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DHS-expense

1. **Increase funding for more Manhattan Outreach Consortium homeless outreach workers and supervisors (DHS)**
   Explanation: These trained specialists develop trusting relationships with homeless people. The teams connect people in need of services such as medical and psychiatric care, food and shelter, while helping them transition into permanent housing. The increase in the number of people who are homeless on CD 3 streets along with the need to have some teams expanded to 3 people for safety require additional staff require more staff. Outreach staff still have caseloads up to 50 clients per staff person due to the increase in homelessness and the difficulty in hiring and retaining staff. Increased funding for staffing is needed because of the increase in people who need to be served, and for hiring and retaining staff.

2. **Increase funding for more Safe Haven and stabilization beds (DHS)**
   Explanation: CB 3 is currently experiencing a crisis with the street homeless population and beds in the community are not immediately available for those needing services. Safe Haven beds are low-threshold housing that enable street homeless to transition to housing and have proven effective. Single-person units are needed to accommodate those who are not prepared to accept beds in 2-person units. The promise of increased number of safe haven beds has not yet occurred

ACS-expense

1. **Increased funding for Fair Futures Program (ACS)**
   Explanation: This is a public-private partnership that provides dedicated coaches, tutors and education, employment and housing specialists for youth in foster care ages 11 to 26. Support for expanded funding or at least continued support is needed.

2. **Increased funding for Promise NYC program(ACS)**
   Explanation childcare assistance (vouchers) for families with children between 6 months to 13 years who previously did not qualify for other state and federal assistance due to their immigration status and also help newly arrived migrant families. This is not baselined so it is not guaranteed. Continued support is needed

DYCD-expense

1. **Increased funding for Runaway and Homeless Youth programs (DYCD)**
   Explanation: These programs serve youth holistically, enabling them to obtain the services needed to place them on a path to independent living and stability. The three types of services include residential services, drop-in centers, and street outreach. Additional funding is needed

2. **Increase funding to expand access to after school programs for elementary and high schools (DYCD)**
   Explanation: CB 3 is home to more than 17,000 children under 18 years of age, many of whom attend after school programs through Comprehensive After School System of NYC (COMPASS), which is made up of over 800 programs serving K-12 and SONYC serving grades 6-8. Many of these much-needed programs in the Lower East Side have waitlists, and with the large number of new asylum seekers there is more need than ever for these services.

3. **Increased funding for Services for Immigrant Families program (DYCD)**
   Explanation: this program includes legal services for immigrant youth (to assist youth with legal affairs and addresses their needs for housing, education, health, and mental health and other social services and benefits) and comprehensive services for immigrant families (to identify needs of recently arrived immigrant families with limited English, and ensure their access to the services and benefits). With the large number of new asylum seekers there is more need than ever for these services

4. **Increase funding for Cornerstone programs (DYCD)**
   Explanation: Increase funding for Cornerstone programs, which serve students and their families year-round in NYCHA community centers. Additional funding to increase the number of slots

5. **Increase funding for SYEP (DYCD)**
   Explanation: Increasing and baselining funding for this youth employment program will ensure more applicants are connected with job placements. Continued support is needed

6. **WorkLearnGrow (DYCD)**
   Explanation: This program continues SYEP experiences by proving SYEP participants who are between the ages of 16-19 and currently in-school with career readiness training and paid employment opportunities for up to 25 weeks from October to March. Continued support is needed

DOE-expense

1. **Increased funding for Bridging the Gap program (DOE)**
   Explanation: This program focuses investments to add social worker and support staff to schools with high homeless population.

2. **Increase funding for school nurses (DOE)**
   Explanation: Current school nursing expenses outweigh the current budget. Increased funding is necessary to address the budget gap and pay parity to be able to offer school nurses competitive salaries

SCA/DOE capital

1. New School in Essex Crossing (SCA/DOE) -capital
   Explanation: Eighty-five percent of Community School District 1 schools share a building with one or more schools, resulting in reduced access to gym, arts and enrichment, science labs, and

acceptable hours for school lunch. Site 5 at Essex Crossing has been reserved for a school. The reserved site is in School District 2 but the intention is to have a School District 1/School District 2 school. The date that school buildings in CD 3 were built go back to 1900 with an average age of 79 years old.

