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01	203198216C	<p><b>Request:</b> Reconstruct Quincy Street from Classon Avenue to Broadway</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> This priority request has been listed for the past twenty-five years. It has now fallen into such a state of disrepair that it is a hazard for vehicular traffic. Any item placed as a priority, should not be unattended to in a twenty-five year time span. The residents have sought redress and the reconstruction must be done to accommodate the heavy traffic and bus travel.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Transportation</p> <p><b>Council Districts:</b> 35, 36, 41</p> <p><b>Project Id(s):</b> HWK1129</p>	<p>This project is included in the Ten-Year Plan.</p>
02	203200901C	<p><b>Request:</b> Install an elevator at the Utica Avenue Subway Station (Fulton Street).</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> The Utica Avenue subway station is the largest station in Bedford-Stuyvesant. It is a major transportation hub connecting with three bus lines: B25, B46, B15 (at Lewis Avenue) and has two subway lines the "A" and "C". This station stretches from Utica Avenue to Lewis Avenue. Not having an elevator at a major subway station like Utica Avenue violates the rights of the elderly and disabled.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Transit Authority</p> <p><b>Council Districts:</b> 36</p>	<p>OMB supports the agency's position as follows: This project is proposed for inclusion in future MTA Capital Programs for 2007-2011.</p>

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03	203198903C	<p><b>Request:</b> Reconstruct Nostrand Avenue from Flushing to Atlantic Avenues.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> Nostrand Avenue is a major Community District 3 thoroughfare. It has exposed trolley tracks, flooding and other stages of decay. In addition, it is a heavily traveled bus route. The condition of this roadway is deplorable and work needs to commence immediately to accommodate the growth within the Bedford-Stuyvesant boundaries.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Transportation</p> <p><b>Council Districts:</b> 34, 36</p> <p><b>Budget Line:</b> HW-1129</p> <p><b>Project Id(s):</b> HWK1129</p>	<p>This request is not recommended for funding.</p>
04	203200402C	<p><b>Request:</b> Rehabilitate the Sumner Avenue Armory for Community Use.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> The development of the Sumner Armory for community use would consolidate diverse and needed community facilities into one of Community District 3's most well regarded historic buildings. This would support the Black Veterans for Social Justice's proposal to provide a diverse community facility within the Sumner Armory which would include: athletic and recreational activities; an indoor track; tennis, basketball, volleyball, racquetball, and paddleball courts; a bowling alley; a swimming pool and roller skating rink; and possible a day care center.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Parks and Recreation</p> <p><b>Council Districts:</b> 36</p>	<p>OMB supports the agency's position as follows: Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.</p>

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05	203200101C	<p><b>Request:</b> Reconstruct Herkimer Street from Brooklyn Avenue to Albany Avenue.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> Herkimer Street is undergoing major development, both commercial and residential. There have been new houses constructed and at this time a Health Center is being built. This will pose a tremendous increase in vehicular and pedestrian traffic. Community Board 3 is requesting that the roadway condition be given special consideration to accommodate this expansion with major reconstruction of the roadway, including the infrastructure and all it encompasses.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Transportation</p> <p><b>Council Districts:</b> 36</p>	<p>This request is not recommended for funding.</p>
06	203200201C	<p><b>Request:</b> Fund The Establishment (Provide/Develop) an Assisted Living Facility for Seniors Within Bedford-Stuyvesant.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> There is a need for affordable housing for our senior population. Federal income guidelines eliminate many seniors and should be reformed. This targeted population is losing their homes to tax liens, predatory lending practices, failed health and/or lack of familial ties. An assisted living facility within the Bedford-Stuyvesant boundaries would create a stable environment for the pioneers of this district.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Housing Preservation &amp; Development</p> <p><b>Council Districts:</b> 36, 41</p>	<p>OMB supports the agency's position as follows: This project is included in the ten-year plan.</p>
07	203200801C	<p><b>Request:</b> Rehabilitate Pulaski Park.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> This Park with a Playground is located in a heavily residential community and until it reached its present state, was extensively used. Now as a result of unsafe conditions, this facility has been closed. Community Board 3, in line with the Mayor's greening of NYC Plan, is requesting that funds be allocated to restore this recreational area.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Parks and Recreation</p> <p><b>Council Districts:</b> 35, 36, 41</p>	<p>OMB supports the agency's position as follows: Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.</p>

