

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

- 1. The sponsoring representative's first name: Cynthia
- 2. The sponsoring representative's last name: Neeley
- 3. The cosponsoring representatives' names. All cosponsors must be listed. If none, please type 'n/a.' A signed letter from the sponsor approving the co-sponsorship and a signed letter from the member wishing to co-sponsor are required. Attach letters at question #9 below. N/A
- 4. Name of the entity that the spending item is intended for: MYhub Life Empowerment Center
- 5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for: To Be Determined in the City of Flint, MI
- 6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity: City of Flint, Michigan
- Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located: Representative Cynthia Neeley, House District 70
- 8. Purpose of the legislatively directed spending item. Please include how it provides a public benefit and why it is an appropriate use of taxpayer funding. Please also demonstrate that the item does not violate Article IV, S 30 of the Michigan Constitution. MYhub Life Empowerment Center is a regional innovation and empowerment hub in Flint, Michigan. The organization is dedicated to advancing spiritual, social, and economic transformation through integrated educational, technological, entrepreneurial, and wellness programming and services to meet the significant education gaps and workforce challenges in Flint, Michigan. This \$25 million capital and program investment will support the redevelopment of a major community facility to serve inner city K-12 grade students of color and adult learners who need GED services including

coaching and mentoring. It will also serve adults who need workforce training, reskilling and upskilling development to meet the demands of the 21st-century workforce.

MYhub Life Empowerment facility, funded through a \$25M legislative grant, will be developed in Flint and will house:

- STEM and AI Labs
- Financial Literacy Training
- Business Incubator
- Creative Arts Studio
- Health and Wellness Resources

MYhub Life Empowerment Center partners with t.Lab Global, founded by Dr. Clarence Nixon, is a Michigan-based educational nonprofit that delivers accelerated learning for K-12 and post-secondary students. It integrates humanities, STEM, financial literacy, and leadership development. Since 2007, t.Lab students have earned over \$22.5 million in scholarships. Their mission of academic excellence and structured growth aligns directly with MYhub's community transformation vision.

Key Capabilities:

- ACT/SAT preparation
- Technology skills training
- STEM advancement
- Academic mentoring
- Leadership bootcamp

Public benefits include digital workforce development, wraparound coaching, STEM labs, 3D manufacturing exposure, and support for returning citizens and underemployed adults in Flint. The project aligns with the state's goals of regional economic mobility. The project does not violate Article IV, Section 30 of the Michigan Constitution, as it serves a demonstrable public purpose.

9. Attach documents here if needed:

Attachments added to the end of this file.

- 10. The amount of state funding requested for the legislatively directed spending item. 25000000
- 11. Has the legislatively directed spending item previously received any of the following types of funding? Check all that apply.["None"]
- 12. Please select one of the following groups that describes the entity requesting the legislatively directed spending item:

Non-profit organization

- 13. For a non-profit organization, has the organization been operating within Michigan for the preceding 36 months? No
- 14. For a non-profit organization, has the entity had a physical office within Michigan for the preceding 12 months? No
- 15. For a non-profit organization, does the organization have a board of directors? Yes
- 16. For a non-profit organization, list all the active members on the organization's board of directors and any other officers. If this question is not applicable, please type 'n/a.' David E. Johnson President, Nedra Johnson Treasurer, Dr. Clarence Nixon, Jr. Secretary
- 17. "I certify that neither the sponsoring representative nor the sponsoring representative's staff or immediate family has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the legislatively directed spending item."

Yes, this is correct

- 18. Anticipated start and end dates for the legislatively directed spending item: July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2030
- 19. "I hereby certify that all information provided in this request is true and accurate." Yes