

***Statements of Community
District Needs
and
Community Board
Budget Requests***

Fiscal Year
2025

**Bronx
Community District**

6

November 2023



INTRODUCTION

The annual Statements of Community District Needs (CD Needs Statements) and Community Board Budget Requests (Budget Requests) are Charter mandates that form an integral part of the City's budget process. Together, they are intended to support communities in their ongoing consultations with city agencies, elected officials and other key stakeholders and influence more informed decision making on a broad range of local planning and budget priorities. This report also provides a valuable public resource for neighborhood planning and research purposes, and may be used by a variety of audiences seeking information about New York City's diverse communities.

HOW TO USE THIS REPORT

This report represents the Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the community board, collected through an online form available to community boards from June to November, 2023.

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

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This report is broadly structured as follows:

1. 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.

2. 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.

3. Community Board Budget Requests

The final section includes the two types of budget requests submitted to the City for the FY24 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.

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

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1. COMMUNITY BOARD INFORMATION

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2. 2020 CENSUS DATA

The following two pages contain data from the most recent 2020 Decennial Census, which includes basic demographic and housing characteristics for New York City, the borough, and this community district. The data also includes a view of change over time since 2010.

New York City

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
AGE							
Total population	8,175,133	100.00	8,804,190	100.00	629,057	7.7	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	1,768,111	21.6	1,740,142	19.8	-27,969	-1.6	-1.8
MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN							
Total population	8,175,133	100.0	8,804,190	100.0	629,057	7.7	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	2,336,076	28.6	2,490,350	28.3	154,274	6.6	-0.3
White non-Hispanic	2,722,904	33.3	2,719,856	30.9	-3,048	-0.1	-2.4
Black non-Hispanic	1,861,295	22.8	1,776,891	20.2	-84,404	-4.5	-2.6
Asian non-Hispanic	1,028,119	12.6	1,373,502	15.6	345,383	33.6	3.0
Some other race, non-Hispanic	78,063	1.0	143,632	1.6	65,569	84.0	0.6
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	148,676	1.8	299,959	3.4	151,283	101.8	1.6
HOUSING OCCUPANCY							
Total housing units	3,371,062	100.0	3,618,635	100.0	247,573	7.3	0.0
Occupied housing units	3,109,784	92.2	3,370,448	93.1	260,664	8.4	0.9
Vacant housing units	261,278	7.8	248,187	6.9	-13,091	-5.0	-0.9

The Bronx

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
AGE							
Total population	1,385,108	100.00	1,472,654	100.00	87,546	6.3	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	368,196	26.6	349,579	23.7	-18,617	-5.1	-2.9
MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN							
Total population	1,385,108	100.0	1,472,654	100.0	87,546	6.3	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	741,413	53.5	806,463	54.8	65,050	8.8	1.3
White non-Hispanic	151,209	10.9	130,796	8.9	-20,413	-13.5	-2.0
Black non-Hispanic	416,695	30.1	419,393	28.5	2,698	0.6	-1.6
Asian non-Hispanic	47,335	3.4	67,766	4.6	20,431	43.2	1.2
Some other race, non-Hispanic	12,494	0.9	19,866	1.3	7,372	59.0	0.4
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	15,962	1.2	28,370	1.9	12,408	77.7	0.7
HOUSING OCCUPANCY							
Total housing units	511,896	100.0	547,030	100.0	35,134	6.9	0.0
Occupied housing units	483,449	94.4	522,450	95.5	39,001	8.1	1.1
Vacant housing units	28,447	5.6	24,580	4.5	-3,867	-13.6	-1.1

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 and 2020 Census Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary Files
Population Division, New York City Department of City Planning

Bronx Community District 6

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
AGE							
Total population	83,268	100.00	89,216	100.00	5,948	7.1	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	25,466	30.6	23,194	26	-2,272	-8.9	-4.6
MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN							
Total population	83,268	100.0	89,216	100.0	5,948	7.1	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	53,449	64.2	56,181	63.0	2,732	5.1	-1.2
White non-Hispanic	6,219	7.5	5,653	6.3	-566	-9.1	-1.2
Black non-Hispanic	21,548	25.9	23,765	26.6	2,217	10.3	0.7
Asian non-Hispanic	930	1.1	1,148	1.3	218	23.4	0.2
Some other race, non-Hispanic	447	0.5	936	1.0	489	109.4	0.5
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	675	0.8	1,533	1.7	858	127.1	0.9
HOUSING OCCUPANCY							
Total housing units	29,291	100.0	32,821	100.0	3,530	12.1	0.0
Occupied housing units	27,455	93.7	30,906	94.2	3,451	12.6	0.5
Vacant housing units	1,836	6.3	1,915	5.8	79	4.3	-0.5