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08	203200904C	<p><b>Request:</b> Establish a Recreation Center in the Vicinity of CS21/Brevoort Housing Complex.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> This area is the home of a major housing complex, residential homes, and a school. There are no accommodations for our youth to engage in positive past-times. Establishing a recreation center in this area will help to reduce the number of youth loitering without direction and provide much needed structure and a healthier environment</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Parks and Recreation</p> <p><b>Council Districts:</b> 36, 41</p>	<p>OMB supports the agency's position as follows: Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.</p>
09	203200905C	<p><b>Request:</b> Open a Senior Center in the area of Howard Avenue, between Broadway and Fulton Street</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> The eastern end of the Bedford-Stuyvesant community has no accommodations for its seniors. It can prove a hardship for some of the elderly to travel out of their immediate vicinity. The establishment of a center in this area would create a vibrant and convenient outlet for the elderly population.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department for the Aging</p> <p><b>Council Districts:</b> 36, 41</p>	<p>OMB supports the agency's position as follows: At this time, DFTA has very limited or no funding for this purpose. We will continue to advocate for federal and state funds and to work with other city agencies toward the goal. When funding is available, we are required to conduct an open competition. Community board and community agency solicitations are conducted by DFTA.</p>
10	203200906C	<p><b>Request:</b> Enclose Marcy Pool to Make it a Year- Round Facility.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> The open-air nature of the Marcy Pool renders it virtually unusable ten months of the year. Enclose the pool and create other recreational and sports facilities within the new enclosure. This remodeled facility should complement the newly renovated Bedford YMCA and at the very least rival the well-used St. John's Pool.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Parks and Recreation</p> <p><b>Council Districts:</b> 36, 35, 41</p>	<p>OMB supports the agency's position as follows: Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.</p>

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11	203200401C	<p><b>Request:</b> Reconstruct the Public School 5 Playground</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> The above park is heavily used by PS 5 neighborhood residents. The park needs a new sprinkling system, major asphalt resurfacing, chainlink fence benches, and new lighting.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Parks and Recreation</p> <p><b>Council Districts:</b> 36</p>	<p>OMB supports the agency's position as follows: Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.</p>
CS	203198026C	<p><b>Request:</b> Construct a Sanitation Garage in Community District #3 (S186).</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> At this time, CD 3 does not have a permanent place to house its sanitation garage. It is now located in a temporary venue within CD 1, which is a hardship to both communities. We would like to see this project expedited.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Sanitation</p> <p><b>Council Districts:</b> 34, 36, 41</p> <p><b>Budget Line:</b> S-186</p> <p><b>Project Id(s):</b> S-186-224</p>	<p>This project was funded in a prior fiscal year and the final design contract has been let.</p>

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CS	203200602C	<p><b>Request:</b> Rehabilitate Von King Cultural Arts Center and Construct Additional Rooms to Accommodate its Growing Use.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> The Von King Cultural Arts Center is well over 37 years old. All of its major systems are in need of upgrading. The sewer system for the past 10 years has constantly backed up, creating flooding in the theatre areas and other parts too. The electrical system can not handle the increasing need for power demands and the plumbing system needs upgrading. Because of the configuration and architectural design, there is a great deal of space not utilized. We would like for Parks to reconstruct this cultural center to utilize more space for the growing demands on this facility.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Parks and Recreation</p> <p><b>Council Districts:</b> 35, 36, 41</p> <p><b>Budget Line:</b> P-D017, P-D017</p> <p><b>Project Id(s):</b> P-203C17P, P-203D017, P-203D17E</p>	<p>OMB supports the agency's position as follows: This is a Department of Parks and Recreation project with prior, current, and/or expected future year commitments. Contact the agency for specifics.</p>
CS	203200802C	<p><b>Request:</b> Renovate the Macon Branch of the Brooklyn Public Library.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> We are eagerly awaiting the completion of this project as the Macon Branch Library is a resource to several schools in this community.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Brooklyn Public Library</p> <p><b>Council Districts:</b> 35, 36, 41</p>	<p>OMB supports the agency's position as follows: Work on this project/program has either been completed or will be finished in FY 2008.</p>

