



MICHIGAN SENATE

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Date Submitted: 03/31/2026

1. Sponsoring legislator's full name:

Senator Jeff Irwin

2. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):

N/A

3. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:

Charter Township of Ypsilanti

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

7200 S. Huron River Dr. Ypsilanti, Mi 48197

5. The recipient's employer identification number:

386007433

6. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:

\$250,000.00

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?

The purpose of this legislatively directed spending item is to address critical safety and usability concerns at Community Center Park, a hub for youth and adult recreation in Ypsilanti Township. The park's four ball diamonds are heavily utilized for leagues, practices, and community events, yet the fencing surrounding these fields is in a state of disrepair. Current fences have holes, loose sections, and bowed areas from repeated contact, creating hazards for players and diminishing the quality of the facilities. Safety is a top priority of Ypsilanti Township, and replacing these fences demonstrates our commitment to providing safe, high-quality recreational spaces for residents. Replacing these fences with modern, durable materials will provide several public benefits:

- Enhanced Safety: Eliminates hazards that could cause injuries to players and spectators.
- Increased Accessibility: Ensures facilities

meet modern standards, making them safer for all ages and abilities. •
Community Engagement: Supports local leagues, youth programs, and family recreation, fostering social connections. • Economic Impact: Well-maintained fields attract tournaments and events, generating revenue for local businesses. •
Public Health: Encourages outdoor activity and physical fitness, contributing to healthier lifestyles. • Reduced Liability: Minimizes risk of accidents and potential legal costs for the township. This investment represents an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it improves essential public infrastructure, promotes safety and wellness, and strengthens community resources that benefit thousands of residents annually.

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:

The estimated time frame for completion is by the end of fiscal year 2027

10. Is the recipient a nonprofit corporation?

No

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?

No

2. Has the nonprofit corporation had a physical office in this state for not less than the preceding 12 consecutive months?

No

3. Does the organization have a board of directors?

No

4. List all of the officers and active members on the board of directors:

N/A

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 Jeff Irwin