



HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

STATE OF MICHIGAN

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

1. The sponsoring representative's first name:
Mike
2. The sponsoring representative's last name:
McFall
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 Warren
5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for:
1 City Square Warren, MI 48093
6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity:
1 City Square Warren, MI 48093
7. Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located:
McFall 14, Xiong 13, Robinson 58, McKinney 11
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 Warren is requesting \$500,000 in funding to assist the city in replacing aging network hardware that connects 22 facilities citywide. Fiber Optic Loop Connection hardware, switches, and other network related equipment will allow for our network to be upgraded from a 1 GB backhaul to a 10 GB backhaul. This configuration would make our network faster and more reliable. The installation of a more modern switch and cybersecurity enhancements.

Every department that serves the residents of Warren depends on technology infrastructure to perform their respective responsibilities. Other forms of infrastructure

are highly visible and easily apparent to deterioration and degradation over time, technology infrastructure is relatively invisible yet responsible for supporting a greater variety of services. Technology ages quickly and the need to expand and grow to support software, hardware, GIS, platforms and custom networks. Our community is proactive and responsible in adapting technology to meet the needs of our community. The City of Warren has budgeted millions of dollars for the cost of significant technology infrastructure across departments. Additional funding would help development go farther and faster.

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.

500000

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

["Local"]

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:

ASAP

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

Yes

April 22, 2025

The Honorable Representatives McFall, McKinney, Robinson, & Xiong
Michigan House of Representatives Anderson Office Building
Lansing, MI 48933

State Representative McFall, McKinney, Robinson, & Xiong,

I am writing to request your support and advocacy for the City of Warren's request for \$500,000 in state funding to replacement and upgrade of critical technology infrastructure that connects 22 city facilities through our Fiber Optic Loop network.


This investment will allow the City to upgrade our current network infrastructure from a 1 GB to a 10 GB backhaul—dramatically improving speed and reliability. The replacement of outdated switches and the installation of enhanced cybersecurity components are essential to ensuring our technological infrastructure can keep pace with modern demands and growing service needs to Warren.

While road infrastructure is visible and deterioration easily recognized, the technology backbone that supports our government operations is largely invisible, yet equally vital. Every department serving the residents of Warren—from emergency services to public works, finance, and administration—relies on a fast, secure, and stable network to function efficiently and deliver services without disruption. This network upgrade is an investment in public service delivery, data security, and the continued modernization of local government.

The City of Warren has demonstrated a proactive and responsible commitment to technology by investing millions in digital infrastructure across departments. However, technology evolves rapidly, and additional funding will allow us to expand these efforts, implement improvements more quickly, and future-proof our systems.

I respectfully request your support for this funding, which will help ensure Warren remains a leader in municipal operational excellence. Thank you for your time, attention, and commitment to supporting local governments in building the infrastructure necessary to serve our residents effectively. Should you need additional information, I welcome the opportunity to discuss this project in greater detail.

Sincerely,



Lori M. Stone
Mayor, City of Warren