

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

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2027

**Brooklyn Community  
District  
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Dear Community,

Brooklyn Community Board One (CB1) has once again convened this year to review and prioritize the fiscal year 2027 (FY27) capital and expense budget requests for the Brooklyn neighborhoods of Williamsburg and Greenpoint. The annual statement of community district needs submission is one of the most important charter-mandated responsibilities of the community board. It remains vital as the only community-driven process to inform city agency budget priorities and is a chance to share our voice.

While the submission and overall board process do not include a funding allocation, as in participatory budget processes, it is a foundational planning document that provides a breakdown of Williamsburg and Greenpoint's needs across the following seven policy areas.

- Health Care and Human Services, Youth Education and Child Welfare
- Public Safety and Emergency Services
- Core Infrastructure, City Services, and Resiliency
- Housing, Land Use, and Economic Development
- Transportation and Mobility
- Parks, Libraries, and Other Community Facilities

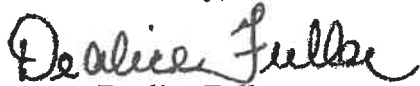
Each policy area has different needs that correspond to specific city agencies. CB1 endeavors to include the needs of the entire district through this annual process, using feedback and input from board members and the community at large.

We are thankful for our city agency partners for their support and the determination of our elected officials who continue to secure funds for neighborhood needs.

We hope you find this report useful to support projects and proposals that improve the quality of life of Brooklyn Community Board One.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the district manager.

Sincerely,

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Dealice Fuller  
Chairperson

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Johana Pulgarin  
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# 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) 2027. 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, 2025.

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
<b>AGE</b>							
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
<b>MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN</b>							
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
<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>							
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

## Brooklyn

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
<b>AGE</b>							
Total population	2,504,700	100.00	2,736,074	100.00	231,374	9.2	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	594,378	23.7	595,703	21.8	1,325	0.2	-1.9
<b>MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN</b>							
Total population	2,504,700	100.0	2,736,074	100.0	231,374	9.2	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	496,285	19.8	516,426	18.9	20,141	4.1	-0.9
White non-Hispanic	893,306	35.7	968,427	35.4	75,121	8.4	-0.3
Black non-Hispanic	799,066	31.9	729,696	26.7	-69,370	-8.7	-5.2
Asian non-Hispanic	260,129	10.4	370,776	13.6	110,647	42.5	3.2
Some other race, non-Hispanic	15,904	0.6	37,579	1.4	21,675	136.3	0.8
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	40,010	1.6	113,170	4.1	73,160	182.9	2.5
<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>							
Total housing units	1,000,293	100.0	1,077,654	100.0	77,361	7.7	0.0
Occupied housing units	916,856	91.7	1,009,804	93.7	92,948	10.1	2.0
Vacant housing units	83,437	8.3	67,850	6.3	-15,587	-18.7	-2.0

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

## Brooklyn Community District 1

	2010		2020		Change, 2010-2020		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percentage Point
<b>AGE</b>							
Total population	173,083	100.00	204,125	100.00	31,042	17.9	0.0
Total persons under 18 years	41,264	23.8	44,725	21.9	3,461	8.4	-1.9
<b>MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE RACE / HISPANIC ORIGIN</b>							
Total population	173,083	100.0	204,125	100.0	31,042	17.9	0.0
Hispanic/Latino (of any race)	47,008	27.2	45,476	22.3	-1,532	-3.3	-4.9
White non-Hispanic	105,311	60.8	124,282	60.9	18,971	18.0	0.1
Black non-Hispanic	8,982	5.2	10,692	5.2	1,710	19.0	0.0
Asian non-Hispanic	8,711	5.0	13,631	6.7	4,920	56.5	1.7
Some other race, non-Hispanic	859	0.5	2,956	1.4	2,097	244.1	0.9
Non-Hispanic of two or more races	2,212	1.3	7,088	3.5	4,876	220.4	2.2
<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>							
Total housing units	72,105	100.0	89,974	100.0	17,869	24.8	0.0
Occupied housing units	65,842	91.3	83,353	92.6	17,511	26.6	1.3
Vacant housing units	6,263	8.7	6,621	7.4	358	5.7	-1.3

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

BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 1 STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS FISCAL YEAR 2027.

#### Overview

Brooklyn Community Board District One, representing Williamsburg and Greenpoint, advocates for initiatives and opportunities to enhance the quality of life for everyone.

Our District continues to face challenges that require immediate attention and sustained investment. Our priorities remain unchanged from our previous year's assessment, highlighting the persistent nature of these needs in our rapidly growing district. The top three priorities are: affordable housing, parks and open space, and transportation infrastructure. Other essential priorities also include Public Safety, Health Care, Human Services, Education, Environment, Economics, and Child Welfare.

In preparing this year's statement, we considered several key factors: the ongoing housing crisis, frequent weather events and flooding, projected growth in transit and traffic, efforts by the NYPD to curb illegal drug activity and crime, the maintenance of our parks and community facilities, and the importance of supporting economic development.

## 4. TOP THREE PRESSING ISSUES OVERALL

### Brooklyn Community Board 1

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The three most pressing issues facing this Community Board are:

#### **Affordable Housing**

Truly Affordable Housing Affordable housing in Community Board 1 remains a top priority and a major recurring concern for residents. While Williamsburg and Greenpoint have experienced a surge of new residential projects—especially high-end and luxury developments—these units remain completely out of reach for most residents. Even when including so-called "affordable" or "middle-income" units, the rents based on the City's Area Median Income (AMI) are still well beyond what many longstanding residents can afford, especially those on fixed or low incomes. The Board has consistently discussed and expressed frustration with how affordability used in housing policies and development decisions. During multiple Housing Committee and Full Board meetings, members and residents have pointed out that these AMI-based formulas do not accurately reflect the incomes or circumstances of households in Williamsburg and Greenpoint, where an influx of highly paid professionals, investors, and newcomers has significantly inflated local market rents. This surge has led to a growing sense among working-class families, seniors, and long-term tenants that they are being pushed out of their neighborhoods.

#### **Infrastructure resiliency**

Transportation and Infrastructure. We continue to urge the City and State to allocate funds to accurately forecast transit and traffic growth projections, enabling us to plan accordingly. Robust housing construction in CB1 has increased the populations of Williamsburg and Greenpoint.. The public transit system is strained, however, and has yet to keep pace with development. The L, G, and J/M trains are overcrowded, and many commuters have long bus commutes. Our convoluted bus routes must provide direct and expedient access to key locations. We support an assessment of our current bus routes and a study of where dedicated bus lanes or busways could more efficiently move residents and could put better employment opportunities within reach. We ask the Department of Transportation to support Community Board One's goals for a recommitment to Vision Zero, including a lower-stress environment for walking and biking, reduced congestion and pollution, and more innovative, reliable mass transit for the increasingly accessible and growing number of delivery vehicles and micro-mobility users on our streets. Prioritizing improvements to our streets, transportation infrastructure, and public realm is a proven way of improving the quality of life for city residents.

#### **Parks and open space**

Parks, Recreation, and Open Space: Access to parks and open spaces is vital to the community's physical and mental well-being. Preserving and improving these areas remains a top priority for Brooklyn Community Board District One. Rising school enrollment and the construction of thousands of new housing units have increased the district's population, creating greater demand for safe, well-maintained, and accessible parks. To meet this need, additional Park Enforcement Patrol officers and maintenance staff are required at all park sites. Adequate staffing for recreation should be provided at the Metropolitan Pool. and major parks such as McCarren, McGoldrick, and Sternberg. Year-round recreation, security, and first-aid staffing at McCarren Pool must be a departmental priority. Community members have requested funding to renovate non-functional park restrooms and outdated playground equipment. Also, to complete the renovation of the handball courts, and to identify and develop space for a new Pickleball court at McCarren Park.

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## 5. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND BUDGET REQUESTS

### HEALTHCARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

#### Brooklyn Community Board 1

##### Most Important Issue Related to Healthcare and Human Services

##### **Environmental health issues (noise, lead, respiratory illness, moisture, mildew, mold, etc.)**

Brooklyn Community Board 1 (Williamsburg–Greenpoint) is facing a public health crisis, particularly for low-income residents living in areas with significant environmental burdens. The North Brooklyn Community Needs Assessment (2019) identified high rates of asthma and lead exposure in public housing and older residential buildings located near industrial zones.

Environmental challenges persist from the Meeker Avenue Plume and Newtown Creek contamination, as well as industrial activity and heavy traffic along the BQE. These factors, combined with an aging housing stock, contribute to elevated respiratory illness and other health disparities. The Meeker Avenue Plume containment area affects groundwater and soil vapor in East Williamsburg (EPA, 2019)[3]

Many NYCHA and rent-stabilized tenants report chronic maintenance issues, poor indoor air quality, and difficulty accessing healthcare. Seniors and families in temporary housing are particularly affected. The North Brooklyn Housing Task Force (2020)[4] reported:

65% of low-income residents in rent-stabilized units report maintenance defects

42% of NYCHA residents report chronic respiratory conditions

38% of seniors in public housing defer medical care due to housing costs

75% of families in temporary housing report difficulty managing chronic conditions

To address these conditions, Community Board 1 supports initiatives that improve housing quality and environmental conditions, which are essential to protecting community health for Williamsburg–Greenpoint residents.

- Prioritizing health-based investments in NYCHA and high-need census tracts.
- Expanding the Healthy Homes Initiative and partnerships with local healthcare providers.
- Advancing environmental cleanup and air quality improvements.
- Investing in sustainable, affordable housing preservation and maintenance.

The health disparities in Williamsburg–Greenpoint's low-income communities reflect the combined impact of housing instability, environmental burdens, and limited healthcare access. Local data demonstrates that our most vulnerable residents face compounded challenges that require immediate intervention. Our community's health depends on our ability to address these interconnected challenges of the existing affordable housing stock

- Environmental remediation in affected areas
- Enhanced healthcare access in public housing
- Coordinated response to asthma and respiratory illness

- Improved maintenance of aging housing stock

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## Community District Needs Related to Healthcare and Human Services

### **Needs for Health Care and Facilities**

Neighborhood-specific data reveal pressing health disparities that demand immediate policy attention and resource allocation. In East Williamsburg, groundwater contamination from the Meeker Avenue Plume and poor air quality along the BQE corridor pose serious environmental health risks. The South Side of Williamsburg records the district's highest asthma rates, while East Williamsburg faces elevated childhood lead levels. Access to care remains limited in the Broadway Triangle, and air quality concerns persist along the Waterfront. In Greenpoint, similar challenges emerge. Residents near the industrial corridor report an increase in respiratory issues.

Environmental concerns persist along the Waterfront, while Northern Greenpoint faces a shortage of healthcare resources, including a lack of hospital facilities, limited primary care offices, and inadequate mental health providers. Together, these patterns underscore the urgent need for coordinated interventions that address both environmental hazards and healthcare access across North Brooklyn communities.

### **Needs for Older NYs**

We urge all levels of government to treat affordable senior housing as a public health intervention. This includes increasing federal Section 202 funding, integrating housing and healthcare resources, supporting service-enriched models, and prioritizing health-focused housing at the state and city levels. Agencies should coordinate planning, streamline integrated developments, and fund preventive services to improve health outcomes and quality of life for older adults.

### **Needs for Homeless**

Brooklyn Community District 1 urgently needs stronger transparency and collaboration from city agencies in addressing homelessness. Too often, shelter plans move forward without enough information shared about the facility, its security measures, available support services, or how local impacts will be managed. Community Board 1 encourages all agencies to engage early with CB1 and the Public Safety and Human Services Committee. Open communication should include public information sessions, opportunities for community feedback, local service and school impact reviews, and security assessments.

When agencies and the community work together from the start, shelters and service facilities are more successful and better supported. A transparent, proactive approach helps build trust, improve planning, and ensure that both residents and those in need receive the best possible outcomes.

### **Needs for Low Income NYs**

The intersection of housing instability and poor health outcomes creates a devastating cycle for Williamsburg-Greenpoint's low-income residents. Local data highlights the urgency: 22% of residents live in poverty, 33% experience hypertension, 18% have asthma, 42% of NYCHA tenants report chronic respiratory conditions, and 65% of rent-stabilized tenants report maintenance defects. These numbers reflect real community members facing overlapping challenges of unstable housing and health risks. Immediate action through sustained funding and comprehensive programs is essential to address these disparities and improve the well-being of vulnerable residents.

## HEALTHCARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

*Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request. Requests are prioritized by agency.*

### CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

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

### EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DFTA	1 / 2	Increase home delivered meals capacity
DFTA	2 / 2	Funding for a new senior center program
DOHMH	1 / 6	Increase Staffing of Outreach Programs
DOHMH	2 / 6	fund a comprehensive study of Environmental Health Hazards
DOHMH	3 / 6	Programs to address Women's Health Issues
DOHMH	4 / 6	Programs for Women's Physical and Emotional Health Concerns.
DOHMH	5 / 6	Trap- Neuter-Return Feral Cats Care
DOHMH	6 / 6	Increase reimbursement rate for NYC from 20% to 36%.
HHC	1 / 3	Allocate funding for programs that address Health Concerns.
HHC	2 / 3	Domestic Violence Services
HHC	3 / 3	Infant care services.



# YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

## Brooklyn Community Board 1

### Most Important Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

#### **School and educational facilities (Maintenance)**

We support funding Capital and Expense Educational Needs Requests identified by schools that are necessary to continue providing educational instruction and after-school programs. Many of the schools in the district are very old and require modernization, upgrades to their physical structures, and/or replacement of heating/cooling systems. More funds are needed for teaching resources. Over 32% of CD1's population is 18 years of age or younger, and many of these individuals require education, recreation, and counseling programs.

### Community District Needs Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

#### **Needs for Youth Education**

##### Education

Brooklyn Community Board District One supports a comprehensive master planning effort for the Department of Education's District 14 to ensure that schools are equipped to meet the changing needs of students. As enrollment and demographics evolve, schools must be retooled to support modern learning, including remote instruction, computer-based education, and reliable internet access.

The Board continues to support:

After-school, Saturday, and summer instructional and recreational programs. The repair and refinishing of school buildings and facilities.

We remain committed to ensuring each school has a science laboratory, wireless computer access, and up-to-date equipment. Past budget cuts have resulted in reduced capital projects and program losses; thus, renewed investment is essential. The Board also emphasizes the importance of student safety and supports all Department of Education-approved security programs. Significant progress has been made since the reorganization of the former Eastern District High School, which successfully transitioned into the 850 Grand Street Campus, housing specialized academies such as Progress High School for Professional Careers, Enterprise Business High School, and the School for Legal Studies. Additional schools now serving our district include the Academy for Young Writers, Williamsburg Preparatory School, Williamsburg High School for Architecture and Design, El Puente Academy for Peace and Justice, Harry Van Arsdale High School GED, The Green School: An Academy for Environmental Careers, and charter schools such as Williamsburg Collegiate Charter School and Williamsburg Charter High School. We support initiatives that enhance educational equity and English proficiency, as census data show that a significant number of residents speak a language other than English at home—46.5% speak Spanish/Spanish Creole, 20.8% speak Polish, and 20.5% speak Yiddish. Expanding English language programs will help strengthen community participation and educational success.

#### **Needs for Youth and Child Welfare**

(THIS IS AN EXCERPT FROM OUR FULL FY 2020 STATEMENT OF DISTRICT NEEDS) YOUTH SERVICES More than 51,600 Community Board No. 1 residents are 19 years of age or less, and a very high percentage of this population resides in the poorest portions of the district. Unless an influential network of youth service programs is established, many youths will never have a fair opportunity to succeed in life. They will instead be attracted to the alternate lifestyles of crime and drugs. In light of this, the appallingly small allocation for delinquency prevention and after-school



programs funded by the Department of Youth and Community Development remains a perpetual source of frustration to the Board's Youth & Education Committee. We are also concerned with the closing of youth centers at our public housing developments. The Cooper Park Housing Development Youth Center is closed during the evenings. The closings should be stopped, and these centers reopened. Not only do they provide vital recreation, but they are also safe havens for youths. The Beacon program located at 850 Grand Street Campus has offered a valuable resource, but it is not enough to serve the approximately 51,625 youths of our district. Unless the City and State agree to bolster this modest allocation substantially, and a 100% increase is not out of order, its impact on the youth of Community Board No. 1 will remain slight. We were pleased that the City expanded Beacon Programs citywide and, as a result, additional Beacon programs for our area have been made available at MS 126 and MS 50. The Beacon program at MS 126 has served as an anchor for a newly formed ,Greenpoint-Williamsburg Youth Soccer League, that has over 500 youths. There is minimal open space to accommodate these youngsters playing concurrent games, and we urge that additional space be available for this use. We are concerned about the sudden increase in Charter Schools being sited in the district (Community School District 14 serves the CB #1 area). Often, they are being collocated in existing school buildings. We question their hurting funding allocations for our existing public schools.

**YOUTH EMPLOYMENT** The Department of Youth and Community Development must increase the number of slots and continue to develop and expand local sponsorship within Community District No. 1 for the City, Summer Youth Employment Program, It must take a more aggressive role in addressing program sponsorship in each Community Board area. We urge the City to increase its outreach within the community to obtain non-profit agency sponsors who will adequately service our youths.

**TEEN PREGNANCY** One of the most severe problems involving youth is adolescent pregnancy, which has reached epidemic proportions throughout North Brooklyn. We are pleased to learn that statistics in this area are starting to show a decline. A systematic approach to this problem must be continued, aimed at preventing unwanted pregnancies from occurring in the first place and providing educational and social services to teen mothers to avoid long-term welfare dependency.

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## YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

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### CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DOE	1 / 2	Other capital budget request for DOE
DOE	2 / 2	Other capital budget request for DOE

### EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DOE	1 / 2	Provide funding for Air Conditioners
DOE	2 / 2	Provide more funds for teaching resources such as classroom material
DYCD	1 / 1	Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for elementary school students (grades K-5)

# PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

## Brooklyn Community Board 1

### Most Important Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

#### **General crime**

##### **1. Police Staffing and Precinct Capacity**

Over the past year—and in fact every year—residents across Williamsburg and Greenpoint have voiced growing concerns about public safety and the strain on existing NYPD precinct resources. The 90th and 94th Precincts, which serve our district's rapidly expanding population and commercial corridors, remain under-resourced given the area's density, nightlife, and tourism. Additional headcount—particularly for foot and community patrols—is critical to maintain timely response and consistent neighborhood presence.

This issue has come up at multiple Public Safety & Human Services (PS&HS) Committee meetings each year, as well as at the 90th and 94th Precinct Community Council meetings, where both residents and officers have described the challenges of managing increasing calls for service with limited staff. Community members have also cited a high volume of 311 and quality-of-life complaints—including noise, disorderly conduct, traffic violations, and unlicensed activity—that precincts have until recently struggled to address in a timely fashion.

With the recent implementation of Quality of Life Teams at both precincts, CB 1 is eager to assess the impact of this new approach and its effectiveness in addressing persistent nuisance issues. The Board stands ready to advocate for and alongside the 90th and 94th Precincts to ensure they receive the resources, manpower, and inter-agency support necessary to sustain consistent enforcement and effectuate true public safety in our community.

### Community District Needs Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

#### **Needs for Public Safety**

##### **2. Drug Activity and Street Disorder**

Community members have repeatedly raised alarms about the proliferation of open drug use and drug dealing, especially in the Southside of Williamsburg. CB 1 has heard directly from numerous neighborhood and block associations, school groups/PTAs, and other residents describing serious, ongoing drug activity near schools, playgrounds, and residential blocks—conditions that have visibly diminished the quality of life for families and seniors. Parks, playgrounds, and sidewalks have become frequent sites of drug-related activity, deterring residents from using public space. The issue demands a coordinated, multi-agency approach combining law enforcement, harm-reduction outreach, and sanitation services. Residents have emphasized that enforcement alone cannot solve the problem—resources must also support public-health workers, clean-up teams, and programming that restores a sense of safety and dignity in these shared spaces.

##### **3. Subway Safety and Rider Experience**

Safety on the subway has emerged as one of the district's most pressing and deeply felt issues. Riders report feeling unsafe from menacing behavior, harassment, and unpredictable incidents both in train cars and while waiting on platforms, particularly during late-night hours. Many women—including young adult women, older women, and girls—as well as senior citizens and immigrants—have shared experiences of being harassed or have observed such incidents occurring regularly. These repeated experiences and perceptions of vulnerability have led some residents, especially women and elders, to avoid transit altogether, exacerbating social isolation and limiting access to jobs, healthcare, and cultural life. The Public Safety & Human Services Committee held a meeting

on this subject on October 27, 2025, featuring testimony from residents and discussion with NYPD and MTA representatives. CB 1 urges the City and MTA to coordinate a visible presence of Transit Bureau officers and social-service response teams in key stations such as Bedford Ave, Metropolitan/Lorimer, and Nassau Ave, paired with improvements in lighting, surveillance coverage, and emergency communications systems.

#### 4. Proliferation of Illegal Cannabis Storefronts

The rapid spread of unlicensed cannabis dispensaries throughout Williamsburg and Greenpoint has created major community safety, health, and quality-of-life concerns. These storefronts—often concentrated along Bedford Avenue, Grand Street, Graham Avenue, and Manhattan Avenue—have operated with little oversight, frequently selling to minors and contributing to late-night noise, loitering, and occasional violent incidents. This issue has been raised repeatedly at multiple committee and full-board meetings, and CB 1 has even invited the Sheriff's Office to present on enforcement efforts and the need for more busts in our community. The Chair of the PS&HS Committee also raised this issue publicly at the Mayor's Public Safety Town Hall in South Williamsburg in May 2025, urging a stronger local response. CB 1 calls for robust coordination between the NYPD, Sheriff's Office, and Department of Consumer and Worker Protection to ensure prompt inspections, padlock actions, and transparency about licensed dispensaries. The City should also invest in community education and visible signage to help residents identify legitimate establishments and report illegal activity.