2. 01M378 School playground Renovation Needed
3. 01M15 funding to renovate school auditorium
4. 01M63 funding to renovate school auditorium including air conditioning needed
5. 01M5601M056 – funding for air conditioning for cafeteria and auditorium
6. 01M140 funding to renovate school playground

DFTA-Expense

1. **Increased funding for Social Workers at NPORCS**
   Explanation: Social workers need increased funding for pay parity in order to hire and retain staff

2. **Increased funding for NORC nurses**
   Explanation: Lack of funding has caused nurse hours to be cut at NORCs. Increased funding is needed to bring full time nursing back to the NORCs

3. **Increase funding for senior meals and kitchen staff salaries in senior centers (DFTA)**
   Explanation: No seniors are denied a meal through this program, which means some senior centers must dig deeper than others to keep up with demand, therefore more funding would help meet this need. Continued support is needed

4. **Increased funding for home health care services**
   Explanation: The Department for the Aging works with case-management agencies to provide in-home care for people ages 60 and older.

HRA-expense

1. **Increased funding for Legal Services and Eviction Prevention (HRA)**
   Explanation: Increased funding is necessary for higher salaries to recruit and retain lawyers who provide legal services for eviction prevention.

2. **Increased funding for CityPHEPS rent supplement (HRA)**
   Explanation: Increased funding is necessary for rental assistance for those experiencing homelessness to be able to access housing. The budget has been increased but budget gaps remain

DOHMH-Expense

1. **Increased funding for Inspectors: Pest Control, Restaurant inspection, Construction dust (DOHMH)**
   Explanation: It is very difficult to recruit and retain inspectors necessary to ensure public health. Increased pay parity will help narrow the salary gap

DSNY--expense

1. **Funding for Increased Liter Basket Service (DSNY)**
Explanation: Litter basket service must be expanded in Community District 3, which has been designated as a rat mitigation zone. The district's high concentration of restaurants attracts heavy foot traffic and generates significant waste, leading to frequent litter basket overflows. The proliferation of Open Restaurants has further increased the volume of garbage, particularly on weekends. As a result, CD 3 streets have become increasingly dirty, with piles of trash accumulating between sidewalk sheds and outdoor dining areas. In addition, residential garbage is often placed wherever space is available, as traditional collection areas are now obstructed by restaurant structures in many locations.

2. **Funding for Street Containerization (DSNY)**
Explanation: By the end of FY25, 70% of all trash will be required to be containerized under new city mandates. In FY26, the City plans to begin deploying on-street stationary bins in Community Board 9. However, funding has not been allocated for this program beyond that pilot area. To effectively meet the city's containerization goals and address ongoing sanitation and rodent issues, funding should be provided to expand the Empire Bin program throughout Manhattan—particularly in Community District 3, which has been designated a rat mitigation zone.

3. **Precision Cleaning Initiative (DSNY)**
Explanation: The Precision Cleaning Initiative targets chronic sanitation issues such as illegal dumping, persistent littering, and debris accumulation in hard-to-maintain areas. These conditions have been a longstanding problem near the Williamsburg Bridge and in other heavily trafficked locations across the district. Expanded funding for this program will allow for more frequent and targeted cleanups, improving street conditions, reducing rodent activity, and enhancing overall quality of life for residents and visitors alike.

4. **Composting program should be baselined (DSNY)**
Explanation: Current funding for community composting programs includes over $5 million in discretionary allocations from the City Council. To ensure long-term program stability, effective planning, and continuity of service, this funding should be baselined within the City budget. Composting nonprofits not only process organic waste and reduce landfill use but also play a vital role in educating the public about waste reduction, climate action, and sustainable practices. Their outreach and education programs help residents understand and participate in the City's zero-waste goals. Establishing baseline funding will allow these organizations to continue providing these essential services and expand their community impact.

DEP-expense

1. **Funding for more noise enforcement cameras and staff for the program (DEP)**
Explanation: A small program is currently underway using roadside sound meters and cameras to capture evidence of vehicles that violate New York State's Vehicle and Traffic Law and the City's Noise Code. To effectively expand this initiative citywide, additional funding must be secured not only for equipment but also for the staffing necessary to review violations, manage enforcement, and maintain the system. Sustained investment in this program will help reduce excessive vehicle noise, improve quality of life for residents, and strengthen the City's ability to enforce existing noise regulations.

