



# MICHIGAN SENATE

## Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 04/09/2026

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

Senator John Cherry

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

N/A

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

United Way of Genesee County

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

111 E Court St. Suite 3A Flint, MI 48502

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

38-1359516

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

\$2,000,000.00

**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?**

United Way and subcontractors will use this appropriation to support residents of Genesee County and nearby areas, including Shiawassee, Saginaw, and Bay counties, by providing: Enrollment assistance for healthcare coverage programs such as Medicaid, Medicare, and MiChild. Support to maintain healthcare and food assistance, including help with semi-annual redeterminations, completing work requirement forms, or applying for exemptions when appropriate. Medical home connectivity, including access to PCP, specialists, prescriptions, dental, and home care. Support health system navigation. Addressing high, inappropriate, and preventable emergency department use as well as HEDIS measures (i.e., immunizations, well child visits, body mass index & nutrition education). Referrals to essential services—such as job training, housing, utility assistance, transportation,

childcare, alcohol/substance abuse treatment, and other social determinants of health resources—designed to help residents move out of poverty. Education and training for other safety-net organizations to better assist residents in accessing these services. These efforts will help keep residents insured, support their medical home connectivity and participation in preventative health behaviors, and provide the resources needed to improve economic stability and overall 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:**

within 12 months of contract execution

- 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:**

Jamie Gaskin – CEO Jamie-Lee Venable – VP Operations Christopher Wise Greg Viener Marcy Garcia Jane Worthing Jeff Apsey Larry Roerig Laurie Prochazka Mark Landaal Phil Shaltz Randy Wise Sam Muma Steve Dawes Susan Applegate Tony Burks Tracy Carlton Linda Gibson Sunni Samuels-Larry Brad Bergmooser Theo Lavergne

*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 John Cherry