



# MICHIGAN SENATE

## Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 04/10/2026

**1. Sponsoring legislator's full name:**

Senator Kevin Hertel

**2. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):**

N/A

**3. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:**

Selfridge Military Air Museum

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

27333 'C' Street, Harrison Township, MI 48045

**5. The recipient's employer identification number:**

51-0164512

**6. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:**

\$150,000.00

**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 the restroom project is to provide safe, accessible, and year-round facilities that enable the Selfridge Military Air Museum (SMAM) to expand public access and programming. Current restroom options are inadequate, not ADA-compliant, and unusable during winter months, limiting visitation and excluding individuals with disabilities. Upgrading to a climate-controlled, ADA-compliant facility will remove these barriers and allow the museum to operate year-round, significantly increasing public access to its exhibits and programs. This investment strengthens a long-standing public institution that delivers clear community, educational, and economic benefits. For over 50 years, SMAM has preserved Michigan's aviation and military history, including the legacy of the Tuskegee Airmen, while serving as a gathering place for veterans, service members, and their families. By improving

accessibility and expanding operations, the project enhances tourism, supports STEAM education, and ensures that future generations can engage with and learn from this important cultural resource.

- 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:**

5/1/2026-10/31/2026

- 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:**

Katherine Bierman-Clinton Keith Edwards Mr. Jim Gompers Major John Hogan,  
Major Pam Horner Edward Kaminski Jon Kopczyk MG Rolf E. Mammen Steve Mrozek

Lohra Nye Paul Pochmara Howard Rundell, Jr. Dennis Stricklen Michael Viterna Wendy Zielen

*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 Kevin Hertel*