

# Fiscal Year 2017 Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests

for

Manhattan Community Board 8

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#### INTRODUCTION

The annual Statements of Community District Needs (CD Needs Statements) and the Community Board Budget Requests (Budget Requests) are Charter requirements and an integral part of the City's budget process. When developed through informed planning and careful consideration, CD Needs Statements and Budget Requests can play an important role in consultations of community boards with agencies, elected officials and other key stakeholders on a broad range of local planning and budget priorities. These tools also provide a valuable public resource for neighborhood planning and research purposes, and are used by a wide audience seeking information about New York City's diverse communities.

This year, for the first time, community boards electronically submitted a CD Needs Statement combined with their Budget Requests. The goal of these improvements is to simplify preparation of both documents for the community boards and to make the information community boards provide more easily accessible for City agencies and other stakeholders. Simplified and more efficient processes will allow all parties involved in the budget process to consider budget decisions more thoroughly, with better results for all New Yorkers.

This report represents Manhattan Community Board 8's Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the Community Board which is displayed in italics.

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 them into a browser.

#### 1. COMMUNITY BOARD INFORMATION

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#### 2. OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT

Manhattan Community Board 8 provided the following overview of their district:

Roosevelt Island and the Upper East Side of Manhattan, from the north side of East 59th Street to the south side of East 96th Street between Fifth Avenue and the East River, comprise Manhattan Community District 8. In addition to our diverse population, we are home to dozens of diplomatic residences, world famous hospitals, medical research centers, and world-renowned museums.

According to the 2010 census, 229,688 people live on the Upper East Side of Manhattan, a 6.0% increase from 1990. Prosperous economic times and a major building boom that began during the 1990's have added thousands of new dwelling units to the district. Today, the district continues to grow at an amazing pace. The 1999 median household income for the District was \$74,134. Based on data from the 2000 census 6.5% of the individuals in the district live below the poverty level.

There is also a large segment of the population with special needs. More than 14% of CB8's residents are senior citizens, with a high number of frail elderly. There is also a number of working poor living in the district. With affordable housing becoming increasingly scarce, commercial rent escalating, and the prices of goods and services dramatically rising, our middle class residents are struggling to meet their budgets. The influx of new residents, shoppers, and tourists has strained the delivery of municipal service

#### 3. MAIN ISSUES

As part of this year's process, community boards were asked to select from a list the three most pressing issues facing their district. Manhattan Community Board 8 identified the following three issues:

- · Affordable housing
- Street conditions
- Other <I>Please specify below</I>|East River Esplanade.

Manhattan Community Board 8 provided the following explanation for their choices:

Affordable housing-In response to New York City's (NYC) and the district's lack of sufficient affordable housing units; the Committee has voiced its overall support of retaining and increasing affordable housing in the district. Additionally, the Committee recommends rescinding the NYC Administration Code §26-511, C, 9 of the NYC Rent Stabilization Law of 1969, a law that has increased institutional expansion within the district. Street Conditions-Community Board 8 has consistently ranked funding for street repair and maintenance high on its list of priorities, and we applaud the NYC Department of Transportation's Manhattan Highway Maintenance Division on the job they do managing this substantial task, especially in light of its need for an additional pothole gang, that the Board strongly supports. Other-East River Esplanade-the Parks and Recreation Committee continues to spearhead the project to reconstruct and redesign the crumbling East River Esplanade. Its resolution, urging the City to allocate the needed \$115 million over 10 years for Esplanade repairs, helped elected officials obtain an initial \$35 million. But much more money is needed. The Committee is continuing to work with elected officials about Esplanade funding, and is closely monitoring progress on the use of the initial allocation.

#### 4. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND COMMUNITY BOARD BUDGET REQUESTS

Community Boards were asked to identify their district's needs related to the following seven policy areas:

- Health Care and Human Services;
- Youth, Education and Child Welfare;
- Public Safety;
- Core Infrastructure and City Services;
- Land Use, Housing and Economic Development;
- Transportation; and
- Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities.

Based on the needs identified, community boards then had the opportunity to make budget requests to address these needs.

The following sections describe the specific needs and budget requests of Manhattan Community Board 8 for FY 2017.

