Statements of Community
District Needs
and
Community Board
Budget Requests

Fiscal Year 2020



Bronx Community District 8

#### **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 Bronx Community Board 8's Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020. 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 2018.

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

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This report is broadly structured as follows:

#### a) Overarching Community District Needs

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

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

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

#### c) Community Board Budget Requests

The final section includes the two types of budget requests submitted to the City for the FY20 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 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

### **Bronx Community Board 8**

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David Gellman, Chair, Budget Committee

#### 2. Community District Profile

COMMUNITY ASSETS<sup>5</sup>

older have earned a

bachelor's degree or higher

19%

NYC

36%

Visit the Community District Profiles to view data, maps, and other resources describing New York City's 59 community districts at: <a href="https://communityprofiles.planning.nyc.gov/">https://communityprofiles.planning.nyc.gov/</a>

# **Bronx Community District 8**



ACCESS TO DARKS

26%

NYC

20%

of residents have incomes below

the NYCgov poverty threshold.

See the federal poverty rate here.



Neighborhoods<sup>1</sup>: Fieldston, Kingsbridge, Marble Hill (MN), North Riverdale, Riverdale, Spuyten Duyvil

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Top 3 pressing Community Bo			1 & 2 Family Bldgs 3,072 Multifamily Walk-up 545	23% 4%	BX
1. Affordable h			Multifamily Elevator 285 Mixed Use 151	15% 2%	12
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To learn more, please read Bronx CD 8's		Transportation/Utility 31 Public/Institutional 141	2% 16%	MN 12	
Statements of Community District Needs		Open Space 50	16%	MN 12	
and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year 2020.		Parking 75	1%	Bronx Park	
Website: www.ny Email: bx08@cb.n	• .	8	Vacant 441	17% 0%	Click here for a more detailed land use map of Bronx CD 8

#### A Snapshot of Key Community Indicators

RENT BURDEN<sup>4, 6</sup>

COMMUNITY ASSETS		KENI BUKD	EIN	ACCESS TO PARKS	
Public Schools 33 Public Libraries 6		Bronx CD 8 <b>44%</b>	Bronx 51%	Bronx CD 8 <b>91%</b>	Citywide
Hospitals and Clinics 10 Parks 20 Click to visit the NYC Facilities Explorer		of households spend 35% or more of their income on rent	NYC 45%	of residents live within walking distance of a park or open space	Target 85%
MEAN COMMUTE	TO WORK <sup>4, 8</sup>	LIMITED ENGLISH PE	ROFICIENCY <sup>4</sup>	CRIME RAT	ΓE <sup>9</sup>
Bronx CD 8	Bronx 44 minutes	Bronx CD 8 <b>21%</b>	Bronx 26%	Bronx CD 8 <b>9.4</b>	Bronx 14.5
minutes	NYC 40 minutes	of residents 5 years or older have limited English proficiency	NYC 23%	major felonies were reported per 1,000 residents in 2016	NYC 11.8
EDUCATIONAL AT	TAINMENT <sup>4, 10</sup>	UNEMPLOYM	ENT <sup>4, 10</sup>	NYCgov POVERTY	MEASURE <sup>11</sup>
Bronx CD 8	Bronx	Bronx CD 8	Bronx	Bronx CD 8	Bronx

<sup>1</sup>Neighborhoods may be in multiple districts. Names and boundaries are not officially designated. <sup>2</sup>2000 US Census; <sup>3</sup>2010 US Census; <sup>4</sup>American Community Survey 2012-2016 5-Year Estimates, calculated for Public Use Microdata Areas (PUMAs). PUMAs are geographic approximations of community districts. <sup>5</sup>NYC Dept of City Planning Facilities Database (2017); <sup>6</sup> Differences of less than 3 percentage points are not statistically meaningful. <sup>7</sup>NYC Dept of Parks and Recreation (DPR) (2016). DPR considers walking distance to be 1/4 mile for parks less than 6 acres, and 1/2 mile for larger parks and pools. <sup>8</sup>Differences of less than 2 minutes are not statistically meaningful. <sup>9</sup>NYPD CompStat, Historic Complaint Data (2017); <sup>10</sup>Differences of less than 2 percentage points are not statistically meaningful. <sup>11</sup>2011-2015 NYCgov Poverty Measure by PUMA. This metric from the Mayor's Office for Economic Opportunity accounts for NYC's high cost of housing, as well as other costs of living and anti-poverty benefits.

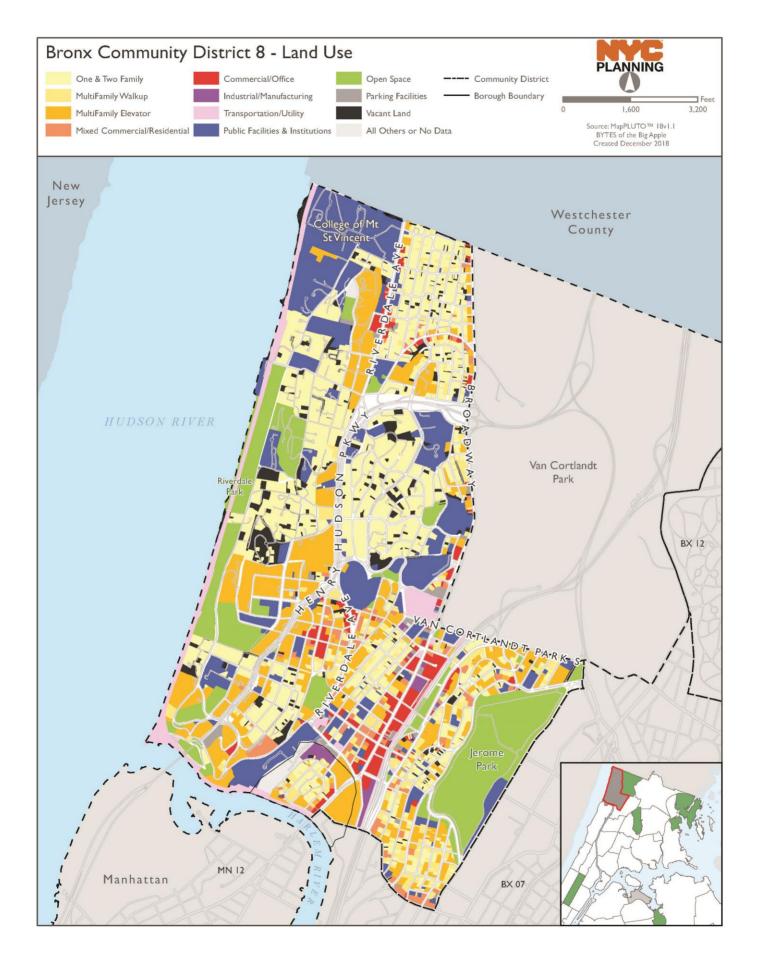
was unemployed on

average from 2012 to 2016

7.5%

NYC

5.5%



#### 3. Overview of Community District

Bronx Community Board 8 (BxCB8) includes the neighborhoods of Fieldston, Kingsbridge, Kingsbridge Heights, Marble Hill, Riverdale, Spuyten Duyvil and Van Cortlandt Village. The majority of residents are between the ages of 18 and 64. There are, however, a significant number of children and senior citizens in BxCB8.

