

# INVESTING IN AMERICA

President Biden's Investing in America Agenda is Delivering in

## MISSISSIPPI

Under the Biden-Harris Administration, Mississippi has added over **66,000 new jobs** and unleashed nearly **\$7 billion** in private sector investment in the state. The state has seen a significant decrease in unemployment, and millions of people in Mississippi stand to benefit from the President's actions to lower health care, energy, and education costs.

*As of October 2024*



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



**\$1.5 billion** in student debt cancellation has been approved for **27,030** people in Mississippi under the Biden-Harris Administration.



**634 thousand** seniors and other Medicare beneficiaries will save money on prescription drug costs.



**\$7 billion** in private sector manufacturing and clean energy investments under the Biden-Harris Administration.



**2.8%** unemployment rate with **66 thousand** new jobs created under the Biden Administration.



**\$6.3 billion** in public investments in clean energy, infrastructure, and manufacturing under the Biden-Harris Administration.



**210.2 thousand** applications to start new businesses under the Biden Administration.

The Biden-Harris Administration's Investing in America agenda has unleashed \$7.2 billion in private sector manufacturing and clean energy investments, including:

- ★ Steel Dynamics has broken ground on a **\$2.5 billion** aluminum flat roll mill facility in **Lowndes County** – the second new rolling mill to be constructed domestically in 40 years.
- ★ Origis Energy is investing **\$322 million** in three renewable energy products that will deploy solar power and battery energy storage to power an estimated 50,000 homes.
- ★ For the full list of announced private sector investments in Mississippi, please visit [Invest.gov](https://invest.gov).

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

- ★ **Amtrak Gulf Coast Region Improvements**: Amtrak was awarded over **\$178 million** for various track and signal-related improvements, upgrades to grade crossings, and station improvements along a key rail corridor in the Gulf Coast region.
- ★ **I-10 Widening in Harrison and Hancock**: The U.S. Department of Transportation awarded **\$60 million** to the Mississippi Department of Transportation to widen I-10 in Harrison and Hancock. The project will improve efficiency along a major freight corridor of regional significance.
- ★ **Mississippi Barrier Islands Restoration**: The Army Corps of Engineers will invest **\$77 million** to restore the Mississippi barrier islands. This project will increase resilience to storms, prevent saltwater intrusion and shoreline erosion, and bolster tourism.
- ★ **City of Yazoo Main Street Revitalization**: The **City of Yazoo** was awarded **\$12.6 million** to revitalize their main street by constructing a new train station, developing a stormwater park to help reduce flood risk, and adding new sidewalks, bike lanes, and lighting.
- ★ **Completing the Mississippi River Greenway**: The Department of Transportation awarded **Dakota County** with approximately **\$8 million** to complete an approximate 2.4-mile gap of trail along the Mississippi River Greenway. The project will also include safety improvements at road and rail crossings, wayfinding, and natural resource restoration. Improvements to the

trail are estimated to result in increases to employment and tourism. The project addresses safety, environmental sustainability, mobility and community connectivity, economic competitiveness and opportunity, partnership and collaboration, and innovation.

- ★ **Project Steel Wheel - Columbus Dock Expansion**: The Department of Transportation awarded **\$6.1 million** to **Columbus, Mississippi** for the design, engineering, construction, and inspection of a new rail spur with approximately 10,000 linear feet of track and three transload docks that will provide direct rail access for transloading cargo between barges and railcars at the Lowndes County West Bank Port. The port does not currently have direct rail access and the new rail spur will connect the port terminal to an existing railroad line operated by Kansas City Southern.
- ★ **City of Jackson Low and No Emission Bus award**: The **City of Jackson** (JTRAN) will receive nearly **\$14 million** to replace, expand and modernize its existing fleet with hybrid and propane-powered buses, enabling Jackson to lower emissions, restore confidence in public transit and decrease run times.
- ★ **Improvements to the I-20/I-55 Freight Corridor**: The Mississippi Department of Transportation was awarded **\$86.6 million** to update seven bridge structures to meet modern design standards, repair an additional 19 bridge structures, deploy Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) equipment, and resurface approximately 32 miles of roadway to enhance the movement of goods and people and reduce the number of fatal and injury crashes on this critical corridor.
- ★ **Solar Energy**: The Hope Enterprise Corporation will receive **\$62 million** in funding to advance affordable and resilient solar energy access for low-income and disadvantaged households across the state.
- ★ **Wolf River Scenic Stream**: The Wolf River Forest Conservation initiative will receive **\$7.1 million** in funding to protect and restore large, forested areas along the Wolf River, Mississippi's first state-designated scenic stream.