#### 5. Violence Against Women and Culturally Responsive Safety Strategies

Addressing violence against women—including intimate-partner violence, sexual assault, street harassment, and other gender-based harms—requires a culturally responsive strategy that reflects CB 1's diversity. Women comprise 51.2 percent of the district's population; 21.5 percent of residents are foreign-born; and 49.2 percent speak a language other than English at home, with 18.7 percent reporting that they speak English less than "very well." The community includes large Latino (23.5 percent), Hasidic Jewish/West-Germanic-language, Polish/Slavic-language, Black, and Chinese populations. In February 2025, the \*\*Public Safety & Human Services Committee and the Women's Issues Committee held a joint meeting—the best-attended PS&HS meeting to date, with over 60 attendees—\*\*specifically aimed at kick-starting coordination among government agencies, nonprofit service providers, and community stakeholders to address domestic violence and violence against women in North Brooklyn. Given this mix and the complexity of barriers facing survivors, one-size-fits-all approaches are ineffective. CB 1 urges targeted investment in multilingual outreach, culturally tailored and trauma-informed crisis response, and provider training that acknowledges immigration status, religious community norms, and distrust of law enforcement. Funding should prioritize trusted community-based organizations as partners in prevention, intervention, and recovery, ensuring that safe housing, legal advocacy, and mental-health supports are accessible across languages and cultures.

#### 6. Building Trust and Holistic Safety

Finally, the Board underscores that public safety must be understood broadly—not only as the absence of crime, but as the presence of trust, care, and accessible support systems. Increased funding for precinct staffing, coordinated responses to drug and gender-based violence, and investments in safe transit and public space are essential to restoring residents' sense of security and belonging throughout Williamsburg and Greenpoint.

#### 7. Homelessness and Public Space Safety

A growing number of residents and committee members have raised persistent safety concerns related to individuals experiencing homelessness taking up residence in public parks and open spaces throughout the district. Some residents have reported being confronted or followed in ways they perceived as menacing, especially near park entrances, underpasses, and transit nodes.

These incidents have contributed to a sense of unease and have underscored the urgent need for a better-coordinated, humane, and effective City strategy to address street homelessness in North Brooklyn.

At the same time, CB 1 recognizes the complex and systemic nature of homelessness. Many unhoused individuals in our community have lost housing due to rising rents, disability, mental-health challenges, or loss of employment. Members of the Public Safety & Human Services (PS&HS) Committee have consistently stressed that punitive or enforcement-only approaches are not the answer. The Board urges the City to invest in outreach, housing-placement programs, behavioral-health support, and wraparound social services that can help individuals get back on their feet and out of unsafe street conditions.

CB 1 supports the development of new, district-specific strategies that combine compassion with accountability—expanding the number of outreach workers and Safe Haven beds serving Williamsburg and Greenpoint; coordinating NYPD, Parks, and DHS responses to chronic encampments; and prioritizing permanent supportive housing and rent-stabilization initiatives to prevent residents from falling into homelessness in the first place. Ensuring that public spaces are safe for everyone—including those currently living in them—requires sustained coordination between agencies, community organizations, and local residents.

In the year ahead, the Public Safety & Human Services Committee will dedicate additional time to issues of homelessness, shelters, and long-term solutions aimed at helping our unhoused neighbors regain stability, connect to services, and remain safely off the streets. The Committee intends to invite relevant City agencies and nonprofit partners to future meetings to identify barriers, share data, and develop coordinated strategies that serve both the housed and unhoused residents of our district with dignity and care.

## **Needs for Emergency Services**

### **8. Emergency Response and Coordination Across First Responders**

CB 1 is committed to ensuring that the City's emergency response strategies are guided by common sense, coordination, and a clear understanding of on-the-ground realities in our neighborhoods. Whether responding to a public disturbance, medical crisis, fire, or mental-health emergency, residents want to see that all agencies work together effectively and safely.

Police officers and other law-enforcement personnel play an integral role in maintaining safety not only for the public, but also for fellow first responders, including EMTs, social workers, and firefighters. CB 1 believes that emergency response models should acknowledge the critical importance of officer presence in volatile or unpredictable situations while also ensuring that non-police responders can do their work safely and compassionately.

The Board encourages the City to review and strengthen inter-agency emergency protocols—for example, ensuring that NYPD, FDNY, EMS, and Department of Social Services teams receive joint scenario-based training, share real-time information, and have clearly defined roles when responding to complex calls. These improvements would reduce confusion at scenes, protect all first responders, and foster trust among residents who expect help to arrive quickly and competently.

CB 1 will continue to monitor how evolving City programs—such as alternative or co-response models for mental-health crises—are implemented locally. The Board supports data-driven, collaborative approaches that respect the expertise of each responding profession while upholding the safety of residents and responders alike.

## PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

*Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request. Requests are prioritized by agency.*

### CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
FDNY	1 / 1	Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station
NYPD	1 / 1	Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras

### EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
NYPD	1 / 2	Hire additional crossing guards
NYPD	2 / 2	Provide additional officers to the Q-Team



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October 8, 2024

## COMMITTEE REPORT

### **PUBLIC SAFETY & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING**

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller and CB1 Board Members

FROM: Mr. Lloyd Feng, Committee Chair  
Ms. Rosemary Espinal, Committee Co-Chair

RE: Public Safety & Human Services Committee Meeting from September 24, 2024

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The Committee met on the evening of September 24, 2024, at 6:00 PM at Swinging Senior Center, 211 Ainslie St. (Corner of Manhattan Ave), Brooklyn, NY. 11211

### **ATTENDANCE:**

**Present:** Feng; Bamonte; Argento; Barros; Espinal; Leanza; Judelson\*; Rozmus\*.

**Absent:** Bachorowski; Drinkwater; D'Amato; Dybanowski; Indig; Kaminski; Capucci\*; Pagano\*.  
(\*non-board member)

(A quorum was not achieved)

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## **AGENDA**

### **Issues to consider addressing in upcoming meetings:**

- PS&HS engagement with other CB1 committees:
  - Safety issues re: electric bikes and bikes (Transportation)
  - Safety issues in CB1 parks (Parks)
  - Safety issues re: illegal cannabis (Economic Development + Cannabis Review)

### **To-Dos and Next Steps:**

- The committee requests that the NYPD precincts follow up and provide a list of specific shelter/temporary housing facilities in each precinct.
- The committee requests that the NYPD precincts consider and share any needs they have that they would like the committee to consider as part of the next district needs statement (FY27).
- The committee will seek information from the Office of the Sheriff, Office of Cannabis Management, and any other relevant NYC or NYS government entity over the seizure of money and goods from shuttered illegal cannabis retailers and other vendors in CB1.

Committee members introduced themselves to one another and to meeting attendees. Chair Feng established that the PS&HS Committee would meet monthly with meetings to not extend past three hours. Committee members agreed that 6:00pm would be the start of all monthly committee meetings unless otherwise noted.

### **NYPD:**

Lt. Frank Laquidara and Sgt. Leticia Dumas-Galindo of the 90th Precinct and Lt. Matthew Delaney of the 94th Precinct were in attendance.

Lt. Laquidara of the 90th Pct. updated the committee on current trends regarding crime and quality of life issues. He remarked that they saw a spike in burglaries.

He also reported on quality of life complaints, specifically involving noise complaints from residents adjacent to restaurant Tabu, at 10 Hope Street. Lt. Laquidara stated they sent a report of the complaint to the Mayor's Office of Nightlife. A proposal was reached to hold a mediation with the parties involved to be held at the 90th Pct. Station the following week. An option of soundproofing was discussed with the venue.

Committee Chair Lloyd Feng asked Lt Laquidara for information regarding any trends in crime. Lt. Laquidara stated that the precinct is against a 5 vs 3 statistic in robberies, which means that last year they saw 3 robberies per week, this year this number increased to 5 per week. He further stated that people are being targeted for their jewelry, and this is also a citywide pattern.



Chair Feng asked if there had been any bars being targeted. Lt. Laquidara explained that the precinct has been working on a joint scooter operation at the Williamsburg Bridge, in conjunction with the 7th Pct., where they would stop scooters that don't have the proper license plates, and confiscate where applicable.

—Lt. Matthew Delaney of 94th Pct. provided an update on crime statistics for the 94th Pct.

Lt. Delaney stated that crime is trending down at the precinct despite the population boom in Greenpoint over the last several years with large developments being built. Of course, with any increase in population, there will be increased safety needs for the precinct to address.

There has been an uptick in the last 6 months in burglaries, cars being stolen in isolated streets around the Meeker Avenue under the BQE area.

-The precinct had received several noise complaints involving the rooftop area at 70 North Henry Street but the complaint was easier to resolve because it was a private residence.

Chair Feng asked both Lt. Laquidara and Lt. Delaney whether there were any outdoor dining patrons getting robbed, and also for an update on the migrant situation.

Lt. Laquidara stated that there has been an uptick in scooter-related crimes.

Precinct representatives shared that they work closely with the Brooklyn District Attorney's office in applying and implementing the changes to the bail reform laws as relates to ensuring that arrests "stick," but additional improvements would help keep criminals and known problem individuals away from our communities.

### **Homelessness:**

Chair Feng asked about the homeless situation in both precincts. Both Lt. Laquidara and Lt. Delaney described a multi-agency (FDNY, NYPD, DEP, Sanitation, Homeless Services) operation to remove illegally parked RV's in the Greenpoint/Williamsburg area at North 10th Street, which were being occupied by undocumented migrants. They stated that individuals were renting the RVs to the migrants who did not have a place to stay. Officials explained to the migrants that it was illegal to park the RVs in that area. The RVs, approximately 12 of them, were eventually removed. The officers shared that in some of these instances of trailer car/RV-squatting, there may be opportunistic individuals profiting off the housing needs of vulnerable individuals and renting out these RVs to them.

### **Smoke Shops:**

Lt. Laquidara discussed a citywide operation to close illegal smoke shops, that some of the closed shops would reopen under a different name or selling different merchandise and that officers had to go back and close them again.

### **Under the K Bridge venue:**

The shooting near the Under the K Bridge venue was discussed. Committee Co-Chair Rosemary Espinal asked whether there were any operations such as police patrols at the venue. Lt. Delaney explained that there is a detail of police officers assigned to the venue when there is an event scheduled. The lieutenants explained that it is a tricky situation to deal with noise complaints since these are licensed events. It was discussed among committee members that it may be worthwhile for the committee to engage with CB1 member Katie Horowitz who is Executive Director of the North Brooklyn Parks Alliance, which runs Under the K Bridge Park.

### **Homeless Shelters:**

Committee members discussed complaints involving homeless shelters, specifically a man's shelter near the BQE area on Apollo Street. There were reports of homeless persons engaging in low level crimes around the shelter area, as well as public urination, and drug use.

Chair Feng asked both Lt. Laquidara and Lt. Delaney what are some of the things that NYPD would like to know from Brooklyn CB1 and what CB1 could do to help the officers, in relation to the community. Chair Feng also conveyed that the PS&HS committee's desire to build a collaborative relationship and build rapport with both the 90th and 94th Precincts in hopes to better serve the community's needs, and to let the committee know of any needs.

### **311 Quality of Life complaints:**

The NYC 311 hotline was discussed in relation to received complaints from the community and how the NYPD is handling those complaints. Committee member Barros explained that people feel frustrated when they call 911 and are diverted to 311. Lt. Laquidara explained that the 90th Pct has a system to organize 311 calls that come and respond to those calls. He said they receive a large amount of complaints at the precinct station house that are diverted there from 911, and that the telephone switchboard operator at the precinct is responsible for fielding those complaints and dispatching units to respond to those complaints. He shared that NYPD officers aim to address all matters, 311 or 911, and inevitably must prioritize between calls based on the urgency and severity of the requests they receive at any given time. The officers prioritize in particular 311 or 911 calls and situations where there is considerable risk of violence/harm arising or the conditions for violence/harm to erupt. Where there are calls that are deemed higher priority, 311 calls about noise complaints may be deemed less of a priority and will be addressed after more urgent calls where there may be greater risk of violence/harm.

### **Park Safety:**

Committee member Argento raised the topic of safety in CB1 parks. The committee and the NYPD discussed that park safety is primarily the responsibility of the Parks Department, and that NYPD does not have jurisdiction in relation to park hours of operation enforcement.



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March 11, 2025

## COMMITTEE REPORT

### JOINT PUBLIC SAFETY & HUMAN SERVICES AND WOMEN'S ISSUES COMMITTEES

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller and CB1 Board Members

FROM: Lloyd Feng, Public Safety & Human Services Committee Chair  
Janice Peterson, Women's Issues Committee Chair

RE: Joint Public Safety & Human Services and Women's Issues Committees  
Meeting, February 25, 2025

The Committee met on the evening of February 25, 2025, at 6:30 PM at Swinging Senior Center, 211 Ainslie St. (Corner of Manhattan Ave), Brooklyn, NY. 11211

### ATTENDANCE:

#### Public Safety and Human Services Committee (PS&HS)

- Present: Feng, Espinal, Aguilar, Argento, Barros, Dybanowski, Leanza, Lopez, Aprile\*, Judelson\*; quorum was achieved.
- Excused Absences: Bamonte, Bachorowski, Drinkwater, Kaminski, Rozmus\* (Motion by Dybanowski, seconded by Leanza, unanimous consent)
- Maria Aprile-Horowitz attended her first meeting as a committee member (non-Board Member)!
- Unexcused Absence: Indig

## **Women's Issues Committee (WI)**

- Present: Peterson, Aguilar, Horowitz, Leanza, Sabel, Pool\*, quorum was achieved.
- Excused Absences: Bamonte, Kaminski (Motion by Leanza, seconded by Aguilar, unanimous consent)
- Unexcused Absences: Carbone, Chirichella, Raymond\*

## **MOTIONS IN THE JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING**

Both motions passed unanimously.

1. **Recommendation for CB1:** to convene quarterly stakeholder meetings on violence against women, invite elected officials to co-host and attend, and request attendance from law enforcement and community organizations in CB1
  - a. WI Committee Member Pool motioned, WI Committee Member Horowitz seconded, motion passed unanimously.
2. **Recommendation for CB1:** to request aggregate numbers of domestic violence, rape, and gender-based violence data by zip code on a preferably monthly basis from Woodhull and Wyckoff Hospitals
  - a. WI Committee Member Pool motioned, WI and PS&HS Committee Member Leanza seconded, motion passed unanimously.

## **MOTIONS IN THE PS&HS COMMITTEE MEETING:**

All motions passed unanimously.

1. **Recommendation for CB1:** to send a letter to FDNY seeking the evaluation by the FDNY Bureau of Fire Operations and Management Analysis and Planning indicating that CB1 is “adequately resourced” as is without an additional firehouse.
  - a. Espinal motioned, Dybanowski seconded, motion passed unanimously.
2. **Recommendation for CB1:** for CB1 to send a letter to CM Joann Ariola, Chair of the NYC Council Committee on Fire and Emergency Management, of CB1’s need for more information related to siting a new firehouse in CB1 given the significant population increase and new construction since the 2005 rezoning.
  - a. Dybanowski motioned, Argento seconded, motion passed unanimously.
3. **Recommendation for CB1:** to send a letter to NYS electeds to write and introduce a bill that would require the NYS Office of Cannabis Management to publish the complaints that members of the public have submitted in relation to locations alleged to be illegal cannabis operations and/or have other violations. OCM shall be required to publish the list with the

following information: complaint issue date, location of alleged illicit activity, and number of complaints by location. OCM shall be required to produce an interactive map version linked to the list for public access.

a. Espinal motioned, Dybanowski seconded, motion passed unanimously.

4. **Recommendation for CB1:** to send a letter to the NYC Sheriff's office requesting CB1 be informed when raids are conducted, or illegal cannabis retail locations are shut down

a. Barros motioned, Lopez seconded, motion passed unanimously.

5. **Recommendation for CB1:** to send a letter to NYC electeds and CMs Gutierrez and Restler, indicating CB1's support for Int 1139 and urging them to support and/or cosponsor the bill:

a. Int 1139-2024: This bill would set hours of operation for adult-use cannabis retail dispensaries in New York City. All adult-use cannabis retail dispensaries would be permitted to open at 9:30 AM and would have to close by 9:30 PM. The Department of Consumer and Worker Protection would be responsible for enforcement. Violation of this local law would result in civil penalties of \$1,000 for a first violation and \$2,000 for each subsequent violation committed on a different day within a period of 2 years after the date of the first violation.

b. Aguilar motioned, Lopez seconded, passed unanimously.

**6. Recommendation for CB1:**

- a. to send a letter as written to the 90th Precinct and the NYPD Transportation Bureau seeking more frequent police presence and enforcement at the intersection of Division Ave. and Wilson St.
- b. to send a letter as written to Natanya Division Car and Limo Service seeking a response to our letter including its plan to address dangerous traffic safety and congestion issues caused in part by its parked cars
- c. to send a letter as written to Yeshiva Kehilas Yakov Pupa and Kesser Tzvi & Keser Reizel Hall seeking a response to our letter including its plan to address the dangerous traffic safety and congestion issues during the day and in the evening caused in part by its operations
- d. to send a letter as written to Aperion Production Inc. seeking a response to our letter including its plan to address the dangerous traffic safety and congestion issues during the day and in the evening caused in part by its operations
- e. Feng motioned to approve all four recommendations as a packaged motion, Dybanowski seconded, passed unanimously.

**OPENING REMARKS**

- WI Committee Chair Peterson emphasized that violence against women has been a critical community topic since the 1960s.

- PS&HS Committee Chair Feng requested speakers limit remarks to five minutes due to time constraints

### **INVITED ORGANIZATIONS NOT IN ATTENDANCE**

- NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (stated no services available)
- NYC Human Resources Administration
- NYS Office for Prevention of Domestic Violence (unable to attend, shared that the office operates solely in an advisory role to the Executive Chamber):
  - NYS OPDV Know Your Rights Resource: <https://opdv.ny.gov/know-your-rights>

### **PRESENTATIONS FROM INVITED SPEAKERS**

#### **Comments from the Committee Chairs:**

- On behalf of both CB1 committees, we would like to express my sincere gratitude to all the presenters who joined our joint committee meeting on violence against women in our community and for remaining engaged throughout and staying the entirety of the two-hour joint committee meeting.
- Thank you to Kimara Lucius, Sergeant Tim Keane, Captain Peña, PO Aquino, PO Vasquez, Joshua Shird, Joshua Feuer, Parizoda Axrorqulova, Emmanuel De Jesus, Talia Orvan, Jessica Arocho, Jorge Arteaga, Cadence Seffens, Jennifer Le, Deborah Spiroff, Jane Pool, and the Honorable Diana Reyna for their invaluable presentations and participation throughout our meeting.
- We would like to specifically acknowledge Captain Joseph Wernersbach for courageously sharing his personal connection to domestic violence, which inspired his career in law enforcement.
- Special recognition goes to Leana Pardo from the North Brooklyn Coalition not only for outlining their critical services, but also for bravely sharing her personal experience with sexual violence and challenges to reporting the violence inflicted upon her.
- The information shared today will be invaluable as we work to address violence against women in Community Board 1.
- We encourage any member of the public interested in working with us on this issue or on any other public safety or human service-related issue to reach out to the CB1 District Office via email or phone. If there's any issue you're experiencing, please do bring it to our attention and we will do our best to uplift it in our work as a community board.

#### **Mayor's Office to End Domestic and Gender-Based Violence**

**Presenter:** Kimara Lucius, Program Coordinator, Community Initiatives

- Key Points:
  - Provides free, confidential support through Family Justice Centers in every borough
  - Services include legal support, mental health services, and preventive education
    - Assistance with obtaining orders of protection

- Legal system navigation
  - Divorce support
- Agency established in 2001, operates across all mayoral administrations
- Addresses multiple forms of abuse: physical, mental, emotional, financial, manipulation, isolation
- Conducts preventive education in 100+ NYC schools
  - Focus on healthy relationships, respect, and boundaries
- Also provides support to those who commit violence ("hurt people hurt people")
  - Acknowledge perpetrators may have been victims themselves
  - Support does not detract from accountability and responsibility
- **Discussion:**
  - WI Committee Chair Peterson noted: "We don't know what's going on regarding violence against women in CB1" and "We don't hear about the work that agencies do in our district"
  - WI Committee Member Pool highlighted: We would like to organize a regular convening of local government, community, and social service provider stakeholders to address violence against women in CB1, which will promote collaboration, awareness, and transparency, identify needs, overlap, best practices, challenges, and innovations to help us all provide a great standard of care for victim/survivors.
    - Goal to convene regularly with elected officials
    - Address the lack of consistent data from hospitals and law enforcement
  - PS&HS Committee Chair Feng asked about violence against women data specific to Brooklyn CB1
  - Data collection challenges highlighted by Ms. Lucius:
    - "Brooklyn is a big borough" with organizations often working "parallel and don't know what each other is doing"
    - Underreporting due to fear of retaliation or judgment
    - Domestic violence and homelessness connection
    - Victims may not directly disclose violence but request specific services like food assistance
  - Ms. Lucius expressed interest in learning more about community needs on the ground
  - PS&HS Committee Chair Feng committed to following up with ENDGBV for more information specific to Brooklyn CB1

## **NYPD 90th Precinct**

**Presenters:** Captain Joseph Wernersbach (Commanding Officer), Sergeant Tim Keane (Domestic Violence Supervisor)

- **Crime Statistics (2025 YTD):**
  - Murders: Down 100%
  - Rape: Even (1% vs. 1%)
  - Robbery: Down 17%
  - Felony assault: Down 21%



- Burglary: Down 46%
- Grand larceny: Down 18%
- Grand larceny auto: Even (16% vs. 16%)
- Total crimes: 180 vs. 241 (25% reduction)
- **Domestic Violence Statistics (2024 vs. 2023):**
  - Felonies: Down 2.5%
  - Misdemeanors: Down 7.3%
  - Brooklyn North: Highest citywide reduction (5.6%)
  - Year-to-date reduction: 17.3% in major crimes
- **Approach to Domestic Violence:**
  - Assessment: Evaluate victim vulnerability and service needs
    - Assess history and services to help victims immediately
    - Conduct follow-ups by phone and in-person
  - Apprehension: Arrest perpetrators
    - Follow through with prosecution in DA's office
    - Seek high bail and orders of protection
  - Compliance: "Taking a hard look at ourselves" to ensure no victims are missed
- **Additional Information:**
  - Captain Wernersbach shared a personal connection: his own mother was a domestic violence victim who never called police, which motivated him to become an officer.
  - Detective squads interview victims and apprehend perpetrators while precinct officers follow up with victims. Oftentimes, victims/survivors will continue engagement with officers and detectives years after the initial incident to which the NYPD responded.
  - Victim-centered approach focuses on follow-up services (therapy, counseling, housing).
  - The 90th Precinct's officers work closely with Safe Horizon and the NYC Department for the Aging in elder abuse cases.
  - Victims can text 911 if they feel unable to safely place a call.
  - According to official NYPD policy and NYC laws, the NYPD is not permitted and does not collaborate with federal immigration enforcement.
  - Services for victims after arrest include:
    - Lock changing
    - Shelter arrangements
    - Safety planning
  - Captain Wernersbach noted that the 90th Precinct focuses on assessment, apprehension, and compliance, reiterating that bail determinations and sentencing are the jurisdiction of the judges.