#### 4.1. Health Care and Human Services Needs and Requests

#### Main Issue

Services to reduce homelessness

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

CB8M remains strongly in favor of continued support for homeless services and supports public and private sector efforts to assist the diverse homeless population in our community. Given the Bloomberg administration's termination of the Advantage program, a top capital priority is increased funding for permanent affordable housing for homeless individuals and families. We are particularly concerned that with the city's homeless population at record setting levels, the Department for Homeless Services saw fit to promulgate, and persists in its attempts to implement, new shelter eligibility rules deemed likely to further swell the numbers of homeless single individuals. CB8M continues to support strongly the services and programs aimed at aiding those of our community who are in need;

#### **Community District Needs and Requests**

#### 4.1.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Health Care Facilities and Programming

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

The main programs for seniors are offered by Lenox Hill Neighborhood House (partially funded by the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA), Stanley M. Isaacs Neighborhood Center (a NYCHA facility), Carter Burden Center for the Aging, Roosevelt Island Senior Center, and Search and Care. CB8M has advocated for maintaining NYCHA social service programs, including the NYCHA senior centers at Lenox Hill and Stanley Isaacs, congregate meal programs, and the youth, family, and after school programs. CB8M remains strongly in favor of continued support for homeless services and supports public and private sector efforts to assist the diverse homeless population in our community. Given the Bloomberg administration's termination of the Advantage program, a top capital priority is increased funding for permanent affordable housing for homeless individuals and families. We support the efforts of the faith-based organizations to maintain their homeless shelter beds and of the food pantries in and out of our district to continue their work of feeding our hungry. Overall, the area of homeless services continues to be one of loss and insufficiency. The absence of the services the

#### 4.1. Health Care and Human Services Needs and Requests

# 4.1.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Health Care Facilities and Programming

Neighborhood Coalition for Shelter, Inc. (NCS) provided for almost two continues to be felt and underpins the urgent need for programs that address the needs of the homeless. In addition, we remain disappointed that homeless outreach services were consolidated in one central agency outside our district and outreach to CB8M street homeless individuals is no longer provided by a local organization.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Health Care Facilities and Programming (as provided by the Community Board) Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority 03	Agency DOHMH	Need Animal and pest control services	Request Other animal and pest control requests	Request Explanation Increase funding for rodent extermination on city streets especially locations within the Second Avenue Subway construction area	Location Second Avenue between East 96th and East 63rd Streets.	Supporters
14	DOHMH	Health inspections	Increase health inspections, e.g. for restaurants	Provide funding for enforcement personnel in agencies dealing with general vendors.		
16	DOHMH	Programs to address other public health issues	Other programs to address public health issues	Increase funding for the Department of Health Enforcement of all food vendor rules and regulations.		

#### 4.1. Health Care and Human Services Needs and Requests

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

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

The population of our district includes the largest percentage of older adults, 60+, in Manhattan (20.8%). A significant percentage of these (21.5%) live below the poverty level, or are frail, or both. Contrary to popular perception, it also includes a varying but seemingly growing number of individuals without shelter. In addition, soup kitchens, food pantries, and other food programs are seeing growing numbers of people, including more women and children and families, turning to them to augment their diets. A primary and consistent concern for our board is protecting the senior centers and programs that provide services to seniors regardless of income. These centers and programs provide older members of the community with social interaction and nutrition, two elements vital to maintaining their long-term health and wellbeing. It is imperative that senior center budgets be included in the Mayor's budget, and we urge that in the future critical senior programs such as case management and elder abuse prevention be treated as essential budget items. The main programs for seniors are offered by Lenox Hill Neighborhood House (partially funded by the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA), Stanley M. Isaacs Neighborhood Center (a NYCHA facility), Carter Burden Center for the Aging, Roosevelt Island Senior Center, and Search and Care. CB8M has advocated for maintaining NYCHA social service programs, including the NYCHA senior centers at Lenox Hill and Stanley Isaacs, congregate meal programs, and the youth, family, and after school programs.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Facilities and Programming for Older New Yorkers (as provided by the Community Board) Priority numbers apply to capital budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.1. of this document. CS in the priority column indicates the Board's Continued Support for a fully or partially funded project.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
11	DFTA	Facilities for seniors	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	Request for kitchen renovation including an industrial dishwasher for Stanley Isaacs.	Stanley Isaacs Senior Center	

Expense Requests related to Facilities and Programming for Older New Yorkers (as provided by the Community Board) Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
06	DFTA	Services for homebound older adults	Enhance home care services	Increase funding for services to Older Adults including Personal and Home Care, Transportation Services, Meals-On-Wheels, Senior Congregate Care Meal Programs and Case Managers		
15	DFTA	Elder abuse programs	Enhance elder abuse programs	Provide funding for Eviction Prevention Services for At-Risk Senior Citizens.		

