



# MICHIGAN SENATE

## Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

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Date Submitted: 02/13/2026

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

Senator Sue Shink

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

N/A

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

City of Ann Arbor

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

Ann Arbor City Hall, 301 E. Huron Ave., Ann Arbor, MI 48104; Election Center, 3201 Miller Rd, Ann Arbor, MI, 48103

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

386004534

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

\$937,200.00

**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?**

Appropriately administering elections is one of the most essential jobs of local government. Due to the large student population at the University of Michigan living within Ann Arbor, it experiences high turnout, large numbers of same-day voter registration, and frequent voter address changes, consistent with the population it serves. It also has a large number of residents who use absentee ballots to vote. Combined, these factors create complicated logistical challenges for the city, and require additional staff and processing capacity. By creating an election center within the city, elections in Ann Arbor will be more secure, transparent, and efficient. Improving the capacity of the city to manage election-related logistics will increase

public confidence in election management, and lead to a better experience for both voters and staff.

- 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**

\$1,000,000.00

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

This project is under contract and in active construction, and is expected to be completed by May 2026.

- 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 Sue Shink*