



# HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

## STATE OF MICHIGAN

### Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

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1. The sponsoring representative's first name:  
Phil
2. The sponsoring representative's last name:  
Green
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:  
Brilliant Detroit
5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for:  
5675 Larkins Detroit, MI 48210
6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity:  
Please see attached map.
7. Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located:  
State Representative Tyrone Carter: Detroit | 1st House District; State Representative Alabas Farhat: Dearborn | 3rd House District; State Representative Karen Whitsett: Detroit | 4th House District; State Representative Regina Weiss: Oak Park | 5th House District; State Representative Tonya Myers Phillips: 7th House District; State Representative Helena Scott: Detroit | 8th House District; State Representative Joe Tate: Detroit | 9th House District; State Representative Veronica Paiz: Harper Woods | 10th House District; State Representative Donovan McKinney: Detroit | 11th House District; State Representative Kimberly Edwards: Eastpointe | 12th House District; State Representative Stephanie A. Young: Detroit | 16th House 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.

Brilliant Detroit is requesting \$2,500,000 in funding to support the delivery of high-dosage neighborhood-based tutoring and direct non-instructional services for underserved children ages three to 12 years old for the purpose of ensuring that pupils are proficient in English language arts by the end of 3rd grade, pupils are proficient in math by the end of 8th grade, all participants are kindergarten ready, and pupils are prepared to attend school regularly. Funding is intended to support communities in meeting service gaps for children unable to access 21st-century community learning center programs due to transportation barriers.

Funds are to be used specifically to support literacy efforts employing a hyper local community model.

- a. conduct a goal-setting meeting with each family so as to build a clear path forward.
- b. Work to collect data and facilitate a rigorous evaluation to learn the success and opportunities related to the effort.

Programs and efforts implemented will have the ability and capacity to show evidence of improvements, systems to support early learning and K-3 school referrals, and understanding of MI assessments and growth measures. Funds are to be spent on staffing to support the delivery of support services and supplement not supplant early learning or K-3 program staff.

Funding Source(s): Restricted \$2,500,000  
School Aid Fund \$2,500,000

#### Boilerplate Summary

PK-3 Pupil Community-based funding for pupils at risk of academic failure ensures that pupils are proficient in reading by the end of 3rd grade and in math by the end of 8th grade, that transitioning preschoolers are kindergarten-ready, and that pupils are attending school regularly. Funds capacity of nonprofit agencies staffing to support districts in academic and enrichment as well as wraparound services that support students and families in eliminating barriers to attendance, including knowledge of health centers, mental health services, and hearing, dental, and vision screening administered by DHHS.

#### Proposed Outcomes / Benefits of Allocation

- 75% of students will demonstrate improvement in social-emotional and behavioral regulation.
- 75% of regular attending students will demonstrate an increase in proficiency on common localized assessments.
- 70% of students will engage in Social-Emotional and play-based STEAM activities aimed at ensuring the child knows how to engage with peers and in a learning environment.
- 75% of students' interest or confidence will increase in Social-Emotional and STEAM-based subjects.

- 80% of students will show greater confidence in grade-level literacy and numeracy activities.
- 75% of the cohort of students in elementary school will reach attendance benchmarks in after-school programming.
- 95% of children and families will remain engaged in academic and community support after the student meets academic goals.

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.

2500000

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

["State","Local","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.'

Michael Tyson | Chair Richard Smart | Vice Chair Cindy Eggleton | President Carolyn Bellinson | Secretary Robert Bowen | Treasurer Jim Bellinson | Chair Emeritus A. Jeffrey Bean, Esq. Roz Blanck Herman Gray, M.D., M.B.A. Joyce L. Suber Denise White-Perkins, M.D., Ph.D. Cassie Williams

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:  
September 1, 2025 – September 1, 2026

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



# Creating Kid Success in Detroit

Funds allocated will contribute to student and family success for years to come through the following ways:



**10,800 books** to be distributed to children to create home libraries.



**An additional 2,000 children** will be able to access high dosage tutoring.



**An estimated 750 siblings** of school age youth will be engaged in infant and toddler centered programming around developing language and motor skills.



**More than 2,000** caregivers will have access to wraparound programming, supports and activities.

**More than 1,000** caregivers will have access to family literacy programs.

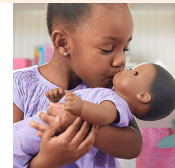
## How We Reach Our North Star

We are determined to work with, for, and by each community through our neighborhood-based hubs to ensure every child has access to the resources they need to be successful not just in school, but in life. We envision a city where a child's outcome in life is no longer determined by their zip code.

- **20** is the number of active hubs, with 24 neighborhoods committed
- Our neighborhood-based staff is currently at **40**
- **200+** is our ever-growing number of partners
- **180** is the number of programs delivered through us each year

## About Us

**Brilliant Detroit** was created to provide a new approach to early childhood development by building “kid success neighborhoods” where families are school ready, healthy, and supported. We serve families with kids 0-8 through our neighborhood hubs, converted homes in the middle of high-need neighborhoods, where we provide evidence based programming. Brilliant Detroit coordinates partners to deliver programs focused on school readiness, 3rd grade reading, health, and family stability. Key to our success is working “with, for and by” neighbors, this means involving community input in everything we do from where we establish a new hub to what type of exercise programming we will offer at a particular location. Neighbors come together in our Brilliant Detroit homes, forming the bonds and building the knowledge needed to make anything possible for our children. **This is the essence of a kid success neighborhood.**



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DETROIT**

WHERE *brilliant things* HAPPEN

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# Brilliant Detroit Hubs are Based within Neighborhoods

All Brilliant Detroit hubs are based within neighborhoods, and each site is selected in partnership with the community based on their direct insights, feedback and data collected that illustrates specifically what each community lacks access to as it pertains to needs of young children and their families. In 2024, Brilliant Detroit achieved our goal of having 24 committed neighborhood hub locations.

