



MICHIGAN SENATE

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 04/10/2026

1. Sponsoring legislator's full name:

Senator Darrin Camilleri

2. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):

Darrin Camilleri

3. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:

The Guidance Center

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

13101 Allen Rd, Southgate, MI 48195

5. The recipient's employer identification number:

38-1621700

6. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:

\$1,500,000.00

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?

This funding will support Kids-TALK Children's Advocacy Center (CAC), a program of The Guidance Center, ensuring children in Wayne County who have experienced abuse can access the care they need to heal. As the county's only CAC and the largest in Michigan, Kids-TALK conducts forensic interviews in coordination with law enforcement, CPS, and the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office to minimize repeated interviews. Due to growing demand and limited resources, wait times have increased from the three-day standard to an average of 29 days, delaying investigations and access to critical services while creating safety risks. Funding is needed to reduce these delays and expand capacity. Without it, Wayne County will face higher costs across child protection, juvenile justice, and foster care systems—ultimately at the expense of children's well-being.

- 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:**

January 2027-September 2028

- 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:**

Gillian Bringard Andrews John Bussa John Gatti Cheryl Kohs John Daly Kevin Fischer
Joe Gruber Miroslava Orduño Rincón Tammy Ranck Fatima Salman Gina Wilson
Steward

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 Darrin Camilleri