## **NYPD 94th Precinct**

**Presenters:** Captain Peña, PO Aquino, PO Vasquez

- **Key Points:**
  - Reported 6 felony assaults (3 open cases), 1 burglary
  - Rescued two children who were found rummaging through trash cans, discovering they were from an abusive household with a locked refrigerator

- Domestic Violence team consists of two officers and one sergeant
- Officers provide work numbers and business cards directly to victims
- Emphasized importance of reporting and connecting victims to services
- Approach victims as people, not statistics

## **Safe Horizon**

### **Presenters:**

- Joshua Shird, Domestic Violence Victim Advocate, PSA 3, Housing Precinct:
  - 25 Central Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206
  - Contact: (718) 386 5191
  - Hours: Monday-Friday 10:00am-6:00pm
- Joshua Feuer, Crime Victim Advocate, 90th Precinct
  - 211 Union Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11211
  - Contact: (718) 782 1413
  - Monday-Friday 10:00am-6:00pm
- Parizoda Axrorqulova, Victim Advocate, 94th Precinct
  - 100 Melrose Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11222
  - Contact: (718) 383 3057
  - Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm
- **Services:**
  - Advocates stationed in every NYC borough
  - Counseling services (individual, family members, couples counseling)
  - Relocation assistance (including out-of-state moves)
  - Housing assistance (connecting victims to complex housing)
  - Legal resources and representation
  - Lock-changing services
  - Violence Against Women Act transfers (for NYCHA and non-NYCHA housing)
  - Direct walk-in support at offices and via domestic violence hotline
  - Home visits and safety planning with clients
  - Work with NYCHA to relocate survivors and remove perpetrators' housing rights
  - Child Advocacy Centers for counseling services
  - Collaborations with ACS, Center for Family Life, and Youth Community Development
- **Discussion:**
  - WI Committee Chair Peterson raised concerns about victims being relocated instead of perpetrators.
  - District Manager Johana Pulgarin asked about services for children and parental consent requirements.

## **Brooklyn District Attorney's Office**

### **Presenters:**

- Emmanuel De Jesus (Social Worker, Community Outreach and Training Coordinator, LGBTQIA+ Initiative Program Coordinator, Junior Clinical Supervisor)
- Talia Orvan (Licensed Clinical Worker, Elder Abuse Unit Coordinator)
- **Key Points:**
  - 40+ advocates and social workers providing multilingual services (Polish, Creole, Chinese, Korean, Spanish, and others)
  - 80% of DA cases involve special victims (domestic violence, elder abuse, sexual assault, crimes against children)
  - Support victims throughout legal proceedings
    - Located on same floor as Family Justice Center
    - While ADAs may change, victim services staff remains consistent
  - Work with the Office of Victim Services (OVS) to assist with compensation for crime victims
  - VINE program: Victims can opt to be notified when perpetrators are released
  - Elder abuse (60+ years):
    - 80-85% of perpetrators are adult children or grandchildren
    - Also handle cases involving intimate partner violence, caregivers, and home attendants
    - Work with JASA (social services organization serving CB1 residents in elder abuse cases)
  - Teen relationship abuse education programs
  - Focus on alternatives to incarceration when appropriate, especially when perpetrators have mental health issues

## **Woodhull Hospital**

**Presenter:** Jessica Arocho, Director of Community Affairs and Director of Cure Violence Program

- **Key Points:**
  - Provides treatment component to domestic abuse cases through SART program
  - NYS Health Department-designated Center of Excellence for sexual assault treatment
  - Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) approved by NYS Department of Health
  - Sexual Assault Forensic Examiners (SAFE) program
  - Trained staff collect forensic evidence, accurately document injuries
  - Address emotional needs through rape counselors and forensic examiners
  - Collaboration with North Brooklyn Coalition for staff training

## **North Brooklyn Coalition**

**Presenter:** Leana Pardo, Executive Director

- **Key Points:**
  - Services for anyone 18+ experiencing domestic violence or sexual assault
  - Free therapy, case management, support groups, and training

- Training program for volunteers (40-hour training) to sit with survivors during rape kit procedures
  - Funded by local Council Members
- Can provide training to any agency that needs it
- Currently serving 14 clients from CB1, including four rape cases (all occurred years ago)
- Ms. Pardo shared her personal experience with domestic violence, noting it took her four years to report her own rape
- Emphasized importance of community conversation about rape and sexual violence to reduce stigma
- Plans to improve North Brooklyn's own intake procedures in order to better track data on the amount of time between a survivor reporting an incident/experience and the date of the incident/experience
- Critical statistics shared:
  - 8/10 rapes committed by someone known to victim
  - 975/1000 perpetrators of sexual assault are released without conviction
  - Most cases are never reported to police, making rape even more difficult to prosecute.

## **Right to Be Organization**

**Presenter:** Jorge Arteaga, Vice President of Movement Building

- **Key Points:**
  - Mission of the organization is to end hate and harassment
  - "Stand Up Against Street Harassment" campaign sponsored by L'oreal Paris
    - Launched in 2020
    - 60,000 people trained in NYC (30,000 in Brooklyn) in upstander training
  - Addresses street harassment issues: catcalling, whistles, groping, staring, etc.
  - Teaches the "5 Ds of Bystander Intervention":
    - Distract
    - Delegate
    - Document (give to the person experiencing harm)
    - Delay (noted that trauma was significantly reduced when victims received even a knowing glance)
    - Direct intervention (without escalating situation)
  - Free trainings available, supported by funding from Council Members Gutierrez and Restler

## **Wyckoff Heights Medical Center**

**Presenter:** Cadence Seffens, Sexual Assault Coordinator, Violence Intervention and Treatment Program

- **Key Points:**

- Violence Intervention Treatment Program responds to domestic violence and sexual assault cases in the Emergency Department
- Trains their own volunteer advocates
- Licensed counselors work directly with survivors
- Support for co-survivors who are impacted by violence

## **Womankind**

**Presenter:** Jennifer Le, Manager of Community Education and Outreach

- **Key Points:**
  - Established in 1982 as NY Asian Women's Center, renamed Womankind in 2017
  - Services available for all victims regardless of gender or sexual orientation
  - Core services include two residential houses for survivors of gender-based violence
  - 24/7 hotline with 18 Asian dialects and languages
  - Three community offices: Chinatown (Manhattan), Sunset Park (Brooklyn), and Elmhurst (Queens)
  - Primarily serves East Asian, South Asian, and some Southeast Asian communities
  - Survivors of sexual violence often seek emotional support
  - Emphasis on importance of culturally responsive care and resources

## **National Congress of Neighborhood Women**

**Presenters:** Deborah Spiroff, Jane Pool

- **Key Points:**
  - Advocated for collecting "raw data" from healthcare providers in the district as most victim/survivors do not report to police, and now, have 20 years to report violence against women (New York Adult Survivor Act). Medical facilities serve unique role in being a vital link to critical services to combat aftermath of violence against women.
    - Need the actual number of cases from the two major healthcare providers
  - Concern about discrepancies between hospital data (like Wyckoff) and NYPD CompStat because the numbers reported between hospitals and local precincts are so drastically different.
    - NYPD 90th Precinct noted: the discrepancy can arise from victims/survivors showing up in the hospital, but declining at that moment to report with the local precinct physically closest to the hospital. It is also common for victims/survivors to seek support from a hospital or medical center, but then file a police report with the police precinct physically closest to where the victim/survivor lives.
  - Pratt project will produce an interactive installation about the lack of data collected on violence against women
  - Emphasized importance of bringing different stakeholders in domestic violence/violence against women together

- Ms. Peterson noted how many people in the room had personally experienced harassment or violence

**The Honorable Diana Reyna**, former Brooklyn Dep. Borough President and former Council Member of District 34

- **Key Points:**
  - Praised CB1 for organizing this "very impactful" meeting
  - Shared history of North Brooklyn domestic violence initiatives from the 1990s
  - Founded North Brooklyn Coalition from a steering committee
  - Safe Horizon provided critical funding
  - Collaboration with local organizations like St. Nicks Alliance
  - Praised the "incredible work of domestic violence officers who break walls of fear and shame"
  - Shared personal story about her mother confronting men who harassed women, which inspired her advocacy
  - Emphasized that different touchpoints need to work together

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- Community member indicated her support for CB1 to cover such topics like violence against women but expressed concern that many residents are unaware of monthly CB meetings, especially since not everyone uses email communication. She was present at the meeting only because a member of both CB1 committees informed her of the meeting in advance.
- Steve Chesler (CB1 Board Member): Praised organizations, law enforcement, and committees, stating it was one of the best meetings he had attended.
- CB1 Full Board Member/WI Committee member Katie Denny Horowitz and CB1 Full Board Member Chesler likened the idea of the quarterly violence against women meetings to the monthly Bushwick Inlet Park meetings hosted by CM Lincoln Restler, which have been very effective in helping organize community stakeholders interested in taking action together on various matters related to improving the park..
- Kimberly Vega (Council Member Jennifer Gutierrez's office): Joined the team in November 2024, expressed appreciation and committed to sharing information with her office.
- PS&HS Committee Member Lopez: Highlighted importance of teen dating violence prevention and youth education
  - Noted the good investment in early education of relationship violence to young people
  - Raised question about where teens specifically fit in the data and issues between child abuse and adult abuse: what is the cutoff? How are issues involving teenagers and adolescents handled?

### **PUBLIC SAFETY & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING**

- Committee Chair Feng called the committee to order to address agenda items.

- FDNY: He provided an update on Deputy Commissioner Sanchez's response to CB1's letter seeking more information about CB1's district need for a new fire house in accordance with CB1's surge in population over the last decade. The response indicated that the FDNY does not believe CB1 meets the threshold for siting an additional fire house, citing the FDNY Bureau of Fire Operations and Management Analysis and Planning's evaluation.
- Cannabis: Committee Chair Feng announced that after months of CB1 District Office staff follow-ups, the NYC Sheriff's Office finally responded to CB1's invitation to present on its work combating illicit retail cannabis establishments and vendors in CB1, and will present at the March 11 Full Board meeting. Committee Chair Feng called on to attend that Full Board meeting and requested that committee members and members of the public submit any additional questions for the NYC Sheriff to the committee chair or the District Office who would then submit those questions to the Cannabis Review Committee for consideration.
- Committee Chair Feng indicated that the agenda item on alternatives to the Metropolitan Pool amid its closure would be taken up by the Parks Committee so it would not be discussed as part of the agenda.
- Committee Chair Feng presented a series of motions to recommend that CB1 send letters on the matters aforementioned in the section titled "Motions in the PS&HS Committee Meeting." He provided printout versions of the four draft letters related to the safety issues related to business operations at the intersection of Division Avenue and Wilson Street in South Williamsburg along with printout versions of bills for the committee to consider recommending the Full Board submit a letter to local electeds indicating CB1's support or disapproval of different pieces of NYC Council and NYS Legislature legislation related to domestic violence, cannabis, shelters, crime, and law enforcement matters.
- The committee was in agreement to discuss them at the next monthly PS&HS Committee meeting on March 18, 2025, at 6:30pm. Committee Chair Feng indicated he would send over any updated materials in advance of that meeting.

#### **UPCOMING PS&HS COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

- TUE 3/18/25
- TUE 4/22/25
- MON 5/19/25
- MON 6/23/25
- JULY: No meeting
- AUGUST: No meeting
- TUE 9/16/25
- MON 10/27/25

February 11, 2025

Brooklyn Community Board 1  
435 Graham Avenue  
Brooklyn NY 11211

**RE: Supporting a New Firehouse**

Dear Chairperson Fuller,

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the establishment of a new firehouse in North Brooklyn. We appreciate the community board's concern for public safety and the ongoing commitment to ensuring effective emergency services. The FDNY continually assesses emergency response needs throughout the city due to re-zoning, proposed developments, major weather events, or other significant events requiring analysis of supply and demand. The department has an internal working group that reviews all rezoning proposals citywide. The group serves as a single point of contact with the New York City Department of City Planning and advises of potential new needs after a comprehensive review.

Pursuant to this request by Community Board 1, the district was thoroughly evaluated by both the Bureau of Fire Operations and Management Analysis and Planning for its need for fire apparatus, including its ranking over a 5-year period, relative to all community districts in the city, and a 20-year trend of fire and emergency incidents. In both cases, the department found the district to be adequately resourced in terms of overall workload, fire department performance, and risk rankings. The department shares the community board's concern regarding safety within the growing populations of Greenpoint and Williamsburg. In assessing fire company coverage, Community Board 1 is exceptional in comparison to the average community district.

We value the input of the community board and will remain attentive to the evolving needs of the area and continue to regularly evaluate fire operation services.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sandra Sanchez".

Sandra Sanchez  
Director of Community Affairs



March 12, 2025

Council Member Lincoln Restler

Council Member Jennifer Gutierrez

**RE: Community Board 1 Support for Introduction 1139-2024 - Cannabis Dispensary Hours of Operation**

Dear Council Members Restler and Gutierrez:

On behalf of Brooklyn Community Board 1 representing the Williamsburg and Greenpoint neighborhoods, we are writing to express our strong support for Introduction 1139-2024, which would establish standardized hours of operation for adult-use cannabis retail dispensaries in New York City.

Our Public Safety & Human Services Committee has carefully reviewed this legislation and voted unanimously to support this measure, [which was subsequently endorsed by the full Community Board.] We believe this legislation addresses important quality of life concerns while still allowing reasonable operating hours for licensed cannabis businesses.

**Key Points of Support:**

1. **Consistent Operating Hours:** Establishing uniform hours of operation (9:30 AM to 9:30 PM) creates clear expectations for both businesses and residents, eliminating confusion and potential conflicts.
2. **Community Impact:** Late-night operations of any retail establishment can create noise, loitering, and other quality of life concerns. The proposed closing time of 9:30 PM appropriately balances business needs with residential quality of life in our mixed-use neighborhoods.
3. **Support for Legal Market:** Clear regulations support compliant businesses while distinguishing them from illicit operations that often operate with disregard for community concerns.
4. **Enforcement Mechanism:** The civil penalties of \$1,000 for first violations and \$2,000 for subsequent violations within a two-year period provide appropriate consequences while avoiding overly punitive measures.

As representatives of a community that has seen both legal dispensaries and illegal cannabis operations, we believe this legislation provides an important framework for responsible cannabis retail that respects both the businesses and the surrounding community.

We strongly encourage you to support and consider co-sponsoring Introduction 1139-2024. We also welcome the opportunity to discuss this matter further and would be pleased to provide testimony at any relevant hearings.

Sincerely,

[Chairperson Fuller]

Chairperson, Brooklyn Community Board 1

cc:

Speaker Adrienne Adams, New York City Council

Mayor Eric Adams

Public Advocate Jumaane Williams

NYC Comptroller Brad Lander

Brooklyn Borough President Antonio Reynoso

Department of Consumer and Worker Protection Commissioner [Name]

NYPD 90th Precinct

NYPD 94th Precinct

March 12, 2025

Sheriff Anthony Miranda

New York City Sheriff's Office

**RE: Request for Community Board 1 Notification of Cannabis Enforcement Actions**

Dear Sheriff Miranda:

On behalf of Brooklyn Community Board 1 (CB1) representing Williamsburg and Greenpoint, we are writing to formally request that the NYC Sheriff's Office establish a protocol to notify our board whenever enforcement actions are taken against illegal cannabis retail locations within our district boundaries. This request was reviewed and unanimously approved by our Public Safety & Human Services Committee before being endorsed by the full Community Board.

Illegal cannabis operations have proliferated throughout our neighborhoods, generating numerous complaints from residents and legitimate business owners regarding safety concerns, proximity to schools, and other quality of life issues. While we appreciate the Sheriff's Office's ongoing enforcement efforts, our board and the community we represent often remain unaware when raids or shutdowns occur.

We believe a simple notification process would provide several important benefits:

1. **Community Awareness:** Timely notification would allow CB1 to inform local residents about enforcement actions, demonstrating that their complaints are being addressed.
2. **Data Collection:** Notifications would help our board track enforcement patterns and better understand where resources are being deployed in our district.
3. **Feedback Loop:** This information would enable CB1 to provide more informed feedback to your office about locations that continue to operate despite enforcement or other emerging concerns.
4. **Public Confidence:** Transparency about enforcement builds public trust in the regulatory system and encourages continued reporting of illegal operations.

We recognize the operational sensitivities involved in enforcement actions and do not seek advance notice or detailed tactical information. Rather, we request a brief post-action notification that includes:

- Date of enforcement action
- Address of the location
- General nature of the enforcement (e.g., closure, seizure, etc.)

Our board is prepared to maintain appropriate confidentiality regarding any information shared and would work with your office to establish a streamlined notification process that minimizes administrative burden while maximizing community benefit.

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this request further with you.

Thank you for your consideration and for your office's continued efforts to address illegal cannabis operations in our community.

Sincerely,

[Chairperson Fuller] Chairperson Brooklyn Community Board 1

cc: Mayor Eric Adams

NYPD Commissioner Jessica Tisch

Brooklyn Borough President Antonio Reynoso

Council Member Lincoln Restler

Council Member Jennifer Gutierrez

Dynishal Gross, Commissioner, NYC Department of Small Business Services

Executive Director, NYS Office of Cannabis Management

NYPD 90th Precinct

NYPD 94th Precinct

## **FRIENDLY AMENDMENT**

I move to amend the resolution regarding Sheriff's Office notifications to expand the scope of cannabis enforcement notifications to Community Board 1. Specifically, I propose the following addition to our request:

"In addition to basic raid and shutdown notifications, Community Board 1 requests that the NYC Sheriff's Office provide notification in the following cannabis enforcement scenarios within our district:

1. When previously raided illegal cannabis operations reopen at the same location or relocate within the district
2. When nuisance abatement proceedings are initiated against properties hosting illegal cannabis operations
3. When multi-agency enforcement operations involving cannabis occur within the district
4. When formal notifications are issued to property owners regarding illegal cannabis operations in their buildings
5. When significant seizures of cannabis products occur, particularly those involving adulterated or counterfeit products that may pose public health risks
6. When any cannabis vendor, whether legally licensed or unlicensed, is found to have sold cannabis products to underage individuals

These additional notifications will help Community Board 1 better track enforcement patterns, identify problematic locations and property owners, and more effectively inform our community about potential public health and safety concerns."

March 12, 2025

Council Member Joann Ariola

Chair, Committee on Fire and Emergency Management

New York City Council

250 Broadway, Suite 1807

New York, NY 10007

**RE: Request for Information Regarding New Firehouse Needs in Community District 1**

Dear Chair Ariola:

On behalf of Brooklyn Community Board 1 (CB1), representing the Williamsburg and Greenpoint neighborhoods, I am writing to request your committee's assistance in obtaining critical information regarding fire protection needs in our district, which has experienced unprecedented growth since the 2005 rezoning. This request was unanimously approved by our Public Safety and Human Services Committee before being endorsed by the full Community Board.

Our district has undergone dramatic changes over the past two decades, with thousands of new residential units constructed and tens of thousands of new residents now calling North Brooklyn home. This transformation continues, with numerous large-scale developments currently under construction or in planning phases. However, our fire protection infrastructure has remained largely unchanged despite this substantial population increase and the development of formerly industrial areas into dense residential neighborhoods.

It is important to note that the need for an additional firehouse has been included in every CB1 District Needs Statement since 2007, reflecting our community's longstanding and consistent concern about fire protection resources in relation to our growing population. Despite nearly two decades of highlighting this need through our official budget priorities, this critical infrastructure gap remains unaddressed.

Recently, CB1 reached out to the FDNY to inquire about the need for a new firehouse in our district. While we received a response indicating that our district was "adequately resourced" and "exceptional in comparison to the average community district," the department did not share the specific data or metrics used to reach this determination, nor did they address how the dramatic population increase has impacted response times and coverage.