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 and 2020 Census Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary Files
Population Division, New York City Department of City Planning

Statement on Data Accuracy

Under Title 13 of the U.S. Code, the Census Bureau is legally bound to protect the privacy of individuals participating in the decennial census. To adhere to the law and to avoid the disclosure of information about individual respondents, the Census Bureau has historically applied a host of techniques, such as top- and bottom-coding, imputation, table- and cell-suppression, and data swapping. The Census Bureau is employing a new technique with the 2020 Census, referred to as the Disclosure Avoidance System (DAS), based on differential privacy. With this approach, the Census Bureau “infuses noise” systematically across census data and sets a quantified disclosure risk, referred to as the Privacy Loss Budget (PLB).

While the new DAS approach may diminish the risk of disclosure concerns, it comes at a cost to data accuracy. Consequently, 2020 Census data users should be aware that all sub-state counts, except for housing units (which are unaffected by the DAS), may be adjusted to protect the privacy of Census participants and may be subject to reduced accuracy. Because DAS noise infusion is randomized, it is impossible for data users to know the degree to which any individual statistic is altered. However, it is possible to say that in general the relative size of errors decreases as counts increase. Consequently, data users should have greater confidence in the accuracy of the data as counts get larger. Further, an evaluation of a Privacy-Protected Microdata File (PPMF), treated with a Disclosure Avoidance System like the one applied to 2020 redistricting data, showed that counts of 300 or more rarely have sizable errors (error beyond +/- 10% of the count). Therefore, while data users need to be cognizant of data accuracy limitations, they should have confidence in conclusions based on sizable counts, which are relatively unaffected by the Census Bureau’s latest disclosure avoidance method.

3. OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT

Bronx Community District #6 covers 1.5 square miles in the central Bronx, serving the communities of Belmont, Bathgate, Tremont, and West Farms. These neighborhoods contain renowned locations including the Bronx Zoo, Fordham University, NY Botanical Garden, St. Barnabas Hospital, Bronx Little Italy, East Tremont Avenue, West Farms Square, and Walter Gladwin Park. Census data indicates 85,206 residents live in CB 6. Furman Center data shows that CB6 added 11,003 units of housing (+19%) from 2010 to 2021. Bronx CB 6 had a 2019 unemployment rate of 11.5% and poverty rate of 40.3% (among the highest in the city). 17.8% of residents receive Housing Choice Voucher Section 8 subsidies, and in 2021 23.9% of residents received SNAP benefits. Median household income in 2021 is \$31,990. Comparing to other districts citywide in 2019, Bronx CB6 2nd highest private residential eviction filing rate, 3rd highest housing code violation rate, 7th highest crime rate in New York City. 36.8% of residents are rent burdened. Bronx CB6 has one of the highest number of homeless shelters in New York City, and 7.6% of the city's supportive housing buildings.

4. TOP THREE PRESSING ISSUES OVERALL

Bronx Community Board 6

The three most pressing issues facing this Community Board are:

Affordable housing

Community Board 6 is in dire need of resources and services to for tenants and homeowners. Eviction case filings against one in five residents every year indicates the underlying poverty, employment and housing characteristics predispose tenants to housing court involvement. Community Board 6 has insufficient social and legal services to help residents avoid housing court. Community Board 6 has done its fair share in contributing to adding to the city's housing stock, and more than its fair share in providing housing for at-needs populations. The over-concentration of these facilities creates a significant transient population in our District.

Crime and public safety

Community Board 6 has disproportionately high rates of crime and violent crime. Community Board 6 encourages the city to develop public-health and economic approaches to reducing crime in our District.

Economic recovery and development

Community Board 6 leads the city in unemployment, and only 56% of residents participate in the labor market. Despite two Workforce One sites and one Business Solution Center in our District, businesses and jobseekers continue to be underserved by the city. The economic conditions of Community Board 6 contribute to and interact with the other issues our District faces.

5. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND BUDGET REQUESTS

HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

Bronx Community Board 6

Most Important Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

Services for low-income and vulnerable New Yorkers

Life expectancy in Bronx CB6 is 78 years old, while many other districts have a life expectancy in the mid 80s. This indicates the various subpar health outcomes in our district. Despite an increasing percentage of seniors, there are only two DFTA funded senior centers in Community District 6, one of which is facing the possibility of closure in 2024. Despite having the city's 2nd highest eviction rate, there is only one eviction-prevention social service program in Community District 6 (with one staff person). The concentration of DHS facilities in a community (while desperately needed) without sufficient resources to lift shelter residents out of poverty is a clear lack of planning on behalf of New York City and a detriment to the lives of residents in shelter and in Community District 6.

Community District Needs Related to Health Care and Human Services

Needs for Health Care and Facilities

According to the Community Health Profiles 2018 report, there were 464 child asthma hospitalizations; 36% of adults in our district are obese; 32% of residents suffer from hypertension; 22% suffer from diabetes; and there were 1,160 psychiatric hospitalizations in our district- all of the stats mentioned were above the Bronx and the City's average. Lastly, these statistics are exacerbated by Bronx Community Board 6 ranking last in supermarket square footage per 100 people.

Needs for Older NYs

Seniors are in need of more education on safety as well as recreation activities. There are few senior centers for older new yorkers in the district as well as places for them to access resources.

Needs for Homeless

Community Board 6 houses 24 shelter facilities and multiple organizations that provide services for the homeless population (i.e. people with substance abuse, rehabilitation services, formerly incarcerated, etc.). The board has had more than its fair share of shelters and does not wish to have additional facilities. We advocate for more permanent housing and rent assistance rather than shelters.

Needs for Low Income NYs

Many residents within Bronx Community District #6 are low-income and vulnerable New Yorkers. Bronx Community District #6 is among the poorest community districts in New York City. As of 2019, the median income for Bronx Community District 6 was \$29,601 and 37.7% of Bronx Community District 6 residents live below the New York City poverty threshold (ACS 2018). The low-income population of District 6 is in need of programs that will keep their families fed, housed, and during this lock-down, vulnerable populations such as women and children, safe from violence.

Capital Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/12	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>The Mt. Carmel Senior Center is in dire need of capital investment to facilitate use of their upstairs area. We ask that DFTA cover rent at this site, as this is a new cost for the agency due to the termination of their previous lease.</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/26	HRA	Provide, expand, or enhance homeless prevention programs/anti-eviction legal services	<i>Bronx CB6 has the highest residential eviction rate in NYC. We ask that HRA issue an RFP and find providers willing to offer eviction prevention services in CB6. Currently, there are not enough providers offering these services.</i>	
4/26	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Bronx CB6 has among the highest overdose rates in NYC. We request that DOH provide funding to harm reduction programs operating in CB6, as well as provide the CB a list of all harm reduction programs offering services in our District (needle exchange, narcan, etc).</i>	
5/26	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Families receiving home care services are often unclear on their rights and how to best advocate for themselves. CB6 requests educational programming for families receiving home care.</i>	
7/26	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Please provide the CB with a comprehensive list of mental health programs operating in CB6, with a description of the scope of funded programming for each organization.</i>	
9/26	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>The LGBT population of CB6 is in need of mental and physical health care services. Please provide a list of what services are provided to that population in CB6, including all providers with offices in CB6 providing those services</i>	

14/26	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Expand funding for Cure Violence programming in CB6.</i>
17/26	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Please provide the CB with a data on mental health access in CB6.</i>
22/26	HRA	Provide case management, cash assistance, or social services	<i>Please provide a list of all organizations providing eviction prevention services with offices (providing service at office) in CB6.</i>

YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

Bronx Community Board 6

Most Important Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

School and educational facilities (Capacity)

The School Construction Authority agreed to construct a new school in the Lambert Houses Complex as part of the Lambert rezoning several years ago. The implementation of mandatory class sizes in NYS will mean that School District 12 will need additional seats to meet required class sizes for K-3. We ask that the SCA fulfill its promise and commit to building an elementary school in Lambert.

Community District Needs Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Needs for Youth Education

More support is needed for the already-underperforming school districts such as District 12, which largely falls inside CD6 borders, as well as additional services for students such as enrichment programs so they do not fall further behind.

Needs for Youth and Child Welfare

A large amount of residents of CD6 work in the service industry and cannot work remotely; more support for existing daycare centers in addition to the creation of additional centers is needed so parents are able to go to work during the day. Enhanced funding for child protective services is also needed.

Capital Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/12	SCA	Provide a new or expand an existing elementary school	<i>The 2017-18 Enrollment & Capacity report from SCA states that elementary schools are over capacity by 558 seats. We ask that an additional elementary school is constructed to account for this unfunded need. CB6 asks that SCA commit to building a new school in Lambert Houses, per the rezoning negotiation several years ago.</i>	
6/12	SCA	Provide a new or expand an existing middle/intermediate school	<i>We ask that an additional middle school is constructed to account for the new housing construction planned for CB6 and the over-utilization of charter schools in School District 12 (176% according to SCA's 2017-18 report).</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/26	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance the out-of-school youth program for job training and employment services	<i>As most youth in CB6 do not go on to attain a college degree, and several drop out of high school, we ask for more employment services that are aimed at the out of school, out of work population.</i>	
11/26	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance the out-of-school youth program for job training and employment services	<i>Please provide CB6 with a list of programs serving out of school, out of work young people in our District, including any organizations with offices in our District.</i>	

18/26	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>The DOE has a long history of failing to meet the needs of students with Individual Education Plans, with one third of IEP students receiving mandated services. We request that DOE refer all families in CB6 with an IEP to the Office of People with Developmental Disabilities, in writing. We are concerned that families are not aware of the OPWDD regional office and are not prepared for their students' future needs as adults.</i>
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21/26	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance the out-of-school youth program for job training and employment services	<i>Create career / vocational training programming in Bronx CB6</i>
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PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Bronx Community Board 6

Most Important Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Crime prevention programs

Investing in economic development programs and job training for those most vulnerable is the best investment to prevent crime.

Community District Needs Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Needs for Public Safety

CB6 asks that NYPD use existing funding to direct more officers to local precincts, moving resources from executive staff, counterterror, and gang database programming.

Needs for Emergency Services

No comments

Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
12/12	FDNY	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	<i>E45/L58 firehouse is in need of a kitchen. A cost evaluation done by FDNY suggests a budget of \$1,200,000.</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
13/26	NYPD	Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles	<i>CB6 / 48th precinct is home to numerous auto repair shops that leave cars on the street in disrepair. The 48 precinct is constantly requesting tow operations and is told there is not capacity. We request that the 48 Precinct be provided their own tow truck to remove abandoned vehicles.</i>	
19/26	NYPD	Other NYPD staff resources requests	<i>There is rampant illegal parking on Third Avenue between East 187 and East 184, including parking on sidewalks. CB6 requests NYPD Traffic Enforcement assign officers to enforce parking rules in that area.</i>	
20/26	NYPD	Hire additional uniformed officers	<i>Increase the number of officers in the 48 precinct.</i>	

CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

Bronx Community Board 6

Most Important Issue Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency.

Preparedness for extreme weather events (incl. coastal flooding, heat waves, cold snaps, heavy wind and rain)

Areas around the Bronx River are increasingly prone to flooding. DEP does not seem to have a plan for building sewer capacity to meet the 3-4 inch per hour rainstorms we are experiencing in NYC.

Community District Needs Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency.

Needs for Water, Sewers, and Environmental Protection

The neighborhood of West Farms has had a significant increase in density due to numerous new housing developments. CB6 requests an evaluation of sewer capacity in this neighborhood to gauge future capacity to meet need.

Needs for Sanitation Services

Residents often complain of dirty sidewalks and overflowing trash. More frequent cleaning is needed.

Capital Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
10/12	DSNY	Other capital budget request for DSNY	<i>Place cameras for illegal dumping enforcement at 180th and Park Avenue</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
10/26	DEP	Evaluate a street segment or intersection for green infrastructure, e.g. rain gardens, stormwater greenstreets, and plan for construction if feasible	<i>The intersection of East Tremont, Devoe, and E 177 is prone to frequent flooding. We request DEP examine remediation for future flooding at this site, as a temporary stop gap before the DDC project begins (which will take at least year to start).</i>	
15/26	DEP	Other expense budget request for DEP	<i>The neighborhood of West Farms has had a significant increase in density due to numerous new housing developments. CB6 requests an evaluation of sewer capacity in this neighborhood to gauge future capacity to meet need in the West Farms neighborhood.</i>	

HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

Bronx Community Board 6

Most Important Issue Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Unemployment/Underemployment

Bronx CB6 has a high unemployment rate, and board members are dissatisfied with the quality of services provided by the city to address this issue. Board members are concerned that the Workforce 1 program has proven ineffective in improving the social mobility of residents in our District. Residents are looking for career training, and Workforce 1 centers only seem to connect residents to entry-level jobs, with no skill-building offered.

Community District Needs Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Needs for Land Use

No comments

Needs for Housing

Bronx CB6 needs increased funding for eviction prevention services, to both keep residents in place and help landlords afford mortgages when rents are unpaid. CB6 has the highest C code violation rate in NYC, requiring more funding for housing organizing and code enforcement.

