



# MICHIGAN SENATE

## Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 04/02/2026

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

Senator Jeremy Moss

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

N/A

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

Jewish Federation of Detroit

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

Jewish Federation of Detroit, 6735 Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301

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

38-1359214

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

\$23,000,000.00

**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 project is to implement safety and security measures that protect Jewish residents of metropolitan Detroit and other locales in the State of Michigan from potential harm stemming from anti-Jewish acts and violence. According to the Anti-Defamation League, antisemitic incidents nationwide have increased by 893% over the past decade with over 600 incidents in Michigan alone during the three years ending 2024. The \$23 million request would reflect \$5.75 million per year for four years totaling the \$23 million. The need is urgent and well-documented. In 2024, the ADL tracked over 10,000 antisemitic incidents nationwide – the highest number ever recorded in a single year. In Michigan alone, there were 252 antisemitic incidents, including threats against Jewish schools, synagogues, agencies, and individuals in the form of harassment, graffiti, phone/mail/online threats, hate

speech, death threats, and bomb threats. Criminal charges resulted from a number of these events. Security funding for Jewish community institutions serves the broader public interest. Houses of worship, schools, and community centers function as civic anchors in our neighborhoods, serving both members and the wider public. When any community feels unsafe or targeted, it affects the fabric of our entire region. This funding helps ensure that synagogues, JCCs, and Jewish schools can remain open and accessible without communities bearing prohibitive security costs alone, while supporting law enforcement readiness and preventing incidents that could escalate into broader security concerns. Total previous funding has amounted to \$15,258,555.00

**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:**

Federal, State

**Amount**

\$15,258,555.00

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

Four years

**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:**

Executive Committee: Brian Hermelin - President Sherri Ketai - Vice President  
Carolyn Bellinson - Vice President Arn Tellem - Vice President Diane Goldstein - Vice  
President Richard Broder - Secretary David Feber - Treasurer Max Berlin - At-Large  
Mark Zausmer - At-Large Josh Opperer - At-Large Adam Blanck - At-Large Darren  
Findling - At-Large Kristen Gross - At-Large Anessa Kramer - At-Large Steven Ingber  
- Executive Secretary

*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 Jeremy Moss*