Overview of the Department of Labor & Economic Opportunity FY24 Executive Recommendation

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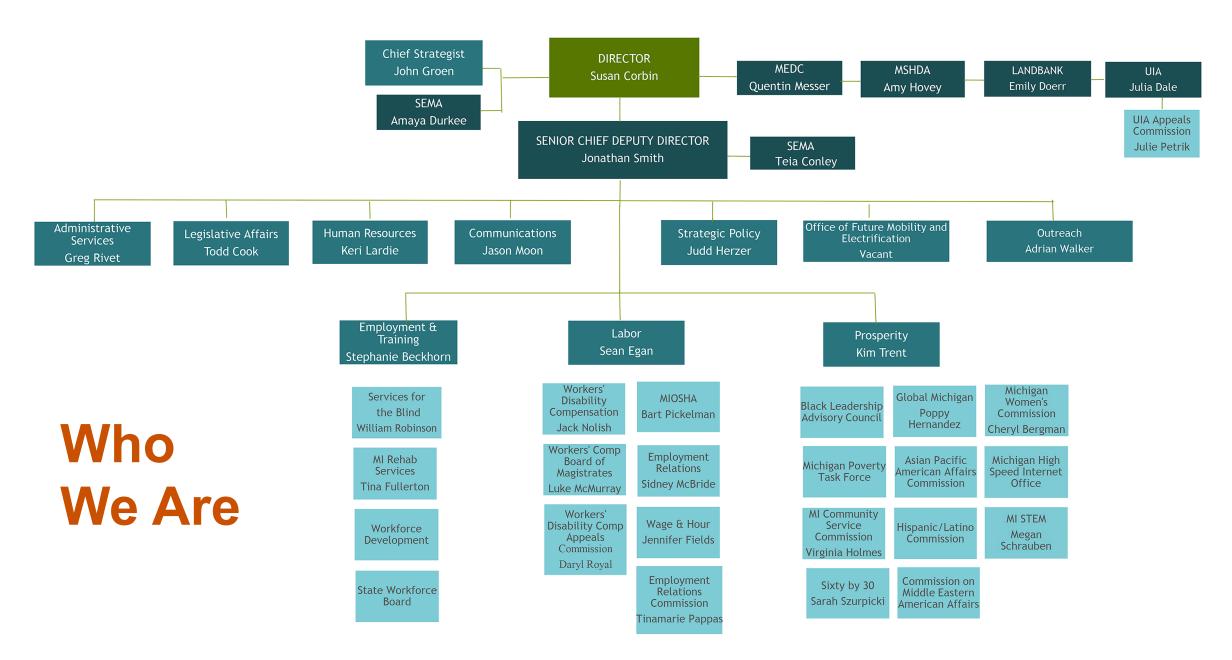
Mission

Expand economic opportunity and prosperity for all.



Vision

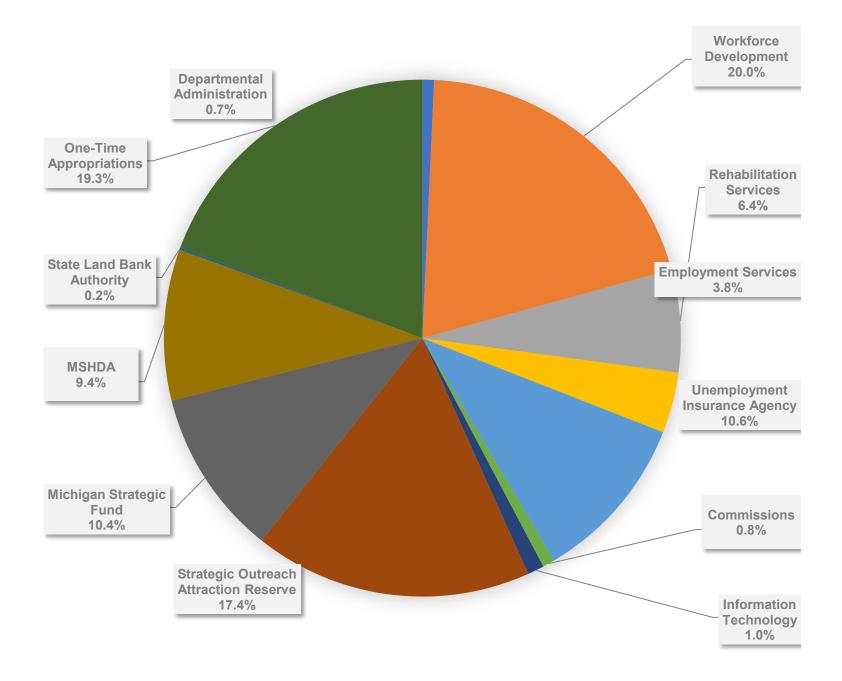
Make Michigan a place where all **PEOPLE, PLACES** and **COMMUNITIES** have the means to reach their full potential.



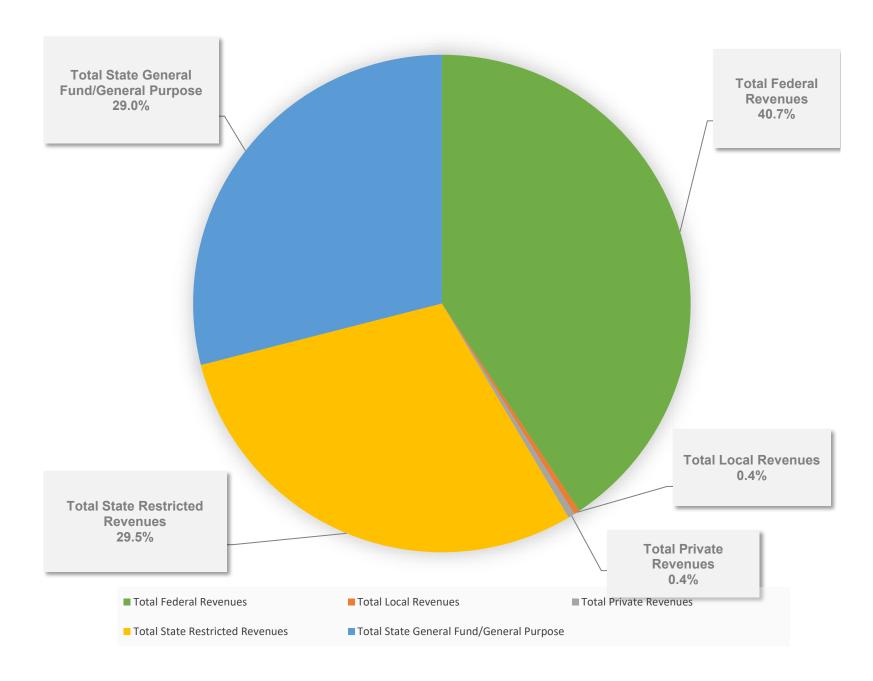
Proposed Budget FY24

Appropriation by Program

Total: \$2.8B



Federal / State Funding Breakdown



Building Strong Communities and Regional Economies

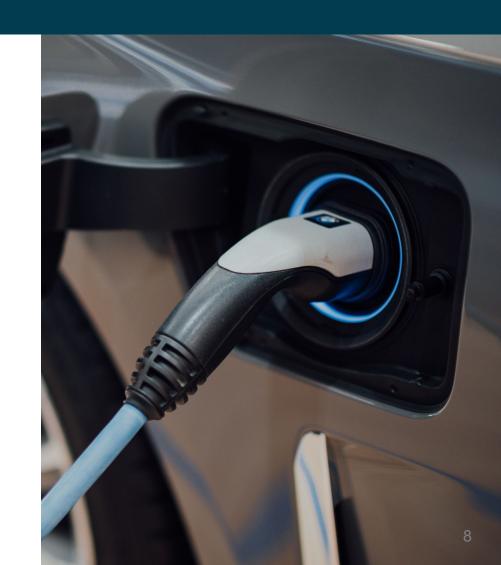
- \$200M for the Michigan Regional Empowerment Program (general fund) to support the growth, development, diversification and resiliency of regional economies through a competitive grant program.
 - Grants will support projects that leverage partnerships and make investments that provide long-term sustainable economic benefit to the local region and the state.



