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The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye, Chairman
The Honorable Thad Cochran, Vice Chairman
Senate Committee on Appropriations
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The Honorable Tom Harkin, Chairman
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Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education
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Dear Chairmen, Vice Chairman, and Ranking Member,

As your subcommittee begins to draft its appropriations bill for fiscal year 2010, we respectfully request your consideration of the following projects. These projects meet a local, state or national public need and maintain or create jobs.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR:

Automation Alley Digital Manufacturing Network - Troy, MI
ETA

We request $1,000,000 for Automation Alley for the Digital Manufacturing Network. This funding will be used to train at-risk students, displaced and incumbent workers from small and medium sized manufacturers located in Southeast Michigan on leading edge product lifecycle management tools. The need for retraining has dramatically increased as the region continues to lose mid-level, good paying manufacturing jobs.

City of Saginaw Deconstruction Project - Saginaw, MI
ETA

We request $250,000 for the City of Saginaw for the Deconstruction Project. This funding will be used to train and employ homeless individuals and individuals reentering the workforce to work in the city's programs to reduce blighted properties in the area. The Deconstruction Project is designed to become a self-sufficient system of addressing blighted properties within the City of Saginaw and will employ demolition, deconstruction and economic development practices.

Eastern Michigan University Working Together: Preparing the Displaced Worker for Employment in the New Economy Program - Ypsilanti, MI
ETA

We request $750,000 for Eastern Michigan University for the Working Together: Preparing the Displaced Worker for Employment in the New Economy Program. This funding will develop and expand programs that support the transition of dislocated workers from the workforce to earning degrees. The University will serve as a national model for providing exemplary services to help the displaced workers embark on degrees, return to complete degrees, or retrain for better careers in the new economy.

Grand Rapids Community College Regional Workforce Development Best-in-Class Practice Project - Grand Rapids, MI
ETA

We request $550,000 for Grand Rapids Community College for the Regional Workforce Development Best-Class Project. This funding will improve regional workforce development programs to keep pace with changes in the economy. The focus of this project is to improve the regional workforce development system (five Michigan Works! Agencies) to be on par with the best in the nation by December 2011.

Greater Flint Health Coalition Flint Health Care EmploymentOpportunities (FHEO) Program - Flint, MI
ETA

We request $500,000 for the Greater Flint Health Coalition for the Flint Healthcare Employment Opportunities (FHEO) Program. This funding will help provide training and education to individuals focused on careers in the health care sector. FHEO would offer this program to three subsets of community residents: dislocated workers displaced from previous employment and seeking a career in health care; residents with little-to-no work experience seeking entry-level health care job training; and training for residents with some health care experience who are seeking increased wages.

Lansing Community College Regional Training Center for Smart Grid Technologies - Lansing, MI
ETA

We request $2,500,000 for Lansing Community College for its Regional Training Center for Smart Grid Technologies. This funding will expand infrastructure; develop curriculum in partnership with area utility industries and local and state municipalities; and provide professional development to support workforce training and retraining in advanced technology related to alternative energy, advanced electric grid infrastructure development and maintenance, and utility distribution.

Lansing Community College Regional Training Center for Advanced Automotive/Electric Vehicle Technologies - Lansing, MI
ETA

We request $2,000,000 for Lansing Community College for a Regional Training Center for Advanced Automotive/Electric Vehicle Technologies. This funding will provide the training and infrastructure to demonstrate the operation of electric vehicle charging stations and software to access data for new technologies. Lansing Community College will establish partnerships with key automotive manufacturers and dealerships launching electric/hybrid vehicles. This will allow for ongoing faculty development training and will create a pipeline for electric vehicle technician training in the region.

MichBio Institute BioConnections™ - Transforming the Bio-manufacturing Workforce in Michigan - Ann Arbor, MI
ETA

We request $900,000 for the MichBio Institute for the BioConnections™ - Transforming the Biomanufacturing Workforce in Michigan Project. This funding will provide workforce development and training to transform the biomanufacturing workforce in the State of Michigan. The BioConnection project would consist of the following components: Workforce Development & Training; Workforce Placement Services; Bio-Career Start, which allows for the subsidized placement of graduates with emerging and established companies; and a strategy for replicating and embedding this design statewide.

Michigan Works! Workforce Transformation Project - Benton Harbor, MI
ETA

We request $900,000 for Michigan Works! for a basic Workforce Transformation Project. This funding will be used to reduce the unemployment rate by implementing programs to improve workforce skills of those in need by providing improved literacy and basic skills training. All programs will also be designed to increase the local labor participation rate, increase job readiness, place people into jobs and increase per capita income.

Oakland Community College Emerging Sectors Educational Consortium - Bloomfield Hills, MI
ETA

We request $425,000 for Oakland Community College for the Emerging Sectors Educational Consortium. This funding will help the economic development efforts in Oakland County and Southeastern Michigan by bringing together the majority of educational institutions to identify solutions to degree completion, training and up-skilling for the current manufacturing workforce.

Oakland County Emerging Sectors Initiative - Pontiac, MI
ETA

We request $1,000,000 for Oakland County for the Emerging Sectors Initiative. This funding will be used to enhance the programs and services offered within the County to support the diversification of advanced technologies from the automotive industry to the medical, nanotechnology and other emerging sectors. The goal is to connect the region's highly skilled workforce to companies in need of expertise in order to develop new technologies that will create additional employment opportunities.

Oakland County Wireless Oakland Initiative - Pontiac, MI
ETA

We request $800,000 for Oakland County for the Wireless Oakland Initiative. This funding will provide technology training to underserved population groups by offering digital inclusion programs to improve workforce skills. The County will operate a digital inclusion program that offers technology training, specialized content and low-cost technology to underserved population groups within the County.

The-: A Campus For Caring Communities New School for Social Philosophy Program - West Bloomfield, MI
ETA

We request $250,000 for The Corners for a New School for Social Philosophy Program. This funding will create certification programs permitting people at risk the ability to receive an education for specific purposes in an abbreviated time that will repair their lives and the lives of others. Preliminary program offerings include: Art Therapy, Addiction Recovery Therapy, Entrepreneurial Incubator, Film and Broadcasting.

The Youth Connection, Inc. Career Academy: Opening Doors to Careers and Opportunities for Urban Youth Program - Highland Park, MI
ETA

We request $500,000 for The Youth Connection, Inc. for the Career Academy: Opening Doors to Careers and Opportunities for Urban Youth Program. This funding will help the organization provide internships, support and training for youths in various career areas. This will help these students gain knowledge of what is expected in the world of work and exposure to opportunities that they may not know exist.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES:

Cyber Seniors Baby Boomer Job Re-Training & Education Initiative - Detroit, MI
AOA

We request $706,200 for the Cyber Seniors Baby Boomer Job Training and Education Initiative. This funding will help train an aging population on necessary job and technology skills to broaden their appeal to prospective employers.

Jewish Family Service Of Metropolitan Detroit Family Caregiver Access Network (FCAN) - West Bloomfield, MI
AOA

We request $400,000 for Jewish Family Service of Metropolitan Detroit for the Family Caregiver Access Network (FCAN). This funding will create a non-sectarian, replicable network to provide support to family caregivers and enable the elderly to avoid premature institutionalization. FCAN would create a network of local agencies providing these family caregiver services, creating more resources and eliminating duplication.

Jewish Family Services of Washtenaw Innovative Family Caregivers Support Demonstration Project - Ann Arbor, MI
AOA

We request $300,000 for Jewish Family Services of Washtenaw for the Innovative Family Caregivers Support Demonstration Project. This funding will help develop, test, evaluate and disseminate an innovative, community-based approach to caregiver services structured around a caregiver resource center to focus on outreach, assessment, service coordination and information resources.

Wayne County KidsTALK Forensic Interviewing Project - Detroit, MI
CA

We request $200,000 for Wayne County for the KidsTALK Forensic Interviewing Project. This funding will aid KidsTALK staff to work collaboratively with protective services workers, law enforcement personnel and the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office to support alleged victims of child sexual abuse as they document their experience and seek justice.

Arthritis Foundation - Michigan Chapter Veterans Arthritis Awareness Project - Troy, MI
CDC

We request $500,000 for the Michigan Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation for the Michigan Veterans Arthritis Awareness Project. This funding will implement a series of educational seminars targeted to practitioners on topics such as rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis and lupus in the veterans population. Arthritis is the leading cause of disability in Michigan and costs the State almost $5.6 billion annually.

