



MICHIGAN SENATE

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 03/09/2026

1. Sponsoring legislator's full name:

Senator Stephanie Chang

2. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):

N/A

3. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:

Michigan Science Center

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

5020 John R St. Detroit, MI 48202

5. The recipient's employer identification number:

455190355

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?

Funding will support continuation of the need-based ACCESS program "Sponsors for Science" which provides STEAM programming and connecting Title I K-12 students and schools with learning opportunities while combatting several systemic factors that contribute to the lack of STEAM learning opportunities, including funding disparities, inadequate resource allocation, transportation challenges, and socioeconomic disparities in the Detroit region.

- 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

\$500,000.00

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

September 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:**

Thomas Stephens, Chair Jacqueline "Jacqui" Dedo, Vice Chair Steven Ambrose, Secretary Patrick Conroy, Treasurer Andre Arbelaez Christine Barman Micky Bly Bill Foy Michael Garrett Dan Heur Jody Ingle Machion Jackson Miles Johnson Eileen Lappin Weiser Kyra Luyckx Don Manvel Marjace Miles Dan Naugle Jason Vazzano

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 Stephanie Chang*