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01	203198206E	<p><b>Request:</b> Hire Additional Manpower for 79th and 81st Precincts.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> CD 3 has a dramatic spike in crime. In 2006, the 79th Pct. had 1,029 crimes vs. 1,042 for the same time period in 2007. The 81st precinct in 2006 had 730 crimes and is now up to 747. We are keenly aware of blatant gang activity in the southern portion of our community. The "Bloods" and "Crips" clearly make our schools and housing complexes the targets for their recruitment efforts. Rivalries among our various housing developments have reached epidemic proportions. We need a permanent anti-drug unit, not just a Bk N roving squad. Gunshots are routine at night and guns seem readily available on our streets. Police are overwhelmed and we desperately need more funding for added police throughout the agencies, especially transit.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Police Department</p>	<p>OMB supports the agency's position as follows: NYPD total staffing levels depend on decisions made in the Preliminary and Executive budget process. Allocation of uniformed personnel is scheduled by the NYPD only after graduation of Police classes from the Academy. Availability of civilian personnel is limited due to recent reductions to the civilian headcount.</p>
02	203200502E	<p><b>Request:</b> Hire Additional Manpower for Sanitation Enforcement.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> This year, Bedford-Stuyvesant was named as one of the dirtiest communities in New York City (Score Card Ratings). As a community, we cannot afford to be so labeled. With diligent assistance from the Department of Sanitation this community, even with its present density and expansion, finds it unacceptable to be categorized as one of the dirtiest. Illegal dumping in our community is still rampant. An increase in the number of Sanitation Police personnel (uniformed/undercover) and strict enforcement are needed to curb this blatant disregard for the Environmental and Sanitation Codes.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Sanitation</p>	<p>The agency will try to accommodate this request within existing resources.</p>

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03	203200909E	<p><b>Request:</b> Allocate Increased Funding for Enhanced Outreach to the Elderly.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> Additional funding is needed to facilitate information being disseminated to the elderly and disabled who are socially isolated. There are many resources which they can avail themselves of, but are unable to do so because there is a lack of knowledge of the different programs and resources available to assist with and enhance their quality of life.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department for the Aging</p>	<p>OMB supports the agency's position as follows: At this time, DFTA has very limited or no funding for this purpose. We will continue to advocate for federal and state funds and to work with other city agencies toward the goal. When funding is available, we are required to conduct an open competition. Community board and community agency solicitations are conducted by DFTA.</p>
04	203200910E	<p><b>Request:</b> Increase Funding for Cultural, Arts and Music Programs in Our Schools.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> The lack of funding for arts and cultural programs in our schools is paramount among the concerns of Community Board 3. We must look to other municipal entities to bring support to the children in our schools in areas such as music, dance, filmmaking and art. Programs that enhanced the curriculum in years past now lie dormant. Any pipelines into the schools in terms of grants must give preference to underserved communities such as Bedford-Stuyvesant. Pilot projects in Districts 16 and 13 would pave the way for future funding.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Education</p>	<p>The agency has not submitted a proposal to increase funding for this project. Therefore, OMB does not take any position.</p>

