

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

- 1. The sponsoring representative's first name: Morgan
- 2. The sponsoring representative's last name: Foreman
- 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: Pittsfield Charter Township
- 5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for: 6201 W. Michigan Ave. Ann Arbor, MI, 48108-9721
- 6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity: n/a
- Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located: Rep Morgan Foreman. District 33.
- 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 funding will greatly improve the Pittsfield Township Department of Public Safety's building to help them succeed in their mission to protect and serve the public. The current facility has outlived its useful life and is in urgent need of upgrades and rehabilitations. These improvements will enhance the operational capabilities of the department and ensure more efficient and effective service delivery. This will in turn improve the safety and security of the people of Pittsfield Township and the surrounding communities.

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. 5000000
- 11. Has the legislatively directed spending item previously received any of the following types of funding? Check all that apply.["Local", "Federal"]
- 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: 3/27/2024 7/31/2026
- 19. "I hereby certify that all information provided in this request is true and accurate." Yes



Pittsfield Charter Township

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Office of the Supervisor

April 16, 2025

The Honorable Representative Morgan Foreman Michigan House of Representatives P.O. Box 30014 Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Representative Foreman,

I am writing in response to a request for additional information regarding Pittsfield Charter Township's request for \$5 million in legislative-directed spending. Please see below:

Purpose of the legislative-directed spending item:

Pittsfield Charter Township is requesting \$5 million in funding to support the rehabilitation and reconstruction of the Township's Department of Public Safety Building at 6227 W. Michigan Avenue. This funding will ensure that the building itself is completed, and necessary equipment is installed in a timely manner. Total project costs are estimated at just over \$12 million, and the Township is exploring all potential alternatives to cover shortfalls.

How the project provides public benefit:

This project fulfills an urgent need to provide a safe, secure, and effective workspace for our Police and Fire personnel. The current facility has greatly outlived its useful life as demand for public safety services continues to grow with the Township and neighboring communities. The proposed rehabilitations and upgrades will enhance the operational capabilities of our Public Safety Department and ensure more efficient and effective service delivery to better protect our community and those with whom we share mutual aid agreements.

Amount of state funding requested:

\$5 million

Has the project already received direct spending:

In Fall 2023, the Pittsfield Charter Township Board of Trustees appropriated \$5 million in local funding (\$3 million from General Fund and \$2 million from Public Safety Fund) to initiate the project, which is now underway. This funding directive was approved by a previous administration with the expectation that the Township would receive \$5 million in matching federal grants to support the project. In Winter 2024, Pittsfield Township was informed through Congresswoman Debbie Dingell's Office that just \$2.5 million had been appropriated to the project in the preliminary FY25 Federal Budget. Unfortunately, due to the signing of Continuing Resolution HR 10545 in lieu of the proposed appropriations package, that funding was eliminated, and the Township will receive \$0 in federal funds in FY25.

Construction on the Department of Public Safety Building began in Fall 2024 and has significantly depleted the balance of local funding that was originally committed to the project. Absent an

additional funding source, the Township risks significant construction delays, which could jeopardize public safety in the community. Securing state funding is critical to ensure the continued delivery of these vital public services.

Board of Directors and active officers:

Supervisor, Trish Reilly Treasurer, Chris Ekpiken Clerk, Michelle Anzaldi Trustee, Yameen Jaffer Trustee, Andrea Urda-Thompson Trustee, David Brabec Trustee, Courtney Mills

Has the project agency been operating in Michigan for the preceding 36 months: Yes

Start and end date of spending:

Start date: March 27, 2024 Estimated end date: July 31, 2026

Thank you for considering our request. We look forward to the opportunity to discuss this matter further. If you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Supervisor, Trish Reilly Pittsfield Charter Township