Therefore, we are requesting that the Committee on Fire and Emergency Management assist us in obtaining the following information:

1. The current average response times for all FDNY services (fire suppression and EMS) in Community District 1 compared to citywide averages and FDNY targets
2. Historical response time data showing trends since the 2005 rezoning
3. The specific metrics and methodologies used by FDNY to determine firehouse placement and coverage needs
4. Any assessments conducted regarding the impact of recent and planned development on emergency service delivery in our district
5. Information on how vertical growth (high-rise buildings) impacts FDNY resource allocation and response capabilities
6. The process and criteria used to determine when a new firehouse is warranted in a growing community

We believe that this information is essential for our community to understand whether our current fire protection infrastructure adequately serves our growing population. The safety of our residents must be paramount as our neighborhoods continue to develop and densify.

We would welcome the opportunity to testify before your committee on this matter and to work collaboratively with both the Council and the FDNY to ensure that our community's emergency service needs are properly addressed.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

[Chairperson Fuller] Chairperson Brooklyn Community Board 1

cc: FDNY Commissioner Robert Tucker

Mayor Eric Adams

Brooklyn Borough President Antonio Reynoso

Council Member Lincoln Restler

Council Member Jennifer Gutierrez

Borough Commander, FDNY Brooklyn

**RE: Request for Evaluation Documentation Regarding New Firehouse in North Brooklyn**

Dear Director Sanchez,

Thank you for your letter dated February 11, 2025, regarding our request for a new firehouse in North Brooklyn. We appreciate your response and the attention given to our community's concerns about emergency services in our growing district.

In your letter, you referenced a thorough evaluation conducted by both the Bureau of Fire Operations and Management Analysis and Planning, which examined our district's need for fire apparatus. You indicated this evaluation included:

1. Our district's ranking over a 5-year period relative to all community districts in the city
2. A 20-year trend analysis of fire and emergency incidents
3. Assessment of overall workload, fire department performance, and risk rankings

As representatives of the Greenpoint and Williamsburg communities, we have an obligation to fully understand the analysis that led to the determination that our district is "adequately resourced" and "exceptional in comparison to the average community district."

Therefore, we formally request copies of:

1. The complete evaluation reports referenced in your letter
2. All data, metrics, and criteria used to assess our district's needs
3. Comparative data showing how Community Board 1's coverage compares to other Brooklyn districts and citywide averages

This information is essential for us to effectively communicate with our constituents about public safety resources and to fulfill our advisory role in city planning matters, particularly as our neighborhoods continue to experience significant population growth and development.

We look forward to receiving these materials at your earliest convenience. Please feel free to contact our office if you need any clarification regarding this request.

Sincerely,

[Chairperson Fuller]

Chairperson Brooklyn Community Board 1

cc: Brooklyn Borough President's Office City Council Member [Name] FDNY Commissioner [Name] CM Joann Ariola, Chair of the NYC Council Committee on Fire and Emergency Management



Assembly Member Maritza Davila

Assembly Member Emily Gallagher

Senator Kristen Gonzalez

Senator Julia Salazar

**RE: Recommendation for Legislation to Increase Illegal Cannabis Enforcement Transparency**

Dear Assembly Members Davila and Gallagher, and Senators Gonzalez and Salazar:

On behalf of Brooklyn Community Board 1 representing the Williamsburg and Greenpoint neighborhoods, we are writing to recommend legislation that would significantly enhance transparency regarding illegal cannabis operations in our communities.

Our district, like many throughout New York City, has experienced a proliferation of unlicensed cannabis retailers. Community members regularly express concerns about these operations at our public meetings, particularly regarding their proximity to schools, youth programs, and other sensitive locations. While we understand that the Office of Cannabis Management (OCM) collects complaints about these establishments, there is currently no public access to this data, making it difficult for communities to understand enforcement patterns or hold agencies accountable.

Therefore, Brooklyn Community Board 1 formally recommends the introduction of legislation that would require the New York State Office of Cannabis Management to:

1. Publish and maintain a publicly accessible list of all complaints submitted by members of the public regarding alleged illegal cannabis operations and/or other violations
2. Include in this list, at minimum:
  - Date each complaint was submitted
  - Location of the alleged illicit activity
  - Number of complaints received per location
3. Develop and maintain an interactive map linked to this data for easier public access and visualization

This transparency measure would serve multiple important purposes:

- Enable communities to better understand the scope of unlicensed operations
- Help identify patterns and potential enforcement gaps
- Allow for more informed community planning and advocacy
- Support licensed, compliant businesses by highlighting enforcement against illegal competitors
- Increase public confidence in the regulatory system

We believe this legislation aligns with New York State's commitment to equity and community involvement in cannabis regulation. Similar transparency tools have proven effective in other regulatory contexts, such as the NYC Department of Buildings and Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

Our Community Board would be pleased to provide additional input or testify in support of such legislation. We appreciate your consideration of this recommendation and your continued service to our North Brooklyn communities.

Sincerely,

[Chairperson Fuller] Chairperson Brooklyn Community Board 1

cc:

Governor Kathy Hochul

Executive Director, NYS Office of Cannabis Management

NYS Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli

NYS Attorney General Letitia James

Mayor Eric Adams

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HON. JENNIFER GUTIERREZ  
COUNCILMEMBER, 34th CD

November 19, 2024

Commissioner Robert S. Tucker  
NYC Fire Department - FDNY  
9 Metro Tech Center, Brooklyn, NY 11201

## RE: Supporting a New Firehouse

Dear Commissioner Tucker:

At the regular meeting of Brooklyn Community Board No. 1, held the evening of November 12, 2024, the board members received a report from the Public Safety Committee. Please be advised that the board members voted unanimously to support sending this letter.

Community Board 1 (CB1) requests your support for establishing a new firehouse in North Brooklyn. Our district has experienced rapid population growth over the last decade with continued expansion expected. The increasing housing stock and density in our area necessitate additional emergency response infrastructure to ensure adequate public safety coverage. We formally request that FDNY conduct a needs assessment/study to evaluate the feasibility and requirements for building, staffing, and resourcing a new firehouse in our community. Please provide information regarding the process and criteria for establishing additional firehouses in growing communities.

Working for Safer Williamsburg and Greenpoint.

Sincerely,

Dealice Fuller  
Chairperson



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April 8, 2025

## COMMITTEE REPORT

### **PUBLIC SAFETY & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING**

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller and CB1 Board Members

FROM: Mr. Lloyd Feng, Committee Chair  
Ms. Rosemary Espinal, Committee Co-Chair

RE: Public Safety & Human Services Committee Meeting from March 18, 2025

The Committee met on the evening of March 18, 2025, at 6:30 PM at CB1 District office, 435 Graham Ave. (Corner of Frost St), Brooklyn, NY. 11211

## ATTENDANCE

- **Present:** Feng, Espinal, Barros, Leanza, April\*, Rozmus\*; quorum was not achieved.
- **Excused Absences:** Lopez, Drinkwater, Kaminski, Judelson\* (Motion by Barros, seconded by Espinal, unanimous consent)
- **Unexcused Absence:** Aguilar, Argento, Bamonte, Bachorowski, Dybanowski, Indig

## MOTIONS

### **1. NYC Council Bills**

- a. **(No Full Board vote needed)** Motion to recommend that the Women's Issues Committee examine the NYC Council bills related to violence against women (Int 0458-2024, Int 1175-2025, Int 0049-2024, and Int 0459-2024)

- i. Motion by Barros, seconded by Aprile, supported by committee members with unanimous consent.
- b. **MOTION:** for CB1 to send a letter to CM Gutierrez recommending that she cosponsor **Int 0404-2024 (Shelter Critical Incidents Reporting bill)** and to provide her reasoning for her position in her reply. (p. 6)
  - i. Motion by Rozmus, seconded by Leanza, supported by committee members with unanimous consent.
- c. **MOTION:** for CB1 to send a letter to CM Gutierrez and CM Restler recommending they each cosponsor **Int 0847-2024 (Shelter Distribution Reporting bill)** and to provide their reasoning for their position in their reply. (p. 6)
  - i. Motion by Espinal, seconded by Barros, supported by committee members with unanimous consent.
- d. **MOTION:** for CB1 to send a letter to CM Gutierrez and CM Restler recommending they each cosponsor **Int 1166-2025 (Emergency Shelter Contract Notification bill)** and to provide their reasoning for their position in their reply. (p. 6)
  - i. Motion by Aprile, seconded by Espinal, supported by committee members with unanimous consent.
- e. **MOTION:** for CB1 to send a letter to CM Gutierrez and CM Restler recommending they each *disapprove* and *not co-sponsor* **Int 1198-2025 (New Arrivals Shelter Address Confidentiality bill)** and to provide their reasoning for their position in their reply. (p. 7)
  - i. Motion by Espinal, seconded by Leanza, supported by committee members with unanimous consent.
- f. **MOTION:** for CB1 to send a letter to **Int 0831-2024 (Missing Persons Reporting bill)** sponsor, CM Farah Louis, seeking information about the intended purpose of the data report. (p. 7)
  - i. Motion by Feng, seconded by Barros, supported by committee members with unanimous consent.
- g. **MOTION:** for CB1 to send a letter to Jessica Tisch, Commissioner of the NYPD, for her to respond to **Int 0831-2024 (Missing Persons Reporting bill)** with expected impact on the NYPD's operations as well as in regard to the operations of the 90th and 94th Precincts. (p. 7)
  - i. Motion by Rozmus, seconded by Aprile, supported by committee members with unanimous consent.

## 2. NYS Legislature Bills

- a. **(No Full Board vote needed)** Motion to recommend that the Women's Issues Committee examine the NYS bills related to violence against women or children (See attached for specific bills: S3117 / A4499, S150 / A5222, S3938 / A65, S3394

/ A3226, S3453 / A4497, S1159 / A3206, S2280 / A4899, S3909 / A296, S2416 / A1841, A2575 / S116, S490 / A490, S1933 / A5783, S2645 / A2559, S205 / A2226, A5455, A153, A5606, A1808, A848, A5443, S4134, S3935, A5544, A1641, S498, A3702, A1384)

- b. **MOTION:** for CB1 to email a letter to sponsors of **S3938 / A65 (Supervised Visitation Initiative bill)**, Sen. Brad Hoylman-Sigal and AM Andrew Hevesi, seeking more information about their bill, particularly with regard to what specific kinds of “culturally sensitive services that provide language access” would be required by the law and what specific costs are currently prohibitive for families. (p. 8)
  - i. Motion by Barros, seconded by Aprile, supported by committee members with unanimous consent.
- c. **MOTION:** for CB1 to email a letter to sponsors of **S155 / A3179 (Sex Offender Visitor Registration Requirements bill)**, Sen. Anthony Palumbo and AM Matthew Simpson, seeking more information about their bill, particularly over the process by which neighboring residents would be identified and notified, which state entity would provide notification to residents, and what the consequences are for individuals in violation of the notification requirement. (p. 10)
  - i. Motion by Aprile, seconded by Rozmus, supported by committee members with unanimous consent.
- d. **MOTION:** for CB1 to send a letter each to Sen. Salazar, Sen. Gonzalez, AM Gallagher, and AM Davila, recommending that they each **S942 / A1480 (Murder of Officers Penalties bill)** and to provide their reasoning for their position in their reply. (p. 11)
  - i. Motion by Espinal, seconded by Leanza, supported by committee members with unanimous consent.
- e. **MOTION:** for CB1 to send a letter each to Sen. Salazar, Sen. Gonzalez, AM Gallagher, and AM Davila, recommending that they cosponsor **S1190 / A1681 (Auxiliary Police Protection bill)** and to provide their reasoning for their position in their reply. (p. 12)
  - i. Motion by Rozmus, seconded by Aprile, supported by committee members with unanimous consent.
- f. **MOTION:** for CB1 to send a letter each to Sen. Salazar, Sen. Gonzalez, AM Gallagher, and AM Davila, recommending that they cosponsor **S3517 / A1742 (Correctional Officer Protections bill)** and to provide their reasoning for their position in their reply. (p. 12)
  - i. Motion by Rozmus, seconded by Aprile, supported by committee members with unanimous consent.
- g. **MOTION:** for CB1 to email a letter to AM Michael Tannousis, sponsor of A3702 (**Child Custody Restrictions bill**), requesting more information about the bill.

(p. 15)

- i. Motion by Aprile, seconded by Rozmus, supported by committee members with unanimous consent.

## **Discussion of Bills in NYC Council and NYS Legislature**

Committee members discussed a number of bills introduced this session in the NYC Council and NYS Legislature encompassing topics like shelter oversight and transparency, public safety reporting, penalties for crimes against officers, and sex offender registry and monitoring. Committee members decided unanimously to recommend remaining bills covering domestic violence, victim's rights, sex offenses to the Women's Issues Committee for their review.

## **NYPD 90th Precinct Update and Comments**

Sergeant Dumas-Galindo, P.O. Beltran, and P.O. Snow from the 90th Precinct provided our committee with an update on crime in the district that was down across most categories as of the week of 03/10/25 and fielded questions from committee members and the public about catalytic converter theft trends and devices being used by criminals to unlock vehicles. On behalf of the PS&HS Committee, I would like to thank them for their time and thoughtful engagement with committee members and members of the public throughout the entirety of our committee meeting. The 90th Precinct requested that CB1 and members of the public remain alert and to continue providing them with safety complaints and concerns.

Please see attached in the appendix for statistics from CompStat 2.0 for the 90th Precinct and 94th Precinct for the week of 03/24/25-03/30/25.

I have also included in the appendix statistics on Non-Major Felony Offenses for the 90th and 94th Precincts as per the data ([https://www.datawrapper.de/\\_/jDUSC/](https://www.datawrapper.de/_/jDUSC/)) featured in this April 2nd DocumentedNY article, "Non-Major Crime at 20-Year High in Chinatown as City Sees Spike" (<https://documentedny.com/2025/04/02/major-seven-crime-felony-new-york-immigrants-nypd-adams/>).

*"Non-Seven Major Felony Offenses" between 2000 and 2024 by precinct. The NYPD categorizes "Non-Seven Major Felony Offenses" as felony possession stolen property, forgery/theft-fraud/identity theft, arson, felony sex crimes, fel. dangerous drugs, fel. dangerous weapons, fel. criminal mischief & related offenses, and other felonies (which contains primarily the penal law offenses of criminal contempt, reckless endangerment, and aggravated harassment as well as other state laws (tax law, ABC, etc.)*

## **Committee Public Engagement Strategy & District Needs**

Committee members discussed the important priority of improving the Public Safety & Human Services Committee's ability to reach CB1's growing residents and community members and explore new ways of encouraging their participation at our meetings. We appreciate Carol and Gary Tomczak of the 94th Precinct Community Council for attending our meeting and contributing to our discussion. Committee members agreed that one way of driving public participation at our meetings is choosing quality of life topics that may be top of mind for residents. Based on the discussion, Committee Chair Feng committed to covering the following topics at the remaining committee meetings for the 2024-2025 term: transportation and transit safety, animal welfare, sanitation, and seniors.

## **Other Items of Note:**

On Wednesday 3/19/25, Committee Chair Feng emailed CM Lincoln Restler and CM Jennifer Gutierrez seeking their help in understanding whether the Walgreens and CVS retail locations in CB1 would be at risk of closure given both corporations' public announcements since fall 2024 of planned closures of hundreds of stores around the country (see attached for my email). On Monday 3/24/25, CM Restler's team provided us with the following update:

- "We reached out to both Walgreens and CVS, and their representatives said that there are currently no planned store closings in Williamsburg or Greenpoint for either store. Walgreens said the only store closing in Brooklyn is the one on Court St, which is closing today, but nothing is planned beyond that. They normally find out about store closings a few months in advance, and as soon as the closing is announced, they send out letters to anyone who has received prescriptions at that store over the last year with information on the next closest Walgreens/Duane Reade and how to transfer their prescriptions to another pharmacy. CVS said that there are no planned closings in Brooklyn for at least the next 6 months."

Although it is welcome news that no location within CB1 is slated to close over the next six months for CVS and for the foreseeable future for Walgreens, we would appreciate greater clarity from the corporations over the next several months of their intentions for our residents that rely on the existing locations for not only steady access to their medications, but also other day-to-day necessities and supplies.

**Veteran Affairs Committee:** On 3/25/25, Committee Chair Feng attended the Veteran Affairs Committee meeting during which both committee chairs explored possible topics for the committees to collaborate on in the near future, including securing help from relevant agencies, social service organizations, and veterans' advocacy organizations in developing an accurate



understanding of the needs of veterans in CB1. We are in particular interested in what data is available on CB1's veterans.

**Women's Issues Committee:** On 3/31/25, Committee Chair Feng attended the Women's Issues Committee meeting, which included a follow-up discussion focused on addressing violence against women. I very much appreciated the opportunity to attend and participate in the discussion, and encourage other CB1 members and committee members to join when they can. I am eager to explore how the PS&HS Committee can support uplifting areas of focus that the WI Committee decides upon.

**Data on CB1's LGBTQIA+ Health and Safety Needs:** We are also seeking more information and data on health and safety needs of LGBTQIA+ community members from the hospitals, law enforcement, and other relevant agencies serving our residents, esp. amid changing federal policies directly impacting services for LGBTQIA+ individuals.

## Appendix:

- **NYC Council Bills List** (p. 5-6)
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- **03/18/25 NYS Legislature Bills List** (Sponsored in only one chamber, p. 12-16)
- NYPD 90th Precinct CompStat 2.0: Week of 03/24/25
- NYPD 94th Precinct CompStat 2.0: Week of 03/24/25
- NYPD 90th Precinct: Non-Major Felony Offense 2000-2024 (Datawrapper visualization)
- NYPD 94th Precinct: Non-Major Felony Offense 2000-2024 (Datawrapper visualization)

## NYC Council Bills List

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTION BILLS

1. **Int 0458-2024: Rental Assistance for DV Survivors** (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)
  - **Description:** Provides domestic violence survivors at risk of losing their home with CityFHEPS rental assistance if they don't qualify for other assistance programs, have income at/below 400% of federal poverty level, and meet other HRA/DHS requirements.

- i. Addresses immediate housing crisis for DV survivors; prevents homelessness; provides critical economic stability during vulnerable transition period.
- **Note:** CM Restler has already signed on.
  - **PS&HS Committee Recommendation:** Support, encourage co-sponsorship
  - **Link:** [Int 0458-2024: https://intro.nyc/0458-2024+](https://intro.nyc/0458-2024+)
- 2. **Int 1175-2025: Legal Representation for DV Survivors** (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)
  - **Description:** Requires Office of Civil Justice to establish a program providing domestic violence survivors with legal representation throughout divorce proceedings; mandates annual reporting on program data.
    - i. Addresses power imbalance in legal proceedings; helps survivors navigate complex divorce process; provides essential advocacy during high-risk separation period.
  - **Note:** CM Restler has already signed on.
  - **PS&HS Committee Recommendation:** Support, encourage co-sponsorship
  - **Link:** [Int 1175-2025: https://intro.nyc/1175-2025+](https://intro.nyc/1175-2025+)
- 3. **Int 0029-2024: Traumatic Brain Injury Training** (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)
  - **Description:** Requires training for first responders and service providers on the connection between domestic violence and traumatic brain injury (TBI); mandates public awareness campaign on this connection.
    - i. Addresses often-overlooked medical consequence of abuse; improves identification of TBI symptoms; enhances long-term recovery outcomes for survivors.
  - **Note:** CM Gutierrez has already signed on.
  - **PS&HS Committee Recommendation:** Support, encourage co-sponsorship
  - **Link:** [Int 0029-2024: https://intro.nyc/0029-2024+](https://intro.nyc/0029-2024+)
- 4. **Int 0459-2024: 311 DV Hotline Transfer** (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)
  - **Description:** Requires DoITT to create policy that automatically transfers domestic violence-related 311 complaints to the NYC Domestic Violence Hotline and adds a menu option for direct connection.
    - i. Streamlines access to specialized support; reduces barriers to seeking help; improves coordination of city services.
  - **Note:** CM Restler has already signed on.
  - **PS&HS Committee Recommendation:** Support, encourage co-sponsorship
  - **Link:** [Int 0459-2024: https://intro.nyc/0459-2024+](https://intro.nyc/0459-2024+)

## SHELTER OVERSIGHT & TRANSPARENCY BILLS

5. **Int 0404-2024: Shelter Critical Incidents Reporting**

- **Description:** Requires Department of Homeless Services to produce annual reports detailing "critical incidents" in shelters (assault, sexual assault, domestic violence, child abuse, weapons, arson, theft), security upgrade efforts, and agreements with NYPD.
  - i. Enhances accountability and transparency; identifies safety trends; allows for targeted improvements in shelter security.
- **Note:** CM Restler has already signed on.
- **PS&HS Committee Recommendation:** Support, encourage co-sponsorship
- **Link:** [Int 0404-2024: https://intro.nyc/0404-2024+](https://intro.nyc/0404-2024+)

6. **Int 0847-2024: Shelter Distribution Reporting**

- **Description:** Requires Department of Social Services to submit quarterly reports to council members and community boards on the number of shelters, supportive housing (single-site and scattered-site), and cluster sites by council district and community board.
  - i. Improves transparency about shelter distribution; enables more equitable planning; provides data for community-based decision making.
- **PS&HS Committee Recommendation:** Support, encourage co-sponsorship
- **Link:** [Int 0847-2024: https://intro.nyc/0847-2024+](https://intro.nyc/0847-2024+)

7. **Int 1166-2025: Emergency Shelter Contract Notification**

- **Description:** Amends existing community notification requirement to mandate DHS notification to elected officials and community boards when emergency homeless shelter contracts are renewed.
  - i. Enhances community awareness of continued shelter operations; improves coordination between city agencies and community stakeholders.
- **PS&HS Committee Recommendation:** Support, encourage co-sponsorship
- **Link:** [Int 1166-2025: https://intro.nyc/1166-2025+](https://intro.nyc/1166-2025+)

8. **Int 1198-2025: New Arrivals Shelter Address Confidentiality**

- **Description:** Would prohibit mayoral agencies operating emergency/temporary shelter facilities exclusively serving new arrivals from publicly disclosing addresses/locations unless required by judicial warrant or law.
- **PS&HS Committee Recommendation:** Disapprove
- **Link:** [Int 1198-2025: https://intro.nyc/1198-2025+](https://intro.nyc/1198-2025+)

## **PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTING**

8. **Int 0831-2024: Missing Persons Reporting**

- **Description:** Requires NYPD to annually report on missing persons cases.

