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Community Board 2 / Manhattan

Capital Budget Priorities for Fiscal Year 2025 Presented to the Full Board on October 19, 2023

1. Request: Funds to build a new school.

Explanation: Allocate funds for the 100,000-square-foot Bleecker Street School.

Responsible Agency: School Construction Authority (NYC SCA)

2. Request: Funds to build affordable housing at 2 Howard

Explanation: Ask NYC Mayor's Office to work with the federal government and all federal-elected officials to transfer ownership of 2 Howard Street to NYC HPD for development of 100% permanent affordable housing. (Department of Housing Preservation & Development to fund 100% permanently-affordable housing at 2 Howard St. once the site is transferred to the City)

Responsible Agency: Mayor's Office

3. Request: Funds to include a recreation center at 388 Hudson

Explanation: In July of this year, Community Board 2 passed a resolution asking that the new proposed affordable housing building at 388 Hudson "include a NYC Parks recreation center of at least three floors at the base of the building footprint". Our capital request is to deliver on this resolution.

Responsible Agency: Department of Parks & Recreation (NYC Parks)

4. Request: Funds to make repairs at J.J. Walker Park

Explanation: Allocate funds to repair the playground and the pathway between the field and the playground and courts at James J. Walker Park.

Responsible Agency: Department of Parks & Recreation (NYC Parks)

5. Request: Funds for technology improvements in three schools

Explanation: Allocate funds for technology improvement, including smart boards for [Harvey Milk High School](#), devices, connectivity, laptops and 30 Macbooks computers for [Harvest Collegiate High School](#) and [Broome Street Academy](#).

Responsible Agency: Department of Education (NYC DOE)

6. Request: Funds for the preservation of an existing garden

Explanation: Allocate funds for the permanent preservation of Elizabeth Street Garden, in its entirety, and transfer jurisdiction from DCAS to DPR.

Responsible Agency: Department of Citywide Administrative Services (NYC DCAS)

7. Request: Funds for air conditioning system in a school building

Explanation: Allocate funds to upgrade the air conditioning system in the gymnasium and level the flooring and replace seats with bleachers at [Chelsea Career and Technical School](#).

Responsible Agency: School Construction Authority (SCA)

8. Request: Funds to upgrade outdoor space at a school]

Explanation: Allocate funds to upgrade outdoor space/green roof for education and outdoor play at Harvest Collegiate School. Coordinate with the New School.

Responsible Agency: School Construction Authority (SCA)

9. Request: Funds for street repair and bike lane addition

Explanation: Reconstruct Clarkson St. from West St. to Greenwich St. including repair & replacement of Belgian blocks and installation of a granite bicycle lane to accommodate bicycles in the street and keep them off the sidewalk where they've injured pedestrians. (DOT)

Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation (NYC DOT)

10. Request: Funds to create a gym inside a school

Explanation: Allocate funds to create a sensory gym at [PS 3 Charrette School](#) for their students in the [ASD Horizon](#) D2 program.

Responsible Agency: Department of Education (DOE) UG6

11. Request: Other expense budget request

Explanation: Allocate funds to explore funding and building green infrastructure within Community District 2.

Responsible Agency: Department of Environmental Protection (NYC DEP)

12. Request: Funds for a van to be used by a non-profit organization to deliver perishable food

Explanation: Refrigerated van for God's Love We Deliver.

Responsible Agency: NYC Human Resources Agency.

13. Request: Funds to add a bike lane

Explanation: Install granite strip bicycle lane on Morton St. btw. West St. and Washington St.

Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation (NYC DOT)

14. Request: Funds for building upgrades at a school

Explanation: Allocate funds to upgrade windows on the building and light fixtures at [PS 130 Hernando Desoto School](#). (SCA)

Responsible Agency: School Construction Authority (NYC SCA)

15. Request: Funds for street repairs on Bond St.

Explanation: Repair and replace Belgian blocks on Bond St., btw. Broadway and the Bowery and on Wooster St. btw. Houston and Canal Sts. (DOT)

Responsible: Department of Transportation (NYC DOT)

*This document ranks the board's top 3 overall FY25 Budget Priorities.
This year, three Capital Budget Priorities are ranked as the top 3 overall priorities.*

1. Request: Funds for mobile mental health outreach.

Explanation: Allocate funds for an Intensive Mobile Treatment team to be assigned to our area.

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