



MICHIGAN SENATE

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 01/20/2026

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:

Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians

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

Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians: 523 Ashmun Street Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783
Project Location: Lodge of Hope 3901 I-75 Business Spur Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783

5. The recipient's employer identification number:

237249643

6. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:

\$451,717.29

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?

Many of our homeless Tribal Members experience physical and mental health issues, active addiction, child welfare, and law-enforcement involvement; all of these barriers affect the ability to become re-housed. Therefore, the Lodge of Hope provides on-site Case Management to assist Tribal Members to become re-housed. The Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians' active goals are to work with Tribal members to obtain realistic, affordable, and maintainable housing. The Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians is seeking funding to continue offering Shelter Services to the Tribal Membership, including staff wages/fringe, facility upgrades, equipment/supplies, and support services for shelter guests. Funding would also

allow the Sault Tribe to explore additional funding sources to maintain critical services for our 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:**

Federal, State

Amount

\$8,630,061.71

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

9-30-26

- 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 John N. Damoose