



MICHIGAN SENATE

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 03/24/2026

1. Sponsoring legislator's full name:

Senator Jeff Irwin

2. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):

N/A

3. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:

Pittsfield Charter Township

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

6201 W. Michigan Ave, Ann Arbor, MI 48108

5. The recipient's employer identification number:

381737680

6. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:

\$250,000.00

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?

Pittsfield Charter Township is requesting \$250,000 in funding to support a comprehensive study of the Carpenter Road Corridor. A 2025 Road Safety Audit of Carpenter and Packard Roads, completed by WSP engineering and funded by SEMCOG, identified numerous safety risks to vulnerable road users in the area, and recommended that a full-scale study of the corridor be completed to best address those concerns. The consulting team will be charged with completing an analysis of existing conditions in the corridor, collecting public and stakeholder input on the future of the corridor, and developing recommendations relating to safety, accessibility, and economic vitality. The corridor is home to the Township's primary commercial district, and experiences some of the highest traffic volumes in Washtenaw County. It has also been identified as one of the most dangerous

thoroughfares in Washtenaw County for vulnerable road users and drivers alike—multiple pedestrian fatalities occurred on Carpenter Road in 2025, and of the ten most dangerous intersections in the County, three of them are located in the corridor. The Washtenaw County Road Commission, in partnership with the Township, are currently acting on many of the short-term recommendations provided in the SEMCOG Road Safety Audit to improve safety conditions (such as adjusting pedestrian signal timings and improving roadway markings). A long-term improvement plan that coordinates the interests and constraints of the Township, Road Commission, and transit agencies that service the corridor, however, remains necessary. A corridor improvement study will allow the Township and its partner stakeholders to identify infrastructural improvements that support the safety and useability of Carpenter Road. The study will benefit the drivers, pedestrians, transit-users, and businesses that regularly access the corridor. A long-term plan is necessary to realize the Township’s vision for a multi-modal Carpenter Road that serves not only as a connection point between Pittsfield Township and its surrounding communities, but also as an economic hub in which existing businesses, apartment complexes, and senior living facilities can safely thrive.

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:

N/A

Amount

N/A

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

Assuming funding in Q1 2027, the study would likely conclude in Q4 2027.

10. Is the recipient a nonprofit corporation?

No

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?

No

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

No

3. Does the organization have a board of directors?

No

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

N/A

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 Jeff Irwin