

---

---

# INVESTING IN AMERICA

---

---

## President Biden's Bipartisan Infrastructure Law is Delivering in Ohio

As of March 2024

The Biden-Harris Administration has hit the ground running to implement the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, and it is already delivering results for the people of Ohio. To date, \$11.7 billion in Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding has been announced and is headed to Ohio with over 474 specific projects identified for funding. Since the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law passed, approximately \$8.6 billion has been announced for transportation – to invest in roads, bridges, public transit, ports and airports – and roughly \$978 million has been announced for clean water and water infrastructure. Ohio received \$1.5 billion to connect everyone in the state to reliable high-speed internet and, as of today, more than 1,157,000 Ohio households are already saving on their monthly internet bill due to the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. Many more projects will be added in the coming months, as funding opportunities become grant awards and as formula funds become specific projects. By reaching communities all across Ohio – including rural communities and historically underserved populations – the law makes critical investments that will improve the lives of Ohioans and position the state for success.

**Roads and Bridges:** In Ohio, there are 1,223 bridges and over 4,440 miles of highway in poor condition. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law will rebuild our roads and includes the single largest dedicated bridge investment since the construction of the interstate highway system. Based on formula funding alone, Ohio is expected to receive approximately \$9.9 billion over five years in federal funding for highways and bridges.

- **Announced funding to date:** \$7.5 billion has been announced in Ohio for roads, bridges, roadway safety, and major projects. This includes:
  - \$6.9 billion in highway formula funding and \$312.9 million in dedicated formula funding for bridges to date.
  - \$83.3 million through the RAISE program to date.

*Announced Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding is as of March 7, 2024*

- \$135.9 million through the INFRA program to date.
- \$29.7 million through the Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program to date.

**Internet:** High-speed internet is necessary for Americans to do their jobs, participate in school, access health care, and stay connected. Yet over 183,709 homes and small businesses in Ohio do not have access to high-speed internet infrastructure. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law invests \$65 billion to provide affordable, high-speed internet to everyone in America. The Biden-Harris Administration worked with internet providers to offer high-speed internet plans that are fully covered by the Affordable Connectivity Program — meaning most eligible households can now get high-speed internet without paying a dime. Now, the Biden-Harris Administration is calling on Congress to extend this program through 2024. Without action from Congress, millions of Americans will lose their internet connection and the economic opportunities that come with it. See ACP enrollment for every state and territory [here](#).

- **Announced funding to date:** To date, Ohio has received \$1.5 billion for high-speed internet. Ohio has received \$793.7 million through the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program to provide access to high-speed internet to everyone in Ohio. Ohio also received \$27.5 million in funding to expand middle-mile infrastructure in the state. In addition, about 1,157,000 households in Ohio are enrolled in the Affordable Connectivity Program.

**Water:** The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law represents the largest investment in water infrastructure in American history, including the first-ever dedicated federal funding to replace lead service lines and address dangerous PFAS chemicals.

- **Announced funding to date:** \$978 million has been announced to Ohio to provide clean and safe water across the state and improve water infrastructure. This includes:
  - \$864 million available to date to provide clean and safe water across the state through the Environmental Protection Agency. Of this funding, \$238.2 million is dedicated to lead pipe and service line replacement, with another \$148.7 million for safe drinking water investments that can also support lead pipe replacement.

**Public Transit:** The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law makes the largest investment in public transit in U.S. history. Based on formula funding alone, Ohio would expect to receive approximately \$1.4 billion over five years under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to improve public transit across the state.<sup>1</sup> This funding will expand healthy, sustainable transportation options in Ohio, where non-white households are 6.2 times

---

<sup>1</sup> Transit formula funding amounts are subject to changes resulting from the 2020 census or from annual transit service data reported to FTA's National Transit Database.

more likely to commute via public transportation and 19% of transit vehicles in the state are currently past useful life.

- **Announced funding to date:** Ohio has been allocated \$630.7 million to improve public transportation options across the state.

