



# MICHIGAN SENATE

## Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 07/01/2026

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

Senator Chedrick Greene

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

N/A

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

Michigan's 42nd Circuit Court

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

301 W Main St, Midland, MI 48640

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

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

\$285,000.00

**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 Midland County Honest Opportunity Probation with Enforcement (MiHOPE) program is the 42nd Circuit Court's Swift and Sure Sanctions Probation Program (SSSPP). The program is a prison diversion intensive probation which uses strict supervision and enforcement coupled with community resources to break the cycle of substance abuse and crime. On average, it costs \$48,000 to house one prisoner per year and therefore, MiHOPE's 65 graduates have saved the State of Michigan over \$3 million each year they are in the community and not in prison. The focus is on those who would otherwise be high-risk of going to prison but who can be supervised safely, not on those whose history indicates that community safety may be at risk. Participants are sentenced to a 5-year term of probation where they must maintain sobriety, attend relevant substance abuse treatment as well as group classes, report

to probation as instructed, maintain a job or do community service work and pay their fines and costs. All rules are strictly enforced and every failure to meet the requirements is a violation of probation and is sanctioned. When a participant makes two years with no violation, other than being late to an appointment, they are discharged successfully. Participants who demonstrate lack of effort or can no longer be supervised are discharged unsuccessfully and sentenced to prison. SSSPP is a line item in the Judiciary budget. The State Court Administrative Office (SCAO) administers SSSPP and distributes grants to qualifying courts. This line item received a significant reduction in the FY25 budget. Previous award amounts for the 42nd Circuit Court specifically by fiscal year in the last 5 years: - FY22: \$266,092 - FY23: \$270,000 - FY24: \$285,000 - FY25: \$285,000 - FY26: \$104,097 While receiving a significant deduction from the State, the community recognizes the importance of MiHOPE and the 42nd Circuit Court received a \$37,200 grant from the Midland Area Community Foundation for recovery coaching. Midland County also agreed to utilize their opioid settlements fund to fill gaps for this year, up to \$157,059.

**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, Local

**Amount**

\$1,404,448.00

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

Ongoing through FY27

**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 Chedrick Greene*