- i. Enhances transparency around missing persons investigations; enables data-driven approaches to finding missing individuals; may help identify patterns or systemic issues.
- **Note:** CM Restler has already signed on.
- **Link:** [Int 0831-2024](#)

## NYS Legislation with Both Assembly and Senate Sponsors

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

#### 1. Protection Order Violations *(FWDed to Women's Issues Committee)*

- **Bill Numbers:** S3117 / A4499
- **Description:** Provides that persons arrested for domestic violence forfeit bail when violating an order of protection. *This bill addresses the "revolving door" problem where abusers can repeatedly violate orders of protection by simply posting bail, creating a stronger deterrent and keeping victims safer during court proceedings.*
- **Sponsors:** Sen. Pamela Helming (R) / AM Jeff Gallahan (R)
- **Links:** [S3117](#) / [A4499](#)

#### 2. Lifetime Orders of Protection *(FWDed to Women's Issues Committee)*

- **Bill Numbers:** S150 / A5222
- **Description:** Allows lifetime orders of protection when the respondent is convicted of certain felonies or an attempt to commit such felonies. *Currently, orders of protection expire after a set period, forcing victims to repeatedly seek renewals and potentially confront their abusers in court; this bill would provide permanent protection for victims of serious felonies without requiring them to relive their trauma.*
- **Sponsors:** Sen. Anthony Palumbo (R) / AM Joe Destefano (R)
- **Links:** [S150](#) / [A5222](#)

#### 3. Supervised Visitation Initiative *(FWDed to Women's Issues Committee)*

- **Bill Numbers:** S3938 / A65
- **Description:** Directs the establishment of a statewide supervised visitation initiative including culturally sensitive services with language access and affordability considerations. *Many communities lack adequate supervised visitation facilities, creating*

*barriers for families impacted by domestic violence; this bill would ensure safe, affordable options for parents who need supervision during child visitation and require regular assessments to ensure quality of services.*

- **Sponsors:** Sen. Brad Hoylman-Sigal (D) / AM Andrew Hevesi (D)
- **Links:** [S3938](#) / [A65](#)

#### **4. Anti-Stalking Orders ("CREEP Act")** *(FWDed to Women's Issues Committee)*

- **Bill Numbers:** S3394 / A3226
- **Description:** Provides for the issuance of anti-stalking orders for repeated and extremely egregious predatory behavior. *Current laws often don't adequately protect stalking victims until physical harm occurs; this bill would allow courts to issue specific anti-stalking orders earlier in the process, potentially preventing escalation and providing law enforcement with clearer authority to intervene in stalking situations.*
- **Sponsors:** Sen. Andrew Gounardes (D) / AM Jessica Gonzalez-Rojas (D)
- **Links:** [S3394](#) / [A3226](#)

#### **5. Enhanced Penalties for Domestic Violence** *(FWDed to Women's Issues Committee)*

- **Bill Numbers:** A4497 / S3453
- **Description:** Relates to enhancing penalties and protecting victims of crimes of domestic violence. *This comprehensive bill increases penalties for repeat domestic violence offenders and creates a graduated system where penalties increase with each subsequent offense; it also expands the definition of family/household member to include individuals in intimate relationships who don't live together.*
- **Sponsors:** AM Jeff Gallahan (R) / Sen. Pamela Helming (R)
- **Links:** [A4497](#) / [S3453](#)

#### **6. Domestic Violence Crimes Classification** *(FWDed to Women's Issues Committee)*

- **Bill Numbers:** A3206 / S1159
- **Description:** Establishes domestic violence crimes when committed against a family or household member; defines specified offenses and sets criteria for disposition. *Currently, domestic violence is charged under general assault or harassment laws rather than as a distinct crime; this bill would create specific domestic violence crime categories that acknowledge the unique nature of these offenses and allow better tracking of domestic violence cases in the criminal justice system.*
- **Sponsors:** AM Jen Lunsford (D) / Sen. Jeremy Cooney (D)
- **Links:** [A3206](#) / [S1159](#)

#### **7. Lethality Assessment Requirements** *(FWDed to Women's Issues Committee)*

- **Bill Numbers:** S2280 / A4899
- **Description:** Requires law enforcement officers to conduct a lethality assessment as part of the standardized domestic incident report when responding to domestic violence. *Research shows many domestic homicides are preceded by escalating warning signs; this bill would require officers to use a standardized tool to identify high-risk situations where intervention could prevent fatalities, and immediately connect high-risk victims with services.*
- **Sponsors:** Sen. Lea Webb (D) / AM Sarah Clark (D)
- **Links:** [S2280](#) / [A4899](#)

## 8. Phoenix Act (Statute of Limitations) (FWDed to Women's Issues Committee)

- **Bill Numbers:** S3909 / A296
- **Description:** Extends the statute of limitations for family offenses to ten years for felonies and five years for misdemeanors. *Named after a Phoenix rising from ashes, this bill recognizes that domestic violence victims often need time to safely leave their abusers before pursuing legal action; the current short statutes of limitation often expire before victims feel safe enough to come forward.*
- **Sponsors:** Sen. Kevin S. Parker (D) / AM Catalina Cruz (D)
- **Links:** [S3909](#) / [A296](#)

## 9. Contract Opt-Out for DV Victims (FWDed to Women's Issues Committee)

- **Bill Numbers:** S2416 / A1841
- **Description:** Authorizes individuals to opt-out of shared contracts without penalty due to domestic violence victim status; prevents account transfer to other holders. *Shared contracts (like cell phone plans, leases, or utilities) often serve as economic handcuffs keeping victims tied to abusers; this bill would allow victims to escape financial entanglements without credit damage, early termination fees, or having financial obligations transferred to them.*
- **Sponsors:** Sen. Kevin S. Parker (D) / AM Linda Rosenthal (D)
- **Links:** [S2416](#) / [A1841](#)

# SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY & MONITORING

## 1. Visitor Registration Requirements (FWDed to Women's Issues Committee)

- **Bill Numbers:** S155 / A3179
- **Description:** Requires nonresident visitor sex offenders to register when temporarily residing in NY; requires notification to nearby property owners. *Currently, sex offenders from other states can visit New York for extended periods without registering, creating a*

*loophole in the notification system; this bill would close that gap by requiring registration for visitors staying more than 14 days and mandate that short-term rental hosts inform nearby residents.*

- **Sponsors:** Sen. Anthony Palumbo (R) / AM Matthew Simpson (R)
- **Links:** [S155](#) / [A3179](#)

## VICTIM'S RIGHTS & SEX TRAFFICKING

### 1. Sex Trafficking Civil Actions *(FWDed to Women's Issues Committee)*

- **Bill Numbers:** A2575 / S116
- **Description:** Extends statute of limitations for sex trafficking actions, revives barred actions, grants trial preference, and exempts from certain notice requirements. *Trafficking survivors often can't pursue justice until years after escaping due to trauma, fear, and coercion; this bill would give victims more time to bring civil suits against traffickers and uniquely allows previously time-barred cases to be revived for a limited window.*
- **Sponsors:** AM Jeffrey Dinowitz (D) / Sen. Cordell Cleare (D)
- **Links:** [A2575](#) / [S116](#)

## CHILD SEX ABUSE & PENALTIES

### 1. Sexual Offenses Against Children *(FWDed to Women's Issues Committee)*

- **Bill Numbers:** S490 / A490
- **Description:** Includes instances of sexual conduct against children under 17 to certain sex offenses; removes time limit for subsequent offenses. *This bill closes a loophole in current law that limits how past sexual offenses against minors can be considered in subsequent prosecutions; by removing these time restrictions, it ensures repeat offenders face appropriate consequences regardless of when previous offenses occurred.*
- **Sponsors:** Sen. Nathalia Fernandez (D) / AM Andrew Hevesi (D)
- **Links:** [S490](#) / [A490](#)

### 2. Penalties for Sex Crimes Causing Death *(FWDed to Women's Issues Committee)*

- **Bill Numbers:** S1933 / A5783
- **Description:** Provides elevated charges when sex crimes against minors result in death. *This bill specifically addresses a gap in current first-degree murder statutes by ensuring that adult perpetrators who cause death while committing sexual crimes against minors face the most severe penalties, regardless of whether the death was intentional or occurred during the commission of the crime.*



- **Sponsors:** Sen. Bill Weber (R) / AM Pat Chludzinski (R)
- **Links:** [S1933](#) / [A5783](#)

## PENALTIES FOR CRIMES AGAINST OFFICERS

### 1. Murder of Officers Penalties

- **Bill Numbers:** A1480 / S942
- **Description:** Makes life imprisonment without parole mandatory for murder when victim is a police officer, peace officer, first responder, or correctional officer. *Currently, those convicted of murdering first responders may be eligible for parole after 20-25 years; this bill would remove judicial discretion in sentencing and ensure that anyone who intentionally takes the life of law enforcement or emergency personnel would face the strongest possible penalty.*
- **Sponsors:** AM Joe Angelino (R) / Sen. Patrick Gallahan (R)
- **PS&HS Committee Recommendation:** Support, encourage co-sponsorship
- **Links:** [A1480](#) / [S942](#)

### 2. Auxiliary Police Protection

- **Bill Numbers:** S1190 / A1681
- **Description:** Relates to increased punishment for certain actions against on-duty auxiliary police officers. *Auxiliary officers are volunteers who support law enforcement but don't receive the same legal protections as sworn officers; this bill would extend similar criminal penalties for assaults, menacing, or criminally negligent homicide against these volunteer officers as currently exist for regular police.*
- **Sponsors:** Sen. Joseph Addabbo (D) / AM David Weprin (D)
- **PS&HS Committee Recommendation:** Support, encourage co-sponsorship
- **Links:** [S1190](#) / [A1681](#)

### 3. Correctional Officer Protections

- **Bill Numbers:** A1742 / S3517
- **Description:** Establishes crime of forcible touching of a correction officer; increases penalties for sexual offenses against correction officers. *Correctional officers face unique workplace risks including sexual assault by inmates; this bill addresses the power dynamic by specifically criminalizing forcible touching of officers and enhancing penalties for sexual offenses committed against officers during the course of their duties.*
- **Sponsors:** AM David Weprin (D) / Sen. Jessica Scarcella-Spanton (D)
- **PS&HS Committee Recommendation:** Support, encourage co-sponsorship
- **Links:** [A1742](#) / [S3517](#)



## PENAL CODE UPDATES

### 1. Murder After Sexual Offenses (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)

- **Bill Numbers:** A2559 / S2645
- **Description:** Expands the definition of murder in the first degree to include murder occurring after an attempt to commit certain sexual offenses. *Currently, first-degree murder charges only apply when a killing occurs during the attempted commission of certain felonies; this bill would extend that to include killings that happen after a sexual offense attempt, recognizing that perpetrators may kill victims after failed sexual assaults to prevent identification or testimony.*
- **Sponsors:** AM Stephen Hawley (R) / Sen. Patrick Gallivan (R)
- **Links:** [A2559](#) / [S2645](#)

### 2. Intimate Image Protections (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)

- **Bill Numbers:** S205 / A2226
- **Description:** Establishes protections against threats to disseminate intimate images. *Current "revenge porn" laws only apply when images are actually shared, leaving victims without recourse when threatened with distribution; this bill would criminalize the threat to share intimate images as part of coercive control, addressing how abusers increasingly use digital content as blackmail to prevent victims from leaving relationships.*
- **Sponsors:** Sen. Monica Martinez (D) / AM Edward Braunstein (D)
- **Links:** [S205](#) / [A2226](#)

## NYS Legislature Bills (Only Senate or Assembly)

*Legislation with only one sponsor (Assembly or Senate)*

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

### 1. Smart Home Safety (A5455) (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)

- **Sponsor:** AM Linda Rosenthal (D)
- **Description:** Requires the office for the prevention of domestic violence to provide materials on removing an abuser's access to smart home devices and develop strategies for improving privacy, laws on cyber-harassment and stalking.

- i. Addresses a growing form of technological abuse that existing laws don't cover; provides immediate, practical safety guidance for victims in the digital age.
- **Link:** [A5455](#)
- 2. **Domestic Violence Services Access (A153)** (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)
  - **Sponsor:** AM Linda Rosenthal (D)
  - **Description:** Ensures sufficient access to domestic violence services in every county; eliminates per diem reimbursement rates for DV programs.
    - i. Addresses critical service gaps in underserved areas; creates more stable funding model for service providers.
  - **Link:** [A153](#)
- 3. **Anti-Discrimination for Victims (A5606)** (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)
  - **Sponsor:** AM Nikki Lucas (D)
  - **Description:** Prohibits discrimination against individuals with status as victims of domestic violence, sex offenses, or stalking.
    - i. Prevents secondary victimization through housing and employment discrimination; removes significant barrier to victim recovery.
  - **Link:** [A5606](#)
- 4. **Unpaid Leave for DV Victims (A1808)** (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)
  - **Sponsor:** AM Jenifer Rajkumar (D)
  - **Description:** Requires employers to provide up to ten days of unpaid leave for absences related to domestic violence, sexual offenses, stalking or human trafficking.
    - i. Helps victims maintain economic stability during crisis; addresses major reason victims return to abusers.
  - **Link:** [A1808](#)
- 5. **Bail for Domestic Violence (A848)** (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)
  - **Sponsor:** AM Amy Paulin (D)
  - **Description:** Requires consideration of domestic violence charges when imposing bail.
    - i. Restores judicial discretion in DV cases; addresses safety gap in current bail laws.
  - **Link:** [A848](#)
- 6. **Victim Services Transparency (A5443)** (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)
  - **Sponsor:** AM Chandler-Waterman (D)
  - **Description:** Requires the office of victim services to publicize programs and include information in annual reports; makes reports public online.
    - i. Increases awareness of available services; improves public accountability.
  - **Link:** [A5443](#)
- 7. **Protected Depositions (S4134)** (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)

- **Sponsor:** Sen. Kevin S. Parker (D)
- **Description:** Provides domestic violence victims with supervision during depositions and secure courthouse locations.
  - i. Addresses specific safety gap during legal proceedings; prevents potential re-traumatization.
- **Link:** [S4134](#)
- 8. **Aggravated Harassment of Survivors (S3935)** (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)
  - **Sponsor:** Sen. James Skoufis (D)
  - **Description:** Creates the crime of aggravated harassment of a survivor of domestic violence or sexual assault.
    - i. Addresses common pattern of post-reporting harassment; creates specific penalties for this behavior.
  - **Link:** [S3935](#)

## CHILD PROTECTION & SEXUAL ABUSE

- 9. **Youth Organization Screening (A5544)** (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)
  - **Sponsor:** AM Chantel Jackson (D)
  - **Description:** Requires sex offender registry checks for youth organization volunteers with direct contact with youths under 18.
    - i. Preventative approach to child safety; addresses significant screening gap in volunteer settings.
  - **Link:** [A5544](#)
- 10. **Extended Civil Statute of Limitations (A1641)** (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)
  - **Sponsor:** AM Linda Rosenthal (D)
  - **Description:** Removes statute of limitations for civil actions related to child sexual assault offenses.
    - i. Recognizes delayed disclosure common in child abuse cases; allows victims to seek justice when emotionally ready.
  - **Link:** [A1641](#)
- 11. **Human Trafficking Training (S498)** (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)
  - **Sponsor:** Sen. Nathalia Fernandez (D)
  - **Description:** Establishes standardized human-trafficking recognition training for transportation services employees.
    - i. Leverages transportation sector as frontline in identifying trafficking; cost-effective intervention approach.
  - **Link:** [S498](#)
- 12. **Child Custody Restrictions (A3702)** (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)
  - **Sponsor:** AM Michael Tannousis (R)

- **Description:** Prohibits courts from granting custody to anyone convicted of enumerated sex crimes except where no significant risk exists.
    - i. Creates presumption against custody for sex offenders; requires proof of no risk to child.
  - **Link:** [A3702](#)
13. **Jessica Lunsford Act (A1384)** (*FWDed to Women's Issues Committee*)
- **Sponsor:** AM Matt Slater (R)
  - **Description:** Enhances predatory sexual assault against a child penalties; establishes mandatory 25-year to life sentences; requires electronic monitoring upon release.
    - i. Creates stronger penalties and monitoring; named after child victim of recidivist offender.
  - **Link:** [A1384](#)

## LAW ENFORCEMENT MEASURES

### 14. Anti-Swatting Penalties (S1923)

- **Sponsor:** Sen. Bill Weber (R)
- **Description:** Enhances penalties for falsely reporting incidents involving weapons or targeting schools/places of worship.
  - i. Addresses dangerous and increasingly common false reporting trend; prevents resource waste and public safety risks.
- **Link:** [S1923](#)

### 15. Police Identification Requirements (S885)

- **Sponsor:** Sen. Luis Sepulveda (D)
- **Description:** Requires state and local law enforcement officers to identify themselves to the public.
  - i. Increases transparency and accountability; potentially improves community trust in law enforcement.
- **Link:** [S885](#)

### 16. Witness Tampering Penalties (S1751)

- **Sponsor:** Sen. Patricia Canzoneri-Fitzpatrick (R)
- **Description:** Increases penalties for crimes involving tampering with witnesses or intimidating victims.
  - i. Strengthens protections for witnesses and victims; addresses obstruction of justice.
- **Link:** [S1751](#)

### 17. Digital Evidence Submission (S64)

- **Sponsor:** Sen. Patrick Gallivan (R)

- **Description:** Directs criminal justice services to accept electronic submission of reports from local law enforcement.
  - i. Administrative improvement rather than direct public safety impact; modernizes evidence collection process.
- **Link:** [S64](#)

#### 18. Assault on DV Shelter Employees (S3118)

- **Sponsor:** Sen. Pamela Helming (R)
- **Description:** Expands assault in the second degree to include injuries to domestic violence shelter employees and residents.
  - i. Addresses important but relatively narrow safety concern; elevates specific assaults to felony status.
- **Link:** [S3118](#)

#### 19. Office Name Change (A1965)

- **Sponsor:** AM Andrew Hevesi (D)
- **Description:** Renames the NYS office for the prevention of domestic violence to the NYS office to end domestic and gender-based violence.
  - i. Primarily administrative change, though reflects expanded mission scope; limited direct service impact.
- **Link:** [A1965](#)



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## CompStat

90th Precinct

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### Crime Complaints

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	2025	2024	% Chg	2025	2024	% Chg	2025	2024	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg
Murder	0	0	***.*	1	0	***.*	1	2	-50.0	-50.0	0.0	-80.0
Rape	0	1	-100.0	0	2	-100.0	2	4	-50.0	-60.0	100.0	-75.0
Robbery	6	2	200.0	19	8	137.5	43	35	22.9	-18.9	-32.8	-85.4
Fel. Assault	2	3	-33.3	20	18	11.1	59	59	0.0	-9.2	59.5	-47.8
Burglary	5	9	-44.4	16	26	-38.5	57	92	-38.0	14.0	-32.9	-81.3
Gr. Larceny	9	14	-35.7	47	62	-24.2	142	182	-22.0	-22.4	46.4	39.2
G.L.A.	0	2	-100.0	4	6	-33.3	21	25	-16.0	-32.3	-48.8	-89.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>-29.03</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>-12.30</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>-18.55</b>	<b>-16.45</b>	<b>-0.31</b>	<b>-68.39</b>
Transit	1	0	***.*	1	2	-50.0	6	6	0.0	-33.3	-33.3	***.*
Housing	6	3	100.0	13	14	-7.1	38	42	-9.5	-20.8	40.7	***.*
Petit Larceny	15	15	0.0	78	65	20.0	251	260	-3.5	4.6	-6.7	***.*
Retail Theft	6	6	0.0	23	25	-8.0	81	92	-12.0	211.5	***.*	***.*
Misd. Assault	2	10	-80.0	23	45	-48.9	78	136	-42.6	-31.6	-24.3	***.*
UCR Rape*	0	1	-100.0	0	2	-100.0	2	4	-50.0	-75.0	***.*	***.*
Other Sex Crimes	1	1	0.0	4	3	33.3	13	12	8.3	8.3	***.*	***.*
Shooting Vic.	0	0	***.*	1	0	***.*	2	0	***.*	-60.0	100.0	-89.5
Shooting Inc.	0	0	***.*	1	0	***.*	2	0	***.*	0.0	100.0	-89.5
Hate Crimes	0	1	-100.0	0	1	-100.0	4	7	-42.9	0.0	***.*	***.*

### Traffic Statistics

Traffic Fatalities	0	0	***.*	0	0	***.*	0	2	-100.0	-100.0	***.*	***.*
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### Historical Perspective

(Historical perspective is a complete calendar year of data.)