Community Prescription Support Program (CRxSP) Free Pharmacy Service - Saginaw, MI
CDC

We request $250,000 for the Community Prescription Support Program (CRxSP) Free Pharmacy Service Program. This funding will allow the organization to continue their mission of providing free prescription medications, medical supplies and durable medical equipment to those residents of Saginaw County who cannot afford such health care services.

Crim Fitness Foundation CrimFit Adult Wellness Program - Flint, MI
CDC

We request $1,450,000 for the Crim Fitness Foundation for the CrimFit Adult Wellness Program. This funding will provide community-based physical activity interventions for adults in the region. The program will address the obesity rate in Michigan, currently the tenth highest in the nation. The Foundation plans to partner with Hurley Medical Center and U of M-Flint to evaluate the program's efficacy.

Crim Fitness Foundation CrimFit Flint Youth Program - Flint, MI
CDC

We request $570,000 for the Crim Fitness Foundation for the CrimFit Youth Program. This funding will help provide structured, results-oriented physical fitness programs in Flint Public Schools. The Crim Fitness Foundation will use program funding to continue the Crim Youth Program in all Flint Public Elementary Schools, expand programs to secondary schools and partner with Hurley and U of M-Flint for program evaluation.

Eastern Michigan University Family Centered In-Home and Community Interventions for Persons with Autism Program - Ypsilanti, MI
CDC

We request $1,200,000 for Eastern Michigan University for the Family Centered In-Home and Community Interventions for Persons with Autism Program. This funding will address the crisis in autism treatment efficacy, as well as increase the capacity of highly trained professionals to serve families with autism by implementing an innovative model of comprehensive interventions through its Autism Collaborative Center and community partnerships.

Presbyterian Villages of Michigan (PVM) Bloom! Wellness Expanded Program – Southfield, MI
CDC

We request $2,100,000 for Presbyterian Villages of Michigan (PVM) for the Bloom! Wellness Program. This funding will improve and expand current wellness programs at PVM by obtaining the requisite licenses, materials, equipment, staff, and training curriculums to institute new wellness goals. Because older adults are prime targets of these programs, PVM represents the ideal system through which to deliver them.

ProMedica Health System Fields of Green Program - Toledo, OH
CDC

We request $360,000 for ProMedica Health System for the Fields of Green program. This funding will help provide access to nutritional foods and safe physical activity to low-income neighborhoods and subsidized housing complexes where the prevalence of childhood obesity is highest and resources are considerably low. A mobile market will be brought into the communities, along with health screenings and meal planning in order to have a direct impact on at-risk families. Interactive maps will also be used to educate and engage individuals, focusing on shopping and preparing healthy meals as well as the importance of physical activity. ProMedica is the largest not-for-profit health care provider in northwest Ohio and southeast Michigan.

YMCA of Greater Grand Rapids Healthy U: Road to Good Health Program - Grand Rapids, MI
CDC

We request $480,000 for the YMCA of Greater Grand Rapids for the Healthy U: Road to Good Health Initiative. This funding will provide a mobile library and youth fitness center to allow the YMCA to deliver physical activity, literacy and nutrition instruction to every child in local schools.

American Red Cross Southeastern MI Blood Services Region, African American Blood Donation Program - Detroit, MI
CDC

We request $250,000 for the American Red Cross Blood Services Division for the African American Blood Donation Program. This funding will allow for programming to educate and motivate African Americans to donate blood regularly. The first year target is to produce 2000 additional units. The program will address the lack of type O and B blood that is chronically in short supply, but occurs at a higher rate among African Americans.

Michigan Health & Hospital Association Health Foundation--Keystone Center for Patient Safety & Quality, Preventing Hospital Readmissions Program - Lansing, MI
CMS

We request $500,000 for the Michigan Health & Hospital Association (MHA) Health Foundation for the Keystone Center for Patient Safety and Quality Center. The MHA Keystone Center would partner with the Michigan Department of Community Health, organized medicine, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and other stakeholders in a statewide project with the ultimate goal of reducing the gap between the best clinical evidence for preventing readmissions and actual practice.

1 CRW Worldwide Inc. Health IT Project - Detroit, MI
HRSA

We request $5,000,000 for 1 CRW Worldwide, Inc. for health IT management needs. This funding will help establish an electronic Medical Data Center (eMD Center) that houses all records (SCHIPS, Medicaid, Medicare) for Michigan-based entities. The facility will provide up to the date reporting and statistics on patients within CMS programs

American Red Cross-Southeastern Michigan Chapter, The American Red Cross Michigan Military Personnel and Their Families Support Program - Detroit, MI
HRSA

We request $250,000 for the American Red Cross-Southeastern Michigan Chapter for The American Red Cross Michigan Military Personnel and Their Families Support Program. This funding would provide services that will enable this population to cope with the stress of deployment and minimize the risk of serious emotional and psychological disorders.

Bay Area Medical Center Information Technology Upgrades - Marinette, WI
HRSA

We request $980,000 for the Bay Area Medical Center for the Information Technology Upgrades. This funding will address critical electronic management for the Center's Emergency Department and for upgrades to health record systems, cost accounting management, and patient care systems. The program will create a more integrated, safer, and efficient system that will better serve the area population.

Bay Cliff Health Camp Aquatic Therapy Center - Big Bay, MI
HRSA

We request $2,750,000 for the Bay Cliff Health Camp for construction of an Aquatic Therapy Center. This funding will be used to construct a new 12,000 square foot indoor Aquatic Therapy Center at Bay Cliff Health Camp. This facility will serve chilren and adults with disabilities.

Bay Regional Medical Center Breast Health Center - Bay City, MI
HRSA

We request $1,160,000 for Bay Regional Medical Center for renovations to the Breast Health Center. This funding will help renovate the current facility to include a specimen radiography system for biopsies, a multi-disciplinary conference area, improved signage and a library/resource room. The current diagnostic center is limited to mammograms and minor procedures.

Botsford Hospital Breast Center Development Project - Farmington Hills, MI
HRSA

We request $1,500,000 for Botsford Hospital for the Breast Center Development Project. This funding will allow the Center to acquire the newest technologies to detect breast cancers in their earliest and most treatable stages.

Cherry Street Health Services Cherry Street/Touchstone/ProAction Health Center - Grand Rapids, MI
HRSA

We request $800,000 for Cherry Street Health Services for the Cherry Street/Touchstone/ProAction Health Center. This funding will help construct a center that provides integrated mental health and substance abuse prevention services. Over 15,000 low income individuals will receive integrated health and mental health care through the new facility.

Children's Hospital of Michigan, Hospital Expansion/Renovation- Detroit, MI
HRSA

We request $1,000,000 for Children's Hospital of Michigan for expansion and renovation of facilities. This funding will be used to construct a new inpatient tower and renovate existing facilities at the Center. The project will expand the facility's specialized services, research abilities and capacity to provide health services to the Detroit metropolitan region.

Food Bank of Eastern Michigan, Emergency Food Box Program - Flint, MI
HRSA

We request $374,273 for the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan for the Emergency Food Box Program. This funding will provide boxed and canned meals, fruits, vegetables, and other shelf-stable foods to Eastern Michigan's 25,000 neediest families. The current economic downturn has increased the demand for services while decreasing available resources. Allocation of the EFBs is to be based on the population in poverty per county and encompasses 22 eastern Michigan counties.

Food Bank of Eastern Michigan, Eats for the Elderly Program - Flint, MI
HRSA

We request $729,295 for the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan for the Eats for the Elderly Program. This funding will help provide food to vulnerable, low-income seniors in need of healthy meals. This program will enroll 3,123 seniors and provide an additional 1,500,000 pounds of food. There are roughly 102,400 seniors in the Food Bank's 22-county service area.

Food Bank Of Eastern Michigan, Urban BackPack Project - Flint, MI
HRSA

We request $5,920,770 for the Food Bank of Michigan for the Urban BackPack Project. This funding will be used to meet the needs of hungry children by providing them with nutritious and easy to prepare food to take home on weekends and school vacations when other resources are not available. The program will be able to deliver over 9,000,000 meals to children in Genesee and Saginaw Counties.

Great Lakes Blood Services Region, Donor Coach Project - Lansing, MI
HRSA

We request $232,635 for the Great Lakes Blood Services Region for the Donor Coach Project. This funding will provide transportation equipment to accommodate up to five donor beds for mobile blood drives.

Harper University Hospital Emergency Department and Inpatient Cardiovascular Unit Construction - Detroit, MI
HRSA

We request $1,000,000 for Harper University Hospital for Emergency Room and Inpatient Cardiovascular Unit Construction. This funding will involve construction of a new emergency department and new cardiovascular inpatient hospital unit that will provide for the complete integration of advanced cardiology and vascular disease services.

