



HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

STATE OF MICHIGAN

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

1. The sponsoring representative's first name:
Helena
2. The sponsoring representative's last name:
Scott
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.
Karen Whitsett
4. Name of the entity that the spending item is intended for:
Northwest Unity Missionary Baptist Church
5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for:
8345 Ellsworth, Detroit MI 48238
6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity:
8343 Ellsworth, Detroit MI 48238
7. Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located:
Helena Scott 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 purpose of this funding request is to support building improvements and facility upgrades at Northwest Unity Missionary Baptist Church. These enhancements will bolster the church's capacity to serve the surrounding Detroit community through programs such as food distribution, youth mentorship, job readiness training, and emergency assistance. This funding will directly benefit underserved residents in the 48238 area. It represents a responsible use of taxpayer dollars, strengthening local

community support infrastructure. This request does not violate Article IV, Section 30 of the Michigan Constitution, as it is not for the benefit of any individual or private interest.

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.

63500

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

["None"]

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.'

• Betty J. Smith-Simmons – Project Coordinator Leads the project, overseeing planning, scheduling, resource management, and stakeholder communication to ensure timely and successful execution. • Elouise Sirleaf – Co-Chair Supports the Project Coordinator in guiding the project, assisting with strategic decisions, and ensuring alignment with the organization's objectives. • Belinda Turnbow – Project Assistant Provides administrative support, manages documentation, and coordinates meetings to facilitate smooth project operations. • Gerald Simmons – Project Assistant Aids in tracking project progress, organizing files, and supporting team communication to maintain project efficiency.

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:

• Start Date: July 1, 2025 • End Date: August 20, 2025

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

Yes