	1990	1993	1998	2001	2024	%Chg '24 vs '01	%Chg '24 vs '98	%Chg '24 vs '93	%Chg '24 vs '90	
Murder	24	22	2	12	3	-75.0	50.0	-86.4	-87.5	Murder
Rape	43	34	29	24	19	-20.8	-34.5	-44.1	-55.8	Rape
Robbery	1,604	1,297	585	507	188	-62.9	-67.9	-85.5	-88.3	Robbery
Fel. Assault	619	579	314	279	314	12.5	0.0	-45.8	-49.3	Fel. Assault
Burglary	1,345	1,322	490	484	304	-37.2	-38.0	-77.0	-77.4	Burglary
Gr. Larceny	588	556	300	372	701	88.4	133.7	26.1	19.2	Gr. Larceny
G.L.A.	1,169	941	465	336	121	-64.0	-74.0	-87.1	-89.6	G.L.A.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,392</b>	<b>4,751</b>	<b>2,185</b>	<b>2,014</b>	<b>1,650</b>	<b>-18.1</b>	<b>-24.5</b>	<b>-65.3</b>	<b>-69.4</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>

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Robbery	0	2	-100.0	6	7	-14.3	20	25	-20.0	-35.5	-25.9	-86.6
Fel. Assault	2	0	***.	13	8	62.5	30	28	7.1	36.4	130.8	-38.8
Burglary	3	1	200.0	9	7	28.6	34	36	-5.6	-32.0	-27.7	-88.4
Gr. Larceny	6	13	-53.8	33	52	-36.5	125	148	-15.5	-13.8	71.2	43.7
G.L.A.	0	2	-100.0	5	5	0.0	18	15	20.0	-47.1	-33.3	-91.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>-38.89</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>-18.52</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>-10.98</b>	<b>-19.50</b>	<b>20.74</b>	<b>-71.34</b>
Transit	0	0	***.	1	1	0.0	10	5	100.0	233.3	150.0	***.
Housing	0	0	***.	0	0	***.	4	6	-33.3	-42.9	-33.3	***.
Petit Larceny	15	16	-6.2	69	79	-12.7	208	249	-16.5	1.5	85.7	***.
Retail Theft	8	9	-11.1	34	57	-40.4	124	145	-14.5	7.8	***.	***.
Misd. Assault	3	1	200.0	21	16	31.2	56	62	-9.7	7.7	30.2	***.
UCR Rape*	0	0	***.	1	2	-50.0	1	4	-75.0	***.	***.	***.
Other Sex Crimes	0	0	***.	3	0	***.	10	5	100.0	-33.3	***.	***.
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Rape	10	8	16	4	13	225.0	-18.8	62.5	30.0	Rape
Robbery	555	597	213	197	90	-54.3	-57.7	-84.9	-83.8	Robbery
Fel. Assault	297	267	146	108	131	21.3	-10.3	-50.9	-55.9	Fel. Assault
Burglary	823	1,128	301	223	144	-35.4	-52.2	-87.2	-82.5	Burglary
Gr. Larceny	429	369	178	173	669	286.7	275.8	81.3	55.9	Gr. Larceny
G.L.A.	1,279	919	421	258	113	-56.2	-73.2	-87.7	-91.2	G.L.A.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,401</b>	<b>3,297</b>	<b>1,282</b>	<b>968</b>	<b>1,160</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>-9.5</b>	<b>-64.8</b>	<b>-65.9</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>

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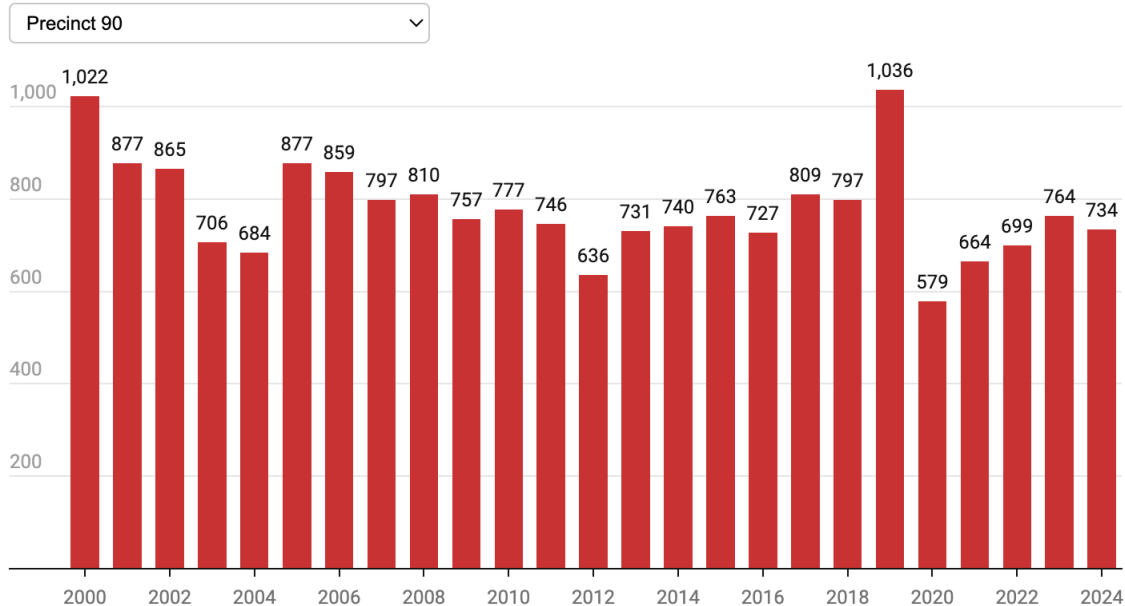
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## NYPD 90th Precinct: Non-Major Felony Offense 2000-2024

### Citywide Non-Seven Major Felony Offenses 2000-2024 by Precinct

NYPD's historical crime data shows that in 2024, Chinatown (Precinct 5), Flatbush (Precinct 67), and Jackson Heights (Precinct 115) experienced historically high levels of non-seven major felony offenses compared to previous years.



The data above shows "Non-Seven Major Felony Offenses" between 2000 and 2024 by precinct. The NYPD categorizes "Non-Seven Major Felony Offenses" as felony possession stolen property, forgery/theft-fraud/identity theft, arson, felony sex crimes, fel. dangerous drugs, fel. dangerous weapons, fel. criminal mischief & related offenses, and other felonies (which contains primarily the penal law offenses of criminal contempt, reckless endangerment, and aggravated harassment as well as other state laws (tax law, ABC, etc.))

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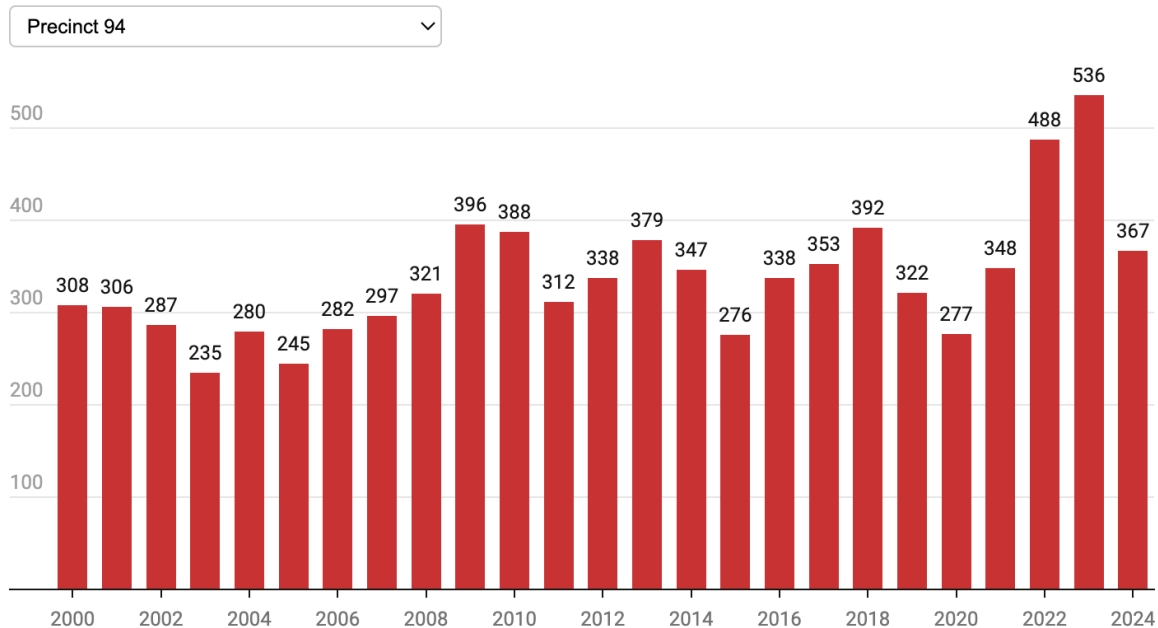
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- forgery/theft-fraud/identity theft,
- arson,
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- fel. dangerous drugs,
- fel. dangerous weapons,
- fel. criminal mischief & related offenses,
- and other felonies (which contains primarily the penal law offenses of criminal contempt, reckless endangerment, and aggravated harassment as well as other state laws (tax law, ABC, etc.))



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## Brooklyn Community Board 1

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

#### **Environmental concerns affecting citizens**

##### Needs for Water, Sewers, and Environmental Protection

(Excerpt from our Statement of District Needs) SEWER CONSTRUCTION As one of Brooklyn' oldest communities, Community District No. 1 naturally suffers from a terribly outdated and inadequate sewer system. The continued upgrading and replacement of our sewers remains an on-going necessity. The stretch of Graham Avenue, from Meeker Avenue to Metropolitan Avenue, continues to be plagued by foul sewer odors that emanate from the catch basins. To date, DEP has not been able to resolve the condition. An additional unresolved sewer related matter is DEP's failure to step up to the plate and aggressively correct numerous cave-in conditions from previous sewer pipe work that now requires trench restoration. These are sites where there was inadequate shoring, or wood shoring that was never removed and decayed causing underground subsurface voids which have subsequently collapsed. The Department of Environmental Protection continues to drag its feet in this matter while every day these conditions worsen and present public safety hazards. Community Board No. 1 has forwarded the following locations since 1999 to receive priority attention:

- Clymer Street between Wythe and Bedford Avenues
- Division Avenue between Berry Street and Wythe Avenue
- Eckford Street between Norman and Nassau Avenues
- Grand Street between Humboldt Street and Morgan Avenue
- Maujer Street between Lorimer Street and Union Avenue
- Meserole Street between Lorimer Street and Union Avenue
- Montrose Avenue between Union Avenue and Bushwick Place
- Moore Street between Humboldt Street and Manhattan Avenue
- North 6th Street between Driggs Avenue and Roebling Street
- Rutledge Street between Bedford/Marcy/Lee Avenues
- Scholes Street between Morgan and Union Avenues
- Skillman Avenue between Humboldt Street and Graham Avenue
- Ten Eyck Street at Lorimer Street

These locations were to be addressed in FY 2009, however, the Department of Design and Construction relates that the work is delayed because DEP says they have no funding! In another portion of the District, the area directly under and north of the Kosciuszko Bridge continues to be forgotten and floods constantly with the free-fall drainage from the BQE. Sewer construction here has been delayed, too. This item also needs to be promptly addressed by the responsible environmental agencies of both the City and State.

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

## **Needs for Sanitation Services**

### **STREET CLEANING REGULATIONS**

Catch basin cleaning should be maintained and increased to eliminate and prevent debris build-up from maximizing water drainage from streets during downpours and other rain events.

Composting: Our community supports the composting program. We request school educational composting programs and outreach educational resources for residents. Regular curbside organics collection will help reduce garbage hauling costs and lower greenhouse gas emissions by keeping organics and food scraps out of landfills. Due to the current mandatory composting requirement, we are requesting bi-weekly sanitation pickups.

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## CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

*Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request. Requests are prioritized by agency.*

### CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DEP	1 / 1	Increasing discharge into the East River should not be an option.

### EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DEP	1 / 4	Clean catch basins
DEP	2 / 4	Other expense budget request for DEP
DEP	3 / 4	Increasing discharge into the East River should not be an option
DEP	4 / 4	Lack of Catch Basins
DSNY	1 / 1	Provide or expand community composting programs

## Brooklyn Community Board 1

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

#### **Affordable housing preservation**

##### Truly Affordable Housing

Affordable housing in Community Board 1 remains a top priority and the most significant concern raised by residents year after year. While Williamsburg and Greenpoint have seen an explosion of new residential development—particularly higher-end and luxury projects—these units remain entirely out of reach for most of our residents. Even when so-called "affordable" or "middle-income" units are included, the rents calculated under the City's Area Median Income (AMI) framework are far beyond what many longtime residents can pay, particularly those living on fixed or low incomes.

The Board has repeatedly discussed and expressed frustration with the technical definitions of affordability used in housing policy and development determinations. At multiple Housing Committee and Full Board meetings, members and residents alike have shared that these AMI-based formulas do not reflect the actual incomes or realities of households in Williamsburg and Greenpoint, where the influx of highly paid professionals, investors, and newcomers has drastically distorted local market rents. This influx has coincided with a growing sense among working-class families, seniors, and long-term tenants that they are being priced out of their own neighborhoods.

According to the latest ACS 2020–2024 5-year data, the median household income in Brooklyn Community District 1 is approximately \$88,000, while the citywide Area Median Income used to define "affordable" housing currently exceeds \$127,000 for a family of three. Nearly 48 percent of renter households in CB 1 are rent-burdened, paying more than 30 percent of their income on housing, and about one in four are severely rent-burdened. Over a quarter of residents earn below \$50,000 annually, while new "affordable" units frequently target households earning between \$90,000 and \$120,000—levels that exclude many working-class families, seniors, and individuals living on fixed or service-sector incomes. These figures underscore the disconnect between the City's AMI formulas and the economic reality of North Brooklyn residents.

CB 1 strongly urges the City to re-evaluate its reliance on AMI-based thresholds and develop affordability criteria that better align with neighborhood-level data and the lived realities of existing residents. The Board calls for more deeply affordable housing units reserved for extremely low- and low-income individuals, larger apartments with multiple bedrooms suitable for families, and dedicated housing options for seniors, people with disabilities, and long-term rent-stabilized tenants displaced by redevelopment.

In addition to affordability, CB 1 emphasizes the importance of preserving existing rent-stabilized and public housing stock in Williamsburg and Greenpoint. The Board urges increased investment in the rehabilitation of NYCHA developments such as Williamsburg Houses, and stronger anti-harassment and anti-displacement protections for tenants living in rapidly gentrifying areas.

Finally, CB 1 underscores its willingness to engage with all stakeholders—including City and State agencies, developers, nonprofit housing organizations, and community advocates—who are genuinely committed to advancing bold, creative solutions that keep Williamsburg and Greenpoint affordable for longtime residents and low-income New Yorkers who call them home. The Board stands ready to collaborate with partners who share our goal of ensuring that true affordability and community stability remain at the heart of North Brooklyn's housing future.

## **Needs for Land Use**

### **HOTEL DEVELOPMENT**

As the city's landscape changes, more hotels are being built in historically residential neighborhoods, such as ours. Hotels have an outsized, often disruptive, impact on our communities, and we urgently need a process that provides real community input on hotel development. Recent hotel growth in Brooklyn has been in residential and industrial areas, crowding out local communities, manufacturing spaces, and affordable housing. This hotel growth has led to the gentrification and homogenization of our communities and has inflated rents and property taxes. To maintain our vibrant city, every effort should be made to preserve socioeconomic diversity and keep our neighborhoods affordable for the current mix of uses (residential, community spaces, artistic). We need a real voice in the development process and an opportunity to engage developers before they start building. The most straightforward, comprehensive approach is to amend the Zoning Resolution so that new hotels may only be developed by special permit. We strongly support a city-wide special permit requirement for hotels. This will empower communities and put residents, our City Council representatives, and the Borough President's office on a more equal footing with hotel developers, who have too often disregarded substantive issues.

### **Needs for Housing**

If our neighborhoods are to remain viable and attract/retain jobs and a stable workforce, an adequate supply of decent and affordable housing must be available at various income levels. As we have stated in previous years, three general principles must be incorporated into any equitable, comprehensive housing plan: FIRST, those currently funded housing programs that have proven successful must be held harmless from the reduction in past federal assistance, even if an increased City Tax Levy contribution is required to achieve this end. SECOND, when allocating additional housing funds between the lower and middle-class economic segments of our society, the priority should be assigned to the poorest segment of our population, those who bear the brunt of the housing crisis. However, we strongly support affordable housing (rental and home ownership) for all economic groups. THIRD, any additional housing funds must be allocated in a fair and equitable manner that responds to each Community District's most critical housing needs, with clear and largely advertised marketing throughout the district. We will now apply these principles to the major housing concerns of Greenpoint and Williamsburg: While we were highly encouraged by the Administration's , Points of Agreement, with the NYC Council and its consideration of the Greenpoint-Williamsburg zoning and related ULURP actions, the lack of progress on the many areas outlined in the Agreement shows a violation of the spirit of this document. Several key points were noted in this document, including the Administration's commitment to significantly increase affordable housing through various mechanisms, such as inclusionary zoning and financial and tax incentives. In addition to increasing the number of affordable units in the district, the Administration agreed to provide anti-harassment provisions separately as part of a follow-up corrective action. The ill-fated plans to create a Greenpoint-Williamsburg Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund of up to \$10 million, to be managed by HPD, using proceeds from air rights sale from the MTA site on Commercial Street in Greenpoint, never happened. Harassment and displacement continues unmitigated. All efforts must be made to implement those previously proposed projects that have yet to be funded. It is essential that the City recognizes the need for low-income rental housing/ownership, and provides the necessary funds to compensate for the past tragic loss of Federal housing subsidies. Including such programs by the Mayor, an overall comprehensive housing program is necessary for our district. Homeownership in low-income communities is seriously weak. In other areas of the country, the Section 8 subsidy is utilized for home purchasing. We urge that a similar pilot program be brought to NYC and that Greenpoint and Williamsburg be considered for inclusion.

### **Needs for Economic Development**

## Economic Development, Commercial Revitalization, and Industrial Development

CB 1 is deeply invested in shaping an economic future for Williamsburg and Greenpoint that preserves the district's industrial base while revitalizing its aging commercial corridors. The Board strongly supports a comprehensive economic revitalization and visioning study to assess and strengthen the economic health of key commercial corridors across the district, including Broadway (from the East River waterfront to Bushwick Avenue), Graham Avenue/Avenue of Puerto Rico (from the BQE to Woodhull Hospital), Grand Street, Manhattan Avenue, Franklin Street, and West Street. Each corridor plays a distinct role in the district's local economy—from cultural retail and small business clusters to essential service hubs—and each faces mounting challenges from shifting consumer behavior, high vacancies, and uneven post-pandemic recovery.

The Board urges the City to invest in research, technical assistance, and coordinated planning to determine how best to revitalize these commercial corridors through targeted investments in infrastructure, storefront improvements, and small business support. Particular attention should be paid to balancing new development with the preservation of neighborhood-serving businesses that reflect the cultural and economic diversity of North Brooklyn.

Equally critical is the protection and modernization of the North Brooklyn Industrial Business Zone (IBZ) and other remaining manufacturing districts. Williamsburg and Greenpoint's industrial sector has long provided accessible, middle-income jobs and supported hundreds of small production firms, artisans, and industrial service providers. As real estate pressures mount, CB 1 calls for policies that preserve industrial land use, expand modernized facilities, upgrade freight and utility infrastructure, and promote emerging clean and green manufacturing suited to the 21st-century economy. The Board also supports efforts to create workforce training pipelines and partnerships that connect local residents to new industrial opportunities.

Finally, while not the primary focus of recent community discussions, CB 1 continues to support measures that expand opportunity for Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (MWBEs) and locally owned firms. Developers undertaking major projects in the district should be encouraged to host job fairs, share procurement information, and ensure access to bidding opportunities for local MWBEs and contractors. Any workers hired should receive a living wage and work under responsible, safety-compliant contractors to help reduce fatality rates in the construction industry and ensure that economic growth benefits all who contribute to it.

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## HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

*Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request. Requests are prioritized by agency.*

### CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
HPD	1 / 3	Fund construction & rehabilitation of subsidized/affordable housing, including waterfront and upland areas in the CB#1 area.
HPD	2 / 3	Provide more housing for medium income households
HPD	3 / 3	Provide more housing for medium income households
NYCHA	1 / 2	Renovate or upgrade NYCHA community facilities or open space
NYCHA	2 / 2	Taylor White Houses Playground

### EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DHS	1 / 1	Mental Health Programs for the Homeless
DOB	1 / 1	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)
HPD	1 / 4	Provide, expand, or enhance rental subsidies programs
HPD	2 / 4	Other expense budget request for HPD
HPD	3 / 4	Other expense budget request for HPD
HPD	4 / 4	Other expense budget request for HPD
SBS	1 / 3	Support of the Plaza Project at Moore Street Market
SBS	2 / 3	Request a study on Economic Development
SBS	3 / 3	Request for a economic revitalization and visioning study.



# TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY

## Brooklyn Community Board 1

### Most Important Issue Related to Transportation and Mobility

#### **Traffic safety and enforcement (cars, scooters, ebikes, etc.)**

TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE We ask the Department of Transportation to realize Community Board One's goals for a recommitment to Vision Zero, reliable mass transit, a more accessible and lower-stress walking and biking environment, less congestion and pollution, and more innovative accommodations for the skyrocketing number of delivery vehicles and micro-mobility users on our streets. Prioritizing improvements to our streets, transportation infrastructure, and public realm is a proven way of improving the quality of life for city residents. Also, the public transit system has not kept up with the pace of the increasing population. Newly constructed buildings have brought thousands of new residents to Greenpoint and Williamsburg, which has strained the public transit system. The L, G, and J/M trains are overcrowded, and our bus routes fail to provide direct and expedient access to key locations. Many commuters have excessively long bus commutes. We support an assessment of our current bus routes and a study of where dedicated bus lanes or buses could move residents around North Brooklyn more efficiently. This would save time for residents and could put better employment opportunities within reach. Also, we continue to support the funding of the train station and transit improvement, including camera surveillance and improved lighting, for public safety.

