

“MI Road Ahead” Plan to fix the damn roads.

Lowering vehicle repair costs, investing \$1b for locals and \$250m for transit, and asking corporations to pay their fair share.



The Challenge

For too long, Michiganders have been struggling with deteriorating and unsafe roads, costly auto repairs, and long travel times brought about by decades of disinvestment in Michigan infrastructure. Michigan roads are improving, with more in good or fair condition. With the help of the Rebuilding Michigan plan, since taking office Governor Whitmer has fixed more than **23,000** lane miles of road and **1,600** bridges without raising taxes on drivers.

But Michigan’s local communities still need a long-term solution to continue fixing the damn roads and ensure Michiganders and companies can depend on reliable infrastructure that meets our 21st century needs.

The Plan

The MI Road Ahead Plan is a **\$3 billion** long-term, sustainable funding solution that is not funded on the backs of commuters. It will lower vehicle repair costs, invest in local roads and transit, and ask big corporations to pay their fair share to do business in Michigan.

The plan includes a few key elements:

- **Ensuring every dollar Michigan drivers pay at the pump goes to roads.**
 - Under laws set by previous administrations, **25%** of the sales tax drivers pay on gas is diverted away from fixing the roads, leaving a gap in funding. The governor’s plan will close the gap by ensuring that every penny drivers pay at the pump goes toward Michigan infrastructure.
 - It ensures local governments still get the resources they need through Constitutional Revenue Sharing, with the plan holding the School Aid Fund harmless.
- **Requiring big tech and corporations to pay their fair share.**
 - Governor Whitmer’s plan will ask Big Tech industries, led by the nation’s wealthiest individuals, and massive corporations pay their fair share to do business in Michigan and use Michigan roadways. Currently, Michigan laws have not been updated to account for the corporations that haul heavy weights on Michigan roadways and bombard Michiganders with nuisance pop ups and ads.
 - This will raise **\$1.6 billion** in additional revenue to fix the roads without putting the costs on the backs of everyday Michiganders.
- **Cutting red tape and finding savings in government to pay for roads.**
 - By cutting costs, the governors’ plan will inject **\$500 million** of additional funding into road and bridge repairs.



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- Closing the marijuana wholesale tax loophole.

- The Mi Road Ahead Plan will close a loophole that exempted the marijuana industry from the wholesale tax, which is applied to similar smoking products, like cigarettes, and other tobacco items. The industry, which records billions in sales, uses Michigan roads to transport marijuana multiple times throughout the process, including to grow operations, testing labs, distribution hubs, and finally retail stores. This will add an additional **\$470 million** to help fix roads across the state.

- Making historic investments in public transit projects across Michigan.

- Michiganders support investing in a robust public transit system that helps more people travel safely, lowers costs for commuters, and eases congestion on roads and bridges. That's why the Mi Road Ahead plan will build on the progress we've made with **\$250 million** to invest in every local bus service and build new transit projects across the state.

Michiganders deserve world-class transit, roads, bridges, and infrastructure. Let's work together to fix the damn roads for good and build a brighter future for every Michigan family.