Hurley Medical Center Emergency Department/Trauma Center Expansion Project - Flint, MI
HRSA

We request $5,000,000 for Hurley Medical Center for the Emergency Department/Trauma Center Expansion Project. This funding will expand the Center's Level 1 Trauma Center to provide improved emergency care in the region.

Hurley Medical Center Integration of Patient Monitoring with Clinical Information Systems - Flint, MI
HRSA

We request $3,000,000 for Hurley Medical Center for Integration of Patient Monitoring with Clinical Information Systems. This funding will upgrade patient monitoring systems to improve patient safety. By 2011, current systems will be obsolete due to technology changes and scarcity of replacement parts.

Ingham County Health Department Facility Renovations - Mason, MI
HRSA

We request $300,000 for Ingham County for Health Department Facility Renovations. This funding will be used to renovate buildings to expand the scale of clinical facilities and streamline services for patient care. The Ingham County Health Department is currently at its operational limits and cannot accommodate more patients.

Ingham County Health Department Electronic Medical Records Implementation - Mason, MI
HRSA

We request $300,000 for Ingham County for Health Department Electronic Medical Records Implementation. This funding will be used for capacity improvements for a health information electronic record exchange to improve results delivery, physician order entry, electronic referrals and electronic access to patient records. The project will improve the efficiency of the system and increase patient safety through reduced errors.

Ingham Regional Medical Center Energy Conservation Infrastructure Improvements - Lansing, MI
HRSA

We request $856,000 for Ingham Regional Medical Center for energy conservation infrastructure improvements. This funding will be used for environmentally friendly upgrades and additions to the medical center. By adopting green building strategies, they can maximize both economic and environmental performance. This project will result in reduced utility and maintenance expenses.

Jack's Place for Autism Foundation Life Skills Training Center - Southfield, MI
HRSA

We request $1,300,000 for Jack's Place for Autism for the Life Skills Training Center. This funding will help construct a state-of-the-art facility designed to provide life skills training to individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders. The program will build the skill set autistic patients need to live on their own through real-life, modeled experiences.

Kids Kicking Cancer Heroes Circle Program - Detroit, MI
HRSA

We request $800,000 for Kids Kicking Cancer for the Heroes Circle program. This funding will expand programming for this nationally recognized program that uses the martial arts to reframe illness and empower young cancer and sickle cell anemia patients. The program reaches over 2,000 children nationally and has been awarded the nation's highest honor in community public health, the Robert Woods Johnson Community Health Leaders Award.

Lansing Community College Regional Center for Military Medic to Registered Nurse Fast Track Program - Lansing, MI
HRSA

We request $2,000,000 for Lansing Community College for the Regional Center for Military Medic to Registered Nurse Fast Track Program. This funding will implement an innovative three-part program to first help military trained medics transition to civilian paramedic certification and then through a Fast Track program leading to licensure as registered nurses. The

program will help meet local, state and national nursing shortages by developing a portable education model based on strategies, methodologies and web-based learning models and materials.

Lapeer Regional Medical Center CT Simulator- Lapeer, MI
HRSA

We request $1,000,000 for the Lapeer Regional Medical Center, Great Lakes Cancer Institute for a CT Simulator. This funding will allow for the purchase of a CT Simulator for detection of cancer. Simulation is the most accurate process available to localize, define, and reconstruct, in three dimensions, a patient's tumor. This process identifies the tumor along with the normal tissue surrounding it, allowing the design of a treatment plan unique to each patient's anatomy.

Mackinac Straits Health System EMS/Ambulance Garage - Saint Ignace, MI
HRSA

We request $360,544 for Mackinac Straits Health System for a new EMS Ambulance Garage. This funding will help construct a new garage facility with seven bays: three for ambulance vehicles; two for storage of local emergency preparedness trailers; one bay for a non-emergent patient transportation vehicle; and one for snow removal equipment. Additionally, there will be housing and training facilities for EMS personnel.

Marquette General Health System Ambulatory Electronic Medical Records - Marquette, MI
HRSA

We request $1,500,000 for Marquette General Health System for Ambulatory Electronic Medical Records. This funding will provide clinicians with electronic tools to give them access to information on their patients, enabling them to provide better, safer and less expensive care.

Mercy Hospital Grayling Rural Emergency Generator - Grayling, MI
HRSA

We request $1,400,000 for Mercy Hospital Grayling for a Rural Emergency Generator. This funding will help purchase a generator for the hospital to ensure it can function in a disaster or power outage. The hospital's current generator meets only minimum life-support requirements and does not support surgery, radiology/imaging, or other key functions that are essential in an emergency or disaster situation.

Mercy Primary Care Center Facility Expansion/Installation of Technology Infrastructure for High Quality Care - Detroit, MI
HRSA

We request $350,000 for the Mercy Primary Care Center for Facility Expansion/Installation of Technology Infrastructure for High Quality Care. This funding will allow the Center to

complete necessary renovations and technology upgrades to improve the overall quality of services to patients.

Metro Health Corporation Electronic Medical Records Project - Wyoming, MI
HRSA

We request $5,000,000 for Metro Health Corporation for the Electronic Medical Records Project. This funding will be used to install a new integrated electronic medical record system throughout the health system and will provide training to staff and physicians to use the system. The system will improve health coordination, safety, and quality of care for both patients and staff.

Michigan Association Of United Ways Benefit Access Initiative - Lansing, MI
HRSA

We request $3,500,000 for the Michigan Association of United Ways for a Benefit Access Initiative. This funding will help develop a statewide benefit access system mobilizing community-based organizations to bring needed income into households. The Benefit Access Initiative uses a web-based expert system that combines benefit applications to provide a one-stop shop for benefits such as food stamps, LIHEAP, TANF, child care subsidies, SCHIP, Medicaid, and the EITC.

Michigan Association Of United Ways Work Supports Statewide Through 2-1-1 - Lansing, MI
HRSA

We request $3,000,000 for the Michigan Association of United Ways for a statewide 2-1-1 telephone system for work supports. This funding will help complete the service so it will reach 100% of the state's population and connect them to job training and other services. It will build capacity throughout the system to effectively connect individuals with public, non-profit and faith based services that address barriers to employment.

MidMichigan Health Transformation to the Electronic Medical Record - Midland, MI
HRSA

We request $800,000 for MidMichigan Health for the Transformation to the Electronic Medical Record Project. This funding will help transform paper-based recordkeeping to an electronic medical records system that integrates four medical centers, hundreds of physician offices, and interfaces with existing systems at two nursing homes and home health care services.

Mt. Clemens Regional Medical Center Catheterization Lab Expansion Project - Mount Clemens, MI
HRSA

We request $1,000,000 for Mt. Clemens Regional Medical Center for the Catheterization Lab Expansion Project. This funding will be used to improve the diagnosis of cardiac disease in

patients by using cardiac catheterizations, angioplasties, stent placements, and intravascular ultrasounds.

Oakland County Health Center Client Management System for Personal and Preventative Health - Pontiac, MI
HRSA

We request $410,000 for the Oakland County Health Center for the Client Management System for Personal and Preventative Health. This funding will be used to complete the purchase and implementation of IT upgrades to streamline the County's health information records.

Oakland Primary Health Services Clinic Expansion - Pontiac, MI
HRSA

We request $750,000 for Oakland Primary Health Services (OPHS) for Clinic Expansion. This funding will improve the group's existing facility to improve coverage for the vulnerable in the Pontiac area due to restrictions on its ability to deliver care. OPHS increased its population by almost 1400 new patients in 2008, many in the last six months. OPHS funding is for a clinical delivery site that has the following attributes: Minimum of 12,000 to 14,000 sq ft; ten to twelve medical examination rooms; two medical treatment rooms; a three-chair dental operatory expandable to six chairs in the future; six to eight administrative offices; and one clinical office for behavior consultations.

Oakland University Health Prevention Research Center - Rochester, MI
HRSA

We request $3,000,000 for Oakland University for a Health Prevention Research Center. This funding will help implement a four-year plan for health prevention to include three specific translational projects directed at community needs: a metabolic syndrome; BRIDGE the gap to stroke recovery; and breast cancer and exercise. These programs would include the following: aid in helping individuals get fit and acquire better nutritional habits; translational and transformational research for citizens suffering from a stroke; studies that will measure energy expenditures and physical de-conditioning in patients during their cancer treatment.