### Community District Needs Related to Transportation and Mobility

#### **Needs for Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure**

Transportation and Infrastructure in Community Board No. 1 is a top priority. We continue to urge the City and State to allocate funds to accurately forecast transit and traffic growth so we can plan accordingly. Robust housing construction in CB1 has increased the populations of Greenpoint and Williamsburg. The public transit system is strained, however, and has yet to keep pace with the rate of development. The L, G, and J/M trains are overcrowded, and many commuters face long bus trips. Our complex bus routes need to provide direct, efficient access to key locations. We support an assessment of current bus routes and a study to identify where dedicated bus lanes or busways could more effectively move residents and provide better access to employment opportunities. We ask the Department of Transportation to realize Community Board One's goals for a renewed commitment to Vision Zero, reliable mass transit, a lower-stress environment for walking and biking, reduced congestion and pollution, and innovative solutions for the rising number of delivery vehicles and micro-mobility users on our streets. Prioritizing improvements to our streets, transportation infrastructure, and public spaces is a proven way to enhance the quality of life for city residents.

#### **Needs for Transit Services**

MASS TRANSIT: Mass transit needs improvements to serve our district effectively. Local bus service is often delayed due to overall traffic congestion. Overcrowding on the L and G train lines is so severe that riders frequently have to wait for two, three, or more trains before they can board. Brooklyn commuters who rely solely on the G should have an enhanced service board system as a top priority. There should be a better connection to trains traveling to and from Manhattan. The connection at Court Square for the G line remains insufficient and challenging to navigate. We continue to advocate for a free transfer between the G line and the elevated (J/M) line (Broadway/Hewes Street). We are pleased that the temporary extension of the G line has advanced it closer to becoming permanent. The Greenpoint Avenue station on the G line needs upgrades, including a public announcement system. During G line downtimes, the ferry could serve as an

alternative mode of transportation to and from Manhattan or other parts of Brooklyn. We are pleased that EDC has expanded our district's ferry service, making commuting to other boroughs easier.

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## TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY

*Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request. Requests are prioritized by agency.*

### CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DOT	1 / 14	Redesign and Reconstruct Metropolitan Avenue from Varick Avenue to River Street
DOT	2 / 14	Traffic and Pedestrian Safety
DOT	3 / 14	Redesign and Reconstruct Lorimer Street from the Bedford Slip/Manhattan Avenue to Meeker Avenue and Pedestrian Safety
DOT	4 / 14	Redesign and Reconstruct Graham Avenue from Meeker to Broadway
DOT	5 / 14	Redesign and Reconstruct Kingsland Avenue from Maspeth Avenue to Meeker Avenue
DOT	6 / 14	Redesign and Reconstruct Morgan Avenue from Meeker Avenue to Johnson Avenue.
DOT	7 / 14	Redesign and Reconstruct Broadway from Bedford Avenue to Flushing Avenue.
DOT	8 / 14	Redesign and Reconstruct Greenpoint Avenue from McGuinness Boulevard across the Greenpoint Avenue Bridge.
DOT	9 / 14	Redesign and Reconstruct Union Avenue from Meeker Avenue to Broadway.
DOT	10 / 14	Redesign and Reconstruct Bushwick Avenue from Flushing Avenue to Kingsland Avenue.
DOT	11 / 14	Redesign and Reconstruct Driggs Avenue from North 12th Street to Meeker Avenue.
DOT	12 / 14	Comprehensive Street Redesign
DOT	13 / 14	Comprehensive Street Redesign
DOT	14 / 14	Install Speed Cameras
NYCTA	1 / 1	Repair and Upgrade Subway Infrastructure

### EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DOT	1 / 6	Sidewalk repairs
DOT	2 / 6	Audit of Street Light
DOT	3 / 6	Safety redesign
DOT	4 / 6	Slip Lanes
DOT	5 / 6	Safety and Access around Schools and
DOT	6 / 6	Sidewalk Repairs

# PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES

## Brooklyn Community Board 1

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

#### **Park care and maintenance**

(Excerpt from Statement of District Needs) PARKS & RECREATION INCREASE STAFFING. The over 110 acres of parkland in Community Board No. 1 represent a precious resource, the potential of which remains to be realized due to the continued erosion of Park Department staff. Maintenance workers cannot begin to provide even minimal coverage of our heavily utilized parks, underscoring the need to ensure the proper maintenance of these facilities. We have observed a steady increase in the district enrollment of children in public and private schools (kindergarten ,to 8th grade). As a result, it is necessary to assign supervisory staff positions and maintenance staff to the following facilities: McCarren Park, Cooper Park, Sternberg Park (also known as Lindsay Park), and Sgt. Dougherty (to be reconstructed with the Kosciuszko Bridge Project), P.S. 84 Playground, Martinez Playground, La Guardia Playground, Bushwick Houses Pool. Also, adequate recreation staffing should be assigned to the Metropolitan Pool and major facilities such as McCarren, McGoldrick, and Sternberg Parks. We request a firm commitment to secure adequate, year-round staffing for recreation, security, and medical first aid at McCarren Pool. Finally, some parks require restorations and upgrades of playground equipment and restrooms.

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

#### **Needs for Parks**

PARKS & RECREATION RETENTION AND EXPANSION OF PARKLAND: As the pertinent City Planning Department studies indicate, Community District No. 1 is an under-served area concerning park and recreation services. Thus, we would strongly oppose the elimination of any currently mapped parkland in our district or usage/renting of same for other than parkland/recreation unless, as per current City policy, equivalent space is developed as parkland in the immediate vicinity. We also strongly support the establishment of additional parks and playgrounds within our borders. Community Board No. 1 continues supporting the development of appropriate small parks on triangles. The Southside of Williamsburg has few local parks and the triangles, such as where Heyward, Wallabout and Wythe Avenue come together and should be implemented. We have requested for many years that the concrete triangle at Meeker Avenue, Morgan Avenue, and Driggs Avenue be greened. We were pleased that the site finally received this treatment, but it has now been destroyed with construction signage from the Kosciuszko Bridge project. We are delighted that the Administration proposes the expansion of the Waterfront Park to the Bushwick Inlet, and its initial phase has moved forward. This expansion proposal provides much-needed recreational space for our residents and ensures some greening of the waterfront (the former Sanitation Garage at 50 Kent Avenue was demolished and annexed as parkland/open space). The proposal also suggests the inclusion of a Waterfront Access Plan (WAP). While we support this concept, we want to be directly involved in the design process. The Administration should commence the condemnation procedures to demonstrate a good-faith gesture to our community while carefully retaining jobs and relocating existing businesses.

#### **Needs for Library Services**

PUBLIC LIBRARIES - Community Board No. 1 contains four public libraries (Greenpoint, Bushwick, Leonard and Marcy Avenue branches) which provide a variety of services for the community. We support their needs for enhanced equipment, computer linkages, increased book budgets and physical improvements. The Leonard Branch has its elevator installed and is still seeking to construct a ramp as well as other sorely needed improvements for this aging Carnegie branch. We support their efforts to have the facility wheelchair accessible. Greenpoint Branch is an existing

facility that can no longer accommodate the growing needs of the community in terms of function and programming and the construction of a new facility, on its current footprint, is being sought. We have learned that the work will commence on this project at the end of June. We urge that all efforts be made to accommodate the community with auxiliary service while the branch is closed. It is most encouraging to see that these facilities are being highly used by both young and older residents alike. CB #1 strongly opposes cuts to the budgets for our libraries.

### **Needs for Community Boards**

COMMUNITY BOARDS Community Board No. 1 still needs more adequate funding. The meager budget provided for our board does not keep pace with inflation and any increased operating costs. The cost of acquiring much-needed newer technology, computer software, upgraded hardware, and internet/web access capabilities is high. Community Boards last saw an increase in our budget over 20 years ago. Our internal budget is insufficient to meet the ever-escalating costs of necessary office operations and staffing. The rapid changes in communications, media, and computers, plus the costly upgrading of various programs and equipment, would inhibit a Board's daily operations whose insufficient budget covers a small staffing of only three persons (3 full-time ) and minuscule operating (OTPS) cost of \$ 10,476. The Community Board office provides a wide range of services. CB #1 is the mini City Hall for our constituents. They handle complaints, provide comments on projects, Land Use, and develop capital/expense budget lines for the district, as well as conduct public hearings and Review of NYS SLA and Cannabis applications. They have 19 established committees that comprehensively tackle matters of concern and service delivery. Our staff also supports the board members in preparing committee reports, minutes, scheduling meetings, and setting up the meeting space. Issues from the public are handled as well; these often range from simple point of information inquiries, "freedom of information (FOIL)," to significant investigations requiring constant follow-up. Also, they have other operational tasks specifically required to manage CB #1's internal operations. These include record-keeping, time-keeping, budget preparation, monitoring & payment of expenditures, voucher preparation, inventory management, and auditing. SUSTAINABILITY OF COMMUNITY BOARDS Community boards provide a vital function for the districts they are designated to serve and consequently stand as valuable assets to the City. Community Board budgets should not be at the sole whim of the Administration. The NYC Charter's language regarding community boards must be strongly rewritten to ensure that community boards are fiscally protected and legislatively established - their budgets must be insulated from political influences.

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## PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES

*Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request. Requests are prioritized by agency.*

### CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
DPR	1 / 12	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park
DPR	2 / 12	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park
DPR	3 / 12	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park
DPR	4 / 12	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
DPR	5 / 12	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
DPR	6 / 12	Improve pathways in parks.
DPR	7 / 12	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
DPR	8 / 12	Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park
DPR	9 / 12	Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
DPR	10 / 12	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)
DPR	11 / 12	Frances Steinberg Park Playground
DPR	12 / 12	Frances Steinberg Park's Restroom
DPR	CS	Improvement for McGolrick Park's Grounds Infrastructure and Play Areas.

### EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
BPL	1 / 1	Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs
DPR	1 / 5	Increase funding for Tree Pruning
DPR	2 / 5	Increase park maintenance funds.
DPR	3 / 5	Tree & Sidewalks Program
DPR	4 / 5	Other park programming requests
DPR	5 / 5	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)
OMB	1 / 2	We Strongly Recommend that Boards' Community Board Budgets be Increased.

## 6. OTHER BUDGET REQUESTS

*Note: Please see Section 7 for the full content of each request. Requests are prioritized by agency.*

### CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

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

### EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Agency	Priority	Title
OMB	2 / 2	Funding for Domestic Violence Programs

## 7. SUMMARY OF PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

### CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

#### Fire Department of New York (FDNY)

**1 of 1 Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station**

**FDNY**

Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station

Request: Creation of a New Firehouse in the North side Area. Explanation: The Greenpoint and Williamsburg communities are growing significantly in population and new businesses. With the increased waterfront development, there is a tremendous increased need for enhanced public safety. There is no firehouse to serve the North side community and the waterfront area. A new state-of-the-art facility that can house proper modern equipment (such as ladders for high-rise buildings) should be created to better service the community.

#### Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR)

**1 of 12 Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park**

**DPR**

Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park

WNYC Transmitter Park is a very well-used open space on our waterfront. A restroom is greatly needed on the site to accommodate the many users, including children, their families, parks department gardeners and maintenance staff. Friends of NYC Transmitter Park Steering committee supports this request, as they work with NYC Parks to plan a phased revitalization of the historic WPA (Work Progress Administration 1935). In addition to the priority of the installation of a community comfort station, they are working to secure maintenance and operational funds for the upkeep of this facility. They make reference to NYC Comptroller Brad Lander's report, Discomfort Stations, The Conditions and Availability of NYC Parks Bathrooms, confirming the need for restrooms for all parks.

**2 of 12 Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park**

**DPR**

Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park

Funding for the further development of Bushwick Inlet Park (including construction/expansion of the park itself; and the remediation of the Bayside Fuel Oil site and the CitiStorage site). This park was promised to the community when the rezoning occurred on the waterfront. The acquisition of the parcels have moved forward and mayoral funding was secured in the fall of 2021 for the demolition of the building and future park development. The remediation of the Bayside site to happen in the future is the next step needed in making the park a true reality.

**3 of 12 Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park**

**DPR**

Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park

Provide Funding for the restoration of restrooms for the following parks. Martinez Park: the address is 195 Graham Avenue, 11206 and De Hostos Park: the address is 133 Harrison Avenue, 11206

**4 of 12 Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)**

**DPR**

Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Renovation of playground equipment for the Justice Ramirez Playground. Explanation: This playground needs complete reconstruction with all new play equipment, a safety surface, fixed drainage issues, spray showers, seating areas horticulture and maximum playability.

**5 of 12 Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)**

**DPR**

Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)

Renovation of the McCarren Park Asphalt Field Explanation: Repair and restore the asphalt field to address the huge demand for active use, including soccer, pickleball, tennis, as well as a new dog run for McCarren Park.



<b>6 of 12</b>	<b>Improve pathways in parks.</b> Other capital budget request for DPR	<b>DPR</b>
Pathways, walkways, and paths in the future should be permeable pavements.		
<b>7 of 12</b>	<b>Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b> Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<b>DPR</b>
Construct new Pickleball Courts Explanation: Parks and Recreation will identify available space to construct pickleball courts to meet the increasing demand form the community for the sport.		
<b>8 of 12</b>	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park</b> Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park	<b>DPR</b>
Renovation of McCarren Park Handball Courts; The community frequently enjoy using the handball courts in McCarren Park. Handball Courts games have been a large part of the culture for those who grew up in Brooklyn and remain so today. There have been public speaks and emails advocating for this district needs request that has been on the District Needs Statement for over four years.		
<b>9 of 12</b>	<b>Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b> Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<b>DPR</b>
Renovation of Playground equipment for the following parks. 1. . Roebling Playground 2. Bushwick Pool Playground 3 Vincent Abate Playground		
<b>10 of 12</b>	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b> Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<b>DPR</b>
Request: Expand Neighborhood Park and Playground Restoration Program. Explanation: The Board strongly supports this positive program which will provide both renovation funding and staffing assignments for parks and playgrounds targeted to be upgraded. We urge that this project continues and expands in FY2025 and hope that the specific facilities recommended by the Board in our priorities will be favorably acted upon. Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation		
<b>11 of 12</b>	<b>Frances Steinberg Park Playground</b> Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<b>DPR</b>
The outdoor play/exercise equipment needs complete renovation to bring the space up to modern industry safety and design standards.		
<b>12 of 12</b>	<b>Frances Steinberg Park's Restroom</b> Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	<b>DPR</b>
The restroom station at Frances Steinberg Park needs urgent repairs. Currently, it is not operational.		
<b>CS</b>	<b>Improvement for McGolrick Park's Grounds Infrastructure and Play Areas.</b> Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	<b>DPR</b>
Request: Support is needed to improve McGolrick Park's Grounds Infrastructure and Play Areas. Explanation: The Board supports this positive program by funding renovation and staffing assignments for parks and playgrounds. We urge that this project continues and expands in FY2026 and hope that the specific facilities recommended by the Board in our priorities will be favorably acted upon. a. The exercise equipment in the parks needs to be upgraded for Seniors. b. Water fountain upgrade: A more hygienic water bottle filling station in McGolrick Park.		

New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA)

**1 of 2    Renovate or upgrade NYCHA community facilities or open space****NYCHA**

Renovate or upgrade NYCHA community facilities or open space

Redevelop NYCHA Playground on Roebling Street and South 9th Street. This park is well-used by the community. The playground is aged, and in need of upgraded equipment and infrastructure.

**2 of 2    Taylor White Houses Playground****NYCHA**

Renovate or upgrade NYCHA community facilities or open space

Upgrade the playground for the Taylor White Houses. The heavily used community playground is old and needs new equipment and infrastructure. The new playground design should include features for older adults and those with physical challenges, including age-appropriate exercise equipment to promote strength, flexibility, and balance, as well as encourage social interaction in a fun, low-impact way.

**Department of Education (DOE)****1 of 2    Other capital budget request for DOE****DOE**

Other capital budget request for DOE

The Department of Education Program is scheduled to upgrade schools in SD-14 to start or complete this year . Renovations to include Automotive Trades HS. Many of the schools in the district are very old and require modernization, upgrading of their physical structure and/or replacements of heating/cooling systems.

**2 of 2    Other capital budget request for DOE****DOE**

Other capital budget request for DOE

The principal of this school has lobbied for this request. The plans for the school signs were approved, but the principal was told they did not have the funds. The signs and security cameras will improve communication with parents and students and act as a security system that will be a deterrent and provide the school with another layer of security.

**New York Police Department (NYPD)****1 of 1    Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras****NYPD**

Provide surveillance (Argus) cameras

Request: Install Surveillance Cameras for the Williamsburg Bridge (Roadways, Walkway and Bikeway). Explanation: The Williamsburg Bridge is heavily used by both vehicular traffic on its roadways, and by pedestrians/bike riders on the walkways. Enhanced security by the use of surveillance cameras would increase the public's safety.

**New York City Transit Authority (NYCTA)****1 of 1    Repair and Upgrade Subway Infrastructure****NYCTA**

Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure

1. NYCT - Continuation of the Station upgrading program (G, L, J, M lines). Identify/fund subway train stations that will be upgraded with elevator access. 2. Improve lighting at the Hewes train, J/M lines station. There has been an increase in crime at this train station. 3. Fund the completion of elevators at the eight stations (out of 15 in CB1) that need them: Nassau Avenue, Broadway, and Flushing on the G Train. Graham Ave, Montrose Ave, and Morgan Ave on the L Train: Hewes St, and Lorimer St on the J/M/Z Trains. 4. Restore G Train service to Forest Hills in Queens and extend the train to ten cars. 5. Reopen closed subway entrances at: - Broadway (G), particularly at the northern end of the station, the four corners of Montrose and Union - Morgan Ave (L), the closed staircase at Harrison and Morgan 6. Flushing Ave (G). Reopen the entrance outside the Pfizer building and the Union/Walton entrance on the northern end of the platform.

**Department of Transportation (DOT)**

**1 of 14    Redesign and Reconstruct Metropolitan Avenue from Varick Avenue to River Street****DOT**

Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming

There have been 2,608 crashes with 780 injuries and three deaths in the last ten years on Metropolitan Avenue. Existing conditions on the street create a high level of conflict between all users with commercial loading and unloading, its use as a critical bike route, and heavy pedestrian volumes. Therefore, we need a comprehensive redesign that includes pedestrian safety enhancements, speed reduction, daylighting, loading zones, protected bike lanes, and bus prioritization.

**2 of 14    Traffic and Pedestrian Safety****DOT**

Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming

There have been 1,714 crashes with 672 injuries and 6 deaths in the last ten years on Grand Street. Existing conditions on the street create a high level of conflict between all users with busy retail activity, commercial loading and unloading, its use as a critical bike route, and heavy pedestrian volumes. Therefore we need a comprehensive redesign that includes pedestrian safety enhancements, speed reduction, daylighting, loading zones, protected bike lanes and bus prioritization.

**3 of 14    Redesign and Reconstruct Lorimer Street from the Bedford Slip/Manhattan Avenue to Meeker Avenue and Pedestrian Safety****DOT**

Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming

There have been 210 crashes with 64 injuries in the last ten years on Lorimer Street. The street bisects McCarren Park, creating unsafe conditions for many park users, particularly children and seniors. The slip lane between Lorimer and Manhattan on Bedford Avenue presents a particularly dangerous condition. Therefore, we need a comprehensive redesign that includes pedestrian safety measures, daylighting, loading zones, speed reduction, and bus improvements, focusing on quality public space enhancement, mainly through the park and at the slip lane.

**4 of 14    Redesign and Reconstruct Graham Avenue from Meeker to Broadway****DOT**

Repair or construct sidewalks, curbs, or pedestrian ramps

There have been 773 crashes with 335 injuries and 3 deaths in the last ten years on Graham Avenue. Existing conditions on the street create a high level of conflict between all users with dense residential housing, large schools, busy retail activity, commercial loading and unloading, its use as a critical bike route, and heavy pedestrian volumes. Therefore, we need a comprehensive redesign that includes pedestrian safety enhancements, speed reduction, daylighting, loading zones, protected bike lanes and bus prioritization.

**5 of 14    Redesign and Reconstruct Kingsland Avenue from Maspeth Avenue to Meeker Avenue****DOT**

Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming

In the last ten years, Kingsland Avenue has experienced 299 crashes, 51 injuries, and one death. Existing conditions on the street, most notably its excessive width, create a high level of conflict between all users, with a high pedestrian volume from Cooper Park Houses and the coming Kingsland Commons, commercial loading and unloading, and its use as a critical bike route. Therefore, we need a comprehensive redesign that includes pedestrian safety enhancements, speed reduction, daylighting, loading zones, protected bike lanes, and bus prioritization.

**6 of 14    Redesign and Reconstruct Morgan Avenue from Meeker Avenue to Johnson Avenue.****DOT**

Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming

There have been 1,027 crashes with 334 injuries and five deaths in the last ten years on Morgan Avenue. Existing conditions on the street create a high level of conflict between all users with heavy commercial and industrial activity, illegal truck parking, and staging on the street and its use as a critical bike route. The existing bike lane is substandard and non-continuous. Therefore, we need a comprehensive redesign that includes pedestrian safety enhancements, speed reduction, daylighting, loading zones, and wide protected bike lanes.

**7 of 14 Redesign and Reconstruct Broadway from Bedford Avenue to Flushing Avenue.****DOT**

Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming

There have been 1,967 crashes with 813 injuries and six deaths in the last ten years on Broadway. Existing conditions on the street create a high level of conflict between all users with busy retail activity, commercial loading and unloading, its use as a critical bike route, and heavy pedestrian volumes. Pedestrian and bike traffic are particularly high as it is the most direct route between Bed Stuy, Bushwick, Ridgewood, and East New York. Therefore, we need a comprehensive redesign that includes pedestrian safety enhancements (focusing on subway stations), speed reduction, daylighting, loading zones, protected bike lanes, and bus prioritization.

