

Urban Policy Lab, Clients and Issues, Spring 2014

Client	Topic
Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce	Establishing industry partnerships to help address Brooklyn's workforce development needs.
Community Access	How should Community Access assess and measure its performance?
Community Environmental Center (CEC)	What financing model should CEC adopt to support energy-efficient retrofits of small multi-family buildings?
Correctional Association of NY	How can the Correctional Association of NY best advocate for the release of the elderly from prison? (Parsons Collaboration)
Lott CDC	Analyze development potential within the portfolios of five non-profit affordable housing development organizations in Northern Manhattan and propose options for how it can be used to develop additional affordable housing and meet other community needs. (Parsons Collaboration)
Lutheran Social Services	Devise a competitive fee schedule for Lutheran Social Services' immigration legal services program that will contribute to the program's overall sustainability
Manhattan Boro President Gale Brewer	How should the city's tax exemption program 421(a) be changed when it comes up for renewal in 2015?
Northeast Brooklyn Housing Development Corporation (NEBHDCo)	How can NEBHDCo make best use of its facilities at 376 and 378 Throop Avenue and surrounding properties, to maximize new community services and food access program opportunities? (Parsons Collaboration)
NYC Anti Hunger Coalition	Establishing a pilot Food & Nutrition Zone in New York City
NY Public Library	How should the New York Public Library address the health information needs of city residents?
NYC Dept. of Design & Construction and Brooklyn Community District 14	What policy and management changes can help community boards strengthen their role in citywide budgeting? (Parsons Collaboration)
NYC Dept of Youth & Community Development (DYCD)	What afterschool models should DYCD adopt to best engage and retain middle school youth in future and current programs?
NYC Dept Youth & Community Development (DYCD)	How can DYCD best support dynamic, engaging afterschool programs that (1) increase literacy skills and (2) develop lasting leadership skills of middle school participants? (Parsons Collaboration)

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NYC Dept. of Probation	How can the Department of Probation (DOP) build upon its commitment to the Clinton Global Initiative (CGI) to more systemically connect adult clients (primarily those ages 18-25) to higher education and workforce development opportunities?
Palladia	Initial assessment of supportive housing facility for individuals who are high frequency, high cost Medicaid users with substance use disorder and possible chronic health conditions and a co-occurring mental illness.
Safe Horizon	Develop a strategy to expand Safe Horizon's Domestic Violence Law Project to include higher earning clients who still can't afford a private market-rate attorney to obtain civil relief.