**Clean Buses:** The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law invests over \$10 billion for clean public transit and school buses. This includes a \$5 billion investment over the next five years to replace existing school buses with zero-emission and low-emission models. Use of clean school buses promotes cleaner air, reduced health risks, especially for children, and reduced greenhouse gas emissions. Announced funding to date will double the number of clean transit buses on America's roads.

- **Announced funding to date:** Schools in Ohio have been awarded \$6.5 million through the Environmental Protection Agency's Clean School Bus Program. Communities in Ohio were awarded \$71.4 million for clean transit buses and improved bus service through DOT's Low- and No- Emission Bus and Bus and Bus Facilities Program.

**Electric Vehicle Charging:** The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law invests \$7.5 billion to build the first-ever national network of electric vehicle chargers in the United States and is a critical element of President Biden's plan to address the climate crisis and support domestic manufacturing jobs. Through the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Program alone, Ohio should expect to receive roughly \$140 million in formula funding over five years to support the expansion of electric vehicle charging in the state.

- **Announced funding to date:** \$108 million has been announced in Ohio to date to build out a network of EV chargers in the state.

**Clean Energy & Power:** Power outages cost the U.S. economy about \$150 billion annually. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law makes a historic investment to upgrade our power infrastructure by making the grid more resilient and building thousands of miles of new transmission lines to deliver clean, affordable electricity. The law also makes a historic investment in clean energy technologies like advanced nuclear, clean hydrogen, carbon capture, and batteries, as well as a historic \$3.5 billion investment in weatherization to improve energy efficiency of homes and lower energy costs for impacted households by an average of \$372 per year.

- **Announced funding to date:** Approximately \$316.7 million has been allocated to Ohio for clean energy, energy efficiency, and power. This includes:
  - \$172.4 million for weatherization;

- \$13.3 million through the State Energy Program;
- \$11.3 million through the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program;
- \$75 million to help strengthen the battery supply chain;
- \$21 million to prevent outages and make the power grid more resilient.

**Airports:** According to some rankings, no U.S. airports rank in the top 25 of airports worldwide. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law invests \$25 billion in airports to replace and modernize airport infrastructure, which helps the U.S. become more economically competitive globally, creates good jobs, and revitalizes and supports more efficient and enhanced traveler experience.

- **Announced funding to date:** Ohio has received approximately \$171.5 million for airports.

**Ports and Waterways:** Our ports and waterways are in need of repair and investment. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law invests \$17 billion in port infrastructure to strengthen our supply chains, address maintenance backlogs, and reduce congestion and emissions near ports—ultimately helping our country move goods more quickly and at lower cost.

- **Announced funding to date:** Ohio has received roughly \$41.2 million for ports and waterways. Ohio was awarded \$27.2 million for a port project through the Port Infrastructure Development Program.

**Resilience:** Millions of Americans feel the effects of climate change and extreme weather every day. More frequent hurricanes, wildfires, heat waves, floods, unprecedented power outages, and persistent droughts devastate our communities and threaten our infrastructure. In the last decade, Ohio has experienced 33 extreme weather events, costing the state up to \$6 billion in damages. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law makes a historic investment to bolster our resilience against pressing challenges like impacts of climate change, extreme weather events, and other hazards like cyberattacks.

- **Announced funding to date:** Approximately \$182.7 million has been allocated to Ohio for infrastructure resilience including \$26.4 million through the Army Corps of Engineers for flood mitigation.

**Legacy Pollution Cleanup:** Across the country, thousands of former industrial, chemical, and energy sites emit harmful pollutants into surrounding communities. These

sites pose harms to health, welfare, and economic prosperity — and disproportionately impact communities of color: 26% of Black Americans and 29% of Hispanic Americans live within 3 miles of a Superfund site, a higher percentage than for Americans overall. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law will deliver the largest investment in tackling legacy pollution in American history by cleaning up Superfund and brownfield sites, reclaiming abandoned mines, and capping orphaned oil and gas wells.