#### 4.1. Health Care and Human Services Needs and Requests

#### 4.1.3. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Facilities and Services for the Homeless

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

We are particularly concerned that with the city's homeless population at record setting levels, the Department for Homeless Services saw fit to promulgate, and persists in its attempts to implement, new shelter eligibility rules deemed likely to further swell the numbers of homeless single individuals.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Facilities and Services for the Homeless (as provided by the Community Board) Priority numbers apply to capital budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.1. of this document. CS in the priority column indicates the Board's Continued Support for a fully or partially funded project.

Priority	/ Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
01	DHS	Services for the homeless	Other request for services for the homeless	Increase funding for permanent housing for homeless people.		
CS	DHS	Facilities for the homeless	Upgrade existing facilities for the homeless	Provide funding for air conditioning in all homeless shelters.		

Expense Requests related to Facilities and Services for the Homeless (as provided by the Community Board) Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
08	DHS	Services for the homeless	Expand street outreach	Increase funding for Homeless Services Outreach personnel, especially during the overnight hours and provide DHS with updated information Technology equipment.		
25	DHS	Services for the homeless	Provide rental assistance/vouc hers for permanent housing	Increase funding for permanent housing for homeless people.		

# **4.1.4.** Community District Needs and Requests Related to Services and Programming for Low-Income and Vulnerable New Yorkers

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

CB8M continues to support strongly the services and programs aimed at aiding those of our community who are in need; they remain critically important. CB8M urges the city to respond strongly to this growing segment of our city's population.

At this time, the Community Board does not have any budget requests for this need category.

#### 4.2. Youth, Education and Child Welfare Needs and Requests

#### Main Issue

Capacity of educational facilities

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

Community Board 8 is concerned about the insufficient number of public pre-kindergarten programs to serve our growing three and four year old populations. Community Board 8 is concerned that the additional funding for UPK program put into effect this Fiscal year September 2014, has no NEW seats in Community District 8. We strongly recommend the addition of more public pre-kindergarten seats in Community District 8. Pre-kindergarten is essential to providing quality foundation education, social and development skill development. Without available pre-kindergarten seats in our community district, parents will either have to privately fund early education for their children or commute outside of their neighborhoods to attend public pre-k programs in other community districts.

#### Community District Needs and Requests

#### 4.2.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Educational Facilities and Programs

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

Community Board 8 applauds the DOE for finding permanent homes for PS 151 and 267, as well as starting a new elementary school PS 527 located in the former Our Lady of Good Council School. Community Board 8 is extremely concerned about the cutback in capital and expense funding which results in: overcrowding in our community district; conversion of cluster rooms to regular class rooms and a lack of specialty teachers for art, music etc. for the schools in our district. Community Board 8 is pleased to have a new middle school located in PS 158, which will open in September 2014. However, the community feels there is a great need for more Middle School seats in Community District 8.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Educational Facilities and Programs (as provided by the Community Board) Priority numbers apply to capital budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.1. of this document. CS in the priority column indicates the Board's Continued Support for a fully or partially funded project.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
CS	SCA	Schools and educational facilities	Provide a new or expand an existing elementary school	Provide funding to construct additional public school seats to accommodate current and projected overcrowding.		

#### 4.2. Youth, Education and Child Welfare Needs and Requests

# 4.2.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Services for Children and Child Welfare

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

The Board also recognizes the importance of providing adequate day care and after school facilities for our children. There are many Community Board 8 residents, especially single working parents, who need affordable day care and after school programs, but whose income slightly surpasses eligibility requirements. Additional Affordable programs are essential. We continue to request increased funding for childcare and after-school programs, including infant care. An important issue yet to be adequately addressed is the need for programs to prevent abuse and neglect. Community Board 8 feels that there is a need for strong evidence-based programs to provide intensive support to at-risk families. Such therapies will increase family functioning while reducing the need for unnecessary and costly out of home care.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Services for Children and Child Welfare (as provided by the Community Board) Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
12	ACS	Juvenile	Provide,	Provide additional funding for Children		
		justice	expand, or	Services, especially programs to prevent		
		programs and	enhance	abuse and neglect.		
		preventive	preventive			
		services	services			

#### 4.2. Youth, Education and Child Welfare Needs and Requests

# 4.2.3. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Youth and Community Services and Programs

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

The Board also recognizes the importance of providing adequate day care and after school facilities for our children. There are many Community Board 8 residents, especially single working parents, who need affordable day care and after school programs, but whose income slightly surpasses eligibility requirements. Additional Affordable programs are essential. We continue to request increased funding for childcare and after-school programs, including infant care.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Youth and Community Services and Programs (as provided by the Community Board) Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
01	DYCD	After school programs	Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for elementary school students	Fund Pre-K, Out of School Time and DayCare programs for all children who go to school in CB8 or who have parents that work in CB8.		
02	DYCD	Youth workforce development	Other youth workforce development requests	Increase funding for youth programs in CB8.		

