



HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

STATE OF MICHIGAN

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

1. The sponsoring representative's first name:
Joe
2. The sponsoring representative's last name:
Tate
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:
Chance For Life Organization
5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for:
2000 Town Center Ste. 1140, Southfield MI 48075
6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity:
oProject will be managed out of our corporate office in Southfield. We are currently in seven (7) MDOC facilities: ☐ Adrian ☐ Macomb ☐ WHV ☐ Coldwater ☐ Jackson Cooper Street ☐ Parnell ☐ Cotton o We currently operate our historic program out of the following correctional facilities: Macomb, WHV, Coldwater, and Cotton facilities. oWe provide direct services in our 5 outside locations: ☐ West Side (5439 W. Warren, Detroit, MI 48210 – serves as lead facility) ☐ East Side (2400 E. McNichols, Detroit, MI 48212) ☐ Northend (585 E. Larned, Detroit, MI 48226) ☐ Oakland County Office (43494 Woodward Avenue, Ste. 210, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 ☐ Southfield Office (Corporate Office – 2000 Town Center, Ste. 1140, Southfield, MI oIn addition, since we service individuals inside the correctional facility from across the state of Michigan, we make connections in their respective returning locations. We still follow and provide support for them as they re-enter the community.
7. Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located:
Representative Joe Tate, 9th 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.

o How it provides a public benefit:

☐ There are many justifications for supporting the services that CFL provides including:

- Reducing negative incidents inside the correctional facility in which we participate
- Reduction of recidivism
- Providing easier re-integration back into the community
- Strengthening family relationships which helps them from re-offending
- Proper preparation for entering the world of work and assistance in obtaining employment for those who are employable
- Provide access to training programs through partner providers
- Providing individuals with tools to help them understand who they are and how they function, while enhancing their ability to survive & make correct decisions when they return home.
- Lifetime mentorship
- Social reintegration into the community
- Helping to determine futuristic goals pertaining to education, employment and financial security
- Access to counseling services & treatment - both mental health & substance use prevention
- Access to specialized programming for those returning citizens ages 60+ who are returning to Wayne County.

o Why is it an appropriate use of taxpayer funding:

☐ Provides community safety which provides opportunities for growth, reduces crime-related costs, and improves overall quality of life for everyone.

☐ All things mentioned above will help to reduce prison population, help to provide more security in order to have a more peaceful environment, and reduces the load of negative activity on individuals once they have returned to the community. Therefore, the financial impact would be a reduction of \$36,000 that would cost the State of MI to house an offender.

☐ Reduction in staff time, medical care and isolation for inmates who may become violent.

☐ Reduction in time & money spent dealing with individuals who may re-offend (i.e. legal fees, court costs, etc.)

☐ Strengthening the economy by assisting these individuals in becoming valued citizens and taxpayers.

☐ Saving lives as well as preventing physical harm to both individuals and property.

o Demonstrate it does not violate Article IV, S30, MCL

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.

1700000

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

["State","Local","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.'

oPastor E.L. Branch, Chairman oMr. William T. Riley, III, V. Chair o Mr. Richard Baird
o Commissioner Jonathan Kinloch oCommissioner Alisha Bell oMinister Anthony Jones
(returning citizen) oPastor Darryl Moore oMr. John Broad (past President, Crime Stoppers)
oDr. Raphael Johnson (returning citizen) oMr. Raymond Booker (retired warden) oMr.
Odis Buffington oAttorney Peter Martell (returning citizen)

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:

October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2026

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

Yes

Randall Richardville

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April 22, 2025

Michigan Senate

Appropriations Subcommittee on Corrections and Judiciary

Committee Members: Sue Shink, Chair
Sylvia A. Santana, Majority Vice Chair
Jeff Irwin, Member
Rick Outman, Minority Vice Chair

RE: Chance For Life (CFL) Organization

Dear Chair Shink and members of the subcommittee:

Please allow me to begin by thanking you for your service to the people of the State of Michigan. As a former member and leader of the Michigan Senate, I am experientially aware of the sacrifices you and your families make daily for the people of our state.

During my tenure in the legislature, I worked diligently to support causes that transcend the political polarization that sometimes defines our work. Democrat Leader (at the time) Gretchen Whitmer and I often put aside our differences and worked diligently together to forge legislation that made real differences in Michiganders' lives.

Since leaving the legislature, it has been my privilege and honor to work with the Chance For Life Organization that recently presented to your subcommittee. I was there to support Tom Adams, the CFL team, and several returning citizens that also journeyed to Lansing to tell their stories of restoration and transformation.

I would like to thank you for listening and taking the time to visit subsequent to their presentation at the subcommittee hearing. I also want to endorse their work and humbly, yet boldly, ask you to support their request for funding to continue their work in transforming lives.

Thank you, again, and Godspeed in the work you do for the people and communities of Michigan

With gratitude and sincerity,

Randall Richardville

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Former Majority Leader of the Michigan Senate

April 22, 2025

To whom it may concern:

I have known about the Chance For Life Program (CFL) and its founder, Tom Adams, for over 10 years. I have been able to monitor the operations and success of CFL while serving in various roles including Director, SUD, Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network (DWIHN) as well as past Chairman of the Board, DWIHN.

Under both circumstances, we provided funding to Chance For Life to support both their interactions in the correctional facilities as well as their reentry efforts in the community. CFL has been a positive resource for thousands of people providing transformational training, critical thinking, leadership development and lifelong mentorship. I have directly observed men & women from the Chance For Life program who are now holding significant positions in the community and all these individuals credit their success to CFL.

I wholeheartedly endorse and support Chance For Life and its fine work as it moves forward in changing lives, and strengthening families, one person at a time.

Sincerely,

Angelo Glenn

Angelo Glenn, Board Member
Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network