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Community Boards

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## Community Boards Overview

There are 59 community boards in New York City: 12 are located in Manhattan; 12 in the Bronx; 14 in Queens; 18 in Brooklyn; and three on Staten Island. Each community board is responsible for cooperating with, advising, and assisting any public agency or office concerning matters that relate to the welfare of the district and its residents. Each board submits recommendations to the Mayor, Borough President, City Council, and other City officials in the interest of the district. Every board conducts public hearings and submits recommendations on the capital and expense budgets. Community Boards play an advisory role in zoning and other land use issues, in community planning, and in the coordination of municipal services. Each board is required to hire a full-time district manager and other staff to run a district office, which is responsible for resolving residents' service delivery problems.

<b>Community Boards Financial Summary</b>						
	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>Preliminary</b>		<b>*Difference</b>
<i>Dollars in Thousands</i>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Adopted</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015 - 2016</b>
<b>Spending</b>						
<b>Personal Services</b>	\$10,106	\$10,214	\$11,028	\$11,478	\$11,789	\$761
<b>Other Than Personal Services</b>	4,281	4,322	4,455	5,049	4,378	(\$77)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$14,387</b>	<b>\$14,536</b>	<b>\$15,483</b>	<b>\$16,526</b>	<b>\$16,168</b>	<b>\$685</b>
<b>Funding</b>						
<i>City Funds</i>			\$15,483	\$16,136	\$16,168	\$685
<i>Other Categorical</i>			0	390	0	\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$14,387</b>	<b>\$14,536</b>	<b>\$15,483</b>	<b>\$16,526</b>	<b>\$16,168</b>	<b>\$685</b>
<b>Positions</b>						
Full-Time Positions - Civilian	<b>149</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>0</b>

*\*The difference of Fiscal 2015 Adopted Budget compared to Fiscal 2016 Preliminary Budget.*

The Fiscal 2016 Preliminary Budget for the Community Boards totals \$16.1 million, including \$11.7 million in Personal Services funding. Each Board receives a standard allocation of approximately \$207,000 for PS and Other Than Personal Services expenses. The boards receive additional funding for rent and energy costs that vary from board to board. Each Board may also receive funding from other sources, including the City Council.