#### 4.3. Public Safety Needs and Requests

#### Main Issue

General crime

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

CB8 maintains a close working relationship with the 19th Precinct, Manhattan North, the Central Park Precinct, and the 114th Precinct, which serves Roosevelt Island from Queens. CB8 commends the NY Police Department for the remarkable work it has done with reduced staff to reduce crime, catch criminals, and confiscates weapons and contraband. CB8 looks forward to continued success in these areas. CB8 residents continue to volunteer to be civilian crime watchers. CB8 continues to be concerned about the number of Grand Larceny and Pedestrian Safety cases.

#### **Community District Needs and Requests**

#### 4.3.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Policing and Crime

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

CB8 supports full funding for all fire and emergency medical services in our district and citywide. CB8 is particularly concerned about the loss of fire marshals in recent years, and we have requested the restoration of funding for these personnel.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Policing and Crime (as provided by the Community Board)

Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
13	NYPD	NYPD staff and training resources	Assign additional traffic enforcement officers	Provide funding to maintain current number of Traffic Control agents.		
22	NYPD	NYPD staff and training resources	Assign additional uniformed officers	Fund additional NYPD Police Officers.		

# 4.3. Public Safety Needs and Requests

# 4.3.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Emergency Services

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments for this need category.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Emergency Services (as provided by the Community Board)
Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

P	riority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
1	.8	FDNY	FDNY	Provide more	Restore funding for all staffing of FDNY Fire		
			programs and	firefighters or	Marshalls.		
			staffing	EMS workers			

#### 4.4. Core Infrastructure and City Services Needs and Requests

## Main Issue

Cleanliness/trash collection

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

Community Board 8 (CB8) is responsive to residents' concerns about sanitation and the environment. The cleanliness of our streets and neighborhoods is of great importance to our community and is related to successful business operations, to our well-being, and to the quality of life. In an integrated approach to a cleaner community, we support frequent sanitation inspections and efforts to consistently maintain presentable clean-swept sidewalks and streets.

#### **Community District Needs and Requests**

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

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

With regards to drinking water, CB8 passed a resolution in February 2012 in favor of DEP's proposal to build a bypass tunnel to facilitate repair of the Delaware Aqueduct in order to ensure that DEP can continue to deliver high quality drinking water every day to NYC, and further resolved that this support is contingent DEP minimizing and mitigating potential environmental impacts in the areas where the work is to be performed, and upon DEP having an adequate plan in place to supplement the water supply with high-quality drinking water during the shut-down phase of up to 6 to 15 months of the Delaware Aqueduct. The NYC Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) constructed a vertical water supply shaft, Shaft 33B, to bring water from City Tunnel No. 3 to the local water distribution system in East Manhattan and the Upper East Side in Manhattan. Construction of City Tunnel No 3, Stage 2 – Manhattan leg is currently proceeding beneath Manhattan. The shaft would be an unmanned underground facility capable of conveying water from the new City Tunnel No. 3 to the surface distribution system that serves East Midtown and the Upper East Side. The site is located on the northwest corner of E. 59th Street and First Avenue adjacent to the Queensboro Bridge in Community District 8. The Shaft 33B project would also involve water main construction required to connect the new shaft with the existing subsurface water distribution system that serves the East Midtown and Upper East Side areas. Two water main connections are to extend from the Shaft 33B Site beneath the City streets, connecting the shaft to a trunk-main at Third Avenue.

At this time, the Community Board does not have any budget requests for this need category.

#### 4.4. Core Infrastructure and City Services Needs and Requests

# 4.4.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Sanitation Services

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

Community Board 8 (CB8) is responsive to residents' concerns about sanitation and the environment. The cleanliness of our streets and neighborhoods is of great importance to our community and is related to successful business operations, to our well-being, and to the quality of life. In an integrated approach to a cleaner community, we support frequent sanitation inspections and efforts to consistently maintain presentable clean-swept sidewalks and streets.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Sanitation Services (as provided by the Community Board)

Priority numbers apply to capital budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.1. of this document. CS in the priority column indicates the Board's Continued Support for a fully or partially funded project.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
13	DSNY	Garbage collection and recycling	Provide more on-street trash cans and recycling containers	Fund the installation of Big Bellies in CB8.		
20	DSNY	Garbage collection and recycling	Provide more on-street trash cans and recycling containers	Fund the NYC Department of Sanitation for the placement of "rat-proof" garbage containers with lids in CB8 preferably solar powered compactor baskets.		

