



MICHIGAN SENATE

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 05/12/2026

1. Sponsoring legislator's full name:

Senator Paul Wojno

2. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):

N/A

3. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:

E. Warren Development Corporation

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

16835 E Warren Detroit MI 48224

5. The recipient's employer identification number:

843003783

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?

To enhance the East Warren commercial corridor and adjacent neighborhoods through collaboration, community engagement, and equitable development with a goal of 100% business occupancy of East Warren with a diverse mix of walkable, accessible community driven businesses that serve everyone in the community. Services include small business incubation by creating a space to have densified retail space available at a below-market rate intended to bridge the gap for emerging entrepreneurs looking to grow their businesses. Providing technical assistance by providing differentiated support aimed at and building sustainable best practices for small businesses. Fostering community engagement that intentionally work alongside the community at each step of the development process to incorporate the needs and wants of the neighborhood. -Support includes a commercial kitchen

space, including two kitchens and a baking area to rent out to local small food-based businesses. -A four-season market shed will allow local 30+ entrepreneurs the space and visibility to grow their businesses with weekly farmers markets. -Creating a densified pop-up retail model to support local entrepreneurs with a space to test the market and grow their businesses. -Businesses will have layers of support provided by the robust business support network to ensure success. -Providing a public space for the community to gather and share resources by leveraging the completion of the streetscape projects.

- 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

\$2,000,000.00

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

April 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:

Darnell Adams Board President Gilbert Family Foundation Detroit, MI
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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 Paul Wojno*