



# ***ILLINOIS JOBS NOW!***

## Statewide Project Highlights

***Illinois Jobs Now!* will:**

- **Invest \$31 billion in the Illinois economy over six years**
- **Access over \$3.7 billion in American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds**
- **Support over 439,000 Illinois jobs**

Project highlights include:

- **\$14.3 billion for roads and bridges, highlights include:**
  - \$9.8 billion for the multiyear road program
  - \$4 billion for new projects
  - \$500 million for local projects
- **\$7 billion for developing a 21st century transportation network, highlights include:**
  - \$2.7 billion to Chicago-area public transit and \$300 million to downstate transit districts, leveraging up to \$2.7 billion in additional federal funds
  - \$400 million for high-speed rail, which could access up to \$2 billion in ARRA funds
  - \$380 million for airport improvements and \$110.5 million for the third airport project
  - \$322 million for the Chicago Region Environmental and Transportation Efficiency Program (CREATE)
  - \$150 million for conventional intercity rail transit (AMTRAK)
  - \$10 million for an electrification transportation alternative fuel car-sharing program
- **\$3.6 billion for preschool thru 12th grade education, highlights include:**
  - \$3 billion for the school construction program
  - \$200 million for the school maintenance program
  - \$196 million for charter schools
  - \$100 million for a new school energy efficiency retrofit program
  - \$75 million for vocational education at Chicago Public Schools
  - \$45 million for a new early childhood facilities program
  - \$10 million for student laptop computers

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- **\$1.5 billion for higher education, highlights include:**
  - \$788 million for public universities
  - \$400 million for community colleges
  - \$300 million for private universities
- **\$830 million for community development, highlights include:**
  - \$300 million for park and recreational facilities
  - \$150 million for health care facilities
  - \$130 million for affordable housing, including projects for veterans and people with disabilities
  - \$100 million for museums
  - \$100 million for public libraries
  - \$50 million for community health center construction
- **\$2.5 billion for economic development projects, highlights include:**
  - \$715 million for state facilities
  - \$425 million for weatherization and energy efficiency programs
  - \$50 million for broadband deployment
  - \$38 million for River’s Edge and Brownfield projects to clean up contaminated sites
  - \$25 million for Prime Sites program to develop local infrastructure and create jobs
  - \$15 million for creation or retention of jobs in economically depressed areas
  - \$10 million for fresh food program to bring grocery stores and other fresh food retailers into communities that need them
- **\$1.3 billion for environmental projects, highlights include:**
  - \$516 million for the drinking and wastewater revolving loans
  - \$250 million for projects such as levees, flood walls and drainage structures
  - \$225 million for the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program
  - \$128 million for Army Corp restoration programs
  - \$75 million for leaking underground storage tank program
  - \$41 million for dam removal and repair
  - \$25 million for open land trust program
  - \$10 million for dam safety programs
  - \$8 million for “mud to parks” park restoration program

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## **Revenue Summary**

Funding for the \$31 billion *Illinois Jobs Now!* plan will be provided by a combination of state debt, and federal and local matching funds. The 20-year bonds issued to provide funding for the State's **\$13 billion** share of this six-year capital program will be supported from fee and tax increases listed below:

### **Roads and Bridges**

- Road Fund Support
  - Existing monies deposited into the Road Fund will provide up to \$150 million per year for the repayment of the debt

### **Public Transit, Education, Economic Development, Higher Education, State Facilities, Environment, Energy and Technology**

- Motor Vehicle Title Fees (Certificate of Title & Transfer of Registration)
  - \$112 million annually - Certificate of Title fees increase from \$65 to \$105
  - \$10 million annually - Transfer of registration fees increase from \$15 to \$30
- License Plate Fees (Motor Vehicle Registration)
  - \$180 million annually - Passenger and Truck B registration fees increase from \$79 to \$99
- Drivers' License Fees
  - \$20 million annually - Doubling of all drivers' license fees
- Sales Tax Revenue Enhancements
  - \$39 million annually - Candy
  - \$14 million annually - Sweetened tea, coffee, grooming and hygiene products
  - \$109 million annually - Wine, spirits and certain beer products
- Video Gaming Terminals
  - \$300 million annually (once fully implemented)