



GOVERNOR GRETCHEN WHITMER

REBUILDING MICHIGAN'S ROADS AND BRIDGES



Since Governor Whitmer took office through the end of this year, Michigan will fix over 16,000 lane miles of road and 1,200 bridges, supporting over 89,000 jobs. She launched the Rebuilding Michigan Plan, a 5-year, \$3.5 billion investment in our highways and bridges without an increase at the pump. Over 20 projects supporting 22,800 good-paying construction jobs are already underway. She secured funding to repair or replace nearly 100 local bridges in the fiscal year 2022 budget. She also continued Michigan's partnership around the Gordie Howe International Bridge, a key trade corridor between Michigan and Canada that has already created 2,500 good-paying jobs for Michiganders. Governor Whitmer is rebuilding our crumbling roads and bridges with the right mix and materials, so they stay fixed, with skilled workers paid a prevailing wage so taxpayers get the best value for their money.

"Since taking office, I have taken action to fix the damn roads and keep Michiganders safe as they go to work, drop their kids off at school, and run errands. In the state that put the world on wheels, every family deserves access to roads that get them where they need to go without blowing an axle or cracking a windshield. I am committed to making lasting investments in infrastructure and with my Rebuilding Michigan plan, we are moving dirt right now and building up our roads to connect our communities, families, and small businesses."

- Governor Gretchen Whitmer

Securing funding for our roads and bridges

- During Governor Whitmer's first term, Michigan will fix more than 16,000 lane miles of road and 1,200 bridges, supporting over 89,000 jobs.
- Signed 4 bipartisan budgets that invested over \$15 billion to rebuild Michigan's roads and bridges.
- Signed the [Building Michigan Together Plan](#), investing \$316 million into roads and bridges, \$66 million into pump station generators to keep highways clear during severe storms, and \$92 million to help regional airports fix runways, refurbish terminals, and increase capacity.
- Launched the [Rebuilding Michigan Plan](#), a \$3.5 billion bond plan that expands hundreds of major new road projects, rebuilding our state highways and bridges over the next 5 years, without an increase at the pump.
 - In September 2020, Michigan spent the first [\\$800 million bond](#) to cover the cost of rebuilding some of Michigan's most highly traveled freeways, including I-496.
 - In August 2021, Michigan announced [an additional bond](#) which includes funding for a \$120 million project on I-94 in Jackson County.
 - In total, this investment supports approximately 22,800 construction jobs in 2021 along with an additional 21,700 jobs in other industries.

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- Signed an [FY 2023 budget](#) that improved local rail crossings and funded key infrastructure projects in every region, including (but not limited to):
 - \$32 million for Mound Road in Macomb County
 - \$10 million for US 23 in Monroe County
 - \$5 million for Canton Road in Wayne County
 - \$1.4 million for a bridge replacement in Tuscola County
 - \$1.2 million for Lakeshore Drive in Allegan County
 - \$1 million for Denso Road in Oakland County
- Launched the [Bridge Bundling program](#) to rebuild several bridges under one contract, to streamline coordination and permitting, increase economies of scale, and improve bridge conditions on local routes around the state.
- Signed a bill to provide [more road funding](#) to local agencies.
- Signed a bill to [protect Michigan's construction workers](#) as they rebuild Michigan's infrastructure.

Taking action to fix more roads

- Signed an executive directive to [speed up pothole repairs](#) by using all available resources, including overtime pay and contracted services.
- Signed an executive directive to [streamline and improve permitting](#) for infrastructure projects.
- Launched the [Michigan Infrastructure Office](#) to ensure funding from the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) is spent and deployed effectively.
- Signed an executive directive [readying Michigan to use incoming resources](#) from the IIJA to fix Michigan's roads and bridges.

Investing in critical infrastructure

- Continued partnership with the Canadian government on the [Gordie Howe International Bridge](#), a major trade corridor that supports at least 2,500 good-paying jobs for Michiganders.
- Worked with federal partners to secure funding for the [Soo Locks Modernization Project](#) and the [Blue Water Bridge Plaza project](#).
- Secured \$63 million in [airport grants](#) to improve the passenger experience, help businesses transport goods, and increase domestic competitiveness.
- Landed a \$1.6 million grant to improve and modernize the [State's intercity passenger rail service](#).