



# HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

## STATE OF MICHIGAN

### Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

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1. The sponsoring representative's first name:  
Julie
2. The sponsoring representative's last name:  
Brixie
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:  
City of Mason Fire Department
5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for:  
221 W Ash St, Mason, MI 48854
6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity:  
221 W Ash St, Mason, MI 48854
7. Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located:  
Julie Brixie, 73rd 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.  
The City of Mason Fire Department is an essential emergency service provider with paid on-call personnel ready to respond to emergencies within their community as well as surrounding areas. The Department plays a critical role in the community through mitigation of emergencies, fire prevention and commitment to the safety of the citizens.

As the County Seat for Ingham County, the City of Mason Fire Department provides critical services to 13 Ingham County facilities including the Courthouse, Sheriff's

Department, Jail, Fairgrounds, Road Commission Drain Commission and District Courts. In addition to the County, the primary service area through long-standing cooperative interlocal agreements includes the City of Mason, Aurelius Township, Vevay Township, and one-third of Alaiedon Township encompassing a total of approximately 85 square miles and a population of over 17,000 citizens and is essential to protecting the region's economic success with a combined Real and Personal Equalized Value of \$1,039,562,280.

Primary service outside of the City of Mason often requires the use of a tanker due to the lack of hydrants. In addition to the primary service area, the City of Mason Fire Department provides Automatic Mutual Aid, bringing essential water and apparatus to neighboring fire departments and areas without fire hydrant areas including Delhi Township, Ingham Township/Dansville, Leslie and Onondaga Township. The City of Mason Fire Department is a member of the Michigan Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MI-MABAS) and their resources can be requested in a local, regional, and statewide natural or manmade disaster or emergency and as such Tanker 811 has been deployed as far as Hemlock to shuttle much needed water.

The City of Mason's current tanker truck and equipment is due for replacement in line with Nation Fire Protection Association (NFPA) safety recommendations and has been planned for in the City's Capital Improvements Plan (CIP 2022-B3). The skyrocketing costs of fire equipment due to inflation, supply chain, and other issues outside of the City's control have hampered the City's ability to keep pace and save enough to purchase a new tanker truck and equipment, creating a funding gap.

**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.**

["None"]

**12. Please select one of the following groups that describes the entity requesting the legislatively directed spending item:**

Local unit government

**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:

The project will take 2 years, construction will not start until payment. If Mason receives the funds, they would likely start at the beginning of their next fiscal year: July 1st, 2026 and it would end around July 1st, 2028.

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

Yes