



MICHIGAN SENATE

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 04/06/2026

1. Sponsoring legislator's full name:

Senator Sean McCann

2. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):

N/A

3. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:

Charter Township of Comstock

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

Comstock Township Hall: 5858 King Hwy. Kalamazoo 49048 Project Location: 1960 River St. Kalamazoo 49048

5. The recipient's employer identification number:

38-6004790

6. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:

\$566,110.00

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 total project cost \$566,110. The Comstock Township Department of Fire Rescue has a traffic safety tow vehicle and attenuator trailer that we acquired several years ago with no financial assistance. The tow vehicle and trailer were purchased after a Line of Duty Death on I-94 with Chief Ed Switalski in 2017. The current tow vehicle is past its life expectancy and the attenuator trailer can only block one lane of traffic. We are requesting a new chassis and "mobile barrier" unit to outfit the chassis as a traffic blocker with attenuator and directional sign board. The mobile barrier equipment is also rated to block more than one lane which is very beneficial for multi-lane highways in Kalamazoo County and the region. A significant improvement in traffic management would be seen for not only the township of

Comstock but all surrounding areas as we respond together daily to incidents. Additionally, the vehicle/equipment is available for use in the region by not only fire department's but other public safety responses entities including fire, law enforcement, EMS, and tow/recovery. With the improvement in traffic incident management comes a direct and positive effect on saving lives and property. The quicker we can mitigate a roadway emergency, the quicker we can clear and allow traffic to flow again and minimizing secondary crashes which is the goal in traffic incident management. In addition to preserving lives and property, positive economic impact has a great potential. Saving businesses from fire and other hazards to keeping our major traffic thoroughfares open directly relates to positive financial impact, not only for our community and county but beyond. The benefit of this equipment and technology could have benefited many in the 193 car pile up on I-94 near Galesburg in 2015. The township does not have funds allocated for this project currently and no option for replacement in sight. This project benefits Kalamazoo County and region 5 as a whole.

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:

1st Qtr 2027

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 Sean McCann