Needs for Economic Development

No comments

Capital Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
4/12	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>Expand affordable homeownership opportunities through the Open Door program. Encourage developers to use Open Door when building in low-income areas.</i>	
7/12	HPD	Other capital budget request for HPD	<i>Develop more housing for people with disabilities.</i>	
8/12	HPD	Provide more housing for seniors	<i>More senior housing</i>	
9/12	HPD	Other capital budget request for HPD	<i>Construct more housing for homeless veterans</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/26	SBS	Conduct BID Feasibility Analysis or support BID Formation Planning for a selected commercial district	<i>SBS needs to sponsor merchant organizing along East Tremont Ave to support struggling businesses.</i>	
6/26	SBS	Other workforce development requests	<i>CB6 asks that SBS create Community Advisory Boards for Workforce 1 sites, so local CBO's and employers can engage directly with SBS on hiring and training opportunities.</i>	
8/26	HPD	Provide, expand, or enhance tenant protection programs	<i>CB6 has the highest C-code violation rate in the city. We ask HPD to issue an RFP and reach out to organizations that conduct tenant organizing to bring housing organizing to CB6. Organizers can support HPD's mission in resolving housing code violations and are not focused on CB6.</i>	
12/26	SBS	Provide or expand occupational skills training programs	<i>SBS needs to expand the scope and quality of services offered at Workforce 1 centers, focusing on building skills and training for careers.</i>	

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SBS

**Support merchant
organizing**

SBS has issued grants for BID organizing and no nonprofit has applied to use that funding for East Tremont Avenue. We ask that SBS contact and organize an information for nonprofits and CB6 to discuss the grant program and the needs on Tremont.

TRANSPORTATION

Bronx Community Board 6

Most Important Issue Related to Transportation and Mobility

Bus service and quality (frequency, access, crowding, etc.)

Community Board 6 only has two train stations, (West Farms-East Tremont and E 180th) and they are both on the eastern border of the district. Thus residents rely on bus service which is often delayed and crowded. Bus service needs to be improved especially since the neighborhood's population is increasing with new housing developments.

Community District Needs Related to Transportation and Mobility

Needs for Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

No comments

Needs for Transit Services

Residents often complain of subways not working, running on time etc. MTA does not have in place cleaning crews for the upkeep of surrounding areas, cutting weeds, garbage etc. At the start of Vision Zero, the 2015 Bronx Pedestrian Safety Action Plan indicated that at \$32,460, the Bronx's median household income was the lowest of the five boroughs, making it the poorest urban county in the United States. The Bronx's car ownership rate was the lowest outside of Manhattan, with only 48% of households having access to a vehicle. Today, the COVID-19 pandemic resulted in an approximate 25% unemployment rate in Bronx Community Board 6. In addition, the Citizens Budget Commission recorded that by April 2020, the MTA experienced a 90 percent decrease in subway and bus ridership, a 65 percent decrease in bridge and tunnel traffic, and a 95 percent decrease in commuter rail passengers.

Capital Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
11/12	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>We request DOT undo the bike lane installation along Southern Boulevard, as the lines of school buses parked in front of the Bronx Zoo every day block the bike lane and prevent the intended effect of the project.</i>	
CS	NYCTA	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	<i>The E 174th Street station does not have elevators or escalators to provide ADA access.</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
23/26	DOT	Other expense budget request for DOT	<i>DOT has grossly mismanaged Fordham Plaza, which now has no legal vendors onsite. We ask that DOT reevaluate the terms of the RFP's it is issuing to vendors. The end of the Bronx Night Market is now the 4th time a vendor has signed a contract with DOT and not fulfilled the contract. In addition, DOT's issuance of 29-day permits for the Bronx Night Market was an incredibly inefficient practice. It is ludicrous to expect a vendor to apply for a new monthly permit, every month, for 7 years, even requiring the vendor to form a new LLC every year to be eligible to get the permits. This permitting practice prevented the Night Market from securing any long term sponsorships.</i>	
24/26	DOT	Other expense budget request for DOT	<i>Fordham Plaza's benches are broken, there is a pool of urine behind the kiosks, the kiosk windows are broken, and the site is full of graffiti. We ask that DOT regularly provide maintenance to the Plaza. DOT reported having graffiti removed earlier this year. It is unclear what is the point of removing two pieces of graffiti when the entire plaza is in dire need of maintenance.</i>	

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DOT

Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming

Fordham Road and Southern Boulevard needs traffic calming. The North/ South light is not pointing at the right angle facing South

East Fordham Road

PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Bronx Community Board 6

Most Important Issue Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Quality of parks and park facilities

Bronx Community District 6 contains numerous park spaces, but in recent months there have been many complaints about trash, park cleanliness, facilities, and overall quality due to the cuts to the Parks Department's budget. There are some renovation projects in progress; more park renovations are needed in addition to increased upkeep in order to improve the existing parks.

Community District Needs Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Needs for Parks

Further renovations of park facilities such as play spaces are needed as well as additional park personnel for cleaning, pruning, monitoring, enforcing social distancing, and other upkeep.

Needs for Cultural Services

No comments

Needs for Library Services

No comments

Needs for Community Boards

No comments

Capital Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/12	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>The playground and benches area in Bathgate Playground need to be upgraded in order to allow for further community use. The field needs renovation so the public can use it.</i>	
5/12	NYPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)	<i>Tremont Library is in need of a new HVAC system.</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
16/26	DPR	Provide more programs in parks or recreational centers	<i>Provide more programming inside parks within Community Board 6, especially Tremont Park, for the youth and elderly populations.</i>	

6. OTHER BUDGET REQUESTS

Other Capital Requests

The Community Board did not submit any Budget Requests in this category.

