Commerce, Justice, Science Bill:

Brooklyn Academy of Music
Peter Jay Sharp Building
30 Lafayette Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11217
Amount requested: $300,000

Brooklyn Academy of Music requested $300,000 for its "BAM Youth Initiatives" project. The program helps at-risk youth develop creative and critical thinking skills and combats teenage delinquency through collaborations with the Red Hook Youth Court, the Urban Assembly for Law and Justice, and the Bedford Stuyvesant Restoration Corporation. Students are immersed in dialogues on the arts and cultures based on the study of a selected nation of Africa or the African Diaspora. The program offers after-school and evening art workshops, as well as a semester long cultural curriculum. "BAM Youth Initiatives" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it creatively informs underserved and at risk youth about America's judicial system by helping them to examine and consider the consequences of making choices that do not follow the rules of law. It also serves as a positive force for personal growth, both broadening participants' intellectual horizons through encounters with foreign cultures and fostering the development of artistic skills and nurturing a positive self esteem.

Computers for Youth
322 Eighth Avenue
Floor 12A
New York, NY 10001
Amount requested: $150,000

Computers for Youth requested $150,000 for its "Take IT Home" project. The project provides disadvantaged sixth graders with a free computer, engaging educational software, tailored bilingual content, family learning workshops, and technical support. Student participants increase their in-class effort (as measured by teachers), parents become confident learning partners, and standardized math scores increase. "Take IT Home" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because disadvantaged students are given the tools for academic success and self-directed learning, reducing educational inequality. Over the past two years, over 470 sixth graders from MS 246 and MS 352 received computers and related services.

EAC, Inc.
175 Remsen Street
5th Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11201
Amount requested: $500,000

EAC, Inc. requested $500,000 for its "Brooklyn TASC (Treatment Alternatives to Safer Communities)" project. The project provides an alternative to incarceration for nonviolent offenders in the form of treatment plans and drug testing. The program also provides employment and vocational support. In 2008, the program served 114 offenders in the 11th

Congressional District who suffered substance abuse and mental illness, saving taxpayers approximately $796,500. "TASC" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it is a cost effective alternative to expensive incarceration of non-violent offenders. The program also treats the offenders' mental, physical, and substance abuse issues and provides employment and vocational support.

Gay Men's Health Crisis
119 West 24th Street
New York, NY 10011
Amount requested: $2,000,000

Gay Men's Health Crisis requested $2,000,000 for its "Protecting the Health and Building a Prosperous Future for At-Risk Youth in New York City" project. The project will launch an HIV prevention campaign for at-risk youth by providing services including HIV testing, substance abuse and mental health counseling, meals and nutritional advice, legal services, and GED training and workforce development. "Protecting the Health and Building a Prosperous Future for At-Risk Youth in New York City" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because over 850 clients in the 11th Congressional District will have access to services, via a mobile van in the District. This program will provide life saving services crucial in the fight to reverse the alarming rate of infection among youth in New York City.

Good Shepherd Services
After School Center at PS/MS 32
317 Hoyt Street
Brooklyn, NY 11231
Amount requested: $500,000

Good Shepherd Services requested $500,000 for its "After School Programs" projects. The project provides year round activities for youth. After-school programs are offered to students during the school year and full time services are provided throughout the summer. The project is designed to promote individual, family, and community development. The After School Programs are integrated into schools and are designed for at-risk children and teenagers to strengthen academic, leadership, cultural, and career awareness skills. In 2008, 616 young people from the 11th Congressional District benefited from Good Shepherd's after school and GED programs. "After School Programs" are a valuable use of taxpayer funds because youth are provided with year round activities, which promote healthy individuals, families, and communities. The programs also improve student achievement in the home, at school, and in the community.

New York Junior Tennis League
58-12 Queens Boulevard
Suite 1, 59th Street Entrance
Woodside, NY 11377
Amount requested: $375,000

New York Junior Tennis League requested $375,000 for its "Tennis, Sports, Literacy, and Education Programs for High Risk New York City Young People from Low-Income Families" projects. The program includes tennis lessons, tutors, homework help, nutrition and life skills, cultural activities, and free books for youth. Last year, 22,267 young people in the 11th Congressional District participated in New York Junior Tennis League's programs. "Tennis, Sports, Literacy, and Education Programs for High Risk New York City Young People from Low-Income Families" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it provides fitness and educational after-school and summer activities to several thousand youth. The programs offer young people meaningful alternatives to the negative influences that surround them every day and supplement the critical shortage of structured in-school sports programs in public schools.

