



MICHIGAN SENATE

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 06/30/2026

1. Sponsoring legislator's full name:

Senator Sylvia Santana

2. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):

Sylvia Santana

3. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:

Matrix Human Servies

4. Physical address of legislatively directed spending item recipient and the intended location of the project or activity:

1400 Woodbridge Detroit, MI 48207

5. The recipient's employer identification number:

38-1358015

6. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:

\$3,000,000.00

7. What is the purpose and how does the legislatively directed spending item provide a public benefit that is an appropriate use of taxpayer money?

The purpose of this legislatively directed spending item is to support healthcare workforce development by expanding training and job placement for Certified Medical Assistants (CMA/CCMA) and Patient Care Technicians (PCT) across Michigan. These occupations are experiencing documented workforce shortages statewide and are critical to the daily operation of hospitals, clinics, long-term care facilities, and community health centers in both urban and rural communities. This appropriation provides a clear public benefit by increasing the number of trained frontline healthcare workers available to support patient care throughout the state. By improving access to services and reducing staffing shortages that strain Michigan's healthcare system, the funding strengthens care delivery for residents in all regions. Preparing Michigan residents for high-demand healthcare jobs helps stabilize

treatment access, reduces delays in care, and allows licensed clinical staff to work at the top of their license. The investment also supports economic mobility by offering short-term training pathways that lead to immediate employment and long-term career advancement. Because the training addresses a statewide workforce need and benefits communities across Michigan, it represents an appropriate and responsible use of taxpayer funding. This legislatively directed spending item does not violate Article IV, Section 30 of the Michigan Constitution. The appropriation serves a clear public purpose by addressing statewide healthcare workforce shortages and improving access to essential healthcare services for Michigan residents. The funds are not intended to provide a private benefit and will be used solely for workforce training and related services, subject to appropriate state oversight, accountability, and reporting requirements.

8. Has the legislatively directed spending item previously received or been awarded any of the following types of funding in the past 5 years? If so, how much? Check all that apply:

State

Amount

\$750,000.00

9. Estimated time frame for completion of the legislatively directed spending item project:

12 months

10. Is the recipient a nonprofit corporation?

Yes

Additional Information for Nonprofit Corporations (if applicable)

The answer to questions 1 to 3 must be "Yes" for the nonprofit corporation to qualify for a legislatively directed spending item.

1. Has the nonprofit corporation continuously operated in this state for the preceding 36 months?

Yes

2. Has the nonprofit corporation had a physical office in this state for not less than the preceding 12 consecutive months?

Yes

3. Does the organization have a board of directors?

Yes

4. List all of the officers and active members on the board of directors:

Matrix Human Services	Board of Directors	Name
Board Position	Frank Ervin III	Chairman Keith James
Vice Chair	Duane Garth	Treasurer Eric Longs
Secretary	Shelia English	Board Member Erica Bell
Board Member	Kimberly Blotkamp-Hilliard	Board Member Sherman Edwards
Board Member	Dimitrius Hutcherson	Board Member Heidi Ford
Board Member	Krista Pankopf	Board Member Robert Luce
Record Jr.		Board Member Jerome
Board Member	Eileen Storer-Smith	Board Member Maria Salinas
Valdez		Board Member Rachelle
Board Member		Board Member Laura You

Certification By Sponsoring Legislator

"I certify that my immediate family members, legislative staff members, and I have no direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the requested legislatively directed spending item."

"I certify that the intended recipient of this legislatively directed spending item is not a for-profit entity."

"I certify that the information in this form is true to the best of my knowledge."

Senator Sylvia Santana