



MICHIGAN SENATE

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 02/23/2026

1. Sponsoring legislator's full name:

Senator Stephanie Chang

2. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):

Mary Cavanagh, Mark Huizenga, Michael Webber

3. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:

Empowerment Plan

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

7640 Kercheval Ave. Detroit, MI 48214

5. The recipient's employer identification number:

423265365

6. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:

\$1,000,000.00

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 support programming to lift families out of homelessness, providing workforce development by making sleeping bag coats for homeless communities worldwide and providing wrap around services and resource navigation for participating families.

- 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

\$2,250,000.00

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

Estimated completion by end of 2026.

- 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:**

Steve Hamp, President Tiffany Ford, Treasurer Chad Kilpatrick, Secretary Veronica Scott Tim Melton Peter Remington Shannon Warren Tony Mirafzali Terry Whifield Tonya Adair Amber Hinton Christine Rees-zecha

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