Other Expense Requests

The Community Board did not submit any Budget Requests in this category.

7. SUMMARY OF PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

Capital Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/12	SCA	Provide a new or expand an existing elementary school	<i>The 2017-18 Enrollment & Capacity report from SCA states that elementary schools are over capacity by 558 seats. We ask that an additional elementary school is constructed to account for this unfunded need. CB6 asks that SCA commit to building a new school in Lambert Houses, per the rezoning negotiation several years ago.</i>	
2/12	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>The Mt. Carmel Senior Center is in dire need of capital investment to facilitate use of their upstairs area. We ask that DFTA cover rent at this site, as this is a new cost for the agency due to the termination of their previous lease.</i>	
3/12	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>The playground and benches area in Bathgate Playground need to be upgraded in order to allow for further community use. The field needs renovation so the public can use it.</i>	
4/12	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>Expand affordable homeownership opportunities through the Open Door program. Encourage developers to use Open Door when building in low-income areas.</i>	
5/12	NYPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)	<i>Tremont Library is in need of a new HVAC system.</i>	
6/12	SCA	Provide a new or expand an existing middle/intermediate school	<i>We ask that an additional middle school is constructed to account for the new housing construction planned for CB6 and the over-utilization of charter schools in School District 12 (176% according to SCA's 2017-18 report).</i>	
7/12	HPD	Other capital budget request for HPD	<i>Develop more housing for people with disabilities.</i>	
8/12	HPD	Provide more housing for seniors	<i>More senior housing</i>	

9/12	HPD	Other capital budget request for HPD	<i>Construct more housing for homeless veterans</i>
10/12	DSNY	Other capital budget request for DSNY	<i>Place cameras for illegal dumping enforcement at 180th and Park Avenue</i>
11/12	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>We request DOT undo the bike lane installation along Southern Boulevard, as the lines of school buses parked in front of the Bronx Zoo every day block the bike lane and prevent the intended effect of the project.</i>
12/12	FDNY	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	<i>E45/L58 firehouse is in need of a kitchen. A cost evaluation done by FDNY suggests a budget of \$1,200,000.</i>
CS	NYCTA	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	<i>The E 174th Street station does not have elevators or escalators to provide ADA access.</i>

Expense Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/26	HRA	Provide, expand, or enhance homeless prevention programs/anti-eviction legal services	<i>Bronx CB6 has the highest residential eviction rate in NYC. We ask that HRA issue an RFP and find providers willing to offer eviction prevention services in CB6. Currently, there are not enough providers offering these services.</i>	
2/26	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance the out-of-school youth program for job training and employment services	<i>As most youth in CB6 do not go on to attain a college degree, and several drop out of high school, we ask for more employment services that are aimed at the out of school, out of work population.</i>	
3/26	SBS	Conduct BID Feasibility Analysis or support BID Formation Planning for a selected commercial district	<i>SBS needs to sponsor merchant organizing along East Tremont Ave to support struggling businesses.</i>	
4/26	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Bronx CB6 has among the highest overdose rates in NYC. We request that DOH provide funding to harm reduction programs operating in CB6, as well as provide the CB a list of all harm reduction programs offering services in our District (needle exchange, narcan, etc).</i>	
5/26	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Families receiving home care services are often unclear on their rights and how to best advocate for themselves. CB6 requests educational programming for families receiving home care.</i>	
6/26	SBS	Other workforce development requests	<i>CB6 asks that SBS create Community Advisory Boards for Workforce 1 sites, so local CBO's and employers can engage directly with SBS on hiring and training opportunities.</i>	
7/26	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Please provide the CB with a comprehensive list of mental health programs operating in CB6, with a description of the scope of funded programming for each organization.</i>	