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05	203200911E	<p><b>Request:</b> Fund Additional After-School and Extended Day Programs Within our Public Schools.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> Each school should have after-school or "extended day" programs, in addition to cultural and recreational programs. There needs to be tutoring and anti-violence counseling that is mandatory, especially in elementary schools. In the middle schools, there should be emphasis on preparing students for high schools and special focus on test preparation for specialized high schools.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Education</p>	<p>The agency has not submitted a proposal to increase funding for this project. Therefore, OMB does not take any position.</p>
06	203200912E	<p><b>Request:</b> Fund Increased technological Capacity in CB 3 Public Schools.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> In 2003, the NYS Court of Appeals, ruling on the Campaign for Fiscal Equity, found the following elements germane to a "sound basic education": high quality teaching, small class size and adequate instrumentalities of learning such as adequate supplies, textbooks, libraries and computers. These elements reflect some of our highest priorities for the improvement of our public schools in Dists 16 &amp; 13 which cover the major portions of Comm. Dist 3. The latest data from the Dept of Ed indicate that many of our schools are still falling behind, when measured by Fed and NYS standards. Yet, the schools in Bed-Stuy often lack the tools to provide the "sound basic education" as described. We hope that under the new Contract for Excellence, the fundamentals will be fully addressed.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Education</p>	<p>The agency has not submitted a proposal to increase funding for this project. Therefore, OMB does not take any position.</p>

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07	203200913E	<p><b>Request:</b> Provide Increased Funding for Adult Education and Workforce Development Programs.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> Our education system should include programming for adults such as: Adult Education, G.E.D. Preparation, Career Counseling, etc. Due to increased drop-out rates, there is a rising population that needs to be re-introduced to the classroom in an alternative and adult setting fostering productive citizens.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Education</p>	<p>The DOE provides two sets of services for adult education. The Office of Multiple Pathways provides services to over-age students between 18-21 to help them earn a high school diploma. More information at website:<a href="http://schools.nyc.gov/Offices/YD/OMP/default.htm">http://schools.nyc.gov/Offices/YD/OMP/default.htm</a>. The Office of Adult and Continuing Education offers basic and vocational education classes to adults 21 and over. Find their website at:<a href="http://adulthoodnyc.org">http://adulthoodnyc.org</a>.</p>
08	203200914E	<p><b>Request:</b> Provide Increased Funding for Obesity Prevention and Outreach Programs.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> According to the Health Department there is an increasing prevalence of obesity in the US which has contributed to an epidemic of diabetes. About 95% of diabetes cases are Type II diabetes which is strongly associated with obesity. Uncontrolled diabetes can worsen the harmful effects of high blood pressure, high cholesterol and other risk factors for heart disease. In Central Brooklyn, 12% of adults have diabetes, compared to 9% in New York City overall.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Health and Mental Hygiene</p>	<p>The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources. OMB supports the agency's position.</p>

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09	203200901E	<p><b>Request:</b> Establish a Public Health Center in the Multi-Purpose Center at 1958 Fulton Street.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> Every day thousands more residents are locked out of a health care system that discriminates in its treatment of patients based on skin color, socioeconomic status and geographic location. The result is health care disparities that have had a devastating impact on the prosperity of this community. Many inner city residents are without preventive medicine. They go to the hospital emergency room when ill. Usually this is too late and the condition has escalated beyond control. Therefore, we support a public health center in the eastern end of Bedford-Stuyvesant and the Multi-Purpose Center is an ideal location, with easy access and available transportation.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Health and Mental Hygiene</p>	<p>OMB supports the agency's position as follows: In response to the needs of North and Central Brooklyn, DOHMH has created the North and Central Brooklyn District Public Health Office located at 485 Throop Avenue and Bushwick Health Center at 355 Central Avenue. The DPHO targets and coordinates DOHMH programs and resources; develops and implements innovative public health programs to address local needs; and serves as a community resource for information on health statistics, health care services, health related programming, health education materials and other needs.</p>
10	203200902E	<p><b>Request:</b> Increase the Number of Inspectors for Housing Code Compliance.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> Bedford-Stuyvesant in recent years has been experiencing a monumental development boom. As the community begins to expand, our needs also increase. It is imperative that the Department of Buildings have the necessary resources/staff to monitor and hold accountable all phases of construction development which includes safety and compliance.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Buildings</p>	<p>More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The agency will contact the board.</p>