Oakwood Healthcare, Inc., Oakwood Center for Nurse Clinical Education and Job Training - Dearborn, MI
HRSA

We request $666,000 for Oakwood Healthcare for the Oakwood Center for Nurse Clinical Education and Job Training. This funding will support clinical and technological skill advancement for future and current nurses with education through sophisticated simulation technology providing clinicians and students opportunities to gain real life experience in a controlled setting. The project will use simulator mannequins in simulated hospital environments to train health care employees safely.

Office of The Governor, State of Michigan Department of Community Health Public Health Genomics Neonatal BioTrust - Lansing, MI
HRSA

We request $500,000 for the State of Michigan Department of Public Health for a Health Genomics Neonatal BioTrust program. This funding will help develop a repository of biological samples, collected from the general population, to greatly enhance promising scientific studies now and in the future. Scientists conducting public health and basic medical research in genomics currently have limited access to comprehensive, population-based collections of human specimens and even more limited access to health outcome data.

Office of The Governor, State of Michigan Department of Community Health to Upgrade Detroit Nursing Facilities - Lansing, MI
HRSA

We request $500,000 for the State of Michigan Department of Community Health to Upgrade Detroit Nursing Facilities. This funding will assist Detroit nursing facilities in upgrading management and overall clinical nursing skills to retain health care funding, needed health services and jobs in Detroit. Over the last 15 to 20 years, Detroit has experienced steady and profound economic decline. There are significant health care needs for seniors living in Detroit and a lack of health care services to meet those needs.

Office of The Governor, State of Michigan Department of Human Services, Making the Case: Michigan's Urban Grocery Project - Lansing, MI
HRSA

We request $500,000 for the State of Michigan Department of Human Services for the Making the Case: Michigan's Urban Grocery Project. This funding will be used to examine the economic, social, and environmental viability of providing fresh food access to neighborhoods in Detroit. The project will address the scarcity and lack of access that Detroit residents currently have to fresh food markets.

Office of The Governor, State of Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, Grand Rapids Veterans Home - Lansing, MI
HRSA

We request $500,000 for the State of Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs for the Grand Rapids Veterans Home. This funding will help renovate this state-run home for veterans. The windows in the Rankin Building need to be replaced and the glazing in the dining/day rooms has been raised as an issue during licensure surveys.

OSF St. Francis Hospital & Medical Group Electronic Health Record Initiative - Escanaba, MI
HRSA

We request $865,000 for OSF St. Francis Hospital and Medical Group for an Electronic Health Record Initiative. This funding will help implement a system built on a central data repository that stores clinical, financial, demographic and operational information about patients. The project will increase coordination and improve the safety of patients within the medical group.

PBS Biotech, Inc. Development of Large Scale, Single-Use Bioreactors for Rapid Response to Potential Bird Flu Pandemics - Lansing, MI
HRSA

We request $1,000,000 for PBS Biotech, Inc. for Development of Large Scale, Single-Use Bioreactors for Rapid Response to Potential Bird Flu Pandemics. This funding will help develop and establish a reliable and scalable disposable bioreactor system to defend against potential pandemics.

Pine Rest Christian Mental Health Services Electronic Medical Record Initiative - Grand Rapids, MI
HRSA

We request $750,000 for Pine Rest Christian Mental Health Services for an Electronic Medical Record Initiative. This funding will be used to purchase hardware and other equipment to create an electronic health record system for the organization. The project will increase coordination and improve the safety of patients within the medical center. The project requires the purchase of hardware, a disaster recovery site, software and consultation services.

Presbyterian Villages of Michigan (PVM) Detroit Green House - Continuum of Care Project - Southfield, MI
HRSA

We request $1,800,000 for Presbyterian Villages of Michigan (PVM) for the Detroit Green House - Continuum of Care Project. This funding will be used for the preparation and construction of a skilled nursing facility, called "Green Houses," in the City of Detroit. Attributes of Green Houses include: aligning caregiver-elder ratios to promote nurturing services; a positive living environment; utilizing technology to improve safety, quality of life, economy of operations; and helping individuals become integrated with the community.

Rochester College Crittenton Hospital School of Nursing - Rochester Hills, MI
HRSA

We request $8,500,000 for Rochester College for the Crittenton Hospital School of Nursing. This funding will help build a state-of-the-art school of nursing at the College. Currently, there is a two to three year waiting period to begin nurse training and a growing demand for qualified nurses. This program will address both of those needs.

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System Point-of-Care Medication Administration Program - Ann Arbor, MI
HRSA

We request $1,000,000 for Saint Joseph Mercy Health System for the Point-of-Care Medication Administration Program. This funding will allow for bar-coding technology to ensure accurate administration of drugs at the bedside, while also linking all bedside drug therapies into the patient's electronic health record. The coordination of medication is essential to reducing error and dangerous drug interactions.

Saint Joseph Mercy Oakland Automating the Intensive Care Unit Project - Pontiac, MI
HRSA

We request $800,000 for Saint Joseph Mercy Oakland for the Automating the Intensive Care Unit Project. This funding will help implement INet, an important component in a hospital-wide and system-wide electronic health record initiative called Project Genesis. The project will allow ICU physician's to more accurately trace varibilities in the patient and track trends. National studies have shown that as many as 16 percent of patients admitted to an ICU experience a human error, and that these errors can add significantly to length of stay, morbidity, and costs.

Siena Heights University Nursing Initiative - Adrian, MI
HRSA

We request $2,500,000 for Siena Heights University for its Nursing Intiative. This funding will expand the technological library and electronic student reference resources; support the recruitment and staffing components of the Bachelor of Science in nursing program; complete and equip a Skills Learning Laboratory; and create a distance learning classroom to educate more registered nurses across Michigan.

South Central Michigan American Red Cross Project Preparedness Initiative - Jackson, MI
HRSA

We request $191,500 for the South Central Michigan American Red Cross for its Project Preparedness Initiative. This funding will allow for the construction of a new pole barn for the secure storage of emergency response vehicles. The purchase of office and communication equipment, and the completion of building renovations.

Sparrow Health System Capital Regional Electronic Medical Records Project - Lansing, MI
HRSA

We request $5,000,000 for Sparrow Health System for the Capital Regional Electronic Medical Records Project. This funding will allow the health system to retire its traditional paper charts

and replace them with computerized medical records. The project will provide a more efficient and safe system to keep track of patient records.

St. John Health Enterprise Health Records Project - Warren, MI
HRSA

We request $5,000,000 for St. John Health for the Enterprise Health Records Project. This funding moves patient information to a digital system, permitting health care providers to have relevant, accurate information at the point of care. The project will increase efficiency and safety as medical data is integrated.

St. Joseph Health System Digital Mammography Equipment - Tawas City, MI
HRSA

We request $794,804 for the St. Joseph Health System for Digital Mammography. This funding will purchase improved digital mammography equipment that enhances patient safety by decreasing exposure to radiation.

St. Joseph Health System HealthKey - Tawas City, MI
HRSA

We request $200,000 for the St. Joseph Health System for the HealthKey Project. This funding will provide a one-step resource center to assist rural uninsured, underinsured and underserved individuals to obtain diabetes and hypertension case management, pharmaceuticals, and medical homes. HealthKey offers a one-stop resource center to assist uninsured, underinsured and underserved individuals in overcoming the barriers and obstacles they experience when accessing health care and the community service system.

The Manor Treatment and Counseling Center Construction Project - Jonesville, MI
HRSA

We request $600,000 for The Manor for the Treatment and Counseling Center Construction Project. This funding will assist with costs of construction of a Treatment and Counseling Center to serve developmentally disabled youth.

Traverse Health Clinic Practice Management System & Electronic Medical Records Implementation - Traverse City, MI
HRSA

We request $250,000 for the Traverse Health Clinic for a Practice Management System and Electric Medical Records Implementation. This funding will be used to upgrade computer hardware, purchase systems to record and track patient data, and establish an electronic health records system. The program will increase efficiency in the system and improve patient safety.

University of Michigan Health System Regional Infectious Containment Unit (RICU) - Ann Arbor, MI
HRSA

We request $1,500,000 for the University of Michigan Health System for the Regional Infectious Containment Unit (RICU). This funding will help construct a medically secure unit on the 12th floor of the C.S. Mott Children's & Women's Hospital to provide for isolation of pandemic or bioterrorism victims. The new hospital could provide surge capacity in the case of a serious infectious event and would become a 264-bed isolation hospital. No such unit or surge capacity facility exists in Michigan at this time.