Parks Capital

1. **Sara Delano Roosevelt Park: Funding to reconstruct first floor of Manhattan Store House (Stanton Street park building) to create community space and make bathroom accessible to the public (Parks)**
   Explanation: This building should be reconstructed for community use to increase recreational and programmed space as this space is accessible and has a usable bathroom, features which make it appropriate for use by the community in an area with a serious lack of community spaces. Funding is needed for design and renovation.

2. **Funding to construct remaining 2-malls of Allen Pike St Malls from Houston to Rivington Streets (Parks)**
   Explanation: This is a highly visible location, and currently unreconstructed malls attract garbage and derelict bikes. This has a negative impact on local businesses and does not address the lack of amenities needed by the community and tourists. Additionally, $2 million has been allocated for the Delancey Street Comfort Station.

3. **Funding to continue constructing new park at Pier 42 (Parks)**
   Explanation: This will be a destination park that will provide waterfront access with various amenities needed by the community. Additional funding is needed to complete the master plan. We are now in Phase 2.

4. **Community Gardens: Funding for community garden capital needs (Parks/Greenthumb)**
   Explanation: Funding is needed for new fencing and installation of on-site water.

5. **Funding for Coleman Oval Playground for** Play equipment, safety surface, spray shower, drainage, and comfort station need renovation to make ADA compliant and upgrade fixtures New—need better security fencing for skatepark.

6. **Funding for New bathroom for Pier 35 (Parks)**
   Explanation: Bathrooms were included in original design but not constructed and there are no bathrooms along the waterfront open spaces in Two Bridges.

7. **Funding for Tompkins Square Park to replace or patch** Sidewalks on Avenues A and B outside park;.
   Explanation: Sidewalks are badly in need of replacement and have become a safety issue.

8. **Montgomery/East Broadway Triangle Park area: funding to replace sidewalks outside park (Parks/greenstreet)**

9. **Funding to renovate Seward Park playgrounds (Parks)**
   Explanation: Play equipment, safety surface, spray shower area, and greenery needs renovation.

10. **Alfred E Smith Recreation Center: funding for elevator (Parks)**
    Explanation: install elevator to make second floor accessible.

11. **Seward Park: Restoration of the historic Schiff Fountain (Parks)**
    Explanation: Restoration includes the replacement of missing granite and bronze elements, the cleaning and repointing of the existing granite, and the repair or replacement of the plumbing to make the foundation operable.

12. **Sara Delano Roosevelt Park: Funding to reconstruct park pathways from Delancey Street to Houston Streets, adjacent brick walls and sidewalks and other areas**
    Explanation: Pathways, including fencing, landscaping, benches, sidelwalks and retaining walls need reconstruction

Parks Continued Funding
Sara Delano Roosevelt Park: Funding to reconstruct park pathways from Grand to Delancey Streets, adjacent brick walls and sidewalks and other areas (Parks)

Parks Expense

1. **Increased funding for Parks Maintenance Staff (Parks)**
   Explanation: Additional funds are needed to increase year-round workforce for parks maintenance so that there is less of a need to rely on temporary or seasonal staff.

2. **Increased funding for Recreation Programs / Playground Associates (Parks)**
   Explanation: Playground Associates provide seasonal recreation activities for children and also maintain facilities and grounds and organize events.

3. **Increased funding for Additional Parks Enforcement Patrol (Parks)**
   Explanation: Parks Enforcement Police provide a uniformed presence where they safeguard Parks properties and facilities and enforce rules and regulations regarding quality-of-life.

4. **Increased funding for Additional Gardeners (Parks)**
   Explanation: Funding is needed for additional gardeners to maintain the district's growing number of parks, planting areas, and new park spaces.

5. **Increased funding for Green Thumb Staff (Parks)**
   Explanation: Increased funding for this staff was not baselined. Baselined funding would allow Parks to maintain its current level of staffing.

6. **Forestry Staff / Tree pruning and stump removal (Parks)**
   Explanation: Funding would go towards keeping up with demand for pruning and stump removal requests. This is necessary for public safety.