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11	203200903E	<p><b>Request:</b> Implement Multi-Agency Collaboration for the Prevention of Predatory Practices.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> Bedford-Stuyvesant has one of the highest foreclosure rates in the country. Over the past decade, community groups and elected officials have partnered to fight this rising tide. We note that several city agencies have preventive predatory lending programs, but do not seem to coordinate their efforts. A creative, combined approach on the part of these agencies (mirroring our coordinated efforts in the community), would give our existing initiatives the additional impetus that it needs. This would maximize resources, and make it easier for residents to access services.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Consumer Affairs</p>	<p>The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources. OMB supports the agency's position.</p>
12	203200904E	<p><b>Request:</b> Provide Additional Funding to Maintain the Inner-City Sports Program and Update the Ball Park.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> Inner City Sports Little League Baseball (ICSLL), a non-profit which help assist young boys/girls develop citizenship, discipline, teamwork and physical well-being through baseball/softball with guidance &amp; exemplary leadership. The ICSLL develops superior citizens vs. superior athletes. CB3 supports the petition for funding a new playing field. The present playing field was build in 1927. Today's population of approximately 2,465,326 people translates into more children. Overcrowding creates many problems in meeting program needs. The field cannot handle required game and practice schedules. Major field is not regulations size. Field lighting is only from light poles, parking is inadequate. ICSLL shares the field with another group and the Parks Department.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Parks and Recreation</p>	<p>OMB supports the agency's position as follows: Further study by the agency of this new request is needed. Contact the agency.</p>

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13	203200905E	<p><b>Request:</b> Place Additional Litter Baskets on the Corners Throughout Bedford-Stuyvesant.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> Litter baskets need to be placed in strategic locations throughout the neighborhoods to accommodate additional pedestrian density in our expanding community. Our Community District was cited as one of the dirtiest in the City. More trash receptacles can off-set this condition.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Sanitation</p>	The agency will try to accommodate this request within existing resources.
14	203200906E	<p><b>Request:</b> Increase "C" train service during rush hour.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> In order to accommodate the growth in the population of Bedford-Stuyvesant, these local trains need an increase in the frequency of their scheduled run during rush hour. There are several local stops between the express stations. The "C" train is shorter, and scheduled every ten minutes as opposed to other trains which run every five to seven minutes during the same time frame. Folks that do not live at an express station are inconvenienced by having to wait an inordinate length of time and then be subjected to serious overcrowding once the train arrives.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Transit Authority</p>	Further study by the agency of this new request is needed. Therefore, OMB does not take any position.
15	203200907E	<p><b>Request:</b> Provide a Matching Salary Grant for Small Business.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> To address the problem of unemployment among black males between 18-35 years of age, we should have a salary grant, which provides 1/2 salaries to businesses fostering a workforce development effort. This will allow employers to hire additional staff for their establishment, and at the same time bring down unemployment in the community.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Small Business Services</p>	DSBS is available to provide technical assistance. Contact the agency for further information.

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16	203200908E	<p><b>Request:</b> Fund an Electricity Grant for the Small Businesses Housed in Bedford-Stuyvesant.</p> <p><b>Explanation:</b> To encourage the sustainability of small businesses in Bedford-Stuyvesant, we need an electricity grant to off-set the cost of conducting business along the north/south corridors. This would also allow businesses to purchase open gates so that they can keep some of their lights on all night.</p> <p><b>Responsible Agency:</b> Department of Small Business Services</p>	The agency will try to accommodate this request within existing resources.