



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:
Detroit Police Athletic League
5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for:
1680 Michigan Ave., Detroit, MI 48216
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:
Rep. Tyrone Carter, District 1.
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. This proposal requests funding to expand Detroit PAL's Out of School Time (OST) programming to 100 schools and over 7,500 students across Southeast Michigan over the next 4–5 years. For more than two decades, Detroit PAL has delivered a proven youth development model that blends academic enrichment with athletics, serving primarily students from socially and economically disadvantaged backgrounds. The program uses Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) to create safe, supportive learning environments for all participants.

In 2024, Detroit PAL served over 4,500 students across 71 schools. In partnership with the Detroit Police Department and community volunteers, the organization helps youth realize their full potential through academic, athletic, and leadership development. While many youth join through sports, PAL offers a wide range of enrichment services—including literacy support, college readiness, mentoring, and workforce development—to help students succeed in school and beyond.

An investment in this initiative will strengthen the existing infrastructure, deepen the connection between schools and after-school programming, and expand access for students in districts facing the most significant academic challenges.

9. Attach documents here if needed:

N/A

10. The amount of state funding requested for the legislatively directed spending item.

1,500,000

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

[State]

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.'

Executive Committee

- Alan Huddy - V.P., Advanced Analytics Center of Excellence & Blue Cross Blue Shield
- E'Lois Thomas - President, SEEL LLC
- Jerome Henson - Senior V.P., Bank of America
- Steve Grigorian - President & C.E.O., Detroit Economic Club

- Wendy McIntyre-Peard - Secretary & Chief Compliance Officer, ITC Holdings Corp.
- Mike Patterson - Partner, Ernst & Young
- Anne Doyle - Global Speaker, Journalist, Podcast Host, Powering Up Women LLC

- Board Members

- Jessica Berry - Vice President Operations, Adient
- Dwight Brown, Jr. - Director of Major Enterprise Projects & Program Management, DTE Energy
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- April Diez - Vice Chair, The Diez Group / J.I.T. Steel
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- Dan Ngoyi - Senior Vice President of Client Experience Operations, Rocket Mortgage
- Tony Nuckolls - Executive Vice President, Rocket Mortgage
- Marvin Rushing - Vice President / Retail District Manager, Comerica
- Raphael Washington - Sheriff, Wayne County

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:

Anticipated Start Date: October 1, 2025

Anticipated End Date: September 30, 2026

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

Yes