

INVESTING IN AMERICA

President Biden's Investing in America Agenda is Delivering in

WISCONSIN

Under the Biden-Harris Administration, Wisconsin has added over **188,100 new jobs** and unleashed nearly **\$5.4 billion** in private sector investment in the state. The state has seen a significant decrease in unemployment, and millions of people in Wisconsin stand to benefit from the President's actions to lower health care, energy, and education costs.

As of October 2024



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



\$1.9 billion in student debt cancellation has been approved for **39,590** people in Wisconsin under the Biden-Harris Administration.



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



\$5.4 billion in private sector manufacturing and clean energy investments under the Biden-Harris Administration.



2.9% unemployment rate with **188.1 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.



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

Wisconsin Biohealth Tech Hub: The Wisconsin Biohealth Tech Hub, led by BioForward Wisconsin, was awarded **\$49 million** by the Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration Regional Technology and Innovation Hub Program. This Hub aims to position Wisconsin as a global leader in personalized medicine, an emerging healthcare approach that tailors tests, treatments, and therapies informed by a patient's unique genetic code, medical record, and environment. It will also partner with work with community colleges, state agencies, industry, and labor unions to bolster the region's number of skilled workers.

The Biden-Harris Administration's Investing in America agenda has unleashed \$5.4 billion in private sector manufacturing and clean energy investments, including:

- ★ Arrowhead Pharmaceuticals has invested **\$220 million** in a drug therapy manufacturing facility, which will employ 250 new workers outside of **Madison**.
- ★ Nokia has announced plans to manufacture broadband network components in Kenosha County to meet President Biden's Buy American requirements for his **\$90 billion** Internet for All Initiative to be implemented with American-made products. This will create 200 new jobs.
- ★ WEC Energy Group announced its **\$426 million** plan for the state's first large-scale solar and battery storage project outside of **Milwaukee**.
- ★ For the full list of announced private sector investments in Wisconsin, please visit [Invest.gov](https://www.invest.gov).

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

- ★ **I-39/90/94 Wisconsin River Bridge Replacement:** Columbia County will receive **\$80 million** from the U.S. Department of Transportation to replace the existing I-39/90/94 Wisconsin River Bridge with two new bridge spans that serve traffic flowing in opposite directions.
- ★ **Multimodal Bridge Replacement:** A **\$13.5 million** U.S. Department of Transportation grant will help fund the replacement of an existing two-lane structure over **Springbrook Creek** in northeastern Wisconsin with a new four-lane bridge that includes both bicycle and pedestrian accommodations.

- ★ **Milwaukee Lead Pipe Replacement**: EPA has announced **\$213 million** to Wisconsin to accelerate progress towards President Biden’s goal of replacing every toxic lead pipe in the country and delivering clean water. This includes **\$30 million** awarded to Milwaukee for lead pipe replacement. Milwaukee was also named an Investing in America Workforce Hub to train the workforce needed for good-paying jobs replacing these pipes.
- ★ **Blatnik Bridge**: The Department of Transportation awarded **\$1 billion** to replace the Blatnik Bridge between **Superior, Wisconsin and Duluth, Minnesota**, increasing bridge capacity and creating a new shared-use path for cyclists and pedestrians to access both states easily.
- ★ **General Mitchell International Airport Project**: The General Mitchell International Airport Project in Milwaukee has been awarded **\$5.1 million** from the U.S. Department of Transportation. This project will replace flat roof areas on airport buildings that have reached the end of their useful life. Funds will be used to finance both design and construction activity to remove existing roof material and install a new roof – making the buildings more resilient to weather and energy efficient.
- ★ **1-41 Zoo Freeway**: The Department of Transportation awarded the Wisconsin Department of Transportation with approximately **\$15 million** to rehabilitate pavement and approximately 11 bridges from **Burleigh Street to Silver Spring Drive**. The project will reduce transportation-related air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions by providing auxiliary lanes to increase capacity, incorporate new noise barriers to better shield adjacent neighborhoods from highway noise, increase freight movement by addressing a freight bottleneck, and facilitate tourism opportunities by decreasing delays for accessing recreation and tourism destinations. Community engagement was prioritized to ensure equity is meaningfully integrated throughout the lifecycle of the project.
- ★ **Tri-State Fiber Deployment Project (TSFDP)**: The Department of Commerce awarded nearly **\$15 million** to Dairyland Power Cooperative to implement its Tri-State Fiber Deployment Project (TSFDP), which will retrofit 240.23 miles of fiber optic communications network using mostly optical ground wire (OPGW) on DPCs transmission lines in 3 years. Through the TSFDP, last mile providers in these regions will have enhanced capacity to reach unserved and unserved residents at affordable rates and help bridge the nations digital divide.
- ★ **Home Energy Rebates Program**: Wisconsin has launched its first Home Energy Rebates program, receiving **\$149 million** in funding. The Home Efficiency (HOMES) portion of the rebate program – enabling households at all income levels, with an emphasis on lower-income households, to save on energy efficiency improvements such as insulation, air sealing, and heat pumps that reduce whole-home energy consumption.

- ★ **Wisconsin Priority Watershed Protection Project:** The Wisconsin Priority Watershed Protection project will receive **\$8.8 million** to restore and protect wetlands and associated upland areas, resulting in lasting improvements in water quality, carbon sequestration and biodiversity.