Ohel Children's Home and Family Services
4510 16th Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11204
Amount requested: $525,000

Ohel Children's Home requested $525,000 for its "At-Risk Youth and Child Abuse Prevention Program." The project provides a school-based mobile intervention team to provide evaluations, crisis intervention, and trauma and grief counselors for a variety of emotional, behavioral, and social problems, as well as those related to alcohol, drug, and substance abuse. The "At-Risk Youth and Child Abuse Prevention Program" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because these services, targeted at at-risk youth, are available at 15 schools in the 11th Congressional District. Thousands of students at these schools have access to community education, crisis intervention, psychological counseling, and mentoring.

The After-School Corporation
1440 Broadway
16th Floor
New York, NY 10018
Amount requested: $215,669

The After-School Corporation requested $215,669 for its "After-School Apprenticeship Program (ASAP)." The project provides eight weeks of training for teenagers in sports or arts apprenticeships. Trained apprentices will be placed in paid summer internships where they use their newly acquired skills in sports or arts to coach and lead others. Approximately 30 high school interns will come from the 11th Congressional District and each intern will work directly with about 500 children from the District. The "After-School Apprenticeship Program" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the high school apprentices and the children served gain self-confidence, life skills, and the ability to work as a team. The high school interns learn problem solving skills, leadership skills, patience, responsibility, and gain experience working with and understanding children.

Defense Bill:

New York Structural Biology Center
89 Convent Avenue

New York, NY 10027-7556
Amount requested: $5,000,000

New York Structural Biology Center requested $5,000,000 for its "Synchotron Beamline Experimental Station." The project provides research and development for a new beamline end station for biological research at Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL) for use on its new third generation synchrotron. The beamline end station allows researchers to study a wider range of molecules than currently possible because of the station's ability to optimize the synchrotron's unique capabilities. Such molecules are implicated in deadly viruses and diseases including biological warfare agents. The "Synchotron Beamline Experimental Station" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will provide critically important new technology research capabilities to scientists engaged in significant biological research affecting the lives and health of all U.S. citizens. The biological research includes agents most likely used against our country by bioterrorists, including anthrax, bubonic plague, and smallpox.

Energy and Water Bill:

Brooklyn College
City University of New York
2900 Bedford Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11210
Amount requested: $900,000

Brooklyn College requested $900,000 for its "Development of Pollution Prevention Technologies" project. The project provides equipment to research new sources of biofuels and development methods for processing fuels that reduce or eliminate hazardous materials and waste. Brooklyn College scientists will investigate the potential of microalgaes' application in the production of renewable biofuels and biofertilizers that can also provide a method for utilization and recycling of carbon dioxide. The "Development of Pollution Prevention Technologies" project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the research equipment will be used to achieve a goal of large scale, low cost production processes for new high energy biofuels derived from algae, as well as water treatment processes that will abate greenhouse gasses. Biofuel produced from algae will be a safe, cost effective alternative fuel for aviation and for conventional petroleum based fuels in the future.

Financial Services Bill:

Central Brooklyn Housing Contractor Association
1360 Fulton Street
Suite 415
Brooklyn, NY 11216
Amount requested: $1,500,000

Central Brooklyn Housing Contractor Association requested $1,500,000 for its "Business Incubation and Development Project." The project will develop and operate a small business incubator and development program designed to maximize the success of minority contractors

and tradesmen. The project will create a business center for use by small business owners and connect owners with other minority and women owned businesses. The "Business Incubation and Development Project" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will provide minority and women owned businesses with the administrative resources necessary to succeed. It will also build collaborations between contractors, provide professional development training, and provide access to capital sources.

Council of Jewish Organizations of Flatbush
1550 Coney Island Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11230
Amount requested: $1,215,250

Council of Jewish Organizations of Flatbush requested $1,215,250 for its "Project Return to the Workforce." The project provides wage subsidies to small businesses in the community for three months to train new immigrants and those unemployed with children under the age of 18. The subsidized training period is followed by three months of unsubsidized employment. In a majority of cases, the employee is offered a permanent position. Over the past five years, the organization has placed 1,375 formerly unemployed clients in subsidized jobs and has seen 1,000 of those clients retain their positions. "Project Return to the Workforce" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it provides new immigrants and the unemployed with young children a direct link to employment. Clients gain valuable work skills and competitive salaries. Small businesses gain hard working, qualified individuals who are dependable and are able to take on positions with increased responsibility.