The Van Andel Institute Biomedical Research Imaging Systems - Grand Rapids, MI
HRSA

We request $2,300,000 for the Van Andel Institute for Biomedical Research Imaging Systems. This funding will provide PET and MRI equipment for the Institute. The equipment will be used to build improved animal models and support research into the treatment of diseases.

Wayne County Infant Mortality Prevention Program - Detroit, MI
HRSA

We request $600,000 for Wayne County for the Infant Mortality Prevention Project. This funding will support the Wayne County Babies and Operation Safe Sleep programs to reduce the rates of infant mortality in out-Wayne County. The program focuses on preventing infant mortality that results from unsafe sleeping positions and environmental facors, such as bed-sharing.

Wayne State University State-of-the-Art Simulation Technology Laboratory - Detroit, MI
HRSA

We request $800,000 for Wayne State University for a State-of-the-Art Simulation Technology Laboratory. This funding will be used to augment state-of-the-art education technology in the nursing program with the purchase of mannequins and related equipment to train nurses. The project will use simulator mannequins in simulated hospital environments to safely train health care employees.

William Beaumont Hospital Development of Adaptive Image-Guided Proton Therapy - Royal Oak, MI
HRSA

We request $4,250,000 for William Beaumont Hospital for Development of Adaptive Image-Guided Proton Therapy. This funding will allow the hospital to build a proton beam therapy (PBT) facility. This facility will improve the hospital's ability to irradiate cancerous tumors with less side effects to surrounding tissue. A PET Scanner with PBT will mean improved biologic targeting of cancer cells, adaptation of treatment to response and true biologic radiation dose calculation.

Michigan Technological University Multi-Scale Technologies Institute's Program to Develop Nano-Engineered Meniscal Tissue - Houghton, MI
Rehab Svcs

We request $2,000,000 for Michigan Technological University for the Multi-Scale Technologies Institute's Program to Develop Nano-Engineered Meniscal Tissue. This funding will allow the Multi-Scale Technologies Institute's program to develop nano-engineered material meniscal tissue to slow or prevent progression of osteoarthritis. Using a nano-level engineering material such as a porous biodegradable poly-vinyl alcohol hydrogel as the replacement scaffold will allow cells to penetrate the tissue prior to and following implantation.

City of Detroit Health and Wellness Promotion Behavioral Health Unit - Detroit, MI
SSR

We request $750,000 for the City of Detroit for its Wellness Promotion and Behavioral Health Unit. This funding will be used to decrease behaviors among women that negatively affect their health and possibly the health of their children, such as obesity or substance use. The structure of the Behavioral Health Unit will be modeled after the Centering Pregnancy Model, which focuses on providing prenatal care in a group setting.

United Way For Southeastern Michigan United Way Centers for Working Families - Detroit, MI
SSR

We request $500,000 for the United Way of Southeastern Michigan for its Centers for Working Families. This funding will provide individuals and families with economic and financial counseling services in centralized locations. Program sites focus on three service areas key to helping working families become financially stable: sustained efforts to connect families to employment and training opportunities; one-on-one financial coaching by full-time experts with experience in mortgage, debt, and credit counseling; and assistance in accessing public and private income supports, including the Earned Income Tax Credit.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:

Alternatives For Girls Career Paths Program - Detroit, MI
FIE

We request $125,000 for Alternatives for Girls Career Paths Program. This funding will allow program participants in shelter or transitional living environments to develop real-world work experience and learn valuable job skills to succeed in their educational and employment pursuits while completing GED and other school classes. Alternatives For Girls' Career Paths program provides assistance to homeless young women, ages 15 to 21.

City of Detroit Summer Youth Employment Program - Detroit, MI
FIE

We request $750,000 for the City of Detroit for the Summer Youth Employment Program. This funding will provide youth with positive work experiences to promote youth labor force readiness, academic enrichment and life skills training during the summer months when public schools are not in session.

City of Grand Rapids, Our Community's Children Jobs for Youth Program - Grand Rapids, MI
FIE

We request $630,000 for the City of Grand Rapids for the Our Community's Children Jobs for Youth Program. This funding will be used to train youths in 21st century work skills and literacy. By providing real life work experience, the Grand Rapids Jobs for Youth program will give youth the skills they need to become excellent employees and engaged citizens.

Delta-Schoolcraft Intermediate School District Preparing Students for Opportunities in the Global Economy Program - Escanaba, MI
FIE

We request $590,000 for the Delta-Schoolcraft Intermediate School District Preparing Students for Opportunities in the Global Economy Program. This funding will develop an elementary, middle, and high school curriculum that uses information technology, real-world math, computer aided design, and technical writing. Students will work in teams and design actual products that will be built by industries in Michigan.

Detroit Area Pre-College Engineering Program (DAPCEP) Curriculum Development, Teacher Training and a Student Tracking System - Detroit, MI
FIE

We request $250,000 for the Detroit Area Pre-College Engineering Program (DAPCEP) for Curriculum Development, Teacher Training and a Student Tracking System. This funding will be used to increase the technical proficiency of DAPCEP teachers currently working with over 5,000 students throughout Metro Detroit. This will enable them to align curriculum with the needs of the State of Michigan and help expose students to STEM careers and technology associated with renewable energy, bio-engineering and health care industries. This request will also help expand the program's database and student tracking efforts.

Detroit Area Pre-College Engineering Program (DAPCEP) Energy Technology and Career Exposure Programs for Detroit Area Youth - Detroit, MI
FIE

We request $1,000,000 for the Detroit Area Pre-College Engineering Program (DAPCEP) for Energy Technology and Career Exposure Programs for Detroit Area Youth program. This funding will expose Detroit area high school students to technology and career opportunities

available in the power generation and renewable energy arenas. This program will prepare students to take advantage of the opportunities generated by the current race to develop and implement renewable energy sources.

Detroit Science Center Science FX Exhibit Course - Detroit, MI
FIE

We request $500,000 for the Detroit Science Center (DSC) for the Science FX Exhibit Course. This funding will provide programming for a unique 8th grade course at a public, charter middle school in Detroit where students will design, build and install exhibits at the Center and other community locations using concepts from the Michigan math and science curriculum. This project is designed to address the underrepresentation of minority students in engineering and technical fields. The course will include computer-assisted design instruction and a weekly lab class at the DSC Exhibit Shop.

Ecorse Public Schools Busy Bee Child Care Academy - Ecorse, MI
FIE

We request $100,000 for Ecorse Public Schools for the Busy Bee Child Care Academy. This funding will provide the center with upgraded equipment, such as computers and purchase of pre-reading, math, science, and social development software kits. In total, this funding will help purchase hands-on learning materials, equipment and supplies for fifty two-and-a-half to four year old at risk children.

Genesee Intermediate School District Engineers as Teacher Pioneers: Preparing Displaced Engineers to Teach Math and Science Program - Flint, MI
FIE

We request $2,473,860 for the Genesee Intermediate School District for the Engineers as Teacher Pioneers: Preparing Displaced Engineers to Teach Math and Science Program. This funding will prepare displaced engineers to reenter the workplace as K-12 math, science and technology teachers.

Great Lakes Capital Fund ART of Leadership Mentoring Program- Lansing, MI
FIE

We request $1,000,000 for the Great Lakes Capital Fund for the ART of Leadership Mentoring Program. This funding will expand the programming and implementation of the program curriculum which provides mentoring and leadership skills to students in need. This program has produced a 100 percent graduation rate from its participants in at-risk urban areas like Detroit. Students are mentored by business people and others from their communities, who spend time over a period of up to seven years, teaching them the curriculum and guiding them to apply these skills in their lives.

Institute for Student Achievement High School Reform Activities at Cody and Osborn High Schools in Detroit, Michgian - New Hyde Park, NY
FIE

We request $600,000 for the Institute for Student Achievement for High School Reform Activities at Cody and Osborn High Schools in Detroit, Michigan. This New York-based education not-for-profit is partnering with the Detroit School District to reduce the dropout rate and increase the attendance and graduation rates at Cody and Osborn High Schools, two large, failing schools that serve poor, minority students. This funding will help provide programs that improve the academic achievements of students who have been traditionally underserved. The project will also build the capacity of the school staff through intense, onsite, job-embedded and offsite professional development activities.

Ishpeming Public Schools Building Technology Enahncements- Ishpeming, MI
FIE

We request $100,000 for Ishpeming Public School for Building Technology Enhancements at three local schools. This funding will help upgrade Internet access at the Birchview School, the C.L. Phelps Middle School, and the Ishpeming High School in order to provide students in grades K-12 with enriched curriculum options and access to virtual learning. An improved Internet access will also provide teachers with access to professional development opportunities that are not currently available.

