

**BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 14
FISCAL YEAR 2012
CAPITAL AND EXPENSE BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS
AND AGENCY RESPONSES**

The following are Brooklyn Community Board 14's recommendations for the City's Fiscal Year 2012 Capital and Expense Budgets and Community Development Program, with agency responses from the Register of Budget Requests. Items are in priority order within agencies; all agencies are listed in alphabetical order. Responses are based on response codes developed by the Mayor's Office of Management and Budget and have been necessarily abbreviated. For responses clearly in error, the Community Board has requested clarification. Please call the CB14 office for further information or clarification on specific items.

**FISCAL YEAR 2012
CAPITAL BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS**

CB14 PRIORITY

AGENCY RESPONSE

Brooklyn Public Library

1. Advance completion of new Kensington Branch library

The construction phase of this BPL project has commenced

Economic Development Corporation

1. Continue Kings/Flatbush Development Project to include the Loews Kings Theatre site

This project was funded in a prior fiscal year

Education

1. Fund restoration of the Academy Building at Erasmus Hall High School

This project is not recommended for funding

2. Establish a new elementary school to alleviate overcrowding in CD14

The Community District is located within an area of capacity need. Location for a school will be based on site availability

3. Fund development of outdoor recreational space at Bedford Ave/Campus Road parking lot

This project is not recommended for funding

Environmental Protection

1. Fund installation of catch basins within CD14

Further study by the agency of this request is needed.

CB14 PRIORITY

AGENCY RESPONSE

Health and Hospitals Corporation

1. Advance to completion rehabilitation of Kings County Hospital Center

This project/program has been completed

Parks and Recreation

1. Fund rehabilitation of the Joseph DiGilio Playground

Agency recommends this project be brought to the attention of elected officials because of the agency's insufficient funds.

2. Fund rehabilitation of Kolbert Park playground

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3. Fund rehabilitation of Lieutenant Federico Narvaez tot lots

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4. Fund rehabilitation of Umma Park

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5. Fund rehabilitation of the Kings Highway Malls jointly with DOT

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6. Fund Prospect Park Rehabilitation Projects

This request includes more than one project. Funding for part is already in place and/or work is underway or completed for certain portions.

7. Fund Street Tree Replacement and Planting

Agency recommends this project be brought to the attention of elected officials because of the agency's insufficient funds.

8. Fund installation of sprinkler system on Flatbush malls within CD14

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Police Department

1. Advance site acquisition for a new 70th Precinct

This project is included in the ten-year plan.

Transit Authority

1. Fund complete station rehabilitation for Parkside Avenue, Church Avenue, Beverly Road, and Cortelyou Road stations

This request is not recommended for funding

2. Advance to completion modernization of Avenue H station

The contract for this project has been let and is now underway

CB14 PRIORITY

3. Advance to completion modernization of Avenue J station
4. Advance to completion modernization of Avenue M station
5. Advance to completion sidewalk rehabilitation on Newkirk Plaza

AGENCY RESPONSE

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Transportation

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| 1. Fund reconstruction of Coney Island Avenue from Park Circle to Avenue P Avenue within CD14 | Roadway reconstruction is not warranted for this request; it will be referred to our repaving unit for their evaluation |
| 2. Fund reconstruction of Flatbush Avenue within CD14 | Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds |
| 3. Fund reconstruction of Church Avenue from Flatbush Avenue to Coney Island Avenue within CD14 | Temporary improvements have been made at this location until permanent improvements can be made |
| 4. Fund rehabilitation of the Kings Highway Malls, including pedestrian ramps for the handicapped within CD14 | Pedestrian ramps will be constructed citywide over the next several years. DOT received additional funding for this purpose |
| 5. Fund reconstruction of Locust Ave and abutting streets within CD14 | Further study by the agency of this request is needed |
| 6. Fund restoration/refurbishing in West Midwood and Ditmas Park areas within CD14 to include sidewalks, curbs and lighting | Capital funding constraints, project capacity and City-wide priorities preclude this project at this time |

