



# MICHIGAN SENATE

## Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 03/24/2026

**1. Sponsoring legislator's full name:**

Senator Rick Outman

**2. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):**

N/A

**3. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:**

My Community Dental Centers, Inc.

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

MCDC Administrative Office: 2940 Parkview Dr, Petoskey, MI 49770      Locations receiving upgrades: 1. Allegan: 1535 Lincoln Road, Allegan, MI 2. Battle Creek: 3566 Capital Avenue SW, Battle Creek, MI 3. Bay City: 2614 Center Avenue, Bay City, MI 4. Benton Harbor: 143 E Main St, Benton Harbor, MI 5. Big Rapids: 14435 Northland Drive, Big Rapids, MI 6. Cadillac: 521 Cobb Street, Cadillac, MI 7. Charlotte: 623 Courthouse Drive, Charlotte, MI 8. Coldwater: 382 E Chicago Street, Coldwater, MI 9. Cedar Springs: 14111 White Creek Ave NE, Cedar Springs, MI 10. Detroit: 5555 Conner Avenue, Detroit, MI 11. Engadine: W14034 Melville Street, Engadine, MI 12. Flint: 4007 West Court Street, Flint, MI 13. Harrison: 815 North Clare Avenue, Harrison, MI 14. Hart: 3988 North Oceana Drive, Hart, MI 15. Hillsdale: 20 Care Drive, Hillsdale, MI 16. Howell: 1335 Byron Road, Howell, MI 48843 17. Kentwood: 4700 Kalamazoo Avenue Southeast, Kentwood, MI 18. Manistee: 220 Glocheski Drive, Manistee, MI 19. Marquette: 1110 West Washington Street, Marquette, MI 20. Mt. Pleasant: 2020 East Preston, Mount Pleasant, MI 21. Port Huron: 3037 Electric Avenue, Port Huron, MI 22. Saginaw: 185 North Frost Drive, Saginaw, MI 23. Sandusky: 135 West Sanilac Road, Sandusky, MI 24. Sidney: 1550 West Sidney Road, Sidney, MI 25. Sturgis: 1525 East Chicago Road, Sturgis, MI 26. Three Rivers: 721 6th Avenue, Three Rivers, MI 27. Walker: 890 3 Mile Road NW, Grand Rapids, MI 28. Ypsilanti: 111 North Huron Street Suite 100, Ypsilanti, MI

**5. The recipient's employer identification number:**

300393232

**6. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:**

\$3,300,000.00

**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?**

This one-time legislatively directed spending item would modernize essential dental equipment and technology at My Community Dental Centers, helping keep clinics open, safe, and reliable across Michigan. Many centers are operating with aging equipment and unsupported systems that slow care and create long waiting times. By upgrading delivery units, sterilization equipment, and core technology, this investment supports more than 92,000 patients each year, most of whom are Medicaid-enrolled or live in rural and underserved communities. It also helps prevent avoidable emergency room visits for dental issues, saving taxpayer dollars while keeping care local and affordable. This is a practical, cost-effective use of taxpayer funds that strengthens Michigan's dental safety net and delivers clear public health benefits.

**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**

\$9,100,000.00

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

10 months from receipt of payment – estimate of late 2027

**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:**

Susan Moran, RN, MPH — Chair John E. Barnas — Vice-Chair Gerald "Jerry" Messana, MPA — Secretary/Treasurer and Community Director Stacey Barbas — Director Jeremy Andrews, MPA — Director William Ridella, MBA — Director Jason Jorkasky, MPA — Director Kevin Hughes — Director Gordon Bloem — Director Melanie Brim — Director Kelly Brittain, PhD, RN — Director

*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 Rick Outman*