

## HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

## STATE OF MICHIGAN

## Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

1. The sponsoring representative's first name:

Jason

2. The sponsoring representative's last name:

Woolford

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:

Devereaux American Legion Post 141

5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for:

3265 W Grand River Ave

6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity: Devereaux American Legion Post 141

7. Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located:

Jason Woolford 50th House District

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. These funds would be utilized for the sole purpose of infrastructure improvements to facilitate the influx of Veterans and their family members in need of a safe and secure location. Currently we are at capacity and often the individuals associated with the demographic of highest concern will move on due to capacity constraints. As the largest service organization in the district and the only Veteran Service Organization open 365 days a year, we implore you to champion this worthy cause and endorse the abovementioned request. We view this as a life and death matter and truly hope you will be

able to assist.

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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. 1000000
- 11. Has the legislatively directed spending item previously received any of the following types of funding? Check all that apply.

["Private"]

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?

Yes

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

Yes

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.'

Commander Laura Goldthwait, 1st Vice Commander David Harvey, 2nd Vice Commander Mark Eple, Finance Officer Gary Dunn, Adjutant Brian Gillette, SGT At Arms, Judge Advocate Jim Grimes, SGT At Arms Jesse Daily, Chaplain Jason Woolford, Historian Bobby Brite

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:

Upon Receipt of Appropriation

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

## Devereaux American Legion Post 141

Howell, MI



From: American Legion Post 141 04/21/2025

3265 W Grand River AVE

Howell, MI 48855

**Subject: Appropriation Request** 

Honorable Representative Jason Woolford,

On behalf of American Legion Post 141 Howell, MI I am writing to urge you to submit an appropriation in the amount of \$1,000,000. These funds would be utilized for the sole purpose of infrastructure improvements to facilitate the influx of Veterans and their family members in need of a safe and secure location. Currently we are at capacity and often the individuals associated with the demographic of highest concern will move on due to capacity constraints. As the largest service organization in the district and the only Veteran Service Organization open 365 days a year, we implore you to champion this worthy cause and endorse the above-mentioned request. We view this as a life and death matter and truly hope you will be able to assist.

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Warm Regards,

Post 141

**Bobby Brite** 

Past Commander

Expansion 2025 Estimate

American Legion Post 141 3264 W Grand River Ave Howell, MI 48836 (517)546-2534 Amerlegionpost141@gmail.com 04/19/25

QTY	Description	Unit price	Line total
2000	Expansion Material/ labor 25x80	351	702,000
1	Equipment Venting	45000	45000
1	Walk in Cooler	28099	18099
1	Walk in freezer	29700	19770
3	Broaster	14455	43365
2	Pizza oven	21000	42000
2	Convection oven	12889	25778
2	Stove	10457	20914
5	Fryer	1662	8310
1	Dishwashers/sinks/countertops/misc	51000	51000
1	Under counter refigeration units	7000	7000
		Subtotal	1003166
		Sales Tax	0.00
		Total	\$1,003,166.00