



HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

STATE OF MICHIGAN

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

1. The sponsoring representative's first name:
Emily
2. The sponsoring representative's last name:
Dievendorf
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.
State Representative Pat Outman
State Representative Angela Witwer
4. Name of the entity that the spending item is intended for:
Capital Region Airport Authority (CRAA)
5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for:
Capital Region Airport Authority (CRAA) 4100 Capital City Boulevard, Lansing, MI 48906 (The facility itself will be located at the Capital Region International Airport (LAN), same address as the authority)
6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity:
N/A
7. Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located:
State Representative Emily Dievendorf, District 77
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.
Project:
Airfield Maintenance and Snow Removal Equipment Facility

Purpose:
This project is crucial to maintaining safe operations of the Capital Region International Airport, which supports more than 350,000 passengers annually from throughout the

Capital Region. The existing building is nearly 40 years old and cannot accommodate the modern equipment required to maintain the safety of the runways and taxiways. This includes snow removal equipment in particular, which is highly specialized and must be carefully maintained. The new facility would also provide crucial sleeping facilities (because airport maintenance personnel often have to work extended shifts including overnight shifts), as well as appropriate infrastructure and ventilation systems for daily tasks performed in the facility (equipment maintenance and repair). Funding for this new facility is not available from the FAA. Receiving funding for this project would enable this project to proceed, while enabling the airport to focus its limited resources on other equally high-priority projects.

In addition, with continued development and expansion of airport facilities and infrastructure, the airport requires more and larger equipment to maintain airport facilities. For example, when the cargo ramp expansion was completed in late 2023, it added over 404,000 square feet of pavement—roughly the equivalent of seven football fields. It is the airport's responsibility to provide safe and secure facilities for our tenant operations at a certain level of timeliness; therefore additional equipment will become necessary to maintain our facilities and operational readiness. Additionally, the current facility space for tools, parts, and other small equipment is inadequate. There are multiple storage spaces throughout the existing facility due to lack of space, so equipment cannot all be kept in the same location. This creates risk of delays in maintaining and repairing time-critical equipment. A centralized and adequately sized facility would greatly improve reliability and response times.

The airport currently has insufficient space and facilities to support these crucial functions. This project will add another 20,000 square feet of critical space to accommodate the additional equipment and support functions.

Community Impacted:

The airport serves more than 350,000 passengers annually, including business and leisure travelers as well as students, families, corporate and general aviation, and a major air cargo operation (United Parcel Service). These constituents all benefit from ensuring that the airport is properly maintained, particularly during winter and other inclement weather conditions.

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.

9600000

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:

The Capital Region Airport Authority (CRAA) is an independent government agency

13. For a non-profit organization, has the organization been operating within Michigan for the preceding 36 months?

Not applicable

14. For a non-profit organization, has the entity had a physical office within Michigan for the preceding 12 months?

Not applicable

15. For a non-profit organization, does the organization have a board of directors?

Not applicable

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.'

N/A

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:

This project is quite urgent because the Authority has had to acquire additional specialized snow removal equipment that cannot be effectively supported by the existing facility. We have to construct this new facility during the 2025 summer construction season, with anticipated completion in Q4 2025.

19. "I hereby certify that all information provided in this request is true and accurate."

Yes