Supporting Future Mobility and Electrification

Under the Office of Future Mobility and Electrification

- \$65M for Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure (federal funds) in FY23 supplemental to invest in EV charging infrastructure, including the deployment of fast chargers, addressing medium and heavy-duty vehicle charging needs, and residential chargers.
- \$2M for the Arsenal of Innovation Fund (general fund) to expand research and development around mobility in the defense industry and support innovation of new mobility-defense technologies.



Investing in Talent

• \$35M for Going PRO (federal funds) in a FY23 supplemental to further expand employer-based training grants that result in industry recognized credentials and certificates. This investment is in addition to the \$54.8M ongoing provided in FY24.

HIGHLIGHT: Going PRO investments have led to training more than **170K Michigan workers** at over **6K businesses**.

 \$20M million for Talent Retention and Expansion in Key Industries (general fund) to convene employer-led collaboratives and develop customized solutions to fill identified talent gaps in key industries and business sectors.



• \$5.7M for Pure Michigan Talent Connect (funded by DTMB) to improve the exchange system for employers and job seekers by securing a vendor-serviced solution to provide an improved interface, mobile application, and functionality.

HIGHLIGHT: Annually, the site has 190K+ employer and 150K job seeker accounts, with 100K+ job postings daily and 1.4M unique visitors every year

- \$4.9M for Digital Workforce Development (general fund) to provide a single digital platform for career exploration and skill development to connect employees with employers.
 - Available to intermediate school districts and the employer community.

\$1.25M for Jobs for Michigan Graduates (general fund)
to further support a highly effective workforce program that
helps students make career connections and develop soft
skills.

HIGHLIGHT: Since 2008, JMG has equipped more than **22,500 young adults** with the skills to overcome barriers and succeed in their education and employment.

 \$448K to support the MiSTEM Advisory Council (general fund) to create a strong STEM workforce in Michigan.



Increasing Educational Attainment

- \$140M to Expand Reconnect (federal funds) in FY23 supplemental for individuals whose education was disrupted by the pandemic. This limited time program will expand access to free community college to individuals over age 21.
- \$65.2M for Reconnect (general fund) to continue support for ongoing program that provides free community college to residents over 25. A \$10.2M increase over FY23 funding, to recognize current annual cost estimates for the program.

HIGHLIGHT: To date, 114K+ Michigan Reconnectors have been accepted, of those 24K+ have enrolled; and 2K+ earned a credential.

• \$75M for the Reconnect Bachelor's Degree Pathway Program (federal funds) in FY23 supplemental to provide grants to students for a path back to college to earn a degree for individuals whose education was disrupted by the pandemic.

- \$30M for Student Wraparound Services and Basic Needs Supports (general fund) at public colleges and universities and tribal colleges for services to meet the basic needs of students to improve graduation and completion rates.
 - To support emergency housing solutions, childcare, oncampus food pantries, emergency grants, mental health services
- \$25M for College Success Fund (general fund) to provide competitive grants to institutions of higher education to adopt national best practices to improve retention and completion rates.
 - Awarded to support the redesign of instruction to better align with student and workforce needs.





Supporting Michigan Workers

- \$4.8M for MIOSHA (\$1.5M general fund) to provide additional staffing support for the agency charged with keeping Michigan workers and workplaces safe.
- \$4M for the Labor Legacy System Modernization (funded by DTMB) to replace two legacy systems for the Wage and Hour Division and the MIOSHA asbestos system to address security vulnerabilities, increase efficiency, and better support workers.

- \$1.5M for Wage and Hour Education and Outreach (general fund) in FY23 supplemental to provide education around minimum wage and other employment related laws regulated by LEO.
 - Additional \$250K provided in FY23 and FY24 to support the increased volume of employer and worker inquiries regarding these laws.



Increasing Economic Opportunities for All Michiganders



- \$10M for Child Savings Accounts (general fund) to improve financial literacy and build savings in low-income families.
 - Funds to support pilot programs that use these funds to match outside contributions to child savings accounts.
- \$1M for Focus: HOPE (general fund) to support workforce development, youth development, and community advocacy programs.



• \$900K for Tri-Share Child Care Program (general fund) to continue support for an innovative program that increases access to high quality and affordable child care through a unique collaboration that leverages both state and business support. Brings total program funding to \$3.4M.

HIGHLIGHT: Roughly 115 employers, 213 families and 291 children currently benefiting from this new program.

Thank you.

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