BxCB8 has various types of housing including cooperative apartments, condominium units, one family houses, 2-4 family houses and multi-family apartment buildings. Board 8 has three New York City Housing Authority Developments: Marble Hill, Fort Independence and Bailey Houses. Our community has 68 park sites, with two of the most prominent being Van Cortlandt Park and Wave Hill.

The NYCHA Developments are in need of major refurbishments for necessary work required on mechanical systems, including repair, maintenance, and replacement of heat and hot water systems and elevators. Funding for necessary exterior work, including repair, maintenance, and replacement of roofs and windows is also required. In addition, we request funding to maintain sufficient personnel for full staffing of all caretaker positions at Marble Hill, Fort Independence and Bailey Houses, and to hire additional skilled trade workers to service Marble Hill, Fort Independence and Bailey Houses.

Our senior citizens are very important to us, and we support independent, healthy living for seniors. It is our determination to ensure that all of their concerns are addressed. Accordingly, we request funding:

- to address the unique mental health issues in the geriatric community, including dementia care
- to monitor home care firms
- to fund administrative costs of outreach and home visiting programs for frail home-bound adults
- to educate community on home safety design and modifications in order to allow older adults to safely remain in their homes
- to increase count-down and audible crossing signals, and longer traffic light/walk changes on wide streets
- to fund community based mental health services for older adults in centers and home settings.

School aged children comprise a significant component of our population. Our children deserve a safe and supportive learning environment, and services to promote their development. We request funding for:

- upgrade of playground surfaces and classroom Smart Boards, and
- an upgrade of security to the many parks and playgrounds in our community.

Our parks engage people of all ages, from all around the City, in healthy outdoor activities. However, many of our parks are in need of maintenance, reconstruction, and repair. We request funding for:

- construction and related plumbing repairs in Fort Four Park, (hazardous condition in) Bailey Avenue playground,
- a rest room at West 251st Street in Van Cortlandt Park adjacent to the parade grounds
- construction of a pond wall at Spuyten Duyvil Park
- erosion control measures in Ewen Park
- reconstruction of the steps of the historic south side entrance to the Van Cortlandt House Museum
- renovation of Van Cortlandt Park Stadium
- renovation of the Strong Street playground, and
- sufficient maintenance personnel in our parks.

Our libraries are an invaluable cultural and educational resource. We request funding for:

- Riverdale Branch: HVAC unit replacement, ADA upgrade ADA bathrooms, full interior renovation;
- Spuyten Duyvil Branch: expansion, boiler & HVAC unit replacements, ADA upgrade, general interior renovation.

BxCB8 recognizes the need for programs to deal with food waste and collection of refuse in our community. We request funding for:

- the NYC organic composting project
- expansion of organic recycling
- increase of Sanitation Enforcement's staffing for enforcement of illegal dumping and pooper-scooper laws
- an SUV to transport WEP workers with equipment to wider areas in the community requiring maintenance.

#### 3. Overview of Community District

We request funding for Department of Environmental Protection to:

- increase resources for sewer inspections, cleaning and repair of curb drains, catch basins and sewer lines to alleviate flooding,
- daylighting of Tibbets Brook both inside and outside Van Cortlandt Park to divert and prevent billions of gallons of water from overwhelming our combined sewer.

BxCB8 is dedicated to the promotion of public safety. We request funding for additional Argus cameras for the 50th Precinct.

BxCB8 recognizes the need to maintain safe streets in good condition, to promote the efficient flow of traffic and transportation throughout our community. We request funding for:

- an increase in resurfacing to fifteen lane-miles
- full reconstruction of the crumbling step street at Summit Place between Heath and Bailey Avenues, and
- restoration to full Bx10 & Bx20 bus service to level prior to 2011 cuts.

Finally, we request funding to enhance and promote the commercial areas in BxCB8 for:

- a beautification project at Broadway West 225th Street up to West 242nd Street
- benches and bike racks in commercial corridors, and
- planning funds for community merchant organizations.

Thank you for your consideration.

#### 4. Top Three Pressing Issues Overall

The three most pressing issues facing Bronx Community Board 8 are:

- Affordable housing
- Parks
- Senior services

NYCHA: There are three New York City Housing Authority developments in Community Board 8: Marble Hill, Fort Independence and Bailey Houses, all of which are in need of major renovations. All of our children, families, and elderly residents deserve a safe place to live. The tenants in these developments should not have to endure another season without adequate heat and hot water, nor deal with leaks from roofs that are in disrepair. Our capital funding requests include funding for necessary repairs, maintenance and replacement of heat and hot water systems, as well as new roofs and elevators.

Senior Services: We are committed to the care and the improvement of the quality of life for our senior citizens. As our population ages, more services must be provided to respond to the unique needs of our seniors. We are determined to support community-based geriatric mental health services, home care, home safety, and innovative programs at our senior centers.

Parks: Our parks have proven to be more and more popular, and their upkeep and facilities have not kept pace. We must assure that the residents have adequate green facilities within the City's 10-minute walk commitment.

These were considered as top pressing issues because: i) the residents in the NYCHA developments are powerless to make the necessary repairs themselves to provide heat and hot water to their families in their homes, and we have a duty to provide the resources to ensure the tenant's apartments are habitable; ii) the elderly have spent their lives providing for us, and we have an obligation to respect them and care for their particular needs in a timely manner; and iii) we must have recreational facilities that will enable all residents to keep healthy.

#### 5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests

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



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

Programs, services or facilities for seniors

There is a pressing need for Dementia Care programs owing to the fact that Bronx Community Board 8 has a high population of seniors, and there is a need for outreach programs to educate family caregivers on dementia, personcentered caregiver support, and expansion of tuition assistance to allow eligible middle class participants to attend accredited social day services, facilitating their remaining in the community they helped build.

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

Funding for Innovative Services for Seniors (ISS) geriatric mental health program, meal services for seniors, and safe crossings. DFTA liaison for BxCB8.

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

The following programs and services are critical for Bronx Community Board 8's Aged population: -Dementia Care, -Homecare, -Home Safety -Safe Crossings, -Innovative Programming, -Geriatric Mental Health services.

#### Community District Needs Related to Services for Low-Income and Vulnerable New Yorkers

Increase Division of Housing Community Base and Centers; Increase Common Space for Youth and Senior Citizens (Fort Independence & Marble Hill)

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

_	Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
	15/43	HRA	Other request for services to support low-income New Yorkers	Increase Division of Housing Community Base and Centers; Increase Common Space for Youth and Senior Citizens (Fort Independence & Marble Hill)	Fort Independence & Marble Hill



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

Priority 3/45	<b>Agency</b> DFTA	Request  Enhance home care services	Non-subsidized social adult day programs have closed, leaving only one non-profit SADC in Bronx CB8. The need for dementia care is increasing. Expand tuition assistance for non-profit programs to allow more eligible seniors to afford SADC and fund outreach programs to educate family caregivers on dementia, safety issues and caregiver support opportunities.	Location  Community Wide
4/45	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to destigmatize mental health problems and encourage treatment	Innovative Services for Seniors program: geriatric mental health program operated by Mosaic Mental Health [formerly Riverdale Mental Health Association (RMHA)]	Community Wide
8/45	DFTA	Increase transportation services capacity	Improve Transportation for Older Adults Transportation service at current FY17 level for Riverdale Senior Services (RSS); full and equal transportation service for all of our older residents	Community Wide
15/45	DFTA	Provide additional senior center staffing	Senior Centers Funding: CB8 has a large concentration of older adults. Cost of operating and staffing senior centers is growing and cash flow is difficult. Continue to increase administrative funding to ensure qualified professional staff and increase outreach to lessen isolation and potential abuse. Continue to shorten time to release funding (advocating same from City Council)	Community Wide
22/45	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to destigmatize mental health problems and encourage treatment	School Initiative: Mosaic to provide supplemental counseling for students in schools	Community Wide
23/45	HRA	Other request for services to support low-income New Yorkers	Increase in Funding for Support Community Base Program and Senior Programming (Fort Independence & Marble Hill)	Fort Independence & Marble Hill
26/45	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	Senior Employment / Poverty: To reduce unemployment for ages 55+, increase funding for DFTAs Senior Employment Services (SESU). Assessment for acceptance to program is currently frozen due to long wait list	Community Wide



