



MICHIGAN SENATE

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 02/19/2026

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:

Antrim County Commission on Aging

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

Antrim County Commission on Aging 308 East Cayuga Bellaire, Michigan 49615

5. The recipient's employer identification number:

386000098

6. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:

\$1,980,000.00

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 need for safe, engaging, and supportive services for older adults has never been greater. Antrim County's 2020 US Census notes that our residents aged 65 and up comprised 30% of the population, and our fastest growing demographic is that same age group. The Antrim County Commission on Aging's (COA) current building in Bellaire is bursting at the seams and is limiting the availability of supportive programs. To help meet the increasing demand for senior services, the COA has developed concept plans for a ±4,500 square-foot addition. The addition is of public benefit and an excellent use of tax payor money as it will enhance services for seniors and their families and allow the COA to provide adult day respite care, personal care, wellness and enrichment activities, and many critical senior services—all in one welcoming, accessible environment designed specifically for aging adults. •

For Seniors The most direct and immediate impact of this project will be increased quality of life and independence for participating seniors. They will be in an environment that can improve physical, cognitive, and emotional health. In addition, they will have abundant opportunities to make meaningful social connections in a safe environment. • For Families & Caregivers Almost as important are the many secondary benefits. Families and caregivers will have access to a reliable daytime program that will provide respite and peace of mind. This will reduce caregiver stress and burnout, project support that allows loved ones to remain at home as long as possible, and create possibilities for the caregiver to become employed. • For the Community There will be a reduced strain on healthcare systems and longterm care facilities, a stronger network of support services to continue to make Antrim Countyan "Age Friendly Community,"and a more effective and efficient use of COA's caregiver resources by providing some care at a centralized space

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:

N/A

Amount

N/A

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

October 2028

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