

### **3.3 COMMUNITY FACILITIES**

The *CEQR Technical Manual* requires that a detailed analysis be performed if actions would:

- Increase service demands by adding more than 100 residents; or
- Physically alter a community facility

#### **3.3.1 Existing Conditions**

The following community facilities serve the project area:

- **Police Services.** The site is located within the 78<sup>th</sup> Police Precinct, whose precinct house is located at 65 Sixth Avenue, approximately 0.33 miles from the site.
- **Fire Services.** Several firehouses are located within a half-mile of the project site. They include Engine Company 219, Ladder Company 105 (approximately 0.35 miles away); and Engine Company 226, Ladder Company 132 (approximately 0.51 miles away).
- **Health Care Services.** The area is served by several medical centers and hospitals, including The Brooklyn Hospital Center at Downtown Campus, approximately one mile from the site on DeKalb Avenue; New York Methodist Hospital, also approximately one mile from the site in Park Slope (Seventh Avenue); and Long Island College Hospital, approximately 1.15 miles from the site in Brooklyn Heights on Hicks Street.
- **Public Schools.** In addition to the existing PS 133 elementary school on the project site, one primary school (PS 282), one intermediate school (IS 266), and one special education school (PS 77), are located within a ¼-mile radius of the project site in Brooklyn CSD 13. One high school, the Brooklyn High School of the Arts (K656), and one intermediate school, the Math & Science Exploratory School (MS 447), are also located within a ¼-mile radius of the project site in CSD 15 (see Figure 8).

#### **3.3.2 Future No-Action Conditions**

Under Future No-Action Conditions, the proposed new school facility would not be built and the existing PS 133 elementary school would remain on the site. Within the study area, the two residential developments currently under construction on the west side of Fourth Avenue would be completed. The additional residential population introduced by these developments would place some additional demand on community facilities serving the area. No new community facilities are known to be proposed or planned for the area.

#### **3.3.3 Potential Impacts of the Project**

The proposed project is intended to improve the provision of school services by creating additional public school capacity on the project site to accommodate the area's current and projected future student enrollment and, for the following reasons, would not adversely affect community facilities and services in the study area. The proposed project would not add residents to the area who could place an additional demand on services. While the proposed project would result in the physical alteration of a community facility—that is the demolition of the existing PS 133 elementary school—the proposed project would replace the existing school with a larger, upgraded facility. In addition, the PS 133 elementary school would continue to operate at a temporary swing space while the proposed new school facility is being constructed and no significant disruption to school services would be expected to occur during construction. Therefore, the proposed project would not result in significant adverse impacts to community facilities and services.

FIGURE 8: COMMUNITY FACILITIES