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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
29/45	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to destigmatize mental health problems and encourage treatment	Medicaid Reporting, Mosaic to adequately capture and report information required for mental health outcomes of patients of new reimbursement models	Community Wide
30/45	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to destigmatize mental health problems and encourage treatment	Assessment and Intake Services: for Vulnerable and High-Risk Populations (Mosaic)	Community Wide

#### 5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests

#### Youth, Education and Child Welfare



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

#### Schools and educational facilities (Maintenance)

Each student deserves a seat in our schools to ensure the optimum environment to provide a good education. However, the reality is that our schools increase capacity to the maximum at the expense of lunch rooms, auditoria, and gymnasia to house students. Our physical school capacity must increase to meet the student population which requires it. The provision and maintenance of air conditioning units, as well as 'smart boards,' in our schools are needed to improve the children's learning environments. Library upgrades provide support for curriculum, instruction and specialized efforts geared to improve student literacy.

#### Community District Needs Related to Educational Facilities and Programs

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#### Community District Needs Related to Youth and Community Services and Programs

Funding for the youth after school and evening programs of the Kingsbridge Heights Community Center and community gardens at Fort Independence and Marble Hill.



# Capital Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
5/43	SCA	Provide technology upgrade	Science Portable Lab to Include Coding and Robotics at English Language Learners International School (on campus of JFK HS Bx)	EnglishLangLearners Int'l School
11/43	SCA	Provide technology upgrade	Expedite Additional Security and Installation of Security Cameras to protect students with visual information in building and in adjacent school area (PS 37)	Community Wide
17/43	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	(PS 24) - Library Upgrade: iPads, laptops, furniture, books, multi-media center	PS 24
22/43	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	(PS 207) - Electrical Upgrade: Students have limited access to technology and opportunity to develop tech skills required to progress to college and careers. Electrical overload has also lead to fires.	PS 207
29/43	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	(PS207): Library Media Center: For Pre-K to 2nd grade and to include 5th Grade by Sep 2018. Students need access to engaging text, leveled text, and multimedia opportunities to develop and expand language and literacy skills. Library expenses include cost of well-designed environment with seating, lighting, books, furniture, laptops, smartboards, destiny system to scan inventory of books, e-books, media, borrowing and lending, etc.	PS 207
30/43	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	(Marie Curie High School) - Technology project: flat screens, smartboards	Marie Curie High School
33/43	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	(PS 95) - Library Upgrade	PS 95
34/43	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	(PS 307) - Library Upgrade	PS 307
35/43	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	EDUCATION - PS 360- School Yard upgrade.	PS 360
36/43	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a middle or intermediate school	MS 244- Broken auditorium seats curtains replaced; stage upgrade	MS 244



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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
11/45	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	(PS 24) Installation of Water Filters in hot and cold lunch rooms to protect students from discovered lead in fountains from old water pipes.	(PS 24)
12/45	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	(ELLIS) Installation of Water Filters in hot and cold lunch rooms to protect students from discovered lead in fountains from old water pipes.	(ELLIS)
36/45	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	PS 207-Curtains for cafeteria/auditorium; Rubber floor for outside play area.	PS 207
37/45	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	EDUCATION - PS 24 Bronx Playground surface (cement to rubber); Security cameras in hallway (for student safety).	PS 24 600 west 236 st
38/45	SCA	Provide technology upgrade	Marie Curie School for Med, Nursing & Health Prof 20 Smart Boards	Marie Curie School

# 5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests

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



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

#### Crime prevention programs

Anti crime focus -In response to reports of robberies, we support the installation of Argus cameras in designated areas of our community to deter criminal activity, and to create a documentary record of any crimes or conditions in said areas.

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

In response to reports of robberies, and in consideration of the many school aged children travelling through our community, the Argus project, installing cameras at designated sites, will hopefully serve as a deterrent to crime, and also provide law enforcement with a tool to document the commission of any criminal activity, to assist them in the investigation of such activity.

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
13/43	NYPD	Add NYPD parking facilities	Paving/fencing nearby 50 Precinct service parking lot	
24/43	NYPD	Provide surveillance cameras	Argus Cameras for: Broadway & West 225th Street including the area of West 225th Street to Exterior Street & Broadway to 230th Street; Kingsbridge & University Avenues, Webb Avenue & Eames Place, Claflin Avenue & West 197th Street; Broadway & West 242nd Street west & Manhattan College Parkway; Johnson & Riverdale Avenues from West 230th to West 232nd Street; Sedgwick Avenue, Reservoir Avenue to Fort Independence Street; Independence Street at West 239th Street including south to West 235th Street; Sedgwick Avenue, Van Cortlandt Avenue West; Orloff Avenue to Saxon Avenue; Bailey Avenue, Summit Place to West 234th Street; Riverdale Avenue, West 236th to West 238th Streets	Community Wide

#### 5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests





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

# Water runoff and flooding

Increase sewer inspections, cleaning and repair of curb drains, catch basins and sewer lines to alleviate serious local flooding problems. In addition, we need to divert millions of gallons of water from overwhelming our sewer system by construction for daylighting of Tibbets Brook both inside and outside of Van Cortlandt Park.

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

Funding for the completion of the Tibbett Brooks daylighting research; Restore Mosholu Golf Course & Driving Range (part of Croton Water Treatment Plant agreement)

#### **Community District Needs Related to Sanitation Services**

Organic Recycling Expansion: Increase funding to expand Education and Outreach staff in order to maximize participation in Organic Recycling Program and support organic recycling drop-off centers in CB8.

