops in CD 1. These Mechanisms May be Used in Multiple Ways to Inform the Community & Share Information.		
37/40	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	Replace Sewall Rail Surrounding the Astoria Houses. This Rail is a Hazard and Requires Immediate Attention to Secure the Area.	Astoria Houses	
38/40	DOITT	Improve the availability, speed, or cost of broadband access to local businesses and residents	Expand Telecommunications Utilities Throughout CD1 for Wi-Fi Access Improve Availability, Speed, & Cost of Broadband Access to Local Businesses & Residents		
39/40	EDC	Build or expand incubator or affordable work or research lab spaces	Conduct a feasibility study for the establishment of a workspace for Cornell Tech. The area to consider is around the GCP between 32nd and 42 Streets. This land is currently owned by DOT	GCP 32nd street 42nd Street	
40/40	SBS	Other commercial district revitalization requests	We request the expanding of business skills training programs into CD 1 for all local businesses and introduce the local residence to this new opportunity.		
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Astoria Heights Playground: Gates on 30th Road & 45 and 46 Street Entrances (CPI)	Astoria Heights Playground	
CS	EDC	Expand tax incentive programs to help neighborhood businesses construct or improve space	Tax incentive initiatives should be implemented and offered to all businesses in CD1. (item-4)		
CS	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	Astoria Heights Playground: Erosion Control Plan (CPI)	Astoria Heights Playground	
CS	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Construct Dog Run Outside of Astoria Park	Astoria Park	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Sean Place Park: Upgrade Park Fixtures (CPI)	Sean Place Park	
CS	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Astoria Heights Playground- Comfort Station Renovation (30th Road & 45th Street). (CPI)	Astoria Heights Playground	

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cs	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Ravenswood Playground: Repaving & Resurfacing	Ravenswood Playground	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Playground 35 ( Steinway St. & 35th Avenue) Renovate & Replace all Equipment (CPI) Community Parks Initiatve	Playground 35	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Queensbridge Park Renovation: Fencing, Park Paths, Reuse Concession Building ("Concession Red Building"), 21st Street Access	Queensbridge Park	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Renovation of Astoria Pool Complex, Including Terrace & Locker Rooms	Astoria Pool Complex	
CS	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Charybdis Playground: Expand Playground Utilizing Existing Sprinkler Pool Provide Handicap Accessible Play Units, Safety Surface, Benches, Swings, and Ornamental Plants & Comfort Station	Charybdis Playground	

# **Queens Community Board 1 Expense Requests**

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1/23	DEP	Address air quality issues	Increase Monitoring of Air & Noise Quality in CD 1		
2/23	NYPD	Assign additional uniformed officers	Increase Funds for Evening Inspectors in Collaboration with DCA and NYPD for MARCHES. Our District has an Extremely Large Number of Establishments that at times Violate Rules and Regulations.		
3/23	DEP	Clean catch basins	Must clean and maintain on a more frequent schedule to prevent flooding in our curb cut and corners through out CD 1.		
4/23	FDNY	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	Upgrade Fire Dept. Equipment - Permanent Generators in Each Fire House in CD 1		
5/23	HPD	Other housing oversight and emergency programs	We request the increase of HPD inspectors in CD 1 to prevent hazards of any outstanding violations which need to be addressed and may be a subsequent danger to the residence. (item-5)		
6/23	DFTA	Provide additional senior center staffing	Services for the elderly & disabled including homecare, Meals on Wheels, & medical transportation. (item-6)		
7/23	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Include funds for more frequent tree pruning		
8/23	DPR	New equipment for maintenance	A New 16 Passenger Van for Use in CD 1 by Parks Personnel		
9/23	DYCD	Expand After School Programs	Expand After School Programs in CD 1		
10/23	ACS	Provide, expand, or enhance funding for Day Care Slots and Head Start Programs	Expand Day Care Programs		
11/23	DFTA	Increase transportation services capacity	Taxi Smart Card Pilot Program for CD 1		
12/23	DOB	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)	CD1 is in extreme need to hire additional building inspectors to address the multitude of complaints reported to the 311 system. (item-12)		
13/23	DOHMH	Increase health inspections, e.g. for restaurants	Hire Additional Health Dept. Inspectors for Restaurant and Rodent Inspection		
14/23	DSNY	Other garbage collection and recycling infrastructure requests	We require DSNY provide frequent litter collection in all commercial strips in CD 1. (item-14)		
15/23	QL	Provide more or better equipment to a library	Increased installation in Security Cameras at all Libraries IN CD 1.		

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16/23	TLC	Additional TLC Inspectors	Hire Additional TLC Inspectors		
17/23	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	Provide Park Enforcement (Police) for Night Security in in CD 1- Astoria Park	Astoria Park	
18/23	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	Full time maintenance workers for CD 1		
19/23	DOT	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Increase manpower for Street Repair		
20/23	DSNY	Other enforcement requests	Develope a sanitation enforcement pilot program (SEPP) on 36 Avenue Commercial strip. (item-20)	36 Avenue	
21/23	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	The increase of sanitation police is necessary. Graffiti removal is necessary. Removal is essential, particularly in the commercial strips in CD1. Increase level of sanation oppreations. It is extreemly necessary to relocate or expand Queens West 1 Sanitation Garage.		
22/23	NYPD	Assign additional uniformed officers	Increase Uniformed Personnel for 114 PCT. As Our District Grows We Require More Officers to Meet the Demand of Calls/Incidents to Serve Our Residents and Visitors and Keep Our Neighborhoods Safe.	114 PCT	
23/23	FDNY	Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives	We request Funding for Expansion of CPR Program for Staffing & Training in CD 1		