



MICHIGAN SENATE

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 04/29/2026

1. Sponsoring legislator's full name:

Senator Sam Singh

2. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):

John Damoose, Sam Singh

3. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:

State Alliance of Michigan YMCA's

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

400 West Washington, Ann Arbor, MI 48103

5. The recipient's employer identification number:

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6. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:

\$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?

• YMCA Michigan Youth in Government is a hands-on civics education program that gives Middle and High School students the opportunity to interact with students from across the state of Michigan and learn about the different topics important to others. Students from across Michigan come to Lansing for a four-day conference where they debate bills and proposals that they wrote to solve issues they see in their community. These students become active citizens within our communities, state and country. • YMCA Michigan Youth in Government gives the chance for students from across Michigan to research and debate issues that they will be hearing about throughout their lives. They come to Lansing and learn how to debate the ideas and not the people behind the opinions. Within school, students are in a bubble of many similar ideas. YMCA Michigan Youth in Government challenges students to come out

of their bubble and hear about ideas they never would have heard. Whether they come from the Upper Peninsula, Southwest Michigan or the City of Detroit, students leave our program better prepared to understand different ideas and to work together to better our state. 86% of students in our program plan on voting when they turn 18, compared to 68% of the broader student population.

- 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

\$1,200,000.00

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

10-1-2026 - 9-30-2027

- 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:**

Shelly Hilton (Chair), Zach Kilpsch (Past-Chair), Dave Morgan (Vice-Chair), Laura Archer, Andrew Page, Scott Lewis, Justin Clement

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 Sam Singh