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
10/43	DEP	Inspect fire hydrant at a specific location and repair or replace as needed	ENVIRONMENT & SANITATION: Purchase CSX Greenway: Supplement funding from the Croton Filtration Monitoring Committee to purchase land known as former Putnam Right-of-Way alongside Major Deegan Expressway from W230th to Van Cortlandt Park South from CSX Railroad to create greenway through green infrastructure and daylighting Tibbets Brook, and to reduce combined sewer overflow (CSO).	CSX Greenway (below VC Park)
20/43	DSNY	Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment	Haulster for snow season mobility	Community Wide
21/43	DSNY	Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment	5 Motorized Litter Patrol vehicles (MLP) for DSNY to clean hard to get to areas (e.g., step streets)	Community Wide
40/43	DSNY	Other garbage collection and recycling infrastructure requests	Expedite funding cycle for grants to enable private property owners and institutions to implement Green Infrastructure measures	Community Wide



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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
5/45	DEP	Clean catch basins	Weir & Chamber Maintenance: Increase funds for more frequent cleaning and maintenance by DEP, especially weir located in VCP and four chambers on eastern edge of Van Cortlandt Lake to prevent harmful sediments and polluted highway runoff from entering lake. Installed in 2002; never been cleaned.	VCP Van Cortlandt Park
7/45	DSNY	Provide or expand NYC organics collection program	Organic Recycling Expansion: Increase funding to expand Education and Outreach staff in order to maximize participation in Organic Recycling Program and support organic recycling drop-off centers in CB8.	Community Wide
14/45	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	Deploy more street sweepers	Community Wide
16/45	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	Overfilled Street Baskets: more frequent basket pick- up service to alleviate overfilled baskets, particularly in heavily trafficked commercial areas.	Community Wide
18/45	DEP	Investigate air quality complaints at specific location	Air and Noise Inspectors: Increase funds for more inspectors to alleviate enforcement issues due to construction boom and uptick in noise complaints in CB8.	Community Wide
20/45	DSNY	Other garbage collection and recycling requests	Public Service Announcement Campaign: Increase resources to advertise and promote DSNYs new antilittering video Talk Trash New York to reach more students and general public.	Community Wide
40/45	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	Funding for additional resources to monitor and sweep debris and leaves from catch basins to alleviate flooding	Community Wide

#### 5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests





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

#### Condition of public housing

The NYCHA Developments are in need of major refurbishments. Our specific capital funding requests include funding for necessary work required: - on mechanical systems, including repair/maintenance/replacement of heat and hot water systems and elevators, and - funding for necessary exterior work, including repair/maintenance/replacement of roofs, masonry, and windows. In addition, we request funding: - to maintain sufficient personnel for full staffing of all caretaker positions at Marble Hill, Fort Independence and Bailey Houses and, - to hire additional skilled trade workers to service Marble Hill, Fort Independence and Bailey Houses.

#### Community District Needs Related to Land Use

Separate Riverdale [NA2] and Staten Island [NA1] Special Natural Districts (SNAD) from each other to concentrate on the distinct differences for planning and development in Riverdale. Building "as of right" limits the community's ability to preserve the character and architectural heritage which they established and/or intentionally moved into.. The community should have some say on development within the context of existing buildings, parks, schools, and other immediate amenities.

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

Maintain full staffing of all caretaker positions at NYCHA Marble Hill, Fort Independence and Bailey Avenue, and Houses complexes. Hire additional skilled trade workers to service NYCHA Marble Hill, Fort Independence and Bailey Avenue Houses complexes. Funding for roof maintenance and roof replacement at Fort Independence Houses. These have been severe and long-standing issues for the residents.

#### Community District Needs Related to Economic Development

A Small Business Services (SBS) business area beautification

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/43	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade public housing developments	Replacement of Boilers at Marble Hill (\$12.6m) and Fort Indep. (\$6.3m)	Marble Hill & Fort Independence
7/43	NYCHA	Other public housing upgrades or renovations requests	Site Improvement: Playground, fences, parking lot, and non-vehicular paving (\$5.22M) at Marble Hill	Marble Hill Houses
37/43	HPD	Provide more housing for special needs households, such as seniors, or the formerly homeless	Full funding for current pipeline of projects under the SARA Program (Senior Affordable Rental Apartments).	Community Wide



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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
9/45	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade public housing developments	Increase in Funding for Entrance Door Maintenance/Door Upgrades: Active monitor system at Fort Independence & Marble Hill	Fort Independence & Marble Hill
17/45	HPD	Provide or enhance rental subsidies programs	Affordable Housing Serving Older District Residents: Fund new section 8 vouchers for current seniors to avail of new affordable housing neighborhood preferences	Community Wide
21/45	NYCHA	Other public housing upgrades or renovations requests	Funding for Garbage Disposal	Fort Independence & Marble Hill
27/45	NYCHA	Other public housing maintenance, staffing and management requests	Private Security: Funding for Private Security at Marble Hill & Fort Indep	Fort Independence & Marble Hill
31/45	SBS	Conduct a commercial district needs assessment	Business area beautification design consultant	Community Wide
32/45	NYCHA	Other public housing maintenance, staffing and management requests	HOUSING (NYCHA) - Hiring of sufficient personnel for full staffing of all caretaker positions at Marble Hill, Fort Independence and Bailey Avenue Houses.	Community Wide
34/45	NYCHA	Other public housing maintenance, staffing and management requests	HOUSING Hiring of additional skilled trade workers to service Marble Hill, Fort Independence and Bailey Avenue Houses.	Community Wide

#### 5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests

#### **Transportation**



#### Main Issue Related to Transportation

Bus service (frequency and access)

Subway and train service is quite good. However, access to them is insufficient.for the needs. These would be best addressed by: - providing elevator access to the #1 IRT subway at West 242nd Street, and restoring Bx10/20 service to the subways . Dramatically varying topography and weather magnified by exposure to the Hudson River and the Palisades cause the roadways throughout the district to be in constant need of repairs. The annual resurfacing/paving miles allocations are grossly inadequate to cover all of District 8's roadways that are in disrepair. Further, we are still playing catch-up on resurfacing requests created from pot hole conditions resulting from the harsh winter of 2014. Our community deserves to have streets with smooth and consistent surfaces to prevent risk of personal safety and vehicle damage.

#### Community District Needs Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

Construction of a contiguous side walk on north side of West 254th Street from Netherland Avenue to MTA Railroad Terrace (at the Riverdale MetroNorth Rail Road station). The many local residents are forced to walk on West 254 St, exposing themselves to catastrophic vehicular danger. The very hilly nature of this district requires many highmaintenance step streets. Reconstruction and maintenance of the step streets is sorely needed. BxCB8 has generally good subway and MNRR train service to the West Bronx and Manhattan, but needs elevator access to the #1 IRT subway terminus at West 242nd Street - a key access point to Van Cortlandt Park for millions of NYC residents, It also has inadequate bus service in the district connecting to the subways, minimizing their utility to local residents. Bx10 and Bx20 bus lines had been severely curtailed in 2011 and need to be restored to full service.

#### Community District Needs Related to Transit Services

Increase Bx10 and restore full BX 20 service to level prior to 2011 cuts. These cuts have caused a tremendous issue with overcrowding, and reduction of subway ridership.

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
41/43	NYCTA	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	Install elevator at 242 St. #1 subway terminus for handicap access to subway, Van Cortlandt Park, etc.	Van Cortlandt Park - 242 St



# **Expense Requests Related to Transportation**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
19/45	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	AGING - Safe Crossings To promote safe street crossings for people with mobility and/or vision impairments, increase count-down and audible crossing signals, lengthen traffic light/walk changes, and maintain cross-walk lines striping and pavement - especially near large senior populations	Community Wide
24/45	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	ADA curb cuts	Community Wide
25/45	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	Install countdown pedestrian traffic signals throughout CB8	Community Wide
44/45	NYCTA	Expand bus service frequency or hours of operation	Restore full Bx20 service: to level prior to 2011 service cuts	Community Wide

#### 5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests

#### Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities



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

#### Community board resources (offices, staff and equipment)

BxCB8 office is located at the far end of our district, making it inaccessible to residents for constituent services, as well as participation in CB meetings. It is a windowless, inhospitable environment for City employees and residents alike. DCAS should work hand-in-hand with our office and leadership to facilitate a workable solution promptly. Our parks are not being properly maintained due to lack of staff, and projects that are needed are not being done, such as: - Fort Four Park restroom reconstruction - Bailey Avenue playground redesign and reconstruction - Spuyten Duyvil Park pond wall construction - Ewen Park erosion control measures - Strong Street playground renovation. In addition, Van Cortlandt Park awaits the construction of a restroom at Broadway and West 251st Street (next to the Parade Grounds), renovation of the steps on the historic south side entrance to the VCP Museum, and renovation of the VCP stadium which should otherwise be condemned.

