

INVESTING IN AMERICA

President Biden's Investing in America Agenda is Delivering in

OHIO

Under the Biden-Harris Administration, Ohio has added over **345,300 new jobs** and unleashed nearly **\$43 billion** in private sector investment in the state. The state has seen a significant decrease in unemployment, and millions of people in Ohio stand to benefit from the President's actions to lower health care, energy, and education costs.

As of October 2024



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



\$5.4 billion in student debt cancellation has been approved for **108,440** people in Ohio under the Biden-Harris Administration.



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



\$43 billion in private sector manufacturing and clean energy investments under the Biden-Harris Administration.



4.5% unemployment rate with **345.3 thousand** new jobs created under the Biden Administration.



\$16.5 billion in public investments in clean energy, infrastructure, and manufacturing under the Biden-Harris Administration.



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

Workforce Hub: Columbus was named an Investing in America Workforce Hub, where the Administration is bringing together industry, government, educators, non-profits and unions to help workers in Ohio access good jobs created by private and public sector investments in the state. In July 2023, Hub collaborators announced commitments to work with partners across the Ohio to quadruple the number of students trained for engineering technology jobs over the next five years and prepare at least 10,000 skilled construction trades workers to meet the demand of announced expansion projects in the region. In addition to these initiatives, OhioHealth and CSCC recently announced a new **\$120 million** investment to double the number of professionals trained in high-need healthcare occupations— including nursing, surgical technology, medical imaging, respiratory therapy, and sterile processing.

The Biden-Harris Administration’s Investing in America agenda has unleashed \$43 billion in private sector manufacturing and clean energy investments, including:

- ★ With the support of grants and loans from President Biden’s CHIPS and Science Act, Intel will invest more than **\$28 billion** to build two new factories for advanced chipmaking in **New Albany**, which will support **3,000 manufacturing jobs and 7,000 construction jobs**. Intel will cultivate a pipeline of skilled workers by providing funding to 80 institutions of higher education, including community colleges and Historically Black Colleges and Universities.
- ★ Honda and LG Energy Solution will build a **\$4.4 billion plant** in Ohio, producing batteries for new electric vehicles.
- ★ For the full list of announced private sector investments in Ohio, please visit [Invest.gov](https://www.invest.gov).

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

- ★ **Brent-Spence Bridge**: The U.S. Department of Transportation has awarded over **\$1.6 billion** to upgrade the Brent-Spence Bridge, which **connects Covington, Kentucky and Cincinnati, Ohio**. This will improve interstate and local traffic flow. The current bridge is the second worst truck bottleneck in the nation and carries more than \$400 billion in freight per year.

- ★ **Orphaned Wells Cleanup**: The Department of the Interior has awarded **\$83 million** to date to Ohio for plugging, remediating, and reclaiming orphaned oil and gas wells that pollute communities with methane emissions.
- ★ **Western Hills Viaduct**: The **City of Cincinnati** was awarded **\$127 million** to replace the 85-year-old structurally deficient Western Hills Viaduct over Mill Creek Valley with a new structure that will connect to a redesigned interchange with I-75.
- ★ **Appalachian Hydrogen Hub**: The Department of Energy awarded up to **\$925 million** to the Appalachian Hydrogen Hub in **West Virginia, Ohio, and Pennsylvania**. The Hub aims to reduce CO2 emissions by 9 million metric tons per year—equivalent to the annual emissions of more than 2 million gasoline-powered cars.
- ★ **Northeast Ohio Regional Electric Vehicle Charging Station Program**: The Federal Highway Administration has awarded **\$15 million** to the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency to design and build electric-vehicle charging stations at 70 locations throughout a five-county region. The stations will be built at publicly owned and accessible locations that include municipal centers, park-and-ride lots, parks, and public parking lots. Many sites are in diverse communities that support minority-owned businesses as well as woman-owned businesses.
- ★ **Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority Rail Vehicle Replacement**: The Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (GCRTA) will receive **\$130 million** to buy 60 new light rail and heavy rail vehicles to replace older vehicles that can operate on both systems, eliminating the need for GCRTA to run two separate fleets. This project will improve system reliability and safety and enhance the agency’s operational flexibility.
- ★ **Amplex Electric**: The Department of Agriculture awarded **\$21.3 million** Amplex Electric to deploy a fiber-to-the-premises network to provide high-speed internet. This network will benefit 3,134 people, 65 businesses and 187 farms in **Ottawa and Sandusky counties**.
- ★ **The Cleveland North Coast Connector Project**: The Department of Transportation awarded **\$59.7 million** to transform key sections of Cleveland Memorial Shoreway (State Route 2) from a substandard limited access highway into a low-speed, pedestrian-friendly boulevard with at-grade signaled intersections, ADA compliant sidewalks, and a sustainable landscape treatment. In addition, the project will construct the first phase of enabling infrastructure to provide a dedicated access road for the Port of Cleveland.

- ★ **The RIVER East Toledo Project**: The Department of Transportation awarded **\$29 million** to the **City of Toledo**, Ohio, to reconnect residents of Toledo's historic east side with the downtown riverfront. Decades of disinvestment and deindustrialization have turned this once thriving working-class immigrant community into one of the city's most disadvantaged communities, with high poverty rates, heavy environmental burdens, and disproportionate barriers to safe transportation access. This project will make safety improvements along the roadway, add bike and pedestrian infrastructure, and add trees and streetscaping.

- ★ **Northeast Ohio Solar Energy Development**: **Cuyahoga County** in partnership with the **Cities of Painesville and Cleveland** will receive **\$129 million** in funding to will support the transition away from a coal-fired power plant in Northeast Ohio by funding the deployment of 63 megawatts of solar installations on brownfield and previous landfill sites and 10 megawatts of battery storage. The same grant will also help to restore natural habitat, expand tree coverage and create pollinator habitats.

- ★ **Solar Energy**: The State of Ohio Office of Budget and Management State Accounting will receive **\$156 million** in funding for strategic deployment of solar-related upgrades, which will create opportunities for Ohio's residential customers in low- to moderate-income households and disadvantaged communities, achieve meaningful energy savings, relieve high levels of energy burden, and improve air quality and economic prosperity in traditionally underserved areas of Ohio.