Expense Requests related to Sanitation Services (as provided by the Community Board)

Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
19	DSNY	Garbage collection and recycling	Other garbage collection and recycling requests	Increase recycling program including solid waste.		

#### 4.5. Land Use, Housing and Economic Development Needs and Requests

#### Main Issue

Affordable housing programs

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

In response to New York City's (NYC) and the district's lack of sufficient affordable housing units; the Committee has voiced its overall support of retaining and increasing affordable housing in the district. Additionally, the Committee recommends rescinding the NYC Administration Code §26-511, C, 9 of the NYC Rent Stabilization Law of 1969, a law that has increased institutional expansion within the district. More specifically, the law allows not-for-profit building owners to refuse to renew a tenant's lease if the not-for-profit will use the housing accommodations in furtherance of its mission; thereby eliminating affordable housing units forever.

#### **Community District Needs and Requests**

#### 4.5.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Land Use

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

Zoning changes including R8-B enacted within the past fifteen years to protect the midblock, from massive structures and R10-A governing use of the plaza bonus and towers on a base for avenues and cross-town streets have only slightly moderated development. New 30-35 story buildings on some avenues, which currently are allowed, strain the infrastructure and municipal services. CB8 and local civic groups have urged the Department of City Planning to review the Community Facility provisions of the Zoning Resolution. CB8 is the only district where community facilities are entitled to a 5.1 FAR in the R8B mid-blocks. CB8 has proposed modifications to the Department of City Planning to change the current community facility in R8B areas from a 5.1 to a 4.0 FAR. CB8 seeks to preserve the Upper East Side's residential character. The C1 and C2 zoning (Local Retail Use) control commercial signage in the District. CB8 seeks to maintain a careful balance to prevent new buildings from detracting from CB8's historic districts. CB8 believes that new and more effective regulations, coupled with increased enforcement, would ease this problem. Roosevelt Island is undergoing major change with the addition of the Cornell Tech graduate center. The campus will occupy most of the southern part of the island. The graduate center is a boon for the community and city but the quality of life of the residents must be protected while the island undergoes major construction for the years to come.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Land Use (as provided by the Community Board)

Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
11	DOB	Building code and zoning enforcement	Expand building inspector training programs	provide additional DOB inspectors for signage compliance and code enforcement.		

#### 4.5. Land Use, Housing and Economic Development Needs and Requests

#### 4.5.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Housing Needs and Programming

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

Community District 8 is home to 161,142 households. Of those households 42,487 are owner households and 79,622 are renter households. Over 98 percent of owner households live in housing types classified as either a cooperative or a condominium. The Upper East Side rental vacancy rate is 2.8 percent. Approximately 52 percent of renter households pay rent in excess of 30 percent of their income; another 23 percent of renter households pay more than 50 percent of their income toward rent. The median monthly gross rent in 2009 was \$1,735. The district encompasses a wide range of housing forms including condominiums, cooperatives, market rate and rent regulated housing. Of renter households, 35 percent live in market rate. Regulated housing includes rent stabilization (54 percent of renter households), Mitchell-Lama, public housing, and rent control.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Housing Needs and Programming (as provided by the Community Board)
Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
20 NYCHA	Public housing upgrades or renovations	Renovate or upgrade NYCHA community facilities or open space	Increase funding to ensure all NYCHA community and senior centers remain open.		

#### 4.5. Land Use, Housing and Economic Development Needs and Requests

# 4.5.3. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Economic Development

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

CB8 works with the Madison Avenue Business Improvement District, the East Midtown Partnership and the DOE Fund on a range of issues. CB8 efforts on traffic and quality of life are critical to our local businesses.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Economic Development (as provided by the Community Board)

Priority numbers apply to capital budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.1. of this document. CS in the priority column indicates the Board's Continued Support for a fully or partially funded project.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
22	EDC	Economic development investments	Invest in piers or other capital projects to improve access to the waterfront	Fund a fully built Park along the East River between 60th and 63rd Streets on the Esplanade.	60th and 63rd Streets on the Esplanade.	

Expense Requests related to Economic Development (as provided by the Community Board)
Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
21	Other	DCA Enforcement		Fund additional DCA inspectors for sidewalk cafe and compliance permits regulation enforcement		

#### 4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

#### Main Issue

Other | Funding for Streetscape lighting from 59th to 96th Streets upon the completion of the Second Avenue Subway project.