Community Service Society of New York
105 East 22nd Street
New York, NY 10010
Amount requested: $750,000

Community Service Society of New York requested $750,000 for its "Financial Education Program." The project provides financial education to low-wage earners. The project trains and mobilizes older adult volunteers to serve as community intermediaries, linking low-wage earners with effective banking practices. The intermediaries can share similar backgrounds and life experiences with the participants. "Financial Education Program" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it provides services to those who may fall victim to unscrupulous actors that prey on low-wage earners who attempt to manage their finances but do not have the resources to do so.

Homeland Security Bill:

New York State Cyber Security & Critical Infrastructure Coordination
30 South Pearl Street
Albany, NY 12207
Amount requested: $5,000,000

New York State Cyber Security & Critical Infrastructure Coordination requested $5,000,000 for its "Multi-State Information Sharing & Analysis Center." The Center provides real time cyber threat detection and prevention for state and local governments. It also enhances situational awareness of the state and local government cyber environment, improves cyber incident response, and provides for cyber security assessments of state and local government networks. The "Multi-State Information Sharing & Analysis Center" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because there is a huge disparity in state and local governments' capacity to handle current vulnerabilities and threats and/or to mitigate and recover from possible cyber attacks. The Center seeks to foster collaboration between as many states as possible to prevent attacks.

Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Bill:

Brownsville Community Development Corporation
592 Rockaway Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11211
Amount requested: $500,000

Brownsville Community Development Corporation requested $500,000 for its "Towards a 21st Century Community Medical Home in Central Brooklyn" project. The Brownsville Multi-Service Family Health Center (BMS) provides and promotes integrative and high quality medical, dental, and social services to enable every individual and family in the community it serves to achieve maximum health. In 2008, the dental practice generated 8,454 patient visits. The practice has outgrown its current space and must relocate to a larger facility. The project also provides equipment for the patient-focused, senior-friendly "Geriatric Supportive Services Program." The program places an emphasis on holistic care through disease management, peer support groups, referrals to on-site specialties, and case management. The "Towards a 21st Century Community Medical Home in Central Brooklyn" project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because over the past five years, Central Brooklyn has seen its primary care capacity depleted, leaving an estimated 6,000 to 10,000 residents without reasonable access to local healthcare services. The project provides much needed upgrades to the BMS's vital dental and geriatric practices.

Boys Hope Girls Hope of New York
1377 Brooklyn Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11203
Amount requested: $120,000

Boys Hope Girls Hope of New York requested $120,000 for its "Educating Tomorrow's Leaders" project. The project expands the current partnership with Catherine MacAuley High School. Currently, 40 young women in need are enrolled as boarding students at the school and are participants in the Principal's List, Honor Roll, student government, and the community service group. The eight students who graduated in 2008 were all enrolled in an institution of higher learning. "Education Tomorrow's Leaders" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because a college education is one of the most important tools in breaking the chain of poverty. The young women, from disadvantaged families, are given a rigorous college preparatory education at no charge and receive a partial scholarship towards college tuition and continuing support services.

Council of Peoples Organization
1081 Coney Island Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11230
Amount requested: $536,050

Council of Peoples Organization requested $536,050 for its "Adult Empowerment Program." The project will teach English as a Second Language to 250 people, computer basics to 160 people, and prepare 120 people for the United States citizenship test. The Program, through its Women's Empowerment component, will assist 80 women with domestic violence concerns. The "Adult Empowerment Project" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because South Asian Americans have comparatively less English language proficiency than people of other nationalities. Knowledge of English and United States citizenship are necessary for employment. The Council's education on such subjects will enable South Asian Americans to better negotiate the job market and the health, educational, and social service systems.

