



MICHIGAN SENATE

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 03/23/2026

1. Sponsoring legislator's full name:

Senator Stephanie Chang

2. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):

N/A

3. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:

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

6445 East Vernor Hwy. Detroit, MI 48207

5. The recipient's employer identification number:

275106242

6. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:

\$500,000.00

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?

Funding will 1) double capacity for student enrollment, allowing 500 8-18 year old students and their families annually; 2) Expand space specifically for science, technology, engineering, arts, and Mathematics (STEAM) programming; and 3) Provide space to be utilized by community partners and for community programming outside of the organization's regularly scheduled student programming hours, serving as a meaningful resource to the surrounding community.

- 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

\$3,000,000.00

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

December 31, 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:**

Jeri Fishman - President, Gary Wilson - Vice President, Joe Schmidt - Treasurer, Diedra Wilson - Secretary, Jeff Addison, Clifford Brown, Julie Lodge-Jarrett, David Moss, Matt Rossetti, Todd Sachse, Brian Vieaux, Robert Young

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 Stephanie Chang*