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

Bronx Community Board 8 has a longstanding request for construction of a new restroom and related plumbing repairs in Fort Four Park, a heavily used park. Partial funding has been provided by elected officials, but more is needed. At the community's request, we strongly urge that the remaining funds needed to complete this project be granted in a timely manner to carry this project forward. We continue to request implementation of the Bailey Avenue playground redesign and reconstruction, Spuyten Duyvil Park pond wall construction, Ewen Park erosion control measures, Strong Street playground renovation, and in Van Cortlandt Park the construction of a restroom at Broadway and West 251st Street (next to the parade grounds), as well as renovation of the steps on the historic south side entrance to the VCP Museum, and renovation of the VCP stadium.

#### Community District Needs Related to Library Facilities and Programming

Bronx Community Board 8's five branch libraries - Jerome Park, Kingsbridge, Riverdale, Spuyten Duyvil and Van Cortlandt - are heavily used resource and programming centers. The libraries are home to all from seniors to students and toddlers. Funding the requests of the libraries is essential to ensure full purpose operation. BxCB8 supports the following requests for critical upgrades: -Riverdale - HVAC replacement, ADA upgrade, and full interior renovation; - Spuyten Duyvil - HVAC and boiler replacement, including ADA upgrade, with general interior renovation, -Van Cortlandt - relocation funding. In addition, WiFi service should be provided to all branches, and expansion of 6-day-aweek branch opening.

#### Community District Needs Related to Community Boards

Building "as of right" limits the community's ability to preserve the character and architectural heritage which they established and/or intentionally moved into. The community should have some say on development within the context of existing buildings, parks, schools, and other immediate amenities. BxCB8 office is located at the far end of our district, making it inaccessible to residents for constituent services, as well as participation in CB meetings. It is also a windowless, inhospitable environment for City employees and residents alike. DCAS should work hand-in-hand with our office and leadership to facilitate a workable solution promptly.



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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/43	DPR	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	PARKS & RECREATION - Restroom Construction at Broadway and West 251st Street in Van Cortlandt Park adjacent to the Parade Grounds. The lack of the facility in a very high use area for local residents creates a sanitary health and safety risk.	Van Cortlandt Park Broadway & West 251st Street
3/43	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Redesign and reconstruction of Bailey Avenue playground. Drains at southeast end of playground require immediate repair to eliminate pools of standing water, which are a health hazard.	Bailey Avenue Playground
8/43	NYPL	Provide more or better equipment to a library	ADA Compliance; Provide Tech Upgrades/WiFi Internet access in all CB8 branches	Community Wide
9/43	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	PARKS & RECREATION - Renovation of Van Cortlandt House Mansion; code compliance; handicap accessibility. Reconstruction of the steps on the historic south side entrance to the VCP Museum.	Van Cortlandt Park
14/43	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Funding for Proposed Pedestrian Bridge over Major Deegan Expressway: (I-87) in VCP to bridge financing gap between \$12 million in-hand and funding required by DDC to build bridge. Committee urges DPR to work with DEP, DDC, and other relevant parties to find ways to lower cost of project.	
16/43	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	DEP: Restore Mosholu Golf Course and Driving Range: Restore Mosholu Golf Course & Driving Range for community use per 1999 Memorandum of Understanding mitigation agreement for Croton Water Treatment Plant.	Mosholu Golf Course&Driving Rang
19/43	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	PARKS & RECREATION - Renovation of the Strong Street Playground.	Strong Street Playground 2781 Reservoir Ave
25/43	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	PARKS & RECREATION - Reconstruction of the Pond Wall at Spuyten Duyvil Park to prevent water run off onto the roadway in the parking lot of the Metro North station.	SPUYTEN DUYVIL SHOREFRONT PARK
27/43	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	PARKS & RECREATION - Erosion control measures in Ewen Park to prevent runoff downhill toward Riverdale Avenue. It was noted that the slope is used for sledding in the winter and that this should be considered if and when erosion-control measures are undertaken.	Ewen Park Bronx



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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
28/43	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Repair of the "birding bridge" over Tibbetts Brook outside the fence around the golf course in Van Cortlandt Park	Van Cortlandt Park
31/43	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	PARKS & RECREATION Renovation of Van Cortlandt Park Stadium	Van Cortlandt Park Stadium
43/43	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Renovation of Van Cortlandt Mansion: in VCP to bring into code compliance, provide handicapped accessibility, and do repairs associated with waterproofing the structure.	VCP Van Cortlandt Mansion
CS	NYPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	LIBRARIES funding for relocation of branch, including furniture, equipment and ADA compliance.	3874 Sedgwick Avenue

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

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/45	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	PEP personnel to alleviate the chronic double parking on Broadway at Van Cortlandt Park, whether through issuance of summonses or other means	Van Cortlandt Park
6/45	NYPL	Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs	Expansion of six day services (at least one to 7-day), for Kingsbridge branch, which has the largest attendance.	Kingsbridge Branch west 231 Street
13/45	DPR	New equipment for maintenance	Purchase of New Crew-cab Pick-up Trucks to replace aging vehicles in VCP.	VCP Van Cortlandt Park
39/45	DPR	New equipment for maintenance	Purchase replacement tractor for Van Cortlandt Park.	Van Cortlandt Park
42/45	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	Horticulturists and Other Personnel sufficient for maintenance, especially of lawn, landscaped areas, and sidewalk GreenStreets in CB8.	Community Wide

# **Other Capital Requests**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
6/43	DOT	Rehab Step Street	TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION Rehab step street at Summit Place from Heath Avenue to Bailey Avenue.	Summit Place Heath Avenue Bailey Avenue
12/43	NYPL	Renovation and upgrades	LIBRARIES - Riverdale Branch - HVAC Unit Replacement - Request Amount: \$1,000,000 (mimics NYPL FY 17 Capital request) ADA Upgrade ADA Bathrooms - Request Amount: \$500,000 (mimics NYPL FY 17 Capital request) Full Interior Renovation - Request Amount: \$2,300,000 (carried over from Committee FY 17 Capital requests	Riverdale Branch Library
18/43	NYPL	\$7,300,000 for Library Expansion	LIBRARIES - Spuyten Duyvil Branch - 5,000 Square Foot Branch Expansion - Request Amount: \$7,300,000 (carried over from Committee FY 17 Capital requests) Boiler & HVAC Unit Replacements - Request Amount: \$1,000,000 (mimics NYPL FY 17 Capital request) ADA Upgrade - Request Amount: \$500,000 General Interior Renovation - Request Amount: \$5,600,000	Spuyten Duyvil Branch Library 650 Wesr 235th Street
23/43	NYCHA	New roofs and exterior repairs including window replacements	HOUSING - New York City Housing Authority - Funding for necessary exterior work required at Fort Independence/Bailey Houses, including necessary repair/maintenance/replacement of roofs, masonry and windows. According to the Physical Needs Assessment provided by NYCHA staff, estimated expenditures required over the next several years are \$5,311,687, with long term needs being significantly higher.	Fort Independence Bailey Houses
26/43	NYCHA	Fund work and replacement of mechanical sytems	HOUSING - New York City Housing Authority - Funding for necessary work required on mechanical systems at Marble Hill Houses and Fort Independence/Bailey Houses, including necessary repair/maintenance/replacement of heat and hot water systems and elevators. According to the Physical Needs Assessment provided by NYCHA staff, estimated expenditures required for immediate repairs are \$7,943,908, with long term needs being significantly higher.	Community Wide
32/43	DOT	Increase resurfacing miles	TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION Increase resurfacing to fifteen lane miles for FY 2017	Community Wide
38/43	DOT	Benches in commercial corridors	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Benches in commercial corridors	Community Wide
39/43	DSNY	Purchase Van to transport JTP workers and their equipment around district	ENVIRONMENT & SANITATION - Funding to purchase a van to enable Job Training Program (JTP) workers/interns to work around the district. They are currently limited to locations where they can walk to while carrying equipment from the 215 Street garage.	Community Wide

