



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:
10080 E Michigan Ave. Galesburg 49053

5. The recipient's employer identification number:

38-6004790

6. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:

\$11,500,000.00

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?

New/Replacement Comstock Township Fire Station \$13,500,000 total cost, requesting \$11,500,000. The Fire Department has \$2,000,000 saved for this project, The proposed station would replace the current Fire Station 9-3, located at 8700 East Michigan Ave Galesburg 49053, which is functionally obsolete, too small, and in a bad strategic location to serve the area. Response times from the current station are poor and prevent life-saving measures from occurring early in an incident due to the location. The current station was not built to house on-duty staff, there is no training room, and the apparatus bay only has two bays. Though the current station was not originally designed for it, the station is currently staffed around the clock and has administrative staff cramped in the building. There is no room to

expand due to the property constraints. The apparatus bay cannot accommodate our vehicles let alone the regional vehicles we have been tasked with housing. Also, we house medical supplies for special incidents statewide, and there is no room to properly house these critical supplies. There is no fire department training room that can house multiple fire department members or multiple agency training events anywhere on the east side of Kalamazoo County. The township residents are already taxed for fire department services and there is not enough latitude to finance a capital project this large. A stagnant tax base since the loss of General Motors in 1999 has negatively affected the school system and in turn the community overall. The new facility will be at the township-owned parcel located at 10080 East Michigan Ave (Galesburg 49053). The facility would be over 26,000 square feet. The facility would include living space for current and future on-duty staff, administrative offices including room for a Sheriff's Department sub-office, 5 large vehicle apparatus bay, non-live burn training tower, community voting area and ample parking. A significant improvement in emergency response times will be seen for not only the township of Comstock but all surrounding areas. All residing, doing business and traveling in the 19th Senate District and beyond will be served by this station. With the improvement in response times comes a direct and positive effect on saving lives and property. Saving businesses from fire as well as keeping our major traffic thoroughfares open directly relates to positive financial impact, not only for our community and county but beyond. In 2015 we witnessed the negative effects from the 193 car pile-up on I-94. Unfortunately, lives were lost and millions of dollars are impacted per hour due to the high traffic density. Responses from this new strategic station can make a positive impact.

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:

Local

Amount

\$473,730.00

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

2027 3rd Qtr

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