



MICHIGAN SENATE

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 01/30/2026

1. Sponsoring legislator's full name:

Senator Michael Webber

2. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):

N/A

3. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:

The New Foster Care

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

1615 S. Telegraph Road Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302

5. The recipient's employer identification number:

4793580

6. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:

\$1,900,000.00

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 purpose of this legislatively directed spending item is to support wraparound services and support housing development for youth who are currently in foster care or those who are aging out of foster care in Michigan. The project expands a dynamic direct service model known as "The Bridge," which provides individualized supports focused on housing stability, education, employment readiness, and life skills, and also supports a kinship Connections pilot designed to strengthen family and community-based placements. In addition, the project supports the development of supportive housing units for youth aging out of foster care, addressing a critical gap during the transition to adulthood, and reducing the risk of homelessness and long-term system involvement. This spending item serves a clear public purpose by improving outcomes for a highly vulnerable population, strengthening community

stability, and reducing future public costs associated with housing insecurity, emergency services, and institutional care. This project will help kids from all around the state, including the MI 9th district, who are aging out of traditional foster care programs, and provide them with housing and job training, support resources, and hopefully reintegrate them back into their original communities once their situation has stabilized. Note: This funding was cut in the FY 25 work projects

- 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

\$14,472,500.00

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

October 1st 25- September 30th 27

- 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:

Christopher Yatooma Brian Calley Liza Munro Jeanette Brown

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 Michael Webber