# 6. Additional Information and Other Budget Requests

# **Other Capital Requests**

Priority 42/43	Agency DPR	Request Fund new restroom	PARKS & RECREATION - Construction of a new restroom and related plumbing repairs in Fort Four Park, plus required maintenance. DPR estimates the cost as somewhat in excess of \$3 million. Because this has been the committees top priority for several years and because this park is on the border between council districts, it was suggested that the committee ask Councilmen Cohen and Cabrera to make funding the restroom a priority.	Fort Four Park
Other Ex	xpense Re	quests		
Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/45	DPR	DRP Personnel for Lawns and Landscaped areas and Enforcement	PARKS & RECREATION - Personnel sufficient for maintenance, especially of lawns and landscaped areas, and enforcement in CB8 parks, especially on weekends and times of high use.	Community Wide
10/45	DPR	Provide small tractor and trailer for regular park maintenance	PARKS & RECREATION - Purchase of a small tractor, and accompanying trailer, lawnmower, wood chipper to aid in regular maintenance of CB8 parks.	Community Wide
28/45	NYCTA	Restoration of full bus service BX20 and decrease BX10 headways	TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION- NYCTA- Restore full BX 20 service to level prior to 2011 cuts. Decrease BX10 headways during peak periods.	Community Wide
33/45	DFTA	Adequately Fund Senior Centers	Fund nutrition, wellness, case management, social enrichment and transportation needs	Community Wide
35/45	DEP	Personnel for sewer inspections, etc.	DEP - Funding to increase resources for sewer inspections, cleaning, and repair of curb drains, catch basins, and sewer lines in order to alleviate serious local flooding problems in high-flow topographic areas.	Community Wide
41/45	DSNY	Funding for organic composting education outreach	ENVIRONMENT & SANITATION Funding for NYC organic composting project to support education outreach and hiring of interns at two local organizations, The Friends of Van Cortlandt Park and Kingsbridge Heights Community Center, in order to increase community participation and collection options.	Community Wide
43/45	DFTA	Dementia Care Programs	AGING - Dementia Care Fund outreach programs to educate family caregivers on dementia, safety issues and caregiver support opportunities, and expand tuition assistance for non-profit programs to allow more eligible seniors to afford SADC programs. The need for social adult day programs is increasing. Enrollment in non-profit private-pay programs decline while for-profit Medicaid funded programs appear to grow	Community Wide

# 6. Additional Information and Other Budget Requests

# **Other Expense Requests**

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
45/45	DFTA	Funding for	HEALTH, HOSPITALS & SOCIAL SERVICES - Funding for	Community Wide
		Geriatric Program -	the Riverdale Mental Health Association Geriatric	
		<b>Innovative Services</b>	Program (Innovative Services for Seniors (ISS)	
		for Seniors	Program)	

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Support (CS)	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
1/43	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade public housing developments	Replacement of Boilers at Marble Hill (\$12.6m) and Fort Indep. (\$6.3m)	Marble Hill & Fort Independence	
2/43	DPR	•	PARKS & RECREATION - Restroom Construction at Broadway and West 251st Street in Van Cortlandt Park adjacent to the Parade Grounds. The lack of the facility in a very high use area for local residents creates a sanitary health and safety risk.	Van Cortlandt Park Broadway & West 251st Street	
3/43	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Redesign and reconstruction of Bailey Avenue playground. Drains at southeast end of playground require immediate repair to eliminate pools of standing water, which are a health hazard.	Bailey Avenue Playground	
4/43	NYCTA	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Install elevator at W242St elevated subway terminus.	W242St #1 subway terminus	
5/43	SCA	Provide technology upgrade	Science Portable Lab to Include Coding and Robotics at English Language Learners International School (on campus of JFK HS Bx)	EnglishLangLea rners Int'l School	
6/43	DOT	Rehab Step Street	TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION Rehab step street at Summit Place from Heath Avenue to Bailey Avenue.	Summit Place Heath Avenue Bailey Avenue	
7/43	NYCHA	Other public housing upgrades or renovations requests	Site Improvement: Playground, fences, parking lot, and non-vehicular paving (\$5.22M) at Marble Hill	Marble Hill Houses	
8/43	NYPL	Provide more or better equipment to a library	ADA Compliance; Provide Tech Upgrades/WiFi Internet access in all CB8 branches	Community Wide	
9/43	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	PARKS & RECREATION - Renovation of Van Cortlandt House Mansion; code compliance; handicap accessibility. Reconstruction of the steps on the historic south side entrance to the VCP Museum.	Van Cortlandt Park	

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10/43	DEP	Inspect fire hydrant at a specific location and repair or replace as needed	ENVIRONMENT & SANITATION: Purchase CSX Greenway: Supplement funding from the Croton Filtration Monitoring Committee to purchase land known as former Putnam Right-of-Way alongside Major Deegan Expressway from W230th to Van Cortlandt Park South from CSX Railroad to create greenway through green infrastructure and daylighting Tibbets Brook, and to reduce combined sewer overflow (CSO).	CSX Greenway (below VC Park)	
11/43	SCA	Provide technology upgrade	Expedite Additional Security and Installation of Security Cameras to protect students with visual information in building and in adjacent school area (PS 37)	Community Wide	
12/43	NYPL	Renovation and upgrades	LIBRARIES - Riverdale Branch - HVAC Unit Replacement - Request Amount: \$1,000,000 (mimics NYPL FY 17 Capital request) ADA Upgrade ADA Bathrooms - Request Amount: \$500,000 (mimics NYPL FY 17 Capital request) Full Interior Renovation - Request Amount: \$2,300,000 (carried over from Committee FY 17 Capital requests	Riverdale Branch Library	
13/43	NYPD	Add NYPD parking facilities	Paving/fencing nearby 50 Precinct service parking lot		
14/43	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Funding for Proposed Pedestrian Bridge over Major Deegan Expressway: (I-87) in VCP to bridge financing gap between \$12 million in-hand and funding required by DDC to build bridge. Committee urges DPR to work with DEP, DDC, and other relevant parties to find ways to lower cost of project.		
15/43	HRA	Other request for services to support low- income New Yorkers	Increase Division of Housing Community Base and Centers; Increase Common Space for Youth and Senior Citizens (Fort Independence & Marble Hill)	Fort Independence & Marble Hill	

