



City of Detroit

CITY COUNCIL

JAMES E. TATE, Jr.
COUNCIL PRO-TEMPORE

MEMORANDUM

TO: Raymond Soloman, General Manager
Tonie Stovall, Volunteer Coordinator Special Projects

FROM: James Tate, City Council President Pro-Tem

DATE: September 19, 2025

RE: Request for Reporting on Toolbank Program

During the Planning and Economic Development Committee, Pro Tem James Tate expressed interest in receiving additional information on the Toolbank program's progress and overall impact. While the contract documentation provides details on services and operations, we would like more specific data to better understand how the ToolBank program is performing to date.

In particular, we are requesting information on:

- Number of tool check-outs or reservations, types of tools most frequently borrowed, and average loan duration.
- More detail on the block club/association projects supported (e.g., clean-ups, beautification, alley clearing, snow removal) and examples of measurable neighborhood improvements.
- Approximate number of individual residents or volunteers engaged through these projects, including seniors served through the grass-cutting initiative.
- Data on which districts or neighborhoods have accessed the Tool Libraries most frequently, and whether outreach is being done to underrepresented areas.
- Information on tool replacement, maintenance challenges, or resource gaps that may affect future program expansion.

If there are any questions, please contact Jacqueline Ramsey, Policy Analyst, at Jacqueline.Ramsey@detroitmi.gov.

Cc: Mr. Malik Washington, Mayor's Office
Ms. Chad Fleno, Mayor's Office