

INVESTING IN AMERICA

President Biden's Investing in America Agenda is Delivering in

ALABAMA

Under the Biden-Harris Administration, Alabama has added over **192,800 new jobs** and unleashed nearly **\$12.4 billion** in private sector investment in the state. The state has seen a significant decrease in unemployment, and millions of people in Alabama stand to benefit from the President's actions to lower health care, energy, and education costs.

As of October 2024



386 thousand individuals in Alabama signed up for health insurance through the Affordable Care Act Marketplaces during the Open Enrollment Period for 2024.



\$2 billion in student debt cancellation has been approved for **37,160** people in Alabama under the Biden-Harris Administration.



1.1 million seniors and other Medicare beneficiaries will save money on prescription drug costs.



\$12.4 billion in private sector manufacturing and clean energy investments under the Biden-Harris Administration.



2.9% unemployment rate with **192.8 thousand** new jobs created under the Biden Administration.



\$9.2 billion in public investments in clean energy, infrastructure, and manufacturing under the Biden-Harris Administration.



268.5 thousand applications to start new businesses under the Biden Administration.

The Biden-Harris Administration's Investing in America agenda has unleashed \$12.4 billion in private sector manufacturing and clean energy investments, including:

- ★ First Solar invested **\$1.1 billion** in a photovoltaic (PV) solar module manufacturing facility in **Lawrence County**, which is expected to **create over 800 new jobs**.
- ★ Novelis broke ground on a **\$2.5 billion** low-carbon aluminum rolling and recycling plant in **Baldwin County**, which is expected to **create over 1,000 new jobs**.
- ★ For the full list of announced private sector investments in Alabama, please visit [Invest.gov](https://www.invest.gov).

The Biden-Harris Administration has made historic investments to improve Alabama's infrastructure and build a clean energy economy, including:

- ★ **Connect Alabama Network**: The Connect Alabama Network will stretch for 677 miles across Alabama. Funded with **\$26 million** from the Department of Commerce, the project will traverse 26 unserved and underserved counties in Alabama and connect last mile providers, electrical cooperatives, military facilities, and the Poarch Band of Creek Indians tribal headquarters along its path.
- ★ **Pine Barren Watershed**: The **City of Atmore** was awarded **\$19 million** for the Pine Barren Watershed project, which will reduce the impact of flooding in the area.
- ★ **Jefferson County School District Energy Upgrades**: The Department of Energy awarded **\$15 million** to the **Jefferson County School District** to provide energy efficient updates and health improvements at seven schools. This investment will help school communities make energy upgrades that will lower utilities costs, improve indoor air quality, and foster healthier learning environments.
- ★ **I-10 Mobile River Bridge Replacement and Bayway Multimodal Project**: The Department of Transportation awarded **\$550 million** to the Alabama Department of Transportation for the I-10 Mobile River Bridge Replacement and Bayway Multimodal Project in **Mobile, Alabama** to improve safety, reliability, and mobility for residents in the project area. The improved bridge will support local small businesses and the national economy through a more efficient movement of goods along Interstate 10, a critical corridor for the country.

- ★ **Birmingham Civil Rights Crossroads**: The Department of Transportation awarded **\$21.7 million** to the **City of Birmingham** to redevelop approximately 2.5 miles of road with a complete streets approach, including a two-way cycle track, improved ADA access, sidewalks, and other universal design elements. The project aims to improve safety by providing natural traffic calming services and intersection improvements resulting in enhanced visibility of pedestrians and cyclists.

- ★ **Craig Field Airport and Industrial Authority Brownfields Cleanup**: The Environmental Protection Agency awarded the Craig Field Airport and Industrial Authority with **\$682,000** to clean up the Craig Field Flight Line site on Craig Industrial Parkway near the **City of Selma**. The cleanup site was part of the former 1,790-acre Craig Air Force Base, which operated from 1940 through 1977. Site contaminants include volatile organic compounds in soil vapors, heavy metals in soil and building structures, and groundwater contaminants. The funding will accelerate clean-up efforts of contaminated sites to build safer, more resilient communities.

- ★ **Railroad Crossing Elimination on Shelby County Road 52**: The Department of Transportation awarded nearly **\$42 million** to the **City of Pelham** to eliminate two at-grade crossings on Shelby County Road 52 (CR 52) with a new overpass over CSX's rail line, resulting in the closure of two crossings and road improvements on CR 52 near U.S. 31 to improve safety. The project will resolve increasing issues with vehicular traffic and emergency responders encountering blocked at-grade crossings on CR 52, a major east- west arterial.

- ★ **The Reconnecting 4th Ave N**: The Department of Transportation awarded **\$15 million** to the **City of Birmingham** to redesign Birmingham's Black Main Street to convert the one-way road to a two-way road, reconnecting downtown neighborhoods and businesses that were divided by the construction of Interstate 65 in the 1960s. The project encompasses the Historic 4th Avenue Business District, a once thriving hub of Black businesses and community in Birmingham.

- ★ **Birmingham Induction Melting Upgrade**: The American Cast Iron Pipe Company will receive up to **\$75 million** for an Induction Melting Upgrade in **Birmingham**, which will electrify its process by replacing a cupola furnace with four induction furnaces, eliminating coke (derived from coal) combustion, and reducing melt process carbon dioxide emissions by an estimated 95%.

- ★ **Selma-to-Montgomery Trail**: The **City of Montgomery** will receive **\$36 million** in funding to reconnect the **West Montgomery** residents located on the Selma-to-Montgomery Trail to opportunities and access by addressing poor social

determinants of health that exist because of segregation, redlining, and construction of Interstates 65 and 85.