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16/43	DPR	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	DEP: Restore Mosholu Golf Course and Driving Range: Restore Mosholu Golf Course & Driving Range for community use per 1999 Memorandum of Understanding mitigation agreement for Croton Water Treatment Plant.	Mosholu Golf Course&Drivin g Rang	
17/43	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	(PS 24) - Library Upgrade: iPads, laptops, furniture, books, multi-media center	PS 24	
18/43	NYPL	\$7,300,000 for Library Expansion	LIBRARIES - Spuyten Duyvil Branch - 5,000 Square Foot Branch Expansion - Request Amount: \$7,300,000 (carried over from Committee FY 17 Capital requests) Boiler & HVAC Unit Replacements - Request Amount: \$1,000,000 (mimics NYPL FY 17 Capital request) ADA Upgrade - Request Amount: \$500,000 General Interior Renovation - Request Amount: \$5,600,000	Spuyten Duyvil Branch Library 650 Wesr 235th Street	
19/43	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	PARKS & RECREATION - Renovation of the Strong Street Playground.	Strong Street Playground 2781 Reservoir Ave	
20/43	DSNY	Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment	Haulster for snow season mobility	Community Wide	
21/43	DSNY	Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment	5 Motorized Litter Patrol vehicles (MLP) for DSNY to clean hard to get to areas (e.g., step streets)	Community Wide	
22/43	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	(PS 207) - Electrical Upgrade: Students have limited access to technology and opportunity to develop tech skills required to progress to college and careers. Electrical overload has also lead to fires.	PS 207	

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24/43	NYPD	Provide surveillance cameras	Argus Cameras for: Broadway & West 225th Street including the area of West 225th Street to Exterior Street & Broadway to 230th Street; Kingsbridge & University Avenues, Webb Avenue & Eames Place, Claflin Avenue & West 197th Street; Broadway & West 242nd Street west & Manhattan College Parkway; Johnson & Riverdale Avenues from West 230th to West 232nd Street; Sedgwick Avenue, Reservoir Avenue to Fort Independence Street; Independence Street at West 239th Street including south to West 235th Street; Sedgwick Avenue, Van Cortlandt Avenue West; Orloff Avenue to Saxon Avenue; Bailey Avenue, Summit Place to West 234th Street; Riverdale Avenue, West 236th to West 238th Streets	Community Wide	
25/43	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	PARKS & RECREATION - Reconstruction of the Pond Wall at Spuyten Duyvil Park to prevent water run off onto the roadway in the parking lot of the Metro North station.	SPUYTEN DUYVIL SHOREFRONT PARK	

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27/43	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	PARKS & RECREATION - Erosion control measures in Ewen Park to prevent runoff downhill toward Riverdale Avenue. It was noted that the slope is used for sledding in the winter and that this should be considered if and when erosion-control measures are undertaken.	Ewen Park Bronx	
28/43	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Repair of the "birding bridge" over Tibbetts Brook outside the fence around the golf course in Van Cortlandt Park	Van Cortlandt Park	
29/43	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	(PS207): Library Media Center: For Pre-K to 2nd grade and to include 5th Grade by Sep 2018. Students need access to engaging text, leveled text, and multimedia opportunities to develop and expand language and literacy skills. Library expenses include cost of well-designed environment with seating, lighting, books, furniture, laptops, smartboards, destiny system to scan inventory of books, e-books, media, borrowing and lending, etc.	PS 207	
30/43	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	(Marie Curie High School) - Technology project: flat screens, smartboards	Marie Curie High School	

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31/43	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	PARKS & RECREATION Renovation of Van Cortlandt Park Stadium	Van Cortlandt Park Stadium	
32/43	DOT	Increase resurfacing miles	TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION Increase resurfacing to fifteen lane miles for FY 2017	Community Wide	
33/43	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	(PS 95) - Library Upgrade	PS 95	
34/43	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	(PS 307) - Library Upgrade	PS 307	
35/43	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	EDUCATION - PS 360- School Yard upgrade.	PS 360	
36/43	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a middle or intermediate school	MS 244- Broken auditorium seats curtains replaced; stage upgrade	MS 244	
37/43	HPD	Provide more housing for special needs households, such as seniors, or the formerly homeless	Full funding for current pipeline of projects under the SARA Program (Senior Affordable Rental Apartments).	Community Wide	
38/43	DOT	Benches in commercial corridors	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Benches in commercial corridors	Community Wide	
39/43	DSNY	Purchase Van to transport JTP workers and their equipment around district	ENVIRONMENT & SANITATION - Funding to purchase a van to enable Job Training Program (JTP) workers/interns to work around the district. They are currently limited to locations where they can walk to while carrying equipment from the 215 Street garage.	Community Wide	
40/43	DSNY	Other garbage collection and recycling infrastructure requests	Expedite funding cycle for grants to enable private property owners and institutions to implement Green Infrastructure measures	Community Wide	

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Support (CS) Agency		Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
41/43	NYCTA	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	Install elevator at 242 St. #1 subway terminus for handicap access to subway, Van Cortlandt Park, etc.	Van Cortlandt Park - 242 St	
42/43	DPR	Fund new restroom construction	PARKS & RECREATION - Construction of a new restroom and related plumbing repairs in Fort Four Park, plus required maintenance. DPR estimates the cost as somewhat in excess of \$3 million.  Because this has been the committees top priority for several years and because this park is on the border between council districts, it was suggested that the committee ask Councilmen Cohen and Cabrera to make funding the restroom a priority.	Fort Four Park	
43/43	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	Renovation of Van Cortlandt Mansion: in VCP to bring into code compliance, provide handicapped accessibility, and do repairs associated with waterproofing the structure.	VCP Van Cortlandt Mansion	
CS	NYPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	LIBRARIES funding for relocation of branch, including furniture, equipment and ADA compliance.	3874 Sedgwick Avenue	

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1/45	DPR	DRP Personnel for Lawns and Landscaped areas and Enforcement	PARKS & RECREATION - Personnel sufficient for maintenance, especially of lawns and landscaped areas, and enforcement in CB8 parks, especially on weekends and times of high use.	Community Wide	
2/45	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	PEP personnel to alleviate the chronic double parking on Broadway at Van Cortlandt Park, whether through issuance of summonses or other means	Van Cortlandt Park	
3/45	DFTA	Enhance home care services	Non-subsidized social adult day programs have closed, leaving only one non-profit SADC in Bronx CB8. The need for dementia care is increasing. Expand tuition assistance for non-profit programs to allow more eligible seniors to afford SADC and fund outreach programs to educate family caregivers on dementia, safety issues and caregiver support opportunities.	Community Wide	
4/45	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to destigmatize mental health problems and encourage treatment	Innovative Services for Seniors program: geriatric mental health program operated by Mosaic Mental Health [formerly Riverdale Mental Health Association (RMHA)]	Community Wide	Mosaic Health
5/45	DEP	Clean catch basins	Weir & Chamber Maintenance: Increase funds for more frequent cleaning and maintenance by DEP, especially weir located in VCP and four chambers on eastern edge of Van Cortlandt Lake to prevent harmful sediments and polluted highway runoff from entering lake. Installed in 2002; never been cleaned.	VCP Van Cortlandt Park	
6/45	NYPL	Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs	Expansion of six day services (at least one to 7-day), for Kingsbridge branch, which has the largest attendance.	Kingsbridge Branch west 231 Street	
7/45	DSNY	Provide or expand NYC organics collection	Organic Recycling Expansion: Increase funding to expand Education and Outreach staff in order to maximize participation in Organic Recycling Program and support organic recycling drop-off centers in CB8.	Community Wide	