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

Whereas MTA Capital Construction is committed to restoring the entire streetscape along Second Avenue from East 96th to East 65th Street within Manhattan Community District 8 as part of the completion of the Second Avenue Subway project, and Whereas MTA Capital Construction will be installing new street lights along the aforementioned length of Second Avenue, and Whereas MTA Capital Construction will be installing street tree enclosures along the aforementioned length of Second Avenue, Therefore be it resolved that Community Board 8M urges our Council Members Benjamin Kallos and Daniel Garodnick and Borough President Gale Brewer to provide the funding necessary to complete the streetscape improvement from from East 65th Street to East 59th Street.

#### **Community District Needs and Requests**

### 4.6.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

Community Board 8 has consistently ranked funding for street repair and maintenance high on its list of priorities, and we applaud the NYC Department of Transportation's Manhattan Highway Maintenance Division on the job they do managing this substantial task, especially in light of its need for an additional pothole gang, that the Board strongly supports. Traffic Congestion has become an increasing problem in Community Board and will get worse with the additional hospital construction projects and the proposed Marine Transfer Station. We request that the proposed traffic study for the full length of York Avenue (paid for by CUNY MSK) be carried out as soon as possible. Large numbers of residents, daily workers and visitors contribute to traffic congestion, noise, pollution, and crowded streets and sidewalks. With only one subway line traveling the East Side, public transit continues to be overwhelmed. The MTA/NYC Transit must work with commuters and the Board to address service issues such as punctuality, bus bunching and dwell times.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure (as provided by the Community Board) Priority numbers apply to capital budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.1. of this document. CS in the priority column indicates the Board's Continued Support for a fully or partially funded project.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
09	DOT	Transportation infrastructure		Fund the installation of pedestrian countdown timer at remaining intersections in CB8.		
10	DOT	Transportation infrastructure		Increase funding for audible accessible crossing signals for intersections in CB8.		
12	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	,	Request curb cuts throughout CB8.		

# 4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

# 4.6.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

Priority	Agency	Need	Request pedestrian ramps or bus pads	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
14	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Fund the installation of newsracks for East 86th Street to meet NYC regulations.	East 86th Street	
15	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Fund the installation of newsracks for Second Avenue that meet NYC regulations		
CS	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Rehabilitate bridges	Provide funding to repair or reconstruct the 81st Street Bridge over the FDR Drive.	81st Street Pedestrian Bridge	

Expense Requests related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure (as provided by the Community Board) Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
09	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	,	Provide funding to NYCDOT for necessary materials and personnel to repair potholes and repave avenues and major cross-town streets more frequently than every 10 years within CB8.		
10	DOT	Transportation infrastructure		Increase the number of workers to inspect, repair, and preserve the Department of Transportation's infrastructure-(Bridges and Roads)		

#### 4.6.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Transit Services

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments or budget requests for this need category.

#### Main Issue

Other|Full funding of the East River Esplanade

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

The Committee continues to spearhead the project to reconstruct and redesign the crumbling East River Esplanade. Its resolution, urging the City to allocate the needed \$115 million over 10 years for Esplanade repairs, helped elected officials obtain an initial \$35 million. But much more money is needed. The Committee is continuing to work with elected officials about Esplanade funding, and is closely monitoring progress on the use of the initial \$35 million. But much more money is needed. The Committee is continuing to work with elected officials about Esplanade funding, and is closely monitoring progress on the use of the initial allocation.

#### **Community District Needs and Requests**

# 4.7.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

The population density of Community Board 8 makes our parks and greenery a precious commodity. Although our district is adjacent to Central Park, open space in CB8M is woefully inadequate. According to results of a survey by the organization, New Yorkers for Parks, Manhattan's Upper East Side has among the least amount of open space of any New York City district. CB8M's Parks Committee has been working to protect and expand the community's limited parkland. Its on-going major projects include its Open Space initiative, launched in 2013 with a public forum on the Need for Open Space on Manhattan's Upper East Side, and its East River Esplanade project, to renovate and beautify the Esplanade. In addition, the Committee also has been addressing improvement projects in various parks, including Central Park, Ruppert Park, the Queensboro Oval and the Park Avenue Malls. In just the two years since it began, the Committee's Open Space initiative-designed to identify areas that could be converted to parks--has begun to bear fruit: Last year, at the Committee's urging, Hunter College opened its Poses Park to the public on spring, summer and fall weekends. This year, Hunter followed up by expanding public access to this space.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming (as provided by the Community Board) Priority numbers apply to capital budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.1. of this document. CS in the priority column indicates the Board's Continued Support for a fully or partially funded project.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
03	DPR	Park facilities and access	Other park facilities and access requests	Provide funding to repair, restore and design the entire Esplanade including the pilings on the lower level between 63rd and 96th Streets.	Esplanade including the pilings on the lower level between 63rd and 96th Streets.	
19	DPR	Street trees and forestry services	Other street trees and forestry services requests	Install tree guards where missing from or when new trees go in and where needed extend the tree pit where needed.		
CS	DPR	Park facilities and access	Other park facilities and	Fund a fully built Park along the East River between 60th and 63rd Streets on the		
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# 4.7.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming

