



HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

STATE OF MICHIGAN

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

Form Submission Details

Sponsoring legislator's full name:

Rep. Tom Kuhn

1. Cosponsoring legislators' names (if applicable):

Not Applicable

2. Intended legislatively directed spending item recipient:

Boys & Girls Clubs Michigan Alliance

3. Physical address of legislatively directed spending item recipient and the intended location of the project or activity:

8431 Sherwood Dr. Grand Blanc, MI 48439

4. The recipient's employer identification number:

38-3636955

5. Requested amount of the legislatively directed spending item:

9,000,000.00

6. What is the purpose and how does the legislatively directed spending item provide a public benefit that is an appropriate use of taxpayer money?

The requested legislatively directed spending item will support the continuation and expansion of life & workforce development programs across the state of Michigan at its 16 Boys & Girls Club organizations, spanning 28 communities in the Upper and Lower Peninsula. The impact of this funding will provide youth at Boys & Girls Clubs in Adrian, Alpena, Bay City, Benton Harbor, Bridgman, Brimley, Detroit, Douglas, Eastpointe, Essexville, Flint, Grand Rapids, Highland Park, Holland, Hudson, Kalamazoo, Lansing, Menominee, Muskegon, Pinconning, and Saginaw with life and workforce development programming. This funding will support youth in our rural, suburban, and urban communities. Importantly, this funding will also provide crucial support to our youth development organizations that serve over 40,000 youth across our state. This funding will ensure that a significant

number of youths have access to these vital programs. Examples of some of the programs that Clubs will engage youth in include but are not limited to: Career Launch (Helps teens explore careers), Money Matters (Financial Literacy), Up Next (In Club work-based learning program), paid internships, and other locally developed programs. These programs will provide a significant benefit and be an appropriate use of taxpayer funds for a few key reasons. A study commissioned by Boys & Girls Clubs of America and the University of Michigan Ann Arbor found that every dollar invested in Boys & Girls Clubs returns \$10.32 in economic benefits to Club members, their families and their communities. These include social benefits, such as mental health, education and healthy behaviors, not accounted for in a purely financial ROI. Clubs contribute to savings by lowering costs associated with crime, healthcare, and public assistance. Based on this study, this request could potentially result in \$103,200,000.00 in economic benefits to communities across the state of Michigan. Boys & Girls Clubs' workforce development programs equip young people with valuable skills, training, and certifications relevant to current and future job markets. This investment will create a more skilled workforce across the state of Michigan. Boys & Girls Clubs often have strong community support and partnerships, which can only ensure programs are tailored to respond to local needs. The Michigan Alliance is uniquely positioned to engage multiple communities and make a significant impact on youth across the state. We have a proven track record in our state and nationwide, demonstrating our ability to deliver high-quality programming and effectively manage funding. Boys & Girls Clubs will provide comprehensive programming— job exploration, skill-building, academic success, and transition acumen— that promotes a source of reliable workers, strengthens readiness for the workforce, and creates a talent pipeline in our state. A strong workforce is vital for the future of the state of Michigan, and our organization is uniquely positioned to partner with the state to meet this goal.

7. Has the legislatively directed spending item previously received or been awarded any of the following types of funding in the past 5 years? If so, how much? Check all that apply.

State 29,456,490

8. Estimated time frame for completion of the legislatively directed spending item project:

1 year

9. Has the nonprofit corporation continuously operated in this state for the preceding 36 months?

Yes

10. Has the nonprofit corporation had a physical office in this state for not less than the preceding 12 consecutive months?

Yes

11. Does the nonprofit corporation have a board of directors?

Yes

12. List all of the officers and active members on the board of directors:

Leon Bell
Jennifer Calery
Karen Englert
David Ferszt
Walter Graff
Dustin Krasny
Ilana Levinson
Ray Lipscomb
Brian Manderfield
Chelsey Tabakian Odom
Patrick Placzkowski
Matt Watrous

13. "I certify that my immediate family members, legislative staff members, and I have no direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the requested legislatively directed spending item."

"I certify that the intended recipient of this legislatively directed spending item is not a for-profit entity."

"I certify that the information in this form is true to the best of my knowledge."

Rep. Tom Kuhn