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Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
8/45	DFTA	Increase transportation services capacity	Improve Transportation for Older Adults Transportation service at current FY17 level for Riverdale Senior Services (RSS); full and equal transportation service for all of our older residents	Community Wide	
9/45	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade public housing developments	Increase in Funding for Entrance Door Maintenance/Door Upgrades: Active monitor system at Fort Independence & Marble Hill	Fort Independence & Marble Hill	
10/45	DPR	Provide small tractor and trailer for regular park maintenance	PARKS & RECREATION - Purchase of a small tractor, and accompanying trailer, lawnmower, wood chipper to aid in regular maintenance of CB8 parks.	Community Wide	
11/45	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	(PS 24) Installation of Water Filters in hot and cold lunch rooms to protect students from discovered lead in fountains from old water pipes.	(PS 24)	
12/45	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	(ELLIS) Installation of Water Filters in hot and cold lunch rooms to protect students from discovered lead in fountains from old water pipes.	(ELLIS)	
13/45	DPR	New equipment for maintenance	Purchase of New Crew-cab Pick-up Trucks to replace aging vehicles in VCP.	VCP Van Cortlandt Park	
14/45	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	Deploy more street sweepers	Community Wide	
15/45	DFTA	Provide additional senior center staffing	Senior Centers Funding: CB8 has a large concentration of older adults. Cost of operating and staffing senior centers is growing and cash flow is difficult. Continue to increase administrative funding to ensure qualified professional staff and increase outreach to lessen isolation and potential abuse. Continue to shorten time to release funding (advocating same from City Council)	Community Wide	
16/45	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	Overfilled Street Baskets: more frequent basket pick-up service to alleviate overfilled baskets, particularly in heavily trafficked commercial areas.	Community Wide	
17/45	HPD	Provide or enhance rental subsidies programs	Affordable Housing Serving Older District Residents: Fund new section 8 vouchers for current seniors to avail of new affordable housing neighborhood preferences	Community Wide	
18/45	DEP	Investigate air quality complaints at	Air and Noise Inspectors: Increase funds for more inspectors to alleviate enforcement issues due to construction boom and uptick in noise complaints in CB8.	Community Wide	

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19/45	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	AGING - Safe Crossings To promote safe street crossings for people with mobility and/or vision impairments, increase countdown and audible crossing signals, lengthen traffic light/walk changes, and maintain crosswalk lines striping and pavement - especially near large senior populations	Community Wide	
20/45	DSNY	Other garbage collection and recycling requests	Public Service Announcement Campaign: Increase resources to advertise and promote DSNYs new anti-littering video Talk Trash New York to reach more students and general public.	Community Wide	
21/45	NYCHA	Other public housing upgrades or renovations requests	Funding for Garbage Disposal	Fort Independence & Marble Hill	
22/45	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to destigmatize mental health problems and encourage treatment	School Initiative: Mosaic to provide supplemental counseling for students in schools	Community Wide	
23/45	HRA	Other request for services to support low- income New Yorkers	Increase in Funding for Support Community Base Program and Senior Programming (Fort Independence & Marble Hill)	Fort Independence & Marble Hill	
24/45	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	ADA curb cuts	Community Wide	
25/45	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	Install countdown pedestrian traffic signals throughout CB8	Community Wide	
26/45	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	Senior Employment / Poverty: To reduce unemployment for ages 55+, increase funding for DFTAs Senior Employment Services (SESU). Assessment for acceptance to program is currently frozen due to long wait list	Community Wide	
27/45	NYCHA	Other public housing maintenance, staffing and management requests	Private Security: Funding for Private Security at Marble Hill & Fort Indep	Fort Independence & Marble Hill	

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28/45	NYCTA	Restoration of full bus service BX20 and decrease BX10 headways	TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION- NYCTA- Restore full BX 20 service to level prior to 2011 cuts. Decrease BX10 headways during peak periods.	Community Wide	
29/45	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to destigmatize mental health problems and encourage treatment	Medicaid Reporting, Mosaic to adequately capture and report information required for mental health outcomes of patients of new reimbursement models	Community Wide	
30/45	DOHMH	Create or promote programs to destigmatize mental health problems and encourage treatment	Assessment and Intake Services: for Vulnerable and High-Risk Populations (Mosaic)	Community Wide	
31/45	SBS	Conduct a commercial district needs assessment	Business area beautification design consultant	Community Wide	
32/45	NYCHA	Other public housing maintenance, staffing and management requests	HOUSING (NYCHA) - Hiring of sufficient personnel for full staffing of all caretaker positions at Marble Hill, Fort Independence and Bailey Avenue Houses.	Community Wide	
33/45	DFTA	Adequately Fund Senior Centers	Fund nutrition, wellness, case management, social enrichment and transportation needs	Community Wide	
34/45	NYCHA	Other public housing maintenance, staffing and management requests	HOUSING Hiring of additional skilled trade workers to service Marble Hill, Fort Independence and Bailey Avenue Houses.	Community Wide	
35/45	DEP	Personnel for sewer inspections, etc.	DEP - Funding to increase resources for sewer inspections, cleaning, and repair of curb drains, catch basins, and sewer lines in order to alleviate serious local flooding problems in high-flow topographic areas.	Community Wide	
36/45	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	PS 207-Curtains for cafeteria/auditorium; Rubber floor for outside play area.	PS 207	

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37/45	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	EDUCATION - PS 24 Bronx Playground surface (cement to rubber); Security cameras in hallway (for student safety).	PS 24 600 west 236 st	
38/45	SCA	Provide technology upgrade	Marie Curie School for Med, Nursing & Health Prof 20 Smart Boards	Marie Curie School	
39/45	DPR	New equipment for maintenance	Purchase replacement tractor for Van Cortlandt Park.	Van Cortlandt Park	
40/45	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	Funding for additional resources to monitor and sweep debris and leaves from catch basins to alleviate flooding	Community Wide	
41/45	DSNY	Funding for organic composting education outreach	ENVIRONMENT & SANITATION Funding for NYC organic composting project to support education outreach and hiring of interns at two local organizations, The Friends of Van Cortlandt Park and Kingsbridge Heights Community Center, in order to increase community participation and collection options.	Community Wide	
42/45	DPR	Provide better park maintenance	Horticulturists and Other Personnel sufficient for maintenance, especially of lawn, landscaped areas, and sidewalk GreenStreets in CB8.	Community Wide	
43/45	DFTA	Dementia Care Programs	AGING - Dementia Care Fund outreach programs to educate family caregivers on dementia, safety issues and caregiver support opportunities, and expand tuition assistance for non-profit programs to allow more eligible seniors to afford SADC programs. The need for social adult day programs is increasing. Enrollment in non-profit private-pay programs decline while for-profit Medicaid funded programs appear to grow	Community Wide	
44/45	NYCTA	Expand bus service frequency or hours of operation	Restore full Bx20 service: to level prior to 2011 service cuts	Community Wide	
45/45	DFTA	Funding for Geriatric Program - Innovative Services for Seniors	HEALTH, HOSPITALS & SOCIAL SERVICES - Funding for the Riverdale Mental Health Association Geriatric Program (Innovative Services for Seniors (ISS) Program)	Community Wide	