

HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

STATE OF MICHIGAN

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

- 1. The sponsoring representative's first name: Kathy
- 2. The sponsoring representative's last name: Schmaltz
- 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: St. Louis Center for Exceptional Children and Adults
- 5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for: 16195 W Old U.S. Hwy. 12, Chelsea, MI 48118
- 6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity: Skill Building Wing of St. Louis Center's Main Building (see address in question 5)
- Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located: Kathy Schmaltz - HD 46
- 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 State of Michigan is committed to ensuring that all of its residents receive the services they need to live full, healthy lives. For over 65 years, St. Louis Center in Chelsea has been there for Michigan residents with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD), providing residential, educational, and skill-building support programming. Since its opening, St. Louis Center has served over 800 individuals and their families. Since 2018, St. Louis Center is an integrated community; residents live in homes alongside individuals from surrounding areas. There are over 10 million residents

in Michigan (US Census, 2022). According to the 2024 MDHHS Report, an estimated 221,500 adults in Michigan have I/DD, and, according to the National Institutes of Health (NIH), virtually all adults with Down Syndrome show neuropathological changes consistent with Alzheimer's disease by age 40. The appropriation St. Louis Center is seeking aims to benefit this population. With funds from the State of Michigan, St. Louis Center will renovate the Skill Building Wing of its Main Building to provide improved care and programming to the community in a fully accessible, inspiring space. The area utilized for Skill Building was constructed in 1960 and is in need of upgrading and modernization improvements. It currently houses programs that help participants with I/DD stimulate mental agility, build strength and functional fitness, and maintain the highest levels of independence for as long as possible. The healthy aging of Michigan's population is a priority shared by the State of Michigan and St. Louis Center. This renovation will include space for specialized Memory Care for the growing population of adults with I/DD experiencing dementia, Alzheimer's, or severe cognitive impairment. A Snoezelen Therapy room to be constructed as part of these renovations will provide a calm and soothing environment for participants. These services also provide respite for families and other caregivers. St. Louis Center's programming is available not only to those who reside on campus, but also to those with I/DD in Washtenaw, Jackson, and surrounding counties.

There is currently no other independent Skill Building program in Washtenaw or Jackson Counties available to adults with I/DD who can no longer work or do not qualify for County-facilitated programming. The acute needs of growing numbers of people with I/DD warrant an increased level of care and public-private partnerships. St. Louis Center's focus with this project is congruent with the State of Michigan's Strategic Fundamentals Map FY25-29, specifically related to the State's key goal to "improve behavioral health service system for children, families, and individuals with developmental disabilities," and more specifically: "Focus on persons with I/DD served within the behavioral health system to improve Home and Community-Based Outcomes for Individuals with I/DD. St. Louis Center is filling a critical services gap and needs taxpayers' support to help care for Michigan residents who are completely dependent on others for their essential needs. For many individuals with I/DD, their parents and family caregivers can no longer provide necessary care. Recognizing this need, St. Louis Center offers dignified living for those with no other options, ensuring they receive the comprehensive care they deserve.

St. Louis Center is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization in the State of Michigan. Its mission is to serve individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in an intentional, faith-based community. Its actions and practices are lawful, ethical, and do not violate any specific restrictions or limitations outlined in Michigan law. The Diocese of Lansing files IRS 990 information on St. Louis Center's behalf. St. Louis Center is not a private foundation according to the definition of Section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. Its State Tax I.D. number is: 38-6038121.

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. 6000000

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.'

Fr. Satheesh Alphonse, President, Fr. Franklin Michael, Secretary, Fr. Leo Joseph Xavier, Treasurer, Rev. Dr. Amal Rayapillai, Member, Fr. David Stawasz, Member, Fr. Enzo Addari, Member

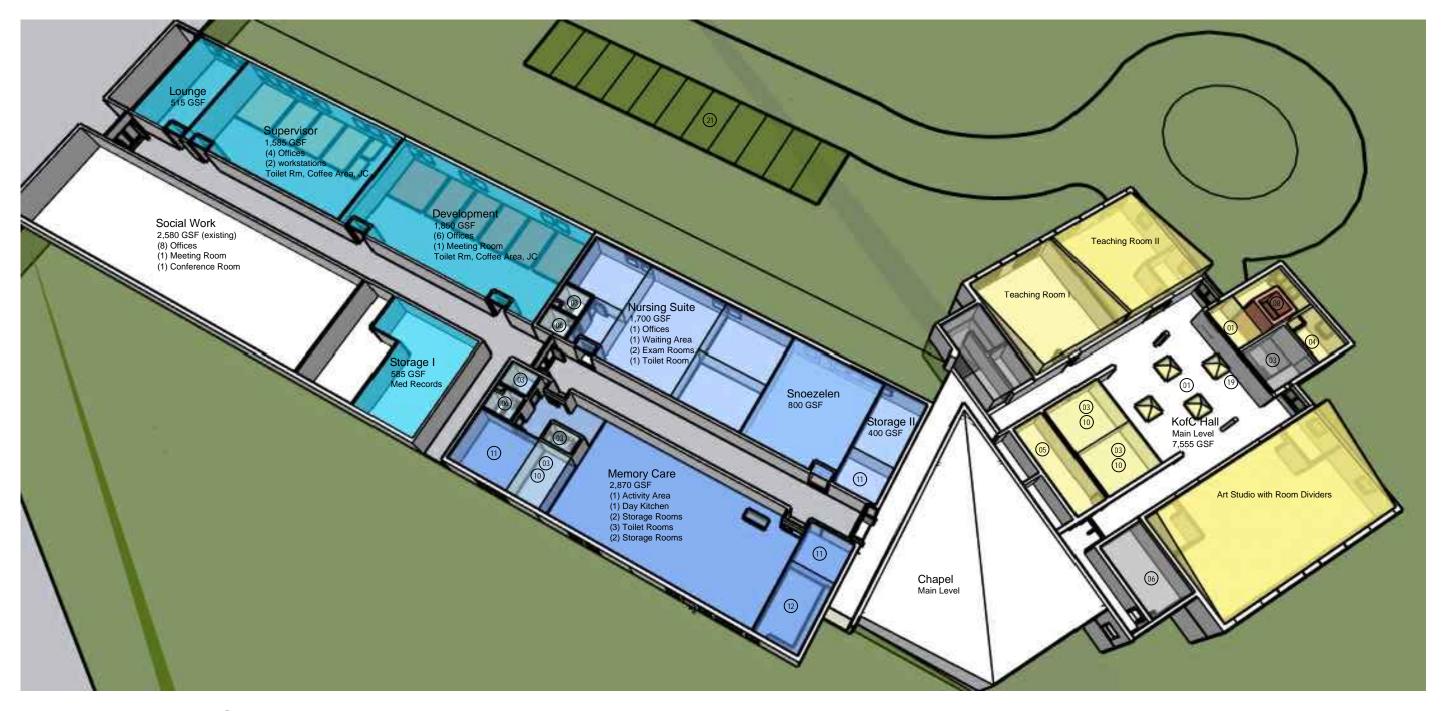
17. "I certify that neither the sponsoring representative nor the sponsoring representative's staff or immediate family has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the legislatively directed spending item."

Yes, this is correct

18. Anticipated start and end dates for the legislatively directed spending item:

January 1, 2026 - December 31, 2028

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



Adaptive Re-Use Concept - Main Level



1 of 2
 Sage Taylor KofC Hall
 St. Louis Guanella Village Rev 3 02-18-2025 Chelsea, Michigan



 (01)
 Central Lobby / Gathering space
 (07)
 Skylights

 (02)
 Elevator Lobby
 (08)
 Elevator

(03) Toilet Room (09) Staff Lounge

(04) Administrative Office (10) Adult Changing

11) Storage

05 Laundry / Clothes Storage

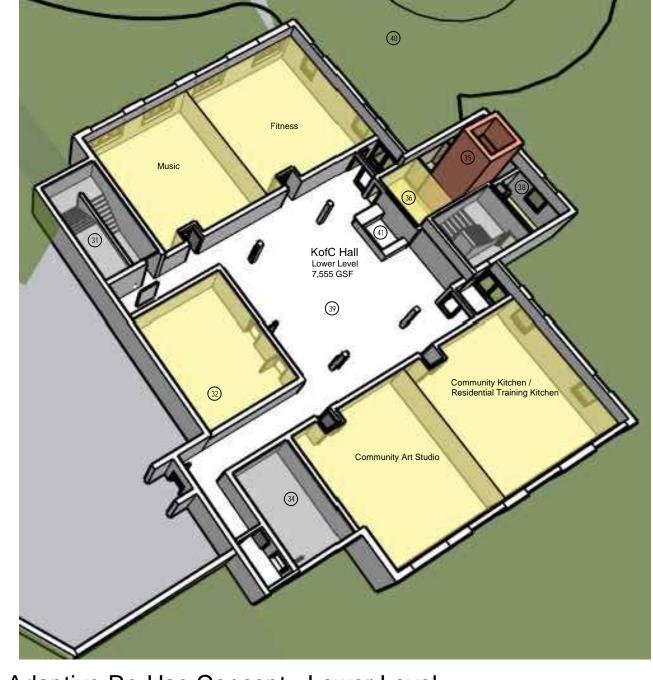
(06) Maintenance / Mech Room (12) Kitchen

Day Program Activities

- Art Studio / Kiln
- · Music Room
- Kitchen and Laundry Training Area
- Fitness Room

Phase 3

- Skill Building Activities
- Administrative Areas / Director's
 Office
- Meeting Areas / Instruction Areas
- Community Support Program
 Space



Adaptive Re-Use Concept - Lower Level

