FAQs and Quick Links

- Borough Hall’s Community Board Webpage
- Community Board Application
- Borough President Antonio Reynoso’s Op-Ed: Community board application season has begun!

What is a community board?
The 18 Community Boards found within Brooklyn represent the needs of these neighborhoods, weighing in on important issues of residents, business owners, and other stakeholders. With the ability to deliver city services, manage a budget, and have oversight in land use and zoning issues, community board members play a critical role at preserving the grassroots rights within their community.

Am I eligible?
All NYC residents 16 years and older who live, work, or have a significant interest in a community can serve on a community board. Find your Community Board using the NYC Department of Planning’s Community District Profiles: https://communityprofiles.planning.nyc.gov/

How can I learn more about my community board?
After identifying your community board at https://communityprofiles.planning.nyc.gov/, head over to https://www.brooklyn-usa.org/community-boards/ to find your community board’s specified website full of their latest news, projects, and priorities.

What’s the time commitment?
Each community board member serves for two years and can reapply at the end of their term.

Boards meet regularly each month from September through June. Each meeting typically lasts between 2-3 hours. All board members are required to attend the monthly meeting, as well as to join a committee and attend their committee’s meeting. The Borough President will also offer hearings, workshops, and trainings that members are expected to attend. The anticipated monthly time commitment is 4 to 8 hours.

Does it cost money to serve on a community board? Do members make any money?
No and no – it’s completely free to serve on a community board, and because it’s a volunteer position, members do not receive monetary compensation.

How do I apply?
Community board applications are open November 15, 2022, through February 14, 2023. You can apply through our portal at https://www.brooklyn-usa.org/applybkcb/ or by printing a physical copy at https://www.brooklyn-usa.org/community-boards/ and returning it to Brooklyn Borough Hall by mail or in person.

I have more questions! Who can I talk to for answers?
Reach us at CBApplications@brooklynbp.nyc.gov.

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