



MICHIGAN SENATE

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 04/08/2026

1. Sponsoring legislator's full name:

Senator Rosemary Bayer

2. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):

N/A

3. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:

Living and Learning Enrichment Center

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

801 Griswold St., Northville, MI 48167

5. The recipient's employer identification number:

82-2324359

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?

Funding support will scale Living & Learning Enrichment Center's vocational ecosystem across 12 Southeast Michigan counties. By expanding job readiness, placement, and retention services, supported by transit assistance and clinical interventions, the nonprofit transitions adults with disabilities from a "services cliff" at age 26 into competitive community employment.

- 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

\$600,000.00

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

12 months

- 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:**

Tom McLean, Board President Karen Obsniuk, Vice President Ronald Hodess, Secretary Chris Dancy, Director Holly Heath, Director John Czarnecki, Director Minoti Rajput, Director John Avdoulos, Director Michael Daranyi, Treasurer Pamela Travis, Executive Director Rachelle Vartanian, President and Founder

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 Rosemary Bayer