**8 of 14 Redesign and Reconstruct Greenpoint Avenue from McGuinness Boulevard across the Greenpoint Avenue Bridge.****DOT**

Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming

There have been 622 crashes with 178 injuries and one death in the last ten years on Greenpoint Avenue. Existing conditions on the street create a high level of conflict between all users with heavy commercial and industrial activity and its use as a critical bike route between Brooklyn and Queens. The existing bike lane is substandard and unprotected. The area will soon see the construction of a new park, The Gateway to Greenpoint, at Kingsland/Greenpoint. Therefore, we need a comprehensive redesign that includes pedestrian safety enhancements, speed reduction, daylighting, and wide, fully protected bike lanes for the entirety of the corridor.

**9 of 14 Redesign and Reconstruct Union Avenue from Meeker Avenue to Broadway.****DOT**

Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming

There have been 992 crashes with 371 injuries and one death in the last ten years on Union Avenue. Existing conditions on the street create a high level of conflict between all users with dense residential housing, busy retail activity, commercial loading and unloading, its use as a critical bike route, and heavy pedestrian volumes. There is a particularly critical need for safety improvements at subway stations with extremely high pedestrian volumes. Therefore we need a comprehensive redesign that includes pedestrian safety enhancements, speed reduction, daylighting, loading zones, protected bike lanes and bus prioritization.

**10 of 14 Redesign and Reconstruct Bushwick Avenue from Flushing Avenue to Kingsland Avenue.****DOT**

Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming

There have been 1,555 crashes with 571 injuries and five deaths in the last ten years on Bushwick Avenue. Existing conditions on the street create a high level of conflict between all users with dense residential housing, busy retail activity, commercial loading and unloading, its use as a critical bike route, and heavy pedestrian volumes. Therefore, we need a comprehensive redesign that includes pedestrian safety enhancements, speed reduction, daylighting, loading zones, protected bike lanes, and bus prioritization, with particular attention paid to the area around PS 147 between Siegel Street and McKibbin Street and across from the Bushwick branch of the Brooklyn Public Library

**11 of 14 Redesign and Reconstruct Driggs Avenue from North 12th Street to Meeker Avenue.****DOT**

Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming

There have been 411 crashes with 100 injuries and one death in the last ten years on Driggs Avenue. The street bisects McCarren Park and runs alongside McGolrick Park, PS 110, and St. Stanislaus Church and School, creating unsafe conditions for all users, particularly parkgoers, children, and senior citizens. It is frequently used as a dangerous shortcut with traffic speeding between Meeker Avenue and McGuinness Boulevard. It also forms part of a key east-west bike route connecting the Kosciuszko Bridge to the Williamsburg Bridge. Therefore, we need a comprehensive redesign that includes pedestrian safety measures, speed reduction, daylighting, loading zones, and a safe bike connection, focusing on quality public space enhancement, particularly around both parks.

**12 of 14 Comprehensive Street Redesign****DOT**

Other traffic improvement requests

Redesign Streets within the area bordered by Keap Street, Driggs Avenue, Broadway, and South 2nd Street. Within this study area are multiple entrances and exits to the Williamsburg Bridge as well as schools including MS50 and Brooklyn Arbor. Students and families walking to and from school have expressed safety concerns. The street design is also not suitable for the many bicyclists approaching and exiting the bridge.

**13 of 14 Comprehensive Street Redesign****DOT**

Other capital request for DOT

Resdesign Street Ends for Streets that terminate at Newtown Creek. A number of streets that terminate at Newtown Creek are dangerous, inaccessible, and used for long-term storage of privately owned equipment and supplies for nearby businesses. The Newtown Creek Alliance has launched an advocacy program for these underutilized and derelict street segments that is focused on providing public benefits and improved access, as well as green infrastructure.

**14 of 14 Install Speed Cameras****DOT**

Other capital request for DOT

Install Speed Cameras at South 5th Street and Havemeyer and at South 5th Street and Hooper.

**Housing Preservation and Development (HPD)****1 of 3 Fund construction & rehabilitation of subsidized/affordable housing, including waterfront and upland areas in the CB#1 area.****HPD**

Provide more housing for extremely low and low income households

Fund Construction and Rehabilitation of Subsidized/Affordable Housing. The neighborhoods of Greenpoint and Williamsburg have critical housing needs. Allocating funds to provide affordable housing in the district remains a vital concern of CB #1. Adequate subsidies are essential to ensure the balanced development of our community. We do not want to see any public housing lost.

**2 of 3 Provide more housing for medium income households****HPD**

Provide more housing for medium income households

Reinstate funding for the Greenpoint - Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund (\$2 million), including anti-harassment provisions per the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning.

**3 of 3 Provide more housing for medium income households****HPD**

Provide more housing for medium income households

Request: Fund Constructions and Rehabilitation of Subsidized/Affordable Housing, Including Waterfront and Upland Areas, in the Community District #1 Area. Explanation: The neighborhoods of Greenpoint and Williamsburg have critical housing needs. The allocation of funds to provide affordable housing in the district remains a vital concern of CB #1. It is essential that adequate subsidies be allocated to ensure the balanced development of our community.

**Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)****1 of 1 Increasing discharge into the East River should not be an option.****DEP**

Move a planned capital project into the budget for the next fiscal year

Supplement the Newtown Creek section of the Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) with additional measures to reduce the amount of raw sewage discharged into Newtown Creek beyond the LTCP plan, which will still allow hundreds of millions of gallons of raw sewage to discharge into the creek annually. Increasing discharge into the East River should not be an option

**EXPENSE BUDGET REQUESTS****Office of Management and Budget (OMB)**

**1 of 2 We Strongly Recommend that Boards' Community Board Budgets be Increased.****OMB**

Other community board facilities and staff requests

Location: Graham - Frost Street &amp; Richardson Street

We Strongly Recommend that Boards' Budgets be Increased. The 59 CBs Citywide Still Woefully Lack Adequate Funding. They Need to be Able to Hire Planners and Other Skilled Professionals to Evaluate Development Projects Explanation: Charter mandated Community Boards are vital cogs in the City's operating process. Community Boards play a formal role in decisions on land use, have input on capital & expense budgets, & monitoring of service deliver-essentially servings as little "City Halls" for their communities. They are responsible sounding boards for the local elected officials and act in consultation with them. They provide constituents an opportunity to have their voices heard on numerous issues.

**2 of 2 Funding for Domestic Violence Programs****OMB**

Other domestic violence services requests

Provide increased funding for Domestic Violence Programs. Last year, the Mental Health Agency's response deferred this request to the Mayor's Office to End Domestic and Gender-Based Violence.

**Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)****1 of 6 Increase Staffing of Outreach Programs****DOHMH**

Other programs to address public health issues requests

Increase staffing for outreach programs that offer education, testing, and counseling for addictions (i.e., drug abuse). There is a mental health crisis in the Williamsburg and Greenpoint communities caused by drug overuse, leading to homelessness, domestic violence, and high crime rates. More outreach and counseling are necessary.

**2 of 6 fund a comprehensive study of Environmental Health Hazards****DOHMH**

Increase health and safety inspections, e.g. for restaurants and childcare programs

Fund a comprehensive study of environmental health hazards, including air quality and asthma, to learn the cumulative effects on cb #1. The study should include the DEP wastewater treatment plant. Community Board No. 1 has been impacted by many adverse environmental factors, including but not limited to air and traffic pollution, particulate matter, construction pollution (thousands of apartment building units constructed and under construction), widespread chemical contamination (three superfund sites, dozens of brownfield sites and one large-scale underground oil spill), and widespread lead-contaminated soil. A comprehensive study is needed to assess these impacts and develop resolutions, such as anti-asthma initiatives, to be implemented. The Study should include the DEP Newtown Creek Resource Recovery Facility

**3 of 6 Programs to address Women's Health Issues****DOHMH**

Other programs to address public health issues requests

Programs must address Women's Physical and Emotional Health Issues. 1. More access to reproductive health services in all aspects, 2. There needs to be data collection from local hospitals on who has been treated because of domestic violence. 3. There needs to be more infant childcare services.

**4 of 6 Programs for Women's Physical and Emotional Health Concerns.****DOHMH**

Other expense request for DOHMH

Implement programs that address women's physical and emotional health concerns. These programs include: 1. Increasing access to reproductive health services in all areas. 2. Collecting data from local hospitals on individuals treated for domestic violence.

**5 of 6 Trap- Neuter-Return Feral Cats Care****DOHMH**

Animal and pest control requests including reducing rat and mosquito populations

Allocate funding for the Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) program targeting feral cats within the community through volunteer organizations. The program is managed by community volunteers and aims to humanely regulate free-roaming cat populations by preventing reproduction and stabilizing their numbers. It also fosters improved coexistence between cats and the community and offers vaccinations to enhance the welfare of the cats.

**6 of 6 Increase reimbursement rate for NYC from 20% to 36%.****DOHMH**

Other expense request for DOHMH

Community Board One requests that DOHMH advocate to the State to increase the reimbursement from 20% to 36% to align with counties throughout the rest of New York State.

**Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD)****1 of 1 Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for elementary school students (grades K-5)****DYCD**

Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for elementary school students (grades K-5)

Request: Increase Significantly the Department of Youth and Community Development Agency's Community Board Fair Share, After School, and Summer Recreation Funding Allocation for CD #1. Explanation: Over 32% of CD1's population is 18 years of age or younger, and many of these individuals require education, recreation and counseling programs to enable them to escape from an environment of crime and poverty. The inadequate levels of Youth Bureau funding available to CD1 severely undermines the ability of these programs to effectively serve this population. The significant expansion of all Youth Bureau allocations should be implemented as promptly as possible.

**Housing Preservation and Development (HPD)****1 of 4 Provide, expand, or enhance rental subsidies programs****HPD**

Provide, expand, or enhance rental subsidies programs

Request: Increase Funding to Support Subsidies to Lower Rents for Senior Citizens to Reduce the Increase in Homelessness. Explanation: Increase funding to support subsidies to lower rents for senior citizens to reduce the increase in homelessness.

**2 of 4 Other expense budget request for HPD****HPD**

Other expense budget request for HPD

Request: Create a New Fund for the Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund (\$10 Million) Created Under the Administration's Points of Agreement Regarding the Greenpoint-Williamsburg Waterfront Rezoning. Explanation: A new fund is requested. The Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Fund (\$10 Million) was created under the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning. Proceeds from this fund will only be available to development parcels that make use of the waterfront inclusionary housing program referenced in the agreement, and that participate in the esplanade transfer program (as noted in the agreement's Open Space section). Funds will be used to partially offset site-specific infrastructure costs.

**3 of 4 Other expense budget request for HPD****HPD**

Other expense budget request for HPD

Reinstate funding for the Greenpoint - Williamsburg Tenant Legal Fund (\$2 million), including anti-harassment provisions per the Administration's Points of Agreement regarding the Greenpoint- Williamsburg waterfront rezoning.

**4 of 4 Other expense budget request for HPD****HPD**

Other expense budget request for HPD

Increase allocation for rehabilitation loan programs. The neighborhood of Greenpoint and Williamsburg have critical housing needs. The allocation of funds to provide affordable housing in the district remains a vital concern of CB#1. Adequate subsidies must be allocated to ensure the balanced development of our community.

**Department for the Aging (DFTA)****1 of 2 Increase home delivered meals capacity****DFTA**

Increase home delivered meals capacity

Increase Homecare Services and Homebound Meals funding, especially providing these services for the frail and elderly following the Covid-19 Pandemic. The elderly have relied on their local senior citizen centers for daily social interaction, meals, counseling, and easy access to programs to combat depression and social isolation.



**2 of 2 Funding for a new senior center program****DFTA**

Funding for a new senior center program

Request: Establish a Senior Center to Serve South West Area of Williamsburg, Central to Division Avenue and Clymer Street/Continued Funding. Explanation: At the present time, accessible senior center services do not exist for the expanding senior citizen population of the west area of Williamsburg. Although we are aware of the current funding constraints regarding senior center services, the existing needs compel us to support the establishment of such a facility in the area central to Division Avenue and Clymer Street.

**New York Police Department (NYPD)****1 of 2 Hire additional crossing guards****NYPD**

Hire additional crossing guards

Location: NYPD Crossing Guard - Jackson Street & Kingsland Avenue  
Provide Safe Street Crossing (NYPD Crossing Guard Post) at Jackson Street & Kingsland Avenue for Children Attending Various Local Schools and Programs/after school programs. (St. Francis Developmental School, PS 132, St. Nicholas/Rosary Academy, IS 49 Campus, Grand Street Campus/Beacon Program, IS 126/Beacon Program, School Settlement House Association). All police personnel need to have protective gear and measures to thwart the COVID-19 virus.

**2 of 2 Provide additional officers to the Q-Team****NYPD**

Other expense request for NYPD

Allocate more funding to hire an additional 4 police officers per precinct for the new Quality of Life (Q-teams) program. This program will improve community communication through 311 calls to the police precinct. It will increase enforcement and patrols in areas where illegal drug activity on the streets has overwhelmed the community, including residents, schools, and small businesses.

**Brooklyn Public Library (BPL)****1 of 1 Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs****BPL**

Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs

Expand Funding for Library Operations - Brooklyn Public Library Branches with CD#1; (Fund Extended Days/Hours; Fund Computer Catalogue and Increase Book Budget). We are aware that the Brooklyn Public Library has, in the past, been underfunded relative to the other NYC library systems. We urge that this inequality be completely eliminated and that a fair proportion of the system's funds be allocated to CD1's four local branches. Public Libraries are for all age groups. For some people in the community it is the only computer they can use. For children it offers a free selection of a variety of books, and also a quiet space to do their homework and study.

**Department of Buildings (DOB)****1 of 1 Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)****DOB**

Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)

The number of building inspectors should increase in proportion to the increase in the huge building development that is now impacting our community. We will also need an increase in training programs to train inspectors to be skilled to do the job.

**Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)****1 of 4 Clean catch basins****DEP**

Clean catch basins

Catch basin cleaning should be maintained and increased to eliminate and prevent debris build-up from maximizing water drainage from streets during downpours and other rain sessions. Climate change has brought much heavier storms, flooding, and even flash flooding to NYC. Recent storms have illustrated the dangers of clogged catch basins.



**2 of 4 Other expense budget request for DEP****DEP**

Other expense budget request for DEP

Fund a comprehensive study of stormwater management measures to help mitigate the increasing onslaught of cloudburst events that chronically cause severe flooding in homes and businesses on the street. Our district, to a large extent, is a waterfront community. There needs to be a deep investment in climate change mitigation measures. Harmful effects of climate change, for example, include flooding and a rise in groundwater from cloud burst events and sea levels.

**3 of 4 Increasing discharge into the East River should not be an option****DEP**

Other expense budget request for DEP

Supplement the Newtown Creek section of the Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) with additional measures to reduce the amount of raw sewage discharged into Newtown Creek beyond the LTCP plan, which will still allow hundreds of millions of gallons of raw sewage to discharge into the creek annually.

**4 of 4 Lack of Catch Basins****DEP**

Clean catch basins

An analysis should be done on streets south of the Newtown Creek Resource Recovery Facility that are flood-prone due to the absence of catch basins and their installation in those areas where they lack them.

**Department of Sanitation (DSNY)****1 of 1 Provide or expand community composting programs****DSNY**

Provide or expand community composting programs

Our community supports the composting program. We request school educational composting programs and outreach educational resources for residents. Regular curbside organics collection will help reduce garbage hauling costs and contribute to reduced greenhouse emissions by keeping organics and food scraps out of landfills.

**Department of Transportation (DOT)****1 of 6 Sidewalk repairs****DOT**

Add street signage or wayfinding elements

Sidewalk repairs are needed. Conduct an audit of the state of all sidewalks in CB1. Identify areas where repairs are needed and provide more funding to make the repairs.

**2 of 6 Audit of Street Light****DOT**

Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals

Conduct an audit of all streetlights in CB1. Identify areas where we need better lighting and provide a plan for installing them.

**3 of 6 Safety redesign****DOT**

Conduct traffic or parking studies

Location: Kent, Quay, West, Commercial

More pedestrian space is needed for the large and growing number of Greenway active users. Sidewalk space is insufficient for shoppers, runners, walkers, wheelchair users, those pushing strollers, and dog walkers. The success of the bike lane means that it is now too narrow to accommodate current or future usage. The city should study options for expanding pedestrian space and right-sizing the bike lanes to improve safety for all users. The Kent retail corridor also needs loading zones to support businesses and daylighting throughout to minimize conflicts and provide a safe environment for all street users.

**4 of 6 Slip Lanes****DOT**

Add street signage or wayfinding elements

Identification of Opportunities for Public Spaces - Slip lanes are statistically the most dangerous areas for pedestrians. We request that the DOT evaluate a phased plan for which ones can be eliminated now and how they can be repurposed in the future. The Bedford Slip, Memorial Gore, and Meeker corridor areas, in particular, should be studied and evaluated for plaza space.

**5 of 6 Safety and Access around Schools and****DOT**

Other traffic improvement requests

Focusing street safety efforts around schools and parks is paramount for protecting children and other residents. The DOT toolkit, including loading zones, public space creation, daylighting, raised crosswalks, and stoplights/signs, could be utilized to vastly improve the streetscape. Children of all ages should be able to safely ride bikes and scooters to and from school. Our schools and parks should be the SAFEST places in Greenpoint and Williamsburg.

**6 of 6 Sidewalk Repairs****DOT**

Other expense request for DOT

Provide more funding for sidewalks repairs damaged by tree roots.

**Department of Small Business Services (SBS)****1 of 3 Support of the Plaza Project at Moore Street Market****SBS**

Other commercial district revitalization requests

Support of the Plaza Project at Moore Street Market

**2 of 3 Request a study on Economic Development****SBS**

Other expense budget request for SBS

Request a study of how NYC can encourage more green manufacturing in the IBZ that is safe for residents and blue highways.

**3 of 3 Request for a economic evitalizaiton and visioning study.****SBS**

Other expense request for SBS

Location: Broadway - Buswick & Kent  
Request for an economic revitalization and visioning study.

**Department for Homeless Services (DHS)****1 of 1 Mental Health Programs for the Homeless****DHS**

Other request for services for the homeless

Increase funding for mental health programs that serve homeless individuals living in shelters and on the streets.

**Department of Education (DOE)****1 of 2 Provide funding for Air Conditioners****DOE**

Other expense request

Location: 183 South Third Street - Roebling Street & Driggs Avenue  
Middle School IS 50 needs air conditioners in the lunchroom, auditorium, gymnasium, and any classroom that doesn't have them.

**2 of 2 Provide more funds for teaching resources such as classroom material****DOE**

Provide more funds for teaching resources such as classroom material

Request: Fund New Science Labs for Schools (including middle schools)(District 14/Region 8) Located Within the Confines of Community Board No. 1 District. Explanation: New science labs are needed in the various schools in our District. The labs would provide new facilities or replace outdated ones and utilize modern equipment for instruction

**Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR)****1 of 5 Increase funding for Tree Pruning****DPR**

Forestry services, including street tree maintenance

Expand contracts for Tree Pruning. The industry-standard tree-pruning schedule of every 7 years does not accommodate the number of requests. Larger trees, in particular, are overgrown and pose potential public safety hazards. These trees obstruct street lights, hang branches interfere with pedestrian walks, and encroach on neighboring properties.

**2 of 5 Increase park maintenance funds.****DPR**

Provide better park maintenance

Increase park maintenance funds and operations/recreation staffing at specific CB #1 parks and playgrounds (including support equipment). Include additional hours for women's swim time at Metropolitan Pool. Also, the recreational and exercise needs of all age groups are important. Men, women, children, and older people greatly benefit from recreational activities and training.

**3 of 5 Tree & Sidewalks Program****DPR**

Other expense request for DPR

Increase funding for the Park's Trees & Sidewalks Program. This program, which repairs homeowners' sidewalks that have been severely damaged by root growth, has limited funding. There is a long waiting list for repairs that are prioritized based on a rating system. Commends received at the Community Board's Public Hearing have called for immediate attention to this worsening problem, which puts pedestrians at risk and imposes an unfair burden on property owners, who should not be held responsible since the city planted these trees. Although qualified under the rating system, homeowners have waited for years.

**4 of 5 Other park programming requests****DPR**

Other park programming requests

Request: Increase Funding for the Green Streets Program for Projects in CB#1, Including the Much Needed Improvements and Fencing of Park Triangles. Explanation: These improvements made under the green streets programs have benefited the community and provided additional greening for the area that has been lost due to the beetle (Asian Long Horn Beetle) infestation. This program should include areas that need improvements and fencing such as the park triangles: Badame Sessa, Father Giorgio, and the Memorial Gore at Maspeth Avenue, Bushwick Ave./Metropolitan Avenue.

**5 of 5 Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)****DPR**

Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)

Request: Expand Park Enforcement Patrol Project to Include McCarren Park (Including Park Rangers). Explanation: In our view, McCarren Park is a heavily utilized regional facility that should receive an allotment of this patrol force to provide increased security and supplement the efforts of the overworked departmental staff.

**Health and Hospitals Corporation (HHC)****1 of 3 Allocate funding for programs that address Health Concerns.****HHC**

Other expense request for HHC

Location: Broadway - Broadway &amp; Flushing

The programs that address women's physical and emotional health concerns are as follows: 1. Improve access to comprehensive reproductive health services. 2. Collect data from local hospitals on the number of people treated for domestic violence.

**2 of 3    Domestic Violence Services****HHC**

Provide social services for domestic violence survivors (legal services, counseling, referral to supportive services, etc.)

Location: 760 Broadway - Broadway & Flusing

Allocate funds to domestic violence services and programs that incorporate mental health services.

**3 of 3    Infant care services.****HHC**

Other expense budget request for HHC

Allocate funds to programs that provide more infant care services.