8/26	HPD	Provide, expand, or enhance tenant protection programs	<i>CB6 has the highest C-code violation rate in the city. We ask HPD to issue an RFP and reach out to organizations that conduct tenant organizing to bring housing organizing to CB6. Organizers can support HPD's mission in resolving housing code violations and are not focused on CB6.</i>
9/26	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>The LGBT population of CB6 is in need of mental and physical health care services. Please provide a list of what services are provided to that population in CB6, including all providers with offices in CB6 providing those services</i>
10/26	DEP	Evaluate a street segment or intersection for green infrastructure, e.g. rain gardens, stormwater greenstreets, and plan for construction if feasible	<i>The intersection of East Tremont, Devoe, and E 177 is prone to frequent flooding. We request DEP examine remediation for future flooding at this site, as a temporary stop gap before the DDC project begins (which will take at least year to start).</i>
11/26	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance the out-of-school youth program for job training and employment services	<i>Please provide CB6 with a list of programs serving out of school, out of work young people in our District, including any organizations with offices in our District.</i>
12/26	SBS	Provide or expand occupational skills training programs	<i>SBS needs to expand the scope and quality of services offered at Workforce 1 centers, focusing on building skills and training for careers.</i>
13/26	NYPD	Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles	<i>CB6 / 48th precinct is home to numerous auto repair shops that leave cars on the street in disrepair. The 48 precinct is constantly requesting tow operations and is told there is not capacity. We request that the 48 Precinct be provided their own tow truck to remove abandoned vehicles.</i>
14/26	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Expand funding for Cure Violence programming in CB6.</i>

15/26	DEP	Other expense budget request for DEP	<i>The neighborhood of West Farms has had a significant increase in density due to numerous new housing developments. CB6 requests an evaluation of sewer capacity in this neighborhood to gauge future capacity to meet need in the West Farms neighborhood.</i>
16/26	DPR	Provide more programs in parks or recreational centers	<i>Provide more programming inside parks within Community Board 6, especially Tremont Park, for the youth and elderly populations.</i>
17/26	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Please provide the CB with a data on mental health access in CB6.</i>
18/26	DOE	Other educational programs requests	<i>The DOE has a long history of failing to meet the needs of students with Individual Education Plans, with one third of IEP students receiving mandated services. We request that DOE refer all families in CB6 with an IEP to the Office of People with Developmental Disabilities, in writing. We are concerned that families are not aware of the OPWDD regional office and are not prepared for their students' future needs as adults.</i>
19/26	NYPD	Other NYPD staff resources requests	<i>There is rampant illegal parking on Third Avenue between East 187 and East 184, including parking on sidewalks. CB6 requests NYPD Traffic Enforcement assign officers to enforce parking rules in that area.</i>
20/26	NYPD	Hire additional uniformed officers	<i>Increase the number of officers in the 48 precinct.</i>
21/26	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance the out-of-school youth program for job training and employment services	<i>Create career / vocational training programming in Bronx CB6</i>
22/26	HRA	Provide case management, cash assistance, or social services	<i>Please provide a list of all organizations providing eviction prevention services with offices (providing service at office) in CB6.</i>

23/26	DOT	Other expense budget request for DOT	<i>DOT has grossly mismanaged Fordham Plaza, which now has no legal vendors onsite. We ask that DOT reevaluate the terms of the RFP's it is issuing to vendors. The end of the Bronx Night Market is now the 4th time a vendor has signed a contract with DOT and not fulfilled the contract. In addition, DOT's issuance of 29-day permits for the Bronx Night Market was an incredibly inefficient practice. It is ludicrous to expect a vendor to apply for a new monthly permit, every month, for 7 years, even requiring the vendor to form a new LLC every year to be eligible to get the permits. This permitting practice prevented the Night Market from securing any long term sponsorships.</i>	
24/26	DOT	Other expense budget request for DOT	<i>Fordham Plaza's benches are broken, there is a pool of urine behind the kiosks, the kiosk windows are broken, and the site is full of graffiti. We ask that DOT regularly provide maintenance to the Plaza. DOT reported having graffiti removed earlier this year. It is unclear what is the point of removing two pieces of graffiti when the entire plaza is in dire need of maintenance.</i>	
25/26	SBS	Support merchant organizing	<i>SBS has issued grants for BID organizing and no nonprofit has applied to use that funding for East Tremont Avenue. We ask that SBS contact and organize an information for nonprofits and CB6 to discuss the grant program and the needs on Tremont.</i>	
26/26	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	<i>Fordham Road and Southern Boulevard needs traffic calming. The North/ South light is not pointing at the right angle facing South</i>	East Fordham Road