New York Methodist Hospital
506 Sixth Street
Brooklyn, NY 11215
Amount requested: $500,000

New York Methodist Hospital requested $500,000 for its "Purchase and Implementation of Barcode Point-of-Care Technology." The project focuses on the elimination of medication errors through the verification of five "rights" related to medication management. Nurses are able to use a hand held device to scan the patient's wristband and medication label to verify the right medication, right dosage, right route, right patient, and right administration time. Such a system meets Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare standards for patient identification, medication use, error reporting, and process improvement. "Purchase and Implementation of Barcode Point-of-Care Technology" is a valuable use of tax payer funds because information technology, such as barcode point of care technology, can significantly reduce the human errors that lead to adverse drug events. The implementation of this technology provides an increased level of safety to an initial 14,000 inpatients annually, eventually expanding to serve all 35,000 patients annually discharged from New York Methodist Hospital, a health care facility located in the 11th Congressional District.

Prospect Park Alliance
95 Prospect Park West
Brooklyn, NY 11215
Amount requested: $800,000

Prospect Park Alliance requested $800,000 for its "Education Program at Prospect Park." The public and private school programs support New York State standards in science, math, social studies, and language arts for all grade levels and are designed to engage children of diverse cultures, ages, learning styles, and abilities. The Brooklyn Academy of Science and the Environment (BASE) High School links the Park closely to urban neighborhoods, emphasizing the natural environment's relevance to the school's population of low-income and minority

students. The "Education Program at Prospect Park" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it develops the curriculum and teaches visitors about the natural world and its stewardship, which supports the Alliance's mission to maintain the Park as a resource for the community, especially for those from under-resourced and under-resourced neighborhoods. The Prospect Park Alliance is located in the 11th Congressional District.

Reach Out and Read National Center
56 Roland St.
Boston, MA 02129
Amout Requested: $10,000,000

Reach Out and Read National Center requested $10,000,000 for its "Reach Out and Read". The project is a national program that promotes literacy and language development in infants and young children of disadvantaged families. The program trains doctors and nurses to advise patients about the importance of reading aloud and of continuing pediatric medical visits. The "Reach out and Read" project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because there are 10 programs in the 11th Congressional District, serving 25,557 children each year. Despite this service, there are still a large number of children who do not receive the necessary support and assistance for entrance into kindergarten who will not be reached without funding.

St. Francis College
180 Remsen Street
Brooklyn, NY 11201
Amount requested: $3,000,000

St. Francis College requested $3,000,000 for its "Project Access." The program provides a comprehensive series of tutor and mentor services to young people from underserved communities who lack the grades and test scores needed for college admission. In 2008, the 280 student participants averaged 200 points lower on the SAT than St. Francis College's incoming freshman class. Despite the initial disparity, the majority of participants progressed towards their degrees with mean grade point averages comparative to their peers. "Project Access" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it develops the untapped potential of young people from Brooklyn's underserved communities. With extra academic and social support, these underserved students can successfully pursue a college degree, especially in the science, health, or information technology fields. St. Francis College is located in the 11th Congressional District.

University Center for Academic and Workforce Development
State University of New York
State University Plaza
22 Corporate Woods Boulevard, 3rd Floor
Albany, NY 12246
Amount requested: $1,514,587

The University Center for Academic and Workforce Development requested $1,514,587 for its "Advanced Technology Training and Information Networking Lab." The program will increase digital parity and provides access to education and employment services that are critical to remedy entrenched poverty, under employment, and under education. The Lab will provide approximately 1,500 individuals in the 11th Congressional District with access to computers, the internet, and resources for employment and higher education. The "Advanced Technology Training and Information Networking Lab" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will connect people with no computer or home internet access with the hardware to obtain information on employment and higher education opportunities.

Transportation and Housing and Urban Development Bill:

Brooklyn Botanical Garden
1000 Washington Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11225
Amount requested: $2,000,000

Brooklyn Botanical Garden requested $2,000,000 for its "Flatbush Avenue Entrance and School Group Orientation Area." The project will establish an inter-modal entrance facility that will accommodate the public, school buses, and visitors on bicycles. The location will include new ticket booths, visitor restrooms, and direct access to a school and camp group lunchroom. The "Flatbush Avenue Entrance and School Group Orientation Area" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because without the requested entrance facility, the area is inadequate to safely handle school groups, has minimal room for orientation, and does not have the necessary facilities to ensure a safe and comfortable visit for the 150,000 students who visit the Brooklyn Botanical Garden each year. The Brooklyn Botanical Garden is located in the 11th Congressional District.

