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## INVESTING IN AMERICA

President Biden's Investing in America Agenda is Delivering in

## OKLAHOMA

Under the Biden-Harris Administration, Oklahoma has added over **159,100 new jobs** and unleashed nearly **\$6.1 billion** in private sector investment in the state. The state has seen a significant decrease in unemployment, and millions of people in Oklahoma stand to benefit from the President's actions to lower health care, energy, and education costs.

As of December 2024



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



**\$1.3 billion** in student debt cancellation has been approved for **28,780** people in Oklahoma under the Biden-Harris Administration.



**794 thousand** seniors and other Medicare beneficiaries will save money on prescription drug costs.



**\$6.1 billion** in private sector manufacturing and clean energy investments under the Biden-Harris Administration.



**3.3%** unemployment rate with **159.1 thousand** new jobs created under the Biden Administration.



**\$8.6 billion** in public investments in clean energy, infrastructure, and manufacturing under the Biden-Harris Administration.



**220.5 thousand** applications to start new businesses under the Biden Administration.

Tech Hub Designation: The Tulsa Hub for Equitable & Trustworthy Autonomy (THETA Tech Hub), led by Tulsa Innovation Labs, was awarded \$51 million by the Department of Commerce. This Tech Hub aims to become a global leader in developing and commercializing autonomous systems for use cases ranging from agriculture and pipeline inspections to regional transportation. It will also 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 \$6.1 billion in private sector manufacturing and clean energy investments, including:

- ★ Canoo, an **electric vehicle manufacturer**, announced that it will expand its Oklahoma presence to include new R&D, software development, customer support, and financing centers. The investments are expected to bring **at least 500 additional high-paying jobs**.
- ★ Stardust Power is investing **\$1 billion** in a lithium refinery, which will create hundreds of jobs and support the U.S. electric vehicle industry.

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

- ★ Multimodal I-44 & US-75 Interchange Improvements: The Department of Transportation is awarding \$85 million to upgrade the I-44 & US-75 interchange and make pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure improvements. This project will reduce congestion, improve travel times, and save up to 1,200 hours of vehicle delays every day.
- ★ <u>Choctaw Nation Transportation Projects:</u> The Department of Transportation awarded \$25 million to the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma to construct roadways and shared use paths that connect to new residential developments.
- ★ McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers awarded \$202 million to conduct critical maintenance and ensure continued operability of the McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System (MKARNS), a 445-mile waterway in Oklahoma and Arkansas that transports over 10 million tons of cargo annually, making it a pillar of regional supply chains.
- ★ Oklahoma Gas and Electric Energy Improvements: The Department of Energy awarded \$50 million to Oklahoma Gas and Electric to make its power grid more adaptable. The project aims to mitigate extreme weather impacts and climate risks unique to OG&E's service area.
- **★** Canadian Valley Telephone Company: The Department of Agriculture awarded \$5 million to the Canadian Valley Telephone Company to deploy a fiber-to-the-premises

network through the ReConnect program. This network will benefit 1,505 people, 36 businesses, 61 farms and three educational facilities in Pittsburg County in Oklahoma. 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.

- ★ Muskogee Waterfront Recovery & Resiliency Project: The Department of Transportation awarded the Port of Muskogee approximately \$24 million through the Port Infrastructure Development Program. The funding will support a project that consists of four components at the Port of Muskogee on the McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System: 1) reconstruction of the main dock at Oakley Terminal; 2) construction of a new heavy-lift dock; 3) reconstruction of on-dock rail; and 4) construction of a new flexible-use warehouse.
- ★ Roosevelt Memorial Bridge Replacement: The Department of Transportation awarded \$124 million to the Oklahoma Department of Transportation for the Roosevelt Memorial Bridge Replacement Project in Byran and Marshall Counties to replace the structure that carries US-70 over Lake Texoma. The bridge was constructed in 1942, with a design that is now outdated to meet current traffic needs and future traffic demand. The project will improve the efficiency and reliability of the movement of people and freight, increase resiliency to flooding, and increase safety through a new pedestrian and bicycle crossing.
- ★ <u>Mesa Water Project:</u> The City of Guymon's Mesa Water Project will receive \$18 million to address water scarcity challenges and bolster water infrastructure in Guymon, Oklahoma, strengthening the long-term sustainability and resilience of the community. The project will include groundwater modeling, preliminary test well design, environmental and cultural assessments, well construction, and system commissioning.
- ★ Guymon Public Schools: As a community hosting the Three Corners Connector (3CC) transmission line, the Guymon Public School District will receive \$50 million in funding to construct a new junior high school and workforce development center, catalyzing sustained economic growth through job creation and opening up new educational opportunities for students and local residents. New student facilities will include an outdoor environmental science classroom and a specialized STEM lab, and the workforce development center will provide trainings and classes for adults.