



# MICHIGAN SENATE

## Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

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Date Submitted: 03/18/2026

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

Senator John N. Damoose

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

N/A

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

Friends of Drummond Island Fire Department

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

29934 E. Court Street, Drummond Island, MI 49726

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

923157290

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

\$2,075,725.00

**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?**

Construction or Restoration of a firehall to house firefighting apparatus and equipment. The Drummond Island Fire Department currently operates from a former school bus garage with no running water or bathroom/shower facility. The Department is the sole firefighting and search & rescue entity on an island that is home to over 1600 residents. The Drummond Island Township provides funds via tax assessments for routine operations (apparatus and equipment repairs, supplies, gasoline and utilities), however there are no funds available for capital expenditures. The non-profit arm of the fire department depends entirely on donations to purchase critical equipment such as dry hydrants and Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBAs).

- 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:**

Federal

**Amount**

\$10,000.00

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

24 months

- 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:**

Benjamin Richwine, President Amanda Crane, Secretary Nicholas Newell, Treasurer Lawrence Kadolf, Director Nolan Hartman, Director Chuck McCloskey, 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 John N. Damoose*