



# HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

## STATE OF MICHIGAN

### Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

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1. The sponsoring representative's first name:  
Tyrone
2. The sponsoring representative's last name:  
Carter
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.  
Rep. Helena Scott
4. Name of the entity that the spending item is intended for:  
HUDA Clinic (Health Unit on Davison Avenue)
5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for:  
13240 Woodrow Wilson St. Detroit, MI 48238
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:  
Helena Scott, District 8
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 Health Unit on Davison Avenue (HUDA Clinic) is the largest free clinic in the state of Michigan and is recognized by The National Association of Free and Charitable Clinics as well as The Free and Charitable Clinics of Michigan as such. The clinic consistently receives the highest rankings from these associations and are ranked as a Platinum charity on Candid (formerly Charity Navigator). The Health Unit on Davison Avenue (HUDA Clinic) is a nonprofit, volunteer-driven healthcare clinic that provides free medical, dental, vision, and specialty care to uninsured and underinsured individuals

across Southeast Michigan. Founded in 2004 on the principle of healthcare as a human right, we serve as a critical safety net, ensuring that vulnerable populations receive the care they need. Our Impact HUDA Clinic plays a vital role in addressing healthcare disparities, particularly among low-income, and senior populations. Our services help reduce emergency room visits, improve chronic disease management, and connect patients with long-term care solutions. -Patients Served: over 1200 unduplicated patients annually - Patient Demographics:  >85% Minority  60%Uninsured  40% Underinsured  The majority of our patients are 200 -250% Federal Poverty Level - Annual Valuation of Services: >\$1.2 Million based on Medicare reimbursement rates - Community Reach: Patients from all over Michigan, with Wayne, Macomb and Oakland counties contributing to the highest patient population numbers. Regional & Statewide Benefits - Reduces Strain on ERs: By providing preventative and primary care, we help reduce uncompensated hospital costs, alleviating the financial burden on state-funded healthcare systems. - Expands Access to Care: Many of our patients fall through the gaps of Medicaid and Medicare, making HUDA Clinic a crucial provider of free, high-quality healthcare. -Supports Workforce Development: We serve as a training hub for medical students and residents from institutions like Wayne State University, University of Michigan, and Michigan State University, strengthening Michigan's future healthcare workforce. - Addresses Public Health Priorities: Through specialized programs in diabetes management, hypertension education and management, dental care, and mental health services, we proactively tackle critical public health challenges in Michigan.

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.

1200000

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

["State", "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.'

Syed Hafeez, Malek Musheiness, Wasfeh Musheiness, Tracy Wilson, Adeel Khan, Amber Hussain, Catherine Ziyad, Fatima Abdullah, Jukaku Tayeb, Khalid Mohammed, Mark Holloway, Mitchel Shamsud-Din, Moqem Syed, Sheema Rehman

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:

April 2026-April 2027

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

Yes

## HUDA Clinic: Bridging Healthcare Gaps in Michigan

### Who We Are

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The Health Unit on Davison Avenue (HUDA Clinic) is a nonprofit, volunteer-driven healthcare clinic that provides **free** medical, dental, vision, and specialty care to uninsured and underinsured individuals across **Southeast Michigan**. Founded in 2004 on the principle of healthcare as a human right, we serve as a **critical safety net**, ensuring that vulnerable populations receive the care they need.

### Our Impact

HUDA Clinic plays a vital role in addressing healthcare disparities, particularly among low-income, and senior populations. Our services help reduce emergency room visits, improve chronic disease management, and connect patients with long-term care solutions.

- **Patients Served:** over 1200 unduplicated patients annually
- **Patient Demographics:**
  - >85% Minority
  - 60% Uninsured
  - 40% Underinsured
  - The majority of our patients are 200 -250% Federal Poverty Level
- **Annual Valuation of Services:** >\$1.2 Million based on Medicare reimbursement rates
- **Community Reach:** Patients from all over Michigan, with Wayne, Macomb and Oakland counties contributing to the highest patient population numbers.

### Regional & Statewide Benefits

- **Reduces Strain on ERs:** By providing preventative and primary care, we help **reduce uncompensated hospital costs**, alleviating the financial burden on state-funded healthcare systems.
- **Expands Access to Care:** Many of our patients **fall through the gaps of Medicaid and Medicare**, making HUDA Clinic a crucial provider of **free, high-quality healthcare**.
- **Supports Workforce Development:** We serve as a **training hub for medical students and residents** from institutions like Wayne State University, University of Michigan, and Michigan State University, strengthening Michigan's future healthcare workforce.
- **Addresses Public Health Priorities:** Through specialized programs in **diabetes management, hypertension education and management, dental care, and mental health services**, we proactively tackle critical public health challenges in Michigan.

**Legislative Support Needed**

As patient demand grows, continued investment in HUDA Clinic is essential to sustain and expand our services. Funding would allow us to enhance infrastructure, increase specialty care offerings, and improve technology for patient care coordination. Additionally, HUDA Clinic seeks to implement comprehensive women's healthcare to address critical gaps in access to care for conditions such as endometriosis, fibroids, and postpartum care. The maternal mortality rate is highest between 3-12 months postpartum, with minority women experiencing mortality rates 2.6 times higher than their white counterparts due to inadequate access to postpartum care. Addressing these disparities through specialized women's health services is essential to improving health outcomes for mothers and families across Michigan.

By supporting HUDA Clinic, the Michigan Senate can strengthen the state's healthcare safety net and improve health outcomes for all residents.