MichBio Institute Educating Michigan's Future in BioCareers Program - Ann Arbor, MI
FIE

We request $300,000 for the MichBio Institute for the Educating Michigan's Future in BioCareers Program. This funding will be used to retain Michigan's graduates by informing them about opportunities in biotechnology and the biosciences. The United States currently ranks very low in developed nations in science aptitude.

Michigan State University Community Music School "Crescendo Initiative" in Detroit, Michigan - East Lansing, MI
FIE

We request $500,000 for Michigan State University for the Community Music School "Crescendo Initiative" in Detroit, Michigan. This funding will attract more creative industries to the City of Detroit while offering affordable music education to low-income children in the area.

Oakland Christian School MySAMSON.net Program - Auburn Hills, MI
FIE

We request $750,000 for the Oakland Christian School for the MySAMSON.net Program. This funding will help grow a program for on-line learning targeting K-12 students in the areas of science, art and math through engagement and interaction. The program will reduce the drop-out rate by providing home access and individual attention to students.

Office of The Governor, State of Michigan Department of Human Services Family Resource Centers - Lansing, MI
FIE

We request $500,000 for the State of Michigan Department of Human Services for its Family Resource Centers. This funding will implement a comprehensive evaluation strategy to assess the design of the Family Resource Center (FRC) program across the state, with a special focus on service delivery through public-private partnerships. The program is designed around reducing family struggles in order to reduce the number of children struggling in school.

Saginaw Art Museum Art Education Project - Saginaw, MI
FIE

We request $500,000 for the Saginaw Art Museum for its Art Education project. This funding is geared toward Title I schools to promote school success for students who face financial and social barriers by improving quality of life, allowing personal examination and growth and improving student performance in school.

St. Augustine's National Foundation Caroline Education Community International PSA Curriculum Development - Monroe, MI
FIE

We request $788,000 for the St. Augustine's National Foundation for the Caroline Education Community International PSA for Curriculum Development. This funding will provide for curriculum that consists of entry-level, core college courses providing senior level students the advantage of earning college credits prior to graduation from high school.

Starr Commonwealth Detroit Structured Transitional Living Program - Detroit, MI
FIE

We request $500,000 for Starr Commonwealth for the Detroit Structured Transitional Living (STL) Program. This funding will allow Starr to expand programs for its STL programs which serve youth ages 15 to 21 and provide them with skills to live independently. Providing support during this transitionary period will develop the skills necessary for these youth to lead self-sufficient and productive lives.

United Way for Southeastern Michigan School Turnaround Initiative for Southeastern Michigan - Detroit, MI
FIE

We request $500,000 for the United Way of Southeastern Michigan for its School Turnaround Initiative. This funding will help bring together community resources with proven school turn-around models to reduce dropout rates and increase test scores in failing high schools. The project combines school-based improvements with programs to link students to essential wrap-around supports for educational success.

Washtenaw Intermediate School District Best Buddies International, Inc. - Best Buddies Michigan Chapters - Ann Arbor, MI
FIE

We request $250,000 for the Washtenaw Intermediate School District for additional Best Buddies Chapters in Michigan. This funding will establish twenty-four additional Best Buddies chapters to provide people with intellectual disabilities, opportunities for one-to-one friendships and integrated employment. Children with intellectual disabilities often grow up experiencing a life of rejection and isolation. This program is designed to break that cycle.

Webberville Community Schools Extended Learning Initiative - Webberville, MI
FIE

We request $263,000 for Webberville Community Schools for its Extended Learning Initiative. This funding will provide opportunities to area residents to hone academic skills to become more marketable for employment and/or prepare for the GED, and will be used to provide access to technology and build bonds between schools and community. This program will open up educational opportunities to segments of the population who do not have access or the resources to attend traditional schools.

Adrian College Science and Business Academic Program to Produce Green, Clean Technology - Adrian, MI
FIPSE

We request $2,500,000 for Adrian College for the Science and Business Academic Program to Produce Green and Clean Technology. This funding will help modernize the college's science and business program by upgrading instrumentation, curriculum, advanced information technology and state-of-the-art laboratories related to this program. The improvements are necessary to respond to increased area growth and demand in local science and business fields.

Alpena Community College Phase 2 Curriculum Development for Rural Communication Initiative - Alpena, MI
FIPSE

We request $500,000 for Alpena Community College for Phase 2 Curriculum Development for its Rural Communication Initiative. This funding will be used for curriculum development to expand the program. The program will allow rural communities to train using a portable training platform, reducing costs and time for training personnel. Phase 2 of the project focuses on refining the scheduling and delivery system, expanding the curriculum, and expanding the trained instructor base to service the counties in the Upper Peninsula.

Burcham Hills Retirement Community and Lansing Community College Nurse Training and Certification Program in Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Care - East Lansing, MI
FIPSE

We request $250,000 for Burcham Hills Retirement Community and Lansing Community College for a Nurse Training and Certification Program in Alzheimer Disease and Dementia Care. This funding will be used to implement an Alzheimer's Disease and dementia training program for nursing students and health care workers. Currently, nurses and caregivers in Michigan are not required to be trained in these conditions leading to an 85 percent attrition rate at long-term care facilities.

Cleary University Fiber Optic Connection and Upgrades - Ann Arbor, MI
FIPSE

We request $592,000 for Cleary University for Fiber Optic Connection and Upgrades. This funding will replace aging desktop equipment with new energy star compliant computers, while integrating fiber optic connections throughout the campuses to provide more timely emergency notifications. This request will improve the University's learning environment and enhance the safety of its students, faculty and staff.

Cleary University Virtual Classroom Initiative - Ann Arbor, MI
FIPSE

We request $170,000 for Cleary University for its Virtual Classroom Initiative. This funding will implement a web meeting system as an additional service to conduct classes. The project will expand the availability of higher education to a larger pool of prospective students. The objective is to reduce campus utility costs, student and faculty travel expense and attendant energy consumption.

College for Creative Studies Continuing Education Program - Detroit, MI
FIPSE

We request $775,000 for the College of Creative Studies Continuing Education Program. This funding will be used to expand the College's Continuing Education Department to offer re-training and professional development in creative fields, art and design certification courses and education camps for children and adults, serving 3,000 people annually.

Eastern Michigan University Urban Teacher and Leadership Preparation Program - Ypsilanti, MI
FIPSE

We request $650,000 for Eastern Michigan University for the Urban Teacher and Leadership Preparation Program. This funding will support the Developing Resiliency through Educational Achievement for Minority Students (DREAMS) Initiative to increase the number of minority teacher candidates by 60 percent beginning in 2011. The program will address the lack of minority teachers represented in the national public school system.

Finlandia University Enhancing Rural Health Science Education through State-of-the-Art Laboratories - Hancock, MI
FIPSE

We request $310,000 for Finlandia University for Enhancing Rural Health Science Education through State-of-the-Art Laboratories. This funding will provide state-of-the art technologies and industry equipment to train local health professionals from the College of Health Sciences.

Grand Valley State University Michigan Alternative and Renewable Energy Education Program - Allendale, MI
FIPSE

We request $500,000 for Grand Valley State University for the Michigan Alternative and Renewable Energy Education Program. This funding will help deliver curriculum related to practical applications of alternative energy research, development, and deployment into school rooms.

Kalamazoo Valley Community College Wind Turbine Academy Training Lab Equipment - Kalamazoo, MI
FIPSE

We request $2,500,000 for Kalamazoo Valley Community College for Wind Turbine Technician Academy Training Lab Equipment. This funding will provide for much-needed equipment to educate and train graduates specializing in wind energy sciences and technology. The competency based program will provide graduates with multi craft credentials which are highly sought after by the wind power industry for the construction, operation and maintenance of utility size wind turbines.

Lansing Community College High School Dropout Recapture Initiative - Lansing, MI
FIPSE

We request $1,000,000 for Lansing Community College for its High School Dropout Recapture Initiative. This funding recaptures dropout students and dually enrolls them in community college classes while they work to complete their high school diploma. This dual approach will enhance their ability to be successful. The comprehensive nature of the program will serve as a foundation to assist the student in meeting their performance requirements.

