

HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

STATE OF MICHIGAN

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

- 1. The sponsoring representative's first name: Joey
- 2. The sponsoring representative's last name: Andrews
- 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: Berrien County Juvenile Center
- 5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for: 6414 Deans Hill Rd, Berrien Center, MI 49102
- 6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity: Berrien County Juvenile Center 6414 Deans Hill Rd, Berrien Center, MI 49102
- 7. Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located:

Joey Andrews, House District 38

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. This request seeks to address urgent infrastructure needs at the Berrien County Juvenile Center. Planned upgrades include improvements to drinking water and sanitary sewer facilities, as well as the modernization of the electrical and security systems. These enhancements are necessary to maintain a safe, secure, and functional environment for youth and staff.

The Berrien County Juvenile Center plays a vital role in promoting public safety and youth rehabilitation across the region. The Center provides secure, 24/7 care to youth assigned by the court, including housing, education, medical services, and rehabilitative

programming. These services are designed to reduce recidivism and support positive youth development.

The proposed infrastructure investments are a responsible and necessary use of public funds, ensuring that vulnerable youth continue to receive care in a secure and functional facility. These improvements support the integrity and effectiveness of the juvenile justice system in southwest Michigan.

This funding request complies with Article IV, Section 30 of the Michigan Constitution. The Berrien County Juvenile Center is a publicly owned and operated facility. No funds will be directed to a private entity or individual. All improvements will be capital in nature and managed by the appropriate governmental authorities to serve a broad 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. 3500000
- 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:

Other: Berrien County Juvenile Center

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.'

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:

Oct. 1 of 2025 - Sept. 30 of 2026

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