Priority Agency N	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
		access requests	Esplanade		

Expense Requests related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming (as provided by the Community Board) Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
04	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Other park maintenance and safety requests	Preserve funding for year round workers at NYC Parks and Recreation.		
05	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Improve trash removal and cleanliness	Provide funding for exterminators in all Parks within CB8.		
07	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Other park maintenance and safety requests	Increase funding for additional Park maintenance staff, tree pruners and tree climbers.		
23	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	Fund additional PEP officers for all CB8 Parks.		

# **4.7.2.** Community District Needs and Requests Related to Cultural and other Community Facilities and Programming

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments or budget requests for this need category.

#### 4.7.3. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Library Facilities and Programming

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

For more than a century, the New York Public Library has provided quality service to all New Yorkers. The branch libraries are an important public resource for local residents, especially senior citizens and students. CB8 supports the funding for the expansion of the Roosevelt Island Library branch of the New York Public Library (FY 10 #10 308200704C) and the renovation of the Carnegie Branch Library (FY 09 #7 308200601C). RIOC is discussing alternative spaces with the NY Library, which would be conducive to expansion and more centrally located as the island's population grows. The library budget must be maintained. CB8 urges the Mayor and the City Council to maintain funding for the operating costs to allow the continuation of 6 day a week service at all branches. We also urge increased funding for infrastructure, technological improvements and library materials, particularly increased funding for books, periodicals, and other information resources in all our branch libraries. The system-wide replacement of Checkpoint Book theft Detection System should be completed by 2011 in all branches and central units, costing \$1.2M. Funding should be found to allow libraries to operate at full hours (i.e. 10-5 Monday through Saturday) and expanded evening hours at least twice a week. As sources of information have evolved, the Library has kept pace, offering one of the only free points of access to the internet in New York City. CB8 believes that all New Yorkers should have free opportunities to use electronic resources. Since the recession of 2008, the libraries have become a resource to assist person seeking employment.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Library Facilities and Programming (as provided by the Community Board) Priority numbers apply to capital budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.1. of this document. CS in the priority column indicates the Board's Continued Support for a fully or partially funded project.

Priority A	<b>Agency</b> NYPL	Need Library facilities, equipment and programs	Request Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Request Explanation  Provide funding for a ramp at the Yorkville  Branch Library.	<b>Location</b> <i>Yorkville Branch Library</i>	Supporters
04 1	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and programs	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Fund repair of roof at 67th Street Library to protect recent upgrades.	67th Street Library	
05 1	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and programs	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Provide funding for an elevator at the Yorkville Branch Library.	Yorkville Branch Library	
1 60	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and programs	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Providing funding for a new HVAC system at the Webster and Yorkville Branch Libraries.	Webster and Yorkville Branch Libraries	
07	NYPL	Library facilities,	Create a new, or renovate or	Fund the installation of fire alarms for the Yorkville and Webster Branch Libraries.	Yorkville and Webster	

# 4.7.3. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Library Facilities and Programming

Priority	Agency	<b>Need</b> equipment and programs	Request upgrade an existing public library	Request Explanation	<b>Location</b> Branch Libraries	Supporters
08	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and programs	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Fund exterior rehabilitation of windows and replace where needed at Webster and Yorkville Branch Libraries.	Webster and Yorkville Branch Libraries	
16	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and programs	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Fund full renovation of Carnegie Hill Library at 112 East 96th Street.	Carnegie Hill Library at 112 East 96th Street	
17	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and programs	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Provide funding for a new boiler/HVAC for 67th Street Library.	67th Street Library	
18	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and programs	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Provide funding for new windows, exterior rear facade repair and exterior lighting for East 67th Street Library.	East 67th Street Library	
21	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and programs	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Upgrade electrical system at Webster and Yorkville Branch Libraries.	Webster and Yorkville Branch Libraries	
CS	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and programs	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Provide funding for new windows and front facade repair at the Yorkville Branch Library.	Yorkville Branch Library	
CS	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and programs	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Fund the expansion of the Roosevelt Island Branch of the NYC Public Library.	Roosevelt Island Branch Library	

Expense Requests related to Library Facilities and Programming (as provided by the Community Board)
Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
17	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and programs	Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs	Restore Sunday Service to one library in CB8 without cutting weekday hours.		
24	NYPL	Library	Extend library	Provide funding to all NYPL to maintain six-		

# 4.7.3. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Library Facilities and Programming

Priority Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
	facilities,	hours or	day service, increase hours, material,		
	equipment	expand and	resources and programs.		
	and programs	enhance library			
		programs			

# 4.7.4. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Community Boards

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments or budget requests for this need category.

# **5. SUMMARY TABLES OF ALL PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS**

# 5.1. Table of All Capital Requests (Prioritized)

Priority No. / Continued Support (CS)	Agency	Need	Request	Policy Area
01	DHS	Services for the homeless	Other request for services for the homeless	Health Care and Human Services
02	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
03	DPR	Park facilities and access	Other park facilities and access requests	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
04	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
05	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
06	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
07	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
08	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
09	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	Transportation
10	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	Transportation
11	DFTA	Facilities for seniors	Renovate or upgrade a senior center	Health Care and Human Services
12	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Repair or construct new sidewalks, curbs, medians, pedestrian ramps or bus pads	Transportation
13	DSNY	Garbage collection and recycling	Provide more on-street trash cans and recycling containers	Core Infrastructure and City Services
14	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Transportation
15	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Transportation
16	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
17	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
18	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

# 5.1. Table of All Capital Requests (Prioritized)

Priority No. / Continued Support (CS)	Agency	Need	Request	Policy Area
19	DPR	Street trees and forestry services	Other street trees and forestry services requests	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
20	DSNY	Garbage collection and recycling	Provide more on-street trash cans and recycling containers	Core Infrastructure and City Services
21	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
22	EDC	Economic development investments	Invest in piers or other capital projects to improve access to the waterfront	Land Use, Housing and Economic Development
CS	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
CS	SCA	Schools and educational facilities	Provide a new or expand an existing elementary school	Youth, Education and Child Welfare
CS	DHS	Facilities for the homeless	Upgrade existing facilities for the homeless	Health Care and Human Services
CS	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Rehabilitate bridges	Transportation
CS	DPR	Park facilities and access	Other park facilities and access requests	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
CS	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

# 5.2. Table of All Expense Requests (Prioritized)

Priority No.	Agency	Need	Request	Policy Area
01	DYCD	After school programs	Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for elementary school students	Youth, Education and Child Welfare
02	DYCD	Youth workforce development	Other youth workforce development requests	Youth, Education and Child Welfare
03	DOHMH	Animal and pest control services	Other animal and pest control requests	Health Care and Human Services
04	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Other park maintenance and safety requests	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
05	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Improve trash removal and cleanliness	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
06	DFTA	Services for homebound older adults	Enhance home care services	Health Care and Human Services
07	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Other park maintenance and safety requests	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
08	DHS	Services for the homeless	Expand street outreach	Health Care and Human Services
09	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Resurface roads or repair potholes	Transportation
10	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Rehabilitate bridges	Transportation
11	DOB	Building code and zoning enforcement	Expand building inspector training programs	Land Use, Housing and Economic Development
12	ACS	Juvenile justice programs and preventive services	Provide, expand, or enhance preventive services	Youth, Education and Child Welfare
13	NYPD	NYPD staff and training resources	Assign additional traffic enforcement officers	Public Safety
14	DOHMH	Health inspections	Increase health inspections, e.g. for restaurants	Health Care and Human Services
15	DFTA	Elder abuse programs	Enhance elder abuse programs	Health Care and Human Services
16	DOHMH	Programs to address other public health issues	Other programs to address public health issues requests	Health Care and Human Services
17	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and	Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
18	FDNY	FDNY programs and staffing	Provide more firefighters or EMS workers	Public Safety
19	DSNY	Garbage collection and recycling	Other garbage collection and recycling requests	Core Infrastructure and City Services

# 5.2. Table of All Expense Requests (Prioritized)

Priority No.	Agency	Need	Request	Policy Area
20	NYCHA	Public housing upgrades or renovations	Renovate or upgrade NYCHA community facilities or open space	Land Use, Housing and Economic Development
21	Other	DCA Enforcement	additional DCA Enforcement	Land Use, Housing and Economic Development
22	NYPD	NYPD staff and training resources	Assign additional uniformed officers	Public Safety
23	DPR	Park maintenance and safety	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
24	NYPL	Library facilities, equipment and	Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs	Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities
25	DHS	Services for the homeless	Provide rental assistance/vouchers for permanent housing	Health Care and Human Services