



HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

STATE OF MICHIGAN

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

1. The sponsoring representative's first name:
Tonya
2. The sponsoring representative's last name:
Myers Phillips
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.
Stephanie Young / Detroit Caucus
4. Name of the entity that the spending item is intended for:
Coleman A. Young International Airport
5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for:
11499 Conner, Detroit, MI 48213
6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity:
n/a
7. Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located:
Tonya Myers Phillips, Representative for District 7. Additionally, this request is submitted on behalf of and with the support of the Detroit Caucus, recognizing the benefit to the entire City of Detroit.
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 Coleman A. Young International Airport covers 300 acres of land and includes two runways, the Air Carrier Terminal and the Executive Terminal, which includes 14 large and 129 small hangars. Coleman A. Young Airport is a Class C gateway airport with 5090 useable runway spaces and employs more than 100 people.

The airport is important for public transportation and economic growth, connecting Detroit and Southeast Michigan to the world and expanding opportunities for trade and tourism. It can provide and expedite the delivery of essential services like disaster relief in times of emergency and crisis. The Airport recently welcomed a new cornerstone tenant, MyFlight Tours, one of Michigan's premier helicopter tour companies; MyFlight is opening a new 12,000-square-foot headquarters. With additional investment, the Airport will attract more businesses and create more jobs.

In addition, the Airport serves as the home to Davis Aerospace Technical High School. The School has an aviation curriculum certified by the Federal Aviation Administration. Students learn about the history of aviation and the variety of jobs and opportunities in the aviation field. They also begin to understand the fundamentals of flight and aircraft systems. Upon graduation, students will be prepared to take the examination for their remote pilot's certificate and be able to join a fast-growing career sector in commercial drone piloting. Students are also able to train in state-of-the-art simulators and have the possibility of piloting a real aircraft. As the State of Michigan aims to strategically invest in Selfridge Air Force Base, Coleman A. Young International Airport is training the next generation of aviation and defense professionals.

Funding will be used for infrastructure improvements and aviation education and training. This funding is a smart investment in Michigan's long-term goal of being a strategic national hub for aviation technology and defense.

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.

["Federal","State","Local","Private"]

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:

Upon receipt until Sept. 30, 2026

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

Yes