

HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

STATE OF MICHIGAN

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

1. The sponsoring representative's first name:

Karen

2. The sponsoring representative's last name:

Whitsett

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:

America's Community Council

5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for: ACC Primary Care Clinic - 13840 W. Warren Ave., Dearborn, 48126

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:

Representative Alabas Farhat – District 3

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. Funding for the ACC Warren Road Primary Care Clinic to provide necessary primary care and behavioral health services in this high need area. ACC is Michigan's most trusted and comprehensive nonprofit human services organization dedicated to serving the needs of minority and multicultural populations. Since 1979, ACC in partnership with the State of Michigan, has delivered vital services helping underserved and ethnic communities navigate an already over-subscribed healthcare system and stressed

emergency room system. These populations are currently living in Michigan, are a part of our social fabric, and more effectively, less expensively served by ACC than by the State.

Public Benefits

- Health Access & Prevention
- o Health Programs in Macomb, Oakland, and Wayne counties ensure early identification of health concerns, prevent the spread of disease and promote continuation of care—protecting both individuals and communities.
- o Primary Care Clinics offer affordable, accessible health services, decreasing emergency room reliance and promoting wellness.
- o Behavioral Health Programs provide culturally informed mental health and substance use services, reducing disparities and increasing access to care. Why It's a Wise Use of Taxpayer Funding
- Cost-Effective: Early intervention and prevention reduce long-term healthcare and social service costs.
- Equity-Driven: Programs close service gaps for underserved, minority populations across Southeast Michigan.
- Policy-Aligned: Supports federal and state objectives related to refugee resettlement, health equity, and workforce development.
- Outcome-Focused: Services are data-informed, accountable, and results-driven, ensuring fiscal responsibility and community impact.

ACC's programs are a smart investment in Michigan's future—strengthening health systems, promoting inclusion, and empowering communities. By meeting the needs of multicultural populations with compassion and effectiveness, ACC transforms public funding into measurable public good..

9. Attach documents here if needed:

N/A

- 10. The amount of state funding requested for the legislatively directed spending item. 2,000,000
- 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:

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.' Nancy Hanoosh, Samer Jaafar, Susan Brueckman, Renee Hanna, Terry Habib, Greg Bockart, Bob Ghannam, Mary Kiezi, Dannis Mitchell

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: 10/01/2025
- 19. "I hereby certify that all information provided in this request is true and accurate." Yes