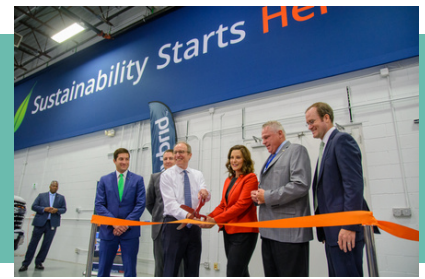




# GOVERNOR GRETCHEN WHITMER

## GROWING THE ECONOMY AND CREATING GOOD-PAYING JOBS



Governor Whitmer is focused on growing Michigan's economy, bringing home supply chains of cars, chips, and clean energy and ensuring every community can thrive.

### Announcing over 36,000 new good-paying auto jobs

- GM: [\\$7 billion/4,000 jobs](#) in Lansing and Orion Township, [\\$2.2 billion/2,000 jobs](#) in Detroit-Hamtramck, [\\$1 billion](#) in Flint.
- Stellantis: [first new plant in Detroit](#) in 30 years, creating 6,000 jobs.
- Ford: [\\$1.45 billion/3,000 jobs](#) in Wayne and Dearborn, [\\$2 billion/3,200 jobs](#) across several plants in Southeast Michigan, [\\$3.5 billion/2,500 jobs](#) in Marshall.
- Gotion: [\\$2.3 billion/2,350 jobs](#) in Big Rapids building EV battery components.
- Our Next Energy: [new HQ, \\$1.6 billion/2,112 jobs](#) in Van Buren Township.
- LG Energy Solution: [\\$1.7 billion/1,200 jobs](#) in Holland.
- DENSO: [\\$63 million](#) in Battle Creek facility during governor's Japan trip.
- Toyota announced a [\\$47.7 million investment](#) in testing at its R&D headquarters.
- Projected to "[dominate](#)" battery manufacturing; [top state](#) for electric vehicle investments.

### Securing investments in chip manufacturing and clean energy

- Nel Hydrogen: [\\$400 million/500 clean energy jobs](#) thanks to governor's Norway trip.
- Hemlock Semiconductor: [\\$375 million/170 good-paying jobs](#) in Thomas Township.
- SK Siltron announced a [\\$300 million investment](#) creating 150 jobs in Bay City.
- Luxwall announced a [\\$165 million investment](#) creating more than 450 jobs.
- KLA announced a [\\$150 million investment](#) creating 600 good-paying jobs in Ann Arbor.
- Mersen USA: [\\$81.2 million/115 manufacturing jobs](#) in Bay City and Greenville.
- Wacker: [\\$50 million/300 jobs](#) at a cutting-edge innovation center in Ann Arbor.
- Indie Semiconductor: [\\$12.5 million/180 jobs](#) in Auburn Hills.
- Calumet Electronics: [\\$6.5 million/80 jobs](#) in the Keweenaw Peninsula.

### Building the economy of the future in Michigan

- Established the [Growing Michigan Together Council](#) to grow Michigan's population.
- Proposed [Make it in Michigan](#), a comprehensive strategy to compete for projects, invest in people, and revitalize places.
- Secured \$500 million for the [Make it in Michigan Fund](#) to continue competing with other states and nations to bring home advanced manufacturing projects.
- [Established](#) the Make it in Michigan competitiveness fund to win federal resources from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, CHIPS and Science Act, and Inflation Reduction Act.
- Worked to establish Michigan as the [#1 state](#) for energy sector job growth, [automotive industry and electric vehicle investments](#).
- Made Michigan a standout state for investors with [better than ever bond returns](#).
- Ranked #1 for fastest [foreign direct investment](#) job growth over past 5 years.
- Ushered in [fastest small business growth](#) in 23 years and a [24% increase](#) in revenue, making Michigan [one of the Top 10 states for business](#).
- Signed a [bipartisan tax cut, reduced tax burden, and increased tax flexibility](#) for small businesses, enabling them to grow and create jobs.
- Signed an executive directive to increase [state procurement and contracts](#) with small and geographically disadvantaged businesses.
- Signed an executive directive to review ways state government can [speed up state permitting](#), make Michigan more competitive
- Signed an [agreement with Ontario](#) to strengthen economic ties, trade, and job creation.
- Created the [Office of Rural Development](#).

## Cutting costs for consumers and families

- Rolled back the [retirement tax](#) to save 500,000 households an average of \$1,000 a year.
- Quintupled the [Michigan Working Families Tax Credit](#) to give over 700,000 working families an average tax refund of \$3,150.
- [Signed a budget](#) taking the first steps on Pre-K for All, saving families \$10,000 a year.
- Signed bipartisan legislation to put [money back in people's pockets](#) and bring down the cost of car insurance, [saving drivers at least \\$120 per car](#) in 2020.
- Delivered refunds of [\\$400 per vehicle back](#) in the pockets of Michigan drivers.
- Eliminated the [tampon tax](#).
- Announced the [MI Open Account Coalition](#) offering low or no-cost financial services, saving eligible families an average of \$3,000 a year and helping them build wealth.

## Paving pathways for opportunity

- Funded programs like [Reconnect](#), [Futures for Frontliners](#), and [Michigan Achievement Scholarship](#) to lower the cost of higher education for hundreds of thousands of Michiganders and get them on paths to higher education or skills training that leads to a good-paying job. Lowered the age for participants to 21, expanding eligibility to 350,000 more.
- Invested in additional funding for [Going Pro](#) to help businesses up-skill in-house talent, secure resources for talent retention in key industries, eliminate [barriers to employment](#), expand partnerships with union training facilities, and more.
- Signed a bipartisan [supplemental budget](#) expanding apprenticeships and investing in SmartZones for entrepreneurs.
- Created the [Entrepreneurship & Innovation Program](#) which led to over 1,300 high-tech companies being formed in Michigan, and over 20,000 new full time equivalent jobs.
- Announced a new [Battery Job Training Program](#), [EV](#), and [Semiconductor Talent Action Teams](#) to prepare Michiganders for the jobs of the future.
- Signed [legislation](#) creating a new economic development tool to build affordable housing developments.
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