## Brilliant Detroit Leadership and Experience

Cindy Eggleton has more than 25 years of experience helping organizations clarify their purpose, pursue their plans, and achieve their own goals.

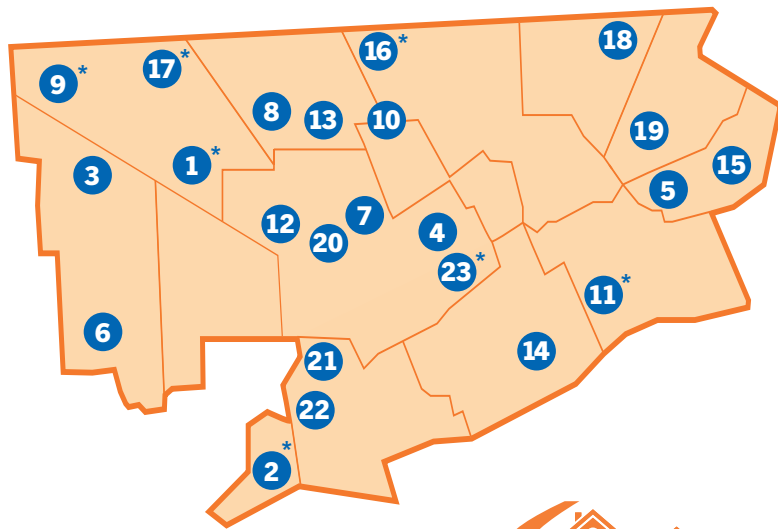


She is a tireless advocate for the people and communities that she works with and a true believer in the power of coming together for a common purpose. She is known for her

ability to take efforts from vision to action. Cindy has a knack for truly listening to people and helping build them up.

Cindy Eggleton's experience is broad ranging and broad reaching. Currently, she is Co-Founder and CEO of Brilliant Detroit. Most recently, she served as the Chief Strategy Officer for Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries. Previously, Cindy was the Senior Director of Community Impact at United Way for Southeastern Michigan for five years, overseeing \$60 million in investments and projects. She has a deep passion for supporting others and collaboration. Brilliant Detroit is, for her, an ideal culmination of her life's work. In her words, "I have found my true purpose."

## OUR CURRENT LOCATIONS



- \*1 Belmont: Location to be determined Detroit, MI 48227
- \*2 Boynton: 2400 South Beatrice Street Detroit, MI 48217
- 3 Brightman: 15509 Hayden Street Detroit, MI 48223 • (313) 483-8896
- 4 Central: 803 Hazelwood Street Detroit, MI 48202 • (313) 483-8986
- 5 Chandler Park: 5312 Newport Street Detroit, MI 48213 • (313) 528-7762
- 6 Cody Rouge: 7425 Fielding Street Detroit, MI 48226 • (313) 483-8991
- 7 Darter-Linwood: 2834 Webb Street Detroit, MI 48206 • (313) 466-6269
- 8 Fitzgerald: 16919 Prairie Street Detroit, MI 48221 • (313) 447-0165
- \*9 Five Points: 19263 Lenore Avenue Detroit, MI 48219 • (313) 483-8992
- 10 Grisdale Farms: 39 Cedarhurst Place Detroit, MI 48203 • (313) 447-0506
- \*11 Islandview: Location to be determined 48207 • 48214
- 12 Littlefield: 12789 Indiana Avenue Detroit, MI 48238 • (313) 528-7299
- 13 Martin Park: 16922 Lawton Street Detroit, MI 48221 • (313) 528-7221
- 14 McDougall-Hunt: 2706 Charlevoix Street Detroit, MI 48207 • (313) 483-8992
- 15 Morningside: 5048 Barbour Road Detroit, MI 48224 • (313) 528-7217
- \*16 Nolan: Location to be determined Detroit, MI 48203
- \*17 O'Hair Park: Location to be determined Detroit, MI 48219
- 18 Osborn: 13800 Eastburn Street Detroit, MI 48205 • (313) 332-1069
- 19 Outer Drive-Hayes: 14460 Wade Street Detroit, MI 48213 • (313) 447-1175
- 20 Russell Woods: 4203 Sturtevant Street Detroit, MI 48204 • (313) 505-3567
- 21 Southwest: 5675 Larkins Street Detroit, MI 48210 • (313) 763-8623
- 22 Springwells: 9104 Rathbone Street Detroit, MI 48209 • (313) 483-8668
- \*23 Virginia Park: Location to be determined Detroit, MI 48202
- BRILLIANT PONTIAC: 135 Perkins Street Pontiac, MI 48342

\*Denotes site is coming soon.  
Note: Map is not to scale, and location placements have been positioned to provide better visual clarity.



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