Brooklyn Children's Museum
145 Brooklyn Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11213
Amount requested: $1,000,000

Brooklyn Children's Museum requested $1,000,000 for its "Community Cultural and Education Center Construction" project. The project enables nearly year round use of the Community Cultural and Educational Center, which is located on the museum rooftop. A canopy will allow education programs, cultural programs, and earned income opportunities to take place regardless of the weather or season of the year. The "Community Cultural and Education Center Construction" project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the space will be vital for the accommodation of the increased number of family visitors, large school and summer camp groups, and free community events such as "Free Fridays" which attracts over 5,000 visitors every July and August. The Brooklyn Children's Museum is located in the 11th Congressional District.

Brooklyn Museum
200 Eastern Parkway
Brooklyn, NY 11238

Amount requested: $217,000

Brooklyn Museum requested $217,000 for its "Re-creating a State of the Art Auditorium for Public Service" project. The project provides a surround sound system, wireless and intercom system, a complete lighting and dimming system and an absolute control system to allow on-stage control of all new systems. The 416 seat auditorium functions for the educational and cultural enrichment of residents, visitors, school children, and local community groups. The "Re-creating a State of the Art Auditorium for Public Service" project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the venue is a popular location for approximately 70,000 visitors each year attending community events, education programs, and Museum events. The venue hosts Medgar Evers College Musical Department and diverse group of local schools. Renovations are needed to meet current use and future demand.

CAMBA
1720 Church Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11226
Amount requested: $2,500,000

CAMBA requested $2,500,000 for its "Albany Gardens" project. The project creates 202 units of affordable and supportive housing on the campus of Kings County Hospital. This project will serve as a model for the incorporation of hospital land with affordable housing. The housing units will be reserved for individuals and families with a disabled head of household exiting the New York City shelter system, as well as low income families. The "Albany Gardens" project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will re-use under-utilized land for housing, will connect patients with stable housing, will connect tenants with healthcare, and will provide additional revenue for the hospital and surrounding area businesses. The Albany Gardens project is located in the 11th Congressional District.

Caribbean American Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Inc.
63 Flushing Avenue
Unit 239
Brooklyn, NY 11205
Amount requested: $282,000

The Caribbean American Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Inc. requested $282,000 for its "Caribbean Trade Center Small Business Incubator" project. The project will build a 28,000 square foot building in the heart of the Caribbean American community in East Flatbush to serve as the Caribbean American Chamber of Commerce's headquarters. The Chamber of Commerce will provide a small business assistance center with business networking seminars and financial literacy and procurement opportunities for emerging businesses. The "Caribbean Trade Center Small Business Incubator" is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the construction of the building will create at least 75 jobs in the construction industry, as well as permanent positions upon completion of the project. The organization provides vital services to minority and women owned businesses and will be able to expand their programs with the construction of the Trade Center.

Gowanus Canal Conservancy
509 Court Street
Brooklyn, NY 11231
Amount requested: $580,000

Gowanus Canal Conservancy requested $580,000 for its "Gowanus Canal Sponge Park" project. The project designs and constructs a publicly accessible esplanade and open space that incorporates carefully selected greenery to absorb and manage excess surface runoff. The canal area may be used for recreation and the mini-park gives the community ownership of a previously untended area. The "Gowanus Canal Sponge Park" project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it provides residents with a clean recreation destination. The select plants work as natural filters to clean toxic street runoff. This project serves as a national model for other formerly industrial areas in which residents have limited access to green space. The Gowanus Canal Sponge Park is located in the 11th Congressional District.

NHS of East Flatbush
2806 Church Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11226
Amount requested: $25,000

NHS of East Flatbush requested $25,000 for its "Homeownership Education" project. The project provides grants to homeowners, facilitates ongoing educational workshops, and provides one-on-one counseling to homeowners residing in the 11th Congressional District. The project's rehabilitative services help preserve the housing stock and ensure that houses are code compliant. The "Homeowner Education" project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it reduces the threat of foreclosures in East Flatbush by connecting homeowners to post-purchase education and foreclosure intervention counseling. The project also facilitates mortgages and fosters relationships with community based organizations. The Homeowner Education programs are available to thousands of residents in Flatbush, Brownsville, Crown Heights, and Prospect/Lefferts.