EXPENSE BUDGET PRIORITIES

Administration for Children's Services

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| 1. Expand Family Day Care Programs in CD14 | This request cannot be funded in FY 2012. Resubmit for consideration in FY 2013 |
| 2. Continue & expand funding for Head Start Programs in CD14 | “ “ “ |

Aging

1. Expand funding for senior citizens meals programs and expand Meals-on-Wheels
2. Continue funding Home Attendants program for the non-medicaid eligible senior citizens

At this time, DFTA has limited or no funding for this purpose. It will advocate for federal and state funds and worked with other city agencies

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AGENCY RESPONSE

Brooklyn Public Library

1. Increase funding to ensure seven day service in all library branches
2. Increase funding for expanding collection

BPL supports restored and/or increased library funding.

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Buildings

1. Fund additional inspection personnel and support staff
2. Establish program to enforce compliance of recent re-zoning changes within CD14

Further study by the agency of this new request is needed

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Business Services

1. Fund commercial revitalization projects for commercial strips within CD14 - Flatbush Avenue, Cortelyou Road, Avenue J, Avenue M, Newkirk Plaza and the Flatbush/Nostrand Avenues Junction.

Sponsor group should apply to agency through its funding process. Call DSBS for more details.

Cultural Affairs

1. Increase funding for borough – wide cultural programs with a special emphasis on youth

Agency recommends this project be brought to the attention of your local elected official.

Environmental Protection

1. Assign additional night/weekend tour for air/noise pollution control inspectors
2. Continue citywide contracts-preventive maintenance staff, sewer cleaning, etc.

Agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.

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Fire Department

1. Fund specialized emergency equipment

Further study by the agency of this new request is needed

Health and Mental Hygiene

1. Fund adequate staffing levels for pest control to address the recent bed bug epidemic

Using funds provided by the City Council DOHMH is in process of developing an online portal that will provide information to the public on bed bug prevention and control

CB14 PRIORITY

AGENCY RESPONSE

Health and Hospitals Corporation

1. Support adequate staffing levels at Coney Island and Kings County Hospitals

Staffing has been increased at Kings County Hospital. The agency determined that current staffing levels for Coney Island Hospital are adequate.

Housing Preservation & Development

1. Continue funding with increases to meet inflationary costs - Neighborhood Preservation Consultation Program

Agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources

Landmarks Preservation Commission

1. Increase staff for Landmarks Preservation Commission

Agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources

Mayor’s Office of Management and Budget

1. Maintain and increase in accordance with inflation baseline operating budgets of Community Boards

The Community Boards’ budget is maintained as per the January Plan

Parks and Recreation

1. Increase funding for tree pruning and maintenance

Agency recommends funding this expense budget request in FY 2012, but the availability of funds is uncertain

2. Fund additional park enforcement personnel

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3. Fund additional recreation staff for playgrounds within CD 14

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Police

1. Fund additional crossing guards for 70th Precinct

NYPD’s funding is currently available to maintain School-Crossing Guards. There is no funding to support increased staffing levels

2. Maintain/increase personnel in the 70th Precinct

Allocation of uniformed personnel is scheduled by the agency only after graduation of police classes from the Academy

CB14 PRIORITY

AGENCY RESPONSE

Sanitation

1. Continue Operation Clean Stretch basket collection routes within CD 14's commercial strips
2. Continue and increase funding for Special School Collection program for schools in CD 14

Agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources

This program is currently funded and the Department of Sanitation recommends its continued support.

Transportation

1. Fund additional allocation for Night Street Resurfacing program
2. Fund additional allocation for Street Resurfacing program
3. Increase staffing of highway operations for maintenance gangs to repair potholes and cave-ins
4. Fund HW-200 contracts for sidewalks in violation

Agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources

Citywide personnel/program/equipment funds are maintained in FY2012. Allocations are scheduled by the agency only after budget adoption

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Agency recommends funding this expense budget request in FY 2012, but at this time the availability of funds is uncertain.

Youth and Community Development

1. Increase overall funding for CD14 youth programs
2. Increase funding for employment programs

Agency has significantly increased funding to the District since FY 2002, including the requested services

Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds