

# Fiscal Year 2020 - DRAFT

## Capital Budget Requests

Tracking Code	Request	Reason	Agency
311201901C	Provide more housing for special needs households, such as seniors, veterans, the formerly incarcerated, or the formerly homeless	The increased cost of housing has drastically impacted seniors, veterans and the formerly incarcerated. They have fewer housing choices, particularly those that are mobility impaired and need access to elevators or more intensive assisted living arrangements. Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD) should partner with other agencies such as Department for the Aging (DFTA), HRA and DHS, to identify local, State and Federal sources of housing subsidies to encourage the development of affordable housing and a range of assisted living options in East Harlem. Residents should receive community preference for apartments in new Senior Housing being developed in their community, and targets should be set in other new developments to ensure that seniors can age comfortably and safely in place. Additionally, Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD) should create a specific program that will regularly monitor and inspect the housing conditions of vulnerable seniors, veterans and the formerly incarcerated.	Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD)

311201902C	Provide more housing for extremely low and low income households	There remain many vacant properties or under-utilized residential buildings in East Harlem. It is imperative that the community, elected leaders and Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD) work collaboratively to create the necessary incentive(s) for private property owners to upgrade and maintain their properties for active residential use. Newly developed or rehabilitated apartment buildings must include a balance of mixed-income units that also include a percentage of units for low and extremely-low income households. Further, the community should receive preference for 50% of the newly developed/rehabilitated housing to ensure local housing needs are addressed.	Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD)
311201905C	Provide a new or expand an existing middle/intermediate school	Ensure that new schools are built as the neighborhood population increases, and that developers are incentivized to include them in new construction. New schools built as a result of the rezoning should be structured as Community Schools.	Department of Education (DOE)
311201907C	Provide technology upgrade	Upgrade the electrical work and technology in school buildings, such as computer labs, broadband internet, phone service and air conditioners. First priority should be Manhattan Center for Science and Mathematics HS as follows: PS 007, PS 38, M057, PS/S 72, PS 102, PS 112, PS 206, PS 146, PS 155, PS 171, Mosaic Prep School, Renaissance School of Arts, and Central Park East II. Please provide a Project Tracking # per facility.	Department of Education (DOE)
311201908C	Provide more or better equipment to a library	The New York Public Library (NYPL) (New York Public Library (NYPL)) should provide greater access to technology at local libraries. With the 125th Street Library closing for the next two years, the Aguilar Library must meet the additional demands by increasing the amount of computer labs. New York Public Library (NYPL) must purchase additional computers for this library and collaborate with community groups to create and offer computer literacy and programming courses at the library once these resources are secured.	New York Public Library (NYPL)

311201909C	Relocate existing sanitation garages or other sanitation infrastructure	An alternate location is needed for the M-10 Sanitation Garage, which is supposed to serve and be located in the neighborhood of Central Harlem, but is located on 131st Street and Park Avenue-- in direct violation of the City's Fair Share Mandate. This garage must be permanently relocated to an appropriate area in Central Harlem to avoid further environmental and health damage to the East Harlem community	Department of Sanitation (DSNY)
311201910C	Provide new or upgrade existing sanitation garages or other sanitation infrastructure	After it is moved to a less residential location, the M11 sanitation garage should be upgraded with the most advanced indoor air filtration systems and zero emissions sanitation trucks, and the new building should meet or exceed LEED Gold standards.	Department of Sanitation (DSNY)
311201911C	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Funding for the replacement of the 107th Street Pier to allow it to be safely utilized by the community. Funding has been allocated to demolish the roof of the pier and install elements on the pier's surface to make it temporarily usable, however, approximately \$12- 18 million is needed to completely rebuild the Pier.	Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR)
311201912C	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Replace the synthetic turf field at Eugene McCabe Playground using natural materials (coconut and sand) using the internal budgeting and staffing in the same manner as the quickly replaced Lion's Gate soccer field in Sara D. Roosevelt Park.	Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR)
311201914C	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	Comfort stations should be installed in highly used parks, such as 128th Street and Second Avenue and Thomas Jefferson Park near the 114th Street Playground	Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR)
311201916C	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	New York Public Library (NYPL)'s capital funding should be increased for building repairs and upgrades. Specifically, \$1.5 million is needed for the building envelope/facility preservation of the Aguilar Library Branch in order to restore the exterior and upgrade/replace the windows.	New York Public Library (NYPL)

311201918C	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	The rehabilitation of the Fire Watchtower in Marcus Garvey Park is in progress, the project is currently out for bid, and the construction will be completed in the summer of 2018. Now, funding must be allocated for the reconstruction of the Acropolis, paths, staircases and walls leading up to and surrounding the Fire Watchtower in order to complete the landscaping.	Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR)
311201920C	Provide a new, or new expansion to, a building in a park	NYC Parks (upon previous direction by Department of Transportation (DOT) and Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) to address this to Parks should provide funding for a new playground and a comfort station near 132nd Street and Esplanade as a community give-back for the noise, dirt and construction involved in the ramp construction.	Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR)
311201921C	Other requests for park, building, or access improvements	Funding should be allocated to replace the copper pipes and valves for the onsite water system in Harlem River Park (135- 139th Streets).	Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR)
311201923C	Repair or build new seawalls or bulkheads	The East Harlem Esplanade is slowly deteriorating and falling into the East/Harlem River and needs major infrastructure improvements to rebuild or reinforce the super-structure underneath the parkland and the FDR Drive. Immediate attention should be given to the 107th Street Pier and the 117th Street wooden pylons. Department of Transportation (DOT) and the Parks Department should work collaboratively to achieve this goal.	Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR)
NEW REQUEST (Human Services Committee)		Increase funding to establish safe needle exchange/drop-off site in East Harlem	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)

### Expense Budget Requests

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311201901E	Other affordable housing programs requests	Existing tenants of the newly deregulated buildings, as well as tenants of other poorly managed buildings, complain about poor housing conditions and have accused landlords of purposefully neglecting their responsibilities in order to push tenants out. Tenants regularly complain about broken appliances, holes in floors/walls, no heat or hot water and erroneous eviction notices when rent has been paid. Community advocates must work together to secure funding to hire dedicated lawyers to provide legal representation for tenants and tenant groups that are being harassed by landlords. Sources of potential funding include elected officials and private fundraising. Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD) and the DOB must increase code enforcement and inspections to ensure buildings are up to code and safe.	Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD)
311201902E	Expand programs for housing inspections to correct code violations	Hire additional inspectors to monitor building complaints	Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD)
311201904E	Expand other incentive programs to catalyze new capital investment and growth of quality jobs	The lack of retail diversity along commercial corridors causes local residents to purchase certain goods and services outside of the community. East Harlems commercial corridors only capture 35% of the consumer expenditure potential of local residents and \$484 million in potential annual retail sales escape the community each year. There is a high demand for local stores that provide entertainment services such as a movie theater, fitness/recreational services, sporting goods, books, electronics/computer goods and supermarkets with better quality foods. Incentives should be provided to encourage the development of these businesses.	Small Business Services (SBS)

311201905E	Provide or enhance rental subsidies programs	Using the data gathered through the Regional Plan Association report, buildings most at risk of rent deregulation based on the anticipated date of expiration must be addressed and supported. Community partners, local non-profit housing developers and the Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD) should contact building owners and tenant associations to communicate the anticipated date of deregulation and explain the potential impact on tenant rent. In consultation with Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD) and pro-bono lawyers, community groups must work together with tenants to develop affordable housing preservation strategies for each building under threat of deregulation.	Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD)
311201906E	Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for middle school students (grades 6-8)	Increase the amount of after school program seats in East Harlem, especially for older youths.	Department of Education (DOE)
311201907E	Other transit service requests	Increase funding for Youth MetroCards to fund additional rides per day, to 4 or 5, increase time/hours card can be used (5:30am - 8:00 pm) and to include weekends and during summer months, eliminate Reduced Fare MetroCards, to allow youth to attend and participate in extracurricular after school activities and/or work activities.	New York City Transit (NYCT)
311201908E	Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health problems and encourage treatment	CD11 ranks first in the city for psychiatric hospitalizations (2,016 per 100,000 adults). Funding from the new ThriveNYC initiative should be targeted to improve programming in East Harlem. Supportive programs should be developed and better targeted to particular populations to encourage people to reach out and get help before needing hospitalization so that their mental health needs can be positively managed. Programs should provide assistance with jobs, housing, education, medical issues, and any other needs that this vulnerable population may have.	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)

311201910E	Other educational programs requests	Increase the number of schools that offer Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs in East Harlem. Work with the Office of Post-secondary Readiness (OPSR) at the NYC Department of Education (DOE) to provide adequate guidance to East Harlem schools as they seek to fulfill the necessary elements for a new CTE program, including identifying adequate classroom and shop space, resources for equipment, materials and consumable supplies, and a teaching core able to teach the necessary amount of students.	Department of Education (DOE)
311201912E	Address air quality issues	The number of adults with asthma is 60% higher than the NYC average. The asthma hospitalization rates among adults are 200% higher, and among children 100% higher, than the NYC average. Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD) and NYCHA should host a series of workshops to educate tenants and landlords on the various indoor triggers for asthma and how they can be mitigated, including pest control.	Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD)
311201913E	Improve school safety	Provide additional funding for District 4 and 5 schools and CBO'ds to provide additional programming in Social Emotional Learning and Anti-Bullying & Cyber Bullying.	Department of Education (DOE)
311201917E	Provide or expand occupational skills training programs	Provide funding for more workforce development programs	Small Business Services (SBS)
311201919E	Conduct traffic or parking studies	Excessive vehicular traffic has created safety problems at key intersections throughout the community, including 96th Street, 106th Street, 116th Street and 125th Street. The Department of Transportation (DOT) should conduct engineering studies of the major commercial corridors, with the goal of improving pedestrian safety and easing vehicular congestion.	Department of Transportation (DOT)
311201920E	Expand bus service frequency or hours of operation	The most inconsistent bus lines along Madison and Fifth Avenues, particularly the M1, must be improved and made more dependable. NYC Transit must consider changing these routes to originate north of the 59th Street Bridge.	New York City Transit (NYCT)

311201921E	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) and NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) must also work to improve conditions around the 125th Street Metro North Station, including the installation of better lighting, pedestrian safety improvements at the intersection and renovation/utilization of the old comfort station on the south side of 125th Street across from the Metro North Station.	Department of Transportation (DOT)
311201922E	Improve parking operations	Community Board 11 and the Department of Transportation (DOT) need to work collaboratively to identify commercial corridors that currently do not have parking meters and work with local businesses and residents to consider installation of parking meters to encourage vehicular turnover during the day.	Department of Transportation (DOT)
311201927E	Other workforce development requests	Establish a Workforce1 satellite office in East Harlem	Small Business Services (SBS)
311201928E	Reduce rat populations	The catchment area for the Rat Reservoir program should be expanded to include more areas in East Harlem, especially busy commercial corridors. Additionally, the program should target new construction sites (especially as the upcoming rezoning begins), as the construction often drives rat populations into the streets/surrounding buildings. Abatement should be increased on commercial corridors, in green spaces and near construction sites. Outreach about the Rat Academy should be increased to encourage superintendents, building staff, property managers, homeowners and businesses to participate, especially in the spring and summer. Department of Health & Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) should partner with local initiatives, such as East Harlem Neighborhood 360 and the East Harlem Community Alliance, to better connect with local business and property owners to increase the effectiveness of its outreach and efficiency of its rat mitigation efforts in this community.	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)



311201930E	Other park programming requests	The Department of Parks and Recreation must increase funding for district staff to ensure our parks and playgrounds are clean and safe, specifically in Lincoln Park, and funding for the summer maintenance plan must be maintained at current levels.	Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR)
311201931E	Provide or expand occupational skills training programs	East Harlems workforce development infrastructure must address the needs of the large number of residents who are unemployed and seeking well-paying jobs. Local employment and training organizations and Small Business Services (SBS) should work to connect local residents to employment opportunities in growth industries and local development-based employment. Small Business Services (SBS) and Economic Development Corporation (EDC) should create and package incentives to attract growth industries to locate in East Harlem, with emphasis on attracting STEM related businesses to open up additional career opportunities for local residents. Small Business Services (SBS) must increase funding for training vouchers, which would then be used by local residents for necessary advanced training and certifications. The local libraries can also be expanded to serve as workforce centers.	Small Business Services (SBS)
311201933E	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	Hire additional Parks Rangers or Shielded PEP officers for Harlem River Park, Marcus Garvey Park and Thomas Jefferson Park.	Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR)
311201936E	Enhance home care services	Additional funding is needed for home health aid programs in East Harlem to expand the number of available aides and also pay higher wages to attract quality professionals. Home health aides are essential to assist seniors in their daily activities, particularly for those that cannot afford to hire a home health aide privately and would otherwise be isolated in their homes. Department for the Aging (DFTA) and the Department of Youth and Community Development should partner to create a pilot program in East Harlem that would encourage multi-generational care of seniors, connecting youth to seniors who are mobility impaired	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)

311201937E	Provide or expand district marketing, branding, and promotion	Additional resources should be committed to promote East Harlem's cultural offerings, including wayfinding signs along Lexington Avenue and other major corridors. The funding for the Avenue NYC program should continue for existing place-making and tourism efforts.	Small Business Services (SBS)
311201938E	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Additional NYC Forestry staff should be hired to maintain the street trees. Funding should also be directed to Trees NY.	Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR)
311201939E	Support nonprofit cultural organizations	There is a need for an arts/cultural service organization to enhance, educate and expand public interest in the arts and culture of East Harlem. Department of Cultural Affairs (DCLA) and/or the Upper Manhattan Empowerment Zone should provide seed funding to create such an arts/cultural service organization. Once established, and representative of a cross-section of the East Harlem community, this organization should work to develop a comprehensive arts and cultural strategic master plan for the community.	Department of Cultural Affairs (DCLA)
311201943E	Assist with on-site business compliance with City regulations	City agencies that regularly enforce codes and regulations which impact small businesses must create forums where local merchants can be educated on current and changing agency rules and solicit feedback from merchants with complaints of unfair treatment. Such agencies should also ensure that inspectors enforcing agency rules in East Harlem are bilingual (particularly Spanish speaking).	Small Business Services (SBS)
311201949E	Provide more HIV/AIDS information and services	East Harlem residents are more than three times as likely to die from HIV/AIDS as the average NYC resident. Sex education services should be provided, especially among vulnerable populations, including youth, and access to HIV preventative drugs should be easy and affordable to all.	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)
311201951E	Increase home delivered meals capacity	Funding should be restored for the Meals on Wheels programs.	Department for the Aging (DFTA)

311201953E	Provide, expand, or enhance educational programs for adults	A flexible higher education program similar to CUNY in the Heights, which offers a variety of certificate programs for adult learners, should be established in East Harlem. Hunter College's East Harlem campus should also offer local residents scholarships and expand their outreach to offer quality educational opportunities to the community in which they are sited. Funding should also be allocated for college readiness and certificate training.	City University of New York (CUNY)
311201954E	Provide better park maintenance	Hire seasonal staff via the City Parks Workers and Parks Opportunity Program to improve maintenance at all Community Parks Initiative sites.	Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR)
311201955E	Other park programming requests	Green Thumb needs additional funding to properly execute its oversight role and ensure that community gardens are open to the public. Additional staff should be hired to assist the gardens at 111th-112th Streets and Park Avenue during the transition period to other locations.	Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR)
311201956E	Expand programs for certain industries, e.g. fashion, film, advanced and food manufacturing, life sciences and healthcare	Economic Development Corporation (EDC), in collaboration with Small Business Services (SBS), should create and package incentives to attract growth industries to locate in East Harlem, with emphasis on attracting STEM related businesses to open up additional career opportunities for local residents.	Economic Development Corporation (EDC)
311201957E	Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure	The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) and City must work aggressively with Federal partners to secure funding for Phase 2 of the Second Avenue Subway, to ease congestion on the Lexington Avenue lines, and provide an alternative to often unreliable bus lines.	Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA)
311201959E	Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs	The 125th Library received \$20 million for renovations and equipment upgrades. That branch will be closed for two years beginning in 2018. Usage will increase at the Aguilar Library as residents seek library services during this two year renovation. At a minimum, Aguilar will need to provide comfort and public safety as new windows, door and repaired building facade for current and future clients. The cost for this work is \$2.5 million.	New York Public Library (NYPL)

311201960E	Repair or provide new street lights	NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) should provide improved street lighting along 104th, 105th and 117th Streets between Park Avenue and Lexington Avenue; and 126th Street between Park Avenue and Madison Avenue. On streets where a thick tree canopy obscures the effectiveness of tradition street lights, Department of Transportation (DOT) should install lights that hand below the level of the tree canopy.	Department of Transportation (DOT)
311201961E	Enhance park safety through design interventions, e.g. better lighting	NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) should provide improved lighting along the Madison Avenue side of Marcus Garvey Park between 120th Street and 124th Street. This area is very dark at night and unsafe for pedestrians.	Department of Transportation (DOT)
311201964E	Construction Safety Training	As required by Local 196 of 2017, construction workers require an additional 40 hour construction safety training course. In conjunction with the Mayor's \$5 million commitment, the city should offer all construction workers training to pass the certified 40 hour construction safety training course as required by Local 196 before working on any and all construction projects.	Department of Buildings (DOB)
311201967E	Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs	Increase operating funding for libraries to expand 7-day service and ensire that at least one branch in every council district is open 7 days	New York Public Library (NYPL)
NEW REQUEST (Housing Committee)		City should maintain funding for group representation of tenants	Office of Management & Budget (OMB)
NEW REQUEST (Housing Committee)		NYCHA should take proactive measures to mitigate rodent population	Housing Authority (NYCHA)
NEW REQUEST (Human Services Committee)		Need more awareness of Expanded In-home Services for the Elderly (EISEP)	Department for the Aging (DFTA)
NEW REQUEST (Human Services Committee)		Need more funding for the purchase of healthy, organic food with SNAP and WIC	Human Resources Administration (HRA)

NEW REQUEST (Human Services Committee)		Need funding for certified sex education instructors to provide training in schools and at community-based organizations serving youth	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)
NEW REQUEST (District Needs & Budget Committee)		Provide funding to hire new Community/External Affairs Liaison for the East Side of Manhattan including East Harlem.	Department of Buildings (DOB)
NEW REQUEST (District Needs & Budget Committee)		Provide funding for dedicated staff for coordination with Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) on Second Avenue Subway Phase II outreach and response	Small Business Services (SBS)
NEW REQUEST (District Needs & Budget Committee)		Provide additional funding to continue FDNY's "Get Alarmed" program. \$1 million for 63,000 alarms to have installed and/or give away.	Fire Department (FDNY)
NEW REQUEST (District Needs & Budget Committee)		Dedicated staff for coordination and follow-up for identified individual and possible historic district designations through neighborhood rezoning.	Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC)
NEW REQUEST (District Needs & Budget Committee)		Provide funding for two (2) positions – Assistant Director/Community Affairs for Office of the Tenant Advocate. Focus of this office must prioritize areas across city that have been rezoned including East Harlem.	Department of Buildings (DOB)
NEW REQUEST (Public Safety & Transportation)		Require resident parking permits along commercial corridors to accomodate local residents	Department of Transportation (DOT)