FY25 Community Board Budget Requests with Agency Responses - Capital

PRIORITY	AGENCY	CB REQUEST	REASON	AGENCY RESPONSE
01/13	DOE	Provide a new or expand an existing elementary school	<i>The 2017-18 Enrollment & Capacity report from SCA states that elementary schools are over capacity by 558 seats. We ask that an additional elementary school is constructed to account for this unfunded need. CB6 asks that SCA commit to building a new school in Lambert Houses, per the rezoning negotiation several years ago.</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.
02/13	DFTA	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	<i>The Mt. Carmel Senior Center is in dire need of capital investment to facilitate use of their upstairs area. We ask that DFTA cover rent at this site, as this is a new cost for the agency due to the termination of their previous lease.</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
03/13	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>The playground and benches area in Bathgate Playground need to be upgraded in order to allow for further community use. The field needs renovation so the public can use it.</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.
04/13	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<i>Expand affordable homeownership opportunities through the Open Door program. Encourage developers to use Open Door when building in low-income areas.</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
05/13	NYPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library (NYPL)	<i>Tremont Library is in need of a new HVAC system.</i>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
06/13	DOE	Provide a new or expand an existing middle/intermediate school	<i>We ask that an additional middle school is constructed to account for the new housing construction planned for CB6 and the over-utilization of charter schools in School District 12 (176% according to SCA's 2017-18 report).</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.
07/13	HPD	Other capital budget request for HPD	<i>Develop more housing for people with disabilities.</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
08/13	HPD	Provide more housing for seniors	<i>More senior housing</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
09/13	HPD	Other capital budget request for HPD	<i>Construct more housing for homeless veterans</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
10/13	DSNY	Other capital budget request for DSNY	<i>Place cameras for illegal dumping enforcement at 180th and Park Avenue</i>	Although the Department of Sanitation supports this program, due to fiscal constraints the availability of funds is uncertain.
11/13	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>We request DOT undo the bike lane installation along Southern Boulevard, as the lines of school buses parked in front of the Bronx Zoo every day block the bike lane and prevent the intended effect of the project.</i>	Please contact the Borough Commissioner's office to discuss this request.
12/13	FDNY	Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests	<i>E45/L58 firehouse is in need of a kitchen. A cost evaluation done by FDNY suggests a budget of \$1,200,000.</i>	The Department is assessing and creating priority list of renovations throughout the City.
CS/13	NYCTA	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	<i>The E 174th Street station does not have elevators or escalators to provide ADA access.</i>	Please contact the Agency directly and promptly for more information.

FY25 Community Board Budget Requests with Agency Responses - Expense

PRIORITY	AGENCY	CB REQUEST	REASON	AGENCY RESPONSE
01/26	HRA	Provide, expand, or enhance homeless prevention programs/anti-eviction legal services	<i>Bronx CB6 has the highest residential eviction rate in NYC. We ask that HRA issue an RFP and find providers willing to offer eviction prevention services in CB6. Currently, there are not enough providers offering these services.</i>	Homelessness prevention is one of the Agency's priorities. Funds have been allocated in the budget for these services.
02/26	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance the out-of-school youth program for job training and employment services	<i>As most youth in CB6 do not go on to attain a college degree, and several drop out of high school, we ask for more employment services that are aimed at the out of school, out of work population.</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
03/26	SBS	Conduct BID Feasibility Analysis or support BID Formation Planning for a selected commercial district	<i>SBS needs to sponsor merchant organizing along East Tremont Ave to support struggling businesses.</i>	Further study of this request is needed by SBS. Please contact SBS.
04/26	DOHMH	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Bronx CB6 has among the highest overdose rates in NYC. We request that DOH provide funding to harm reduction programs operating in CB6, as well as provide the CB a list of all harm reduction programs offering services in our District (needle exchange, narcan, etc).</i>	The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.
05/26	DFTA	Other programs to address public health issues requests	<i>Families receiving home care services are often unclear on their rights and how to best advocate for themselves. CB6 requests educational programming for families receiving home care.</i>	Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.
06/26	SBS	Other workforce development requests	<i>CB6 asks that SBS create Community Advisory Boards for Workforce 1 sites, so local CBO's and employers can engage directly with SBS on hiring and training opportunities.</i>	Further study of this request is needed by SBS. Please contact SBS.
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19/26	NYPD	Other NYPD staff resources requests	<i>There is rampant illegal parking on Third Avenue between East 187 and East 184, including parking on sidewalks. CB6 requests NYPD Traffic Enforcement assign officers to enforce parking rules in that area.</i>	Each Patrol Borough enforces traffic laws as needed as a result of traffic conditions and community complaints.
20/26	NYPD	Hire additional uniformed officers	<i>Increase the number of officers in the 48 precinct.</i>	NYPD's total uniformed staffing levels depend on decisions made in the Preliminary and Executive Budget process. Allocation of uniformed personnel is scheduled by the agency only after graduation of police classes from the Academy.
21/26	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance the out-of-school youth program for job training and employment services	<i>Create career / vocational training programming in Bronx CB6</i>	Program siting decisions are based on the Request for Proposals process, area needs and available funding. Sign up at DYCD's website to learn when solicitations for services are released
22/26	HRA	Provide case management, cash assistance, or social services	<i>Please provide a list of all organizations providing eviction prevention services with offices (providing service at office) in CB6.</i>	Homelessness prevention is one of the Agency's priorities. Funds have been allocated in the budget for these services.
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