Lawrence Technological University, The Detroit Studio: A Center for Urban Education, Community Change, and Economic Development Project - Southfield, MI
FIPSE

We request $1,500,000 for Lawrence Technological University for The Detroit Studio: A Center for Urban Education, Community Change, and Economic Development Project. This funding will allow Lawrence Tech to expand its theory and practice educational model at its Detroit Urban Design Studio. They will significantly increase their capacity to provide additional urban

community-based experiential learning, a high school outreach and college preparatory program, professional mentorship to students and faculty and a new Applied Urban Research Center. The project will help to address talent retention, graduation rates, and community involvement.

Macomb Community College Center of Expertise in Defense - Warren, MI
FIPSE

We request $2,000,000 for Macomb Community College for a Center of Expertise in Defense. This funding will support southeast Michigan workers and firms to diversify from the struggling automotive industry to a defense sector. The project will retrain and relocate workers into defense jobs, while supporting the development of defense-based businesses and business networking.

Madonna University Project Learn II - Using Technology to Train Emergency First Responders Initiative - Livonia, MI
FIPSE

We request $500,000 for Madonna University for the Project Learn II - Using Technology to Train Emergency First Responders Initiative. This funding will expand a comprehensive distance learning program to increase access for adult students to workshops and other forms of professional development related to disaster relief and recovery.

Mott Community College Center for Advanced Manufacturing (CAM) - Flint, MI
FIPSE

We request $1,500,000 for Mott Community College for the Center for Advanced Manufacturing (CAM). This funding will help the College work with regional partners to act as a clearinghouse and pilot site for new technologies that explore solutions to various manufacturing issues. The program will be targeted to small and medium businesses that are currently looking to expand their workforce into renewable and sustainable technologies.

Nice Work Public Media, The Legacies Project - Ann Arbor, MI
FIPSE

We request $250,000 for Nice Work Public Media for The Legacies Project. This funding will be used to train high school and college students to enter elder communities to videotape seniors' oral histories over multiple visits, then index the interviews for a keyword-searchable online archive for scholars, researchers and general public. Benefits of this project include career awareness, improved attitudes toward aging and elders, education and training for students and community cohesion in Michigan.

Northwestern Michigan College Freshwater Studies Program - Traverse City, MI
FIPSE

We request $725,000 for Northwestern Michigan College for its Freshwater Studies Program. This funding will expand the Associate's Degree Program in Freshwater Studies offered on campus and allow for the development of a distance learning program. The program will expose students to a broad range of freshwater topics, including water-based renewable energy; water reclamation and quality and global cultural issues related to water. The Freshwater Program is designed to be flexible and appropriate for students at all stages of learning and professional development.

Oakland Community College Model International Education Program for Community Colleges Program - Bloomfield Hills, MI
FIPSE

We request $500,000 for Oakland Community College (OCC) for the Model International Education Program for Community Colleges Program. The purpose of this project is to develop a model international education program that can be replicated by other community colleges. OCC has been involved in a number of different short-term international experiences that will be considered as part of the model. Funding is needed to enable the college to fully test and validate all components of the program.

Office of The Governor, State of Michigan Department of Energy, Labor, and Economic Growth Michigan Community College Green Construction Consortium - Lansing, MI
FIPSE

We request $2,281,896 for the Michigan Department of Energy, Labor, and Economic Growth for the Michigan Community College Green Construction Consortium. The funding will be used for green job training, licensing and certification programs. This program will help the workforce retrain for new growth industries like weatherization and retrofitting. This initiative will be implemented under the auspices of Michigan's No Worker Left Behind (NWLB) and its Green Jobs Initiative launched this year.

Office of The Governor, State of Michigan Department of Information Technology Michigan STEM University Partnership - Lansing, MI
FIPSE

We request $405,000 for the State of Michigan Department of Information Technology for the Michigan Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) University Partnership. This funding will generate opportunities for pre-college students to explore careers in STEM fields and to explore the relationship between these subjects and everyday applications.

Olivet College Math and Science Education Center Equipment - Olivet, MI
FIPSE

We request $490,000 for Olivet College for Math and Science Education Center Equipment. This funding will provide the necessary equipment for science and research programs in a renovated science wing.

River Rouge School District, The DOWNRIVER Community Leadership Center - River Rouge, MI
FIPSE

We request $2,000,000 for the Rouge River School District for The DOWNRIVER Community Leadership Center activities. This funding will provide post-secondary and workforce preparation services to Downriver residents through a coordinated career academics certification program that is directly linked to a community college experience. Retraining and continuing education will help to improve and diversify the downriver workforce.

Saginaw Valley State University Health Science Center Technology - University Center, MI
FIPSE

We request $2,200,000 for Saginaw Valley State University for Health Science Center Technology. This funding will provide technology upgrades, equipment, and supplies for the new health sciences building, housing educational laboratories and facilities.

U.S. Olympic Education Center, Northern Michigan University B.J. Stupak Olympic Scholarship Program - Marquette, MI
FIPSE

We request $3,000,000 for the B.J. Stupak Olympic Scholarship Program. This funding provides financial assistance to athletes training at any of the four Olympic training or education centers in the United States, including the U.S. Olympic Education Center at Northern Michigan University. The funding allows young athletes, who may not be able to afford college, the opportunity to continue their education while training for the Olympic Games. The President's fiscal year 2010 Budget Request includes one million dollars in funding for this program.

Detroit Science Center Medical Marvels Wellness Exhibit Collection - Detroit, MI
IMLS

We request $500,000 for the Detroit Science Center for the Medical Marvels Wellness Exhibit Collection. This funding will expand exhibits to encourage positive behaviors that can prevent or reduce the severity of chronic diseases such as diabetes, heart disease, asthma, depression and addictions. These conditions impact the health and quality of life of many Michigan residents, especially minority populations, and significantly increase the cost of health care in Michigan and nationally.

Flint Institute of Arts ARTreach - Flint, MI
IMLS

We request $307,500 for The Flint Institute of Arts ARTreach program. This funding will provide this program to 10,000 students in Genesee County through extended learning activities that enable in-depth exploration of selected curriculum-based themes. The program develops visual and verbal literacy by applying aesthetics, creativity, and problem-solving skills that can then be used throughout the students' lives.

We certify that neither we nor our immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending item(s) that we have requested for the Fiscal Year 2010 Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations bill, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

We further certify that we have posted a description of the items requested on our official websites, along with the accompanying justification.

We appreciate the subcommittee's consideration of our requests. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Kristina Ko or Jackie Parker of Senator Levin's staff at 202-224-6221 or Patty Readinger of Senator Stabenow's staff at 202-224-4822.

Sincerely,

Senator Debbie Stabenow

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Dear Chairmen, Vice Chairman, and Ranking Member,

The following is a list of my support for additional requests for the fiscal year 2010 Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill. These requests have a nationwide impact, meet a local, state or national public need, and maintain or create jobs:

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR:

$5,100,000,000 for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (Nationwide) this funding will be used to aid low income households with their heating costs;

$170,000,000 for Youth Build (Nationwide) this funding will be used to support the training of underserved youth to rebuild their communities while obtaining an education and learning job skills;

$1,860,000,000 for Job Corps (Nationwide) this funding will be used for comprehensive residential education and job training programs for at-risk youth;

$50,000,000 for Green Jobs Training Program (Nationwide) this funding will be used to invest in competitive grants for alternative energy and green sector job training at community colleges, labor, institutions, and related programs;

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES:

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$2,602,000,000 for Community Health Centers (Nationwide) this funding will be used for community, migrant, public housing, and homeless health center delivery sites;

$120,000,000 for Healthy Start (Nationwide) this funding will be used for programs to serve pregnant women and families by providing outreach, home visits, case management, health education, prenatal depression screening, interconceptional care and other effective approaches to ensure the birth of a healthy newborn child;

$2,000,000 for the National Fragile X Health Initiative (Nationwide) this funding will be used for Centers for Disease Control and Prevention activities and collaboration with the Fragile X Clinical and Research Consortium;

$100,000,000 for Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (Nationwide) this funding will be used for evidenced-based, comprehensive community services to people living with mental disorders;

$13,000,000 for the Office for the Advancement of Telehealth (Nationwide) this funding will be used for telehealth grants for demonstration and model projects, provides financial assistance for pilot projects, grants to licensing boards, and support for resource centers;

$1,500,000 for Parents Anonymous (Nationwide) this funding will be used for funding of a parent "helpline" to effectively reduce child maltreatment;

$30,000,000 for the Caroline Pryce Walker Conquer Childhood Cancer Act (Nationwide) this funding will be used for funding to enhance pediatric cancer research, expand public awareness, and create a national childhood cancer registry;

$2,000,000 for Drug Free Communities Grant Program (Nationwide) this funding will be used to increase drug prevention programs including $2,000,000 for the National Community Anti-Drug Coalition Institute for training and technical assistance;

