

## HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

## STATE OF MICHIGAN

## Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

- 1. The sponsoring representative's first name: Jasper
- 2. The sponsoring representative's last name: Martus
- 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.

Rep. Regina Weiss, more to be added

- 4. Name of the entity that the spending item is intended for: Sheet Metal Workers Local 7
- 5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for:
  Main Office: 4931 Contec Dr, Lansing, MI 48910 + Other locations across the state.
- 6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity:
- 7. Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located:

Rep. Jasper Martus, 69th District + potentially other apprenticeship training centers across the state. Rep. Karl Bonak District 109, Rep. Sarah Lightner, District 45, Rep. Luke Meerman, District 89,

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. The Sheet Metal Workers Local 7, representing dedicated and highly skilled tradespeople across Michigan, seeks a \$1.5 million investment from the State of Michigan to modernize and expand its Apprenticeship Training Centers. These centers are critical to preparing hardworking Americans for good-paying jobs in the skilled trades, while strengthening Michigan's role as a leader in American manufacturing, construction, and energy. By investing in these facilities, the state will support homegrown talent and ensure Michigan remains strong, competitive, and self-reliant.

Currently, there is a long waitlist of students eager to enter the apprenticeship program, but due to space limitations and a shortage of instructors, we are unable to accommodate them. This funding is essential to expanding our capacity and meeting the strong demand for training opportunities.

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. 1500000
- 11. Has the legislatively directed spending item previously received any of the following types of funding? Check all that apply.

["State","Local"]

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.'

Chris McFarland, Gregg Johnson, Dirk Kosloski, Jeff Keeler, Jason Rix, Kevin Pegley, Mike Carpenter, Ron Moore, David Janofski, Robert Deeds

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:

Start: 10/1/2025 End: 9/30/2026

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