- **Announced funding to date:** \$5.7 million has been allocated to cleaning up Superfund and brownfield sites. Approximately \$175.6 million has been allocated to Ohio for capping orphaned oil and gas wells and reclaiming abandoned mine lands.

For more information, click [here](#) to see a map of funding and announced projects in your community through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

## Ohio Project Spotlights

### ***Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Spotlight***

#### **Northeast Ohio Regional Electric Vehicle Charging Station Program, Phase 2**

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.

See [here](#) for a full list of Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant projects.

### ***Large Bridge Project Spotlight***

#### **Brent Spence Bridge**

The Department of Transportation awarded a total of \$1.6 billion in funding for the Brent Spence Bridge connecting Kentucky and Ohio to build a new companion bridge and rehabilitate an existing bridge along a major freight corridor on I-75. The funding came from the MEGA program (\$250 million) and the Large Bridge Grant Program (\$1.39 billion) and represents one of the largest bridge investments to date. The bridge is a critical economic connection that carries a large amount of commuter traffic and over \$400 billion in freight movement annually. This project will contribute to mobility, freight movement, and supply chains nationwide.

See [here](#) for recently announced Mega funding and [here](#) for more information on the Large Bridge Grant program.

## ***Clean Energy Spotlight***

### **Appalachian Hydrogen Hub**

The Department of Energy is awarding up to \$925 million to the Appalachian Hydrogen Hub in West Virginia, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. This project will leverage the region's ample access to low-cost natural gas to produce low-cost clean hydrogen and permanently store the associated carbon emissions. The Appalachian Hydrogen Hub will help the nation lead in the advancement of the hydrogen economy while reducing emissions and pollution that has long affected air quality in overburdened communities of Appalachia. The Hub intends to reduce CO2 emissions by 9 million metric tons per year—equivalent to the annual emissions of more than 2 million gasoline-powered cars.

See [here](#) for more information on Regional Hydrogen Hubs.

## ***Public Transit Project Spotlight***

### **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.

See [here](#) for a full list of Rail Vehicle Replacement Grant awards.

## ***Safe Streets Project Spotlight***

### **Livingston Avenue West**

The City of Columbus will receive \$12 million through DOT's Safe Street and Roads for All (SS4A) for safety improvement on Livingston Avenue West. The project provides improvements using effective infrastructure countermeasures to promote safety for all roadway users, with a focus on lowering vehicle speeds and reducing pedestrian, fatal, and serious injury crashes.

See [here](#) for descriptions of all SS4A implementation grants.

## ***High-Speed Internet Project Spotlight***

### **Amplex Electric Inc.**

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. This unique

investment ensures that rural communities have access to the internet connectivity needed to allow rural America to remain a place of opportunity to both live and work.

See [here](#) for full list of announced ReConnect projects.

### ***Environmental Remediation Project Spotlight***

#### **Orphaned Wells Project**

The Department of the Interior will award up to \$256 million to Ohio for plugging, remediating, and reclaiming orphaned oil and gas wells on state and private lands while creating good-paying union jobs. The grant will also clean up hazardous sites, which will lead to economic growth, reduction of methane leaks, and the revitalization of the area.

See [here](#) for the full list of Department of Interior projects announced.

### ***INFRA Grant Program Project Spotlight***

#### **Western Hills Viaduct Replacement**

The Department of Transportation has announced over \$127 million for the Western Hills Viaduct Replacement project in Cincinnati through the INFRA program. This project will replace the structurally deficient Western Hills Viaduct over the Mill Creek Valley with a new structure south of the existing viaduct, which will connect to a redesigned interchange with I-75. This project replaces an 85-year-old viaduct that is in such a poor state of repair that it requires supplemental supports and frequent maintenance disruptions. The project will allow for reliable and efficient freight movement by road and rail.

See [here](#) for the full list of 2022 INFRA Grant recipients.