$700,000,000 for National Family Planning Program (Nationwide) to provide an increase in Title-X funding for family planning for clinics and contraceptive services;

$2,500,000 for Muscular Dystrophy Research Program (Nationwide) this funding will be used to track patients with muscular dystrophy and increase the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's education and outreach as well as funding for the National Institutes of Health's six muscular dystrophy centers;

$2,000,000 for Tourette Syndrome Public Health Education and Research Program (Nationwide) this funding will be used to ensure the research and education for children and adults affected by Tourette syndrome;

$10,000,000 for Gynecologic Cancer Education and Awareness programs (Nationwide) this funding will be used for gynecological cancer education and awareness;

$1,000,000 for Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (National) this funding will be used for the prevention and treatment of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease;

$295,000,000 for Violence Against Women Act and Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (Nationwide) this funding will be used for the support of law enforcement, courts, rape crisis centers, shelters, children's services, and community outreach;

$10,000,000 for the Rural Community Assistance Program (Nationwide) this funding will be used for technical assistance to rural communities and reservations for the construction and expansion of water and wastewater systems;

$50,000,000 for the Mentoring Children of Prisoners Program (Nationwide) this funding will be used to provide competitive grants to match local mentoring organizations to children with incarcerated parents;

$6,000,000,000 for the National Cancer Institute (Nationwide) this funding will be used to support cancer research through the National Cancer Institute;

$3,410,000,000 for HIV/AIDS Programs (Nationwide) this funding will be used to support Ryan White HIV/AIDS programs and for the Minority Aids Initiative;

$330,000,000 for Children's Hospitals Graduate Medical Education (Nationwide) this funding will be used for graduate medical education at 60 independent children's teaching hospitals;

$10,000,000 for Community Innovations for Aging in Place (Nationwide) this funding will be used by the Administration on Aging to make grants to nonprofit organizations for testing and promoting innovative models of Aging in Place;

$215,000,000 for Nursing Workforce Development programs (Nationwide) this funding will be used to increase support for Nursing Workforce Development programs (Title VIII of the Public Health Service Act) that support education for registered nurses, advanced practice of registered nurses, nurse researchers, and nurse faculty;

Support a 12%increase in funding for the Older Americans Act (Nationwide) this funding will be used for programs to preserve the health and independence of our nation's seniors. Older Americans Act spending saves taxpayer dollars by reducing premature nursing home placement, averting malnutrition and controlling chronic health conditions and thus reducing more expensive Medicaid and Medicare expenditures;

$8,100,000,000 for Head Start and Early Head Start (Nationwide) this funding will be used to provide early education, health care, nutrition care, and family social services to women and children, infant through preschool age, through home visits, parent-child activities, and child development centers;

$3,100,000,000 for the Child Care and Development Block Grant (Nationwide) this funding will allow millions of children to receive child care and provides the states the ability to improve the quality of that care;

$201,000,000 for the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (Nationwide) this funding will be used for basic state grants to strengthen state child protective services, grants to states to develop community based prevention services and parenting education, and research and demonstration grants to support efforts to develop new programs to help children and families;

$10,000,000 for Family-to-Family Health Information Centers (Nationwide) this funding will be used to operate parent-run information and referral centers that provide families with information about how to obtain and finance health care for their children and youth with special health care needs, such as disabilities and chronic conditions;

$10,000,000 for Rural Community Facilities Technical Assistance Program (Nationwide) this funding will be used to assist rural communities meet their water and wastewater disposal needs;

$2,000,000,000 for Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (Nationwide) this funding will be used for the prevention and treatment of these diseases around the world;

Full Funding for the Social Security Administration (SSA) - Administrative Expenses (Nationwide) this funding will be used to improve the ability of the SSA to provide service to Social Security recipients as well as improve the processing time on claims;

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:

$28,000,000 for Reading is Fundamental (Nationwide) this funding will be used for Reading is Fundamental Inexpensive Book Distribution;

$35,000,000 for Education for Democracy Act (Nationwide) this funding will be used for educating students about the ideals of our nation;

$120,000,000 for TRIO programs (Nationwide) this funding will be used to provide TRIO services to an additional 120,000 students;

$10,000,000 for Reach Out and Read (Nationwide) this funding will be used to promote literacy and language development in infants and young children;

Support for the Carol M. White Physical Education Program (PEP) (Nationwide) funding for the PEP for schools and community organizations to improve the physical fitness and provide quality, physical education for our nation's youth;

$30,000,000 for the National Writing Project (Nationwide) this funding will be used for the creation of a national infrastructure of over 200 writing project sites to help serve schools and teacher with teacher development;

$50,000,000 for the Student Mentoring Program (Nationwide) this funding will be used to aid schools and community organization to run safe and effective mentoring programs and increase mentor availability to children;

$300,000,000 for the Rural Education Achievement Program (Nationwide) this funding will be used to provide funding and flexibilities to small and low-income rural school districts;

$2,500,000,000 for the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Afterschool Program (Nationwide) this funding will be used to provide at-risk students and students attending low-performing schools access to quality afterschool programs;

$25,000,000 for Teach for America (Nationwide) this funding will be used to support teachers serving economically disadvantaged children in rural and urban areas;

$44,000,000 for the Leveraging Education Assistance Partnership (Nationwide) this funding will be used to provide matching grants for low and moderate-income undergraduate and graduate students;

$275,000 for the National Student/Parent Mock Election (Nationwide) this funding will be used for a program designed to get students and their parents engaged in national and local elections by holding mock elections to coincide with the actual election. Provides free voter guide materials to students and their parents;

$23,809,729 for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (Nationwide) this funding will be used to provide grants to states to help schools offset the additional costs to provide high quality education to children with disabilities;

$15,000,000 for the Patsy T. Mink Fellowship Program (Nationwide) this funding will grant fellowships to women and minorities interested in obtaining their doctorate or other terminal degree;

$49,000,000 for Deafblind Technical Assistance Program (Nationwide) this funding will be used for competitive grants for technical assistance and dissemination of materials based on knowledge gained through research and experience;

$32,000,000 for Ready to Learn (Nationwide) this funding will used by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting to improve early childhood learning by targeting children aged 2-8, especially from low-income families. It places an emphasis on low-income families with community outreach and summer reading camps to improve literacy;

$17,000,000 for Ready to Teach (Nationwide) this funding will be used to develop digital education services aimed at enhancing teacher performance through PBS TeacherLine and grants for station-based initiatives to provide professional development opportunities to local educators;

$346,500,000 for Safe and Drug Free Communities and Schools State Grant Program (Nationwide) this funding will be used for vital drug and violence prevention programming. This is the federal government's primary initiative to prevent drug use in and around schools;

$100,000,000 for Improving Literacy Through School Programs (Nationwide) this funding will allow libraries to improve student literacy skills and academic achievement by providing schools with up-to-date library materials and technology, new and enhanced professional development for librarians, and expanding the access of the library;

$100,000,000 for Teacher Quality Partnership Grants Program (Nationwide) this funding will be used to support intensive partnerships between high-need school districts, high-need K-12 schools, and institutions of higher education to prepare highly effective teachers;

RELATED AGENCIES

$1,100,000,000 for the Corporation for National and Community Service (Nationwide) this funding matches the President's request to support AmeriCorps, VISTA, Senior Corp, and other community service organizations;

$542,000,000 for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (Nationwide) this funding will be used for Community Service Grants to local television and radio stations. This funding will also be used to strengthen existing and developing new programming and technology;

$40,000,000 for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and Digital Broadcasting (Nationwide) this funding will allow stations to purchase new cameras and other equipment to improve the quality of broadcasts. It will also help upgrade local systems used by the Department of Homeland Security and first responders in the event of an emergency;

$27,000,000 for the Public Radio Satellite System (Nationwide) this funding will pay for dual programming facilities while a new Public Radio Satellite System (PRSS) home is constructed. PRSS is the distribution network through which news, music, and

specialized audience programming is delivered by public radio stations, and is temporarily housed by National Public Radio;

$300,000,000 for Library Services Technology Act Programs (Nationwide) this funding will be used to provide training on resume development, job bank web searches, workshops on career information, links to educational and community services, family literacy classes, assistive devices for people with disabilities, homework help and mentoring programs, among other projects;

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending item(s) that I have requested for Fiscal Year 2010, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

I further certify that I have posted a description of the items requested on my official website, along with the accompanying justification.

Sincerely,

Senator Debbie Stabenow