

# INVESTING in Ohio's FUTURE

A strategic plan that invests in Ohio's people, communities, and businesses

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Governor Mike DeWine and Lt. Governor Jon Husted are proposing more than **\$1 billion** in investments to spur economic growth today and ensure economic vitality in the future.

## CONNECTING

We are growing the state's workforce by helping Ohioans find success in a new career and acquiring the talent needed in today's economy. Part of this effort is ensuring that all Ohioans have access to broadband. We're committed to developing and adopting a more robust broadband network throughout the state.

**\$250 million** over FY22 and FY23 will expand broadband access throughout Ohio.

**\$15 million** over FY22 and FY23 will support targeted workforce efforts in economically distressed rural and urban communities.

**\$5 million** will fund an additional **5,000** credentials through the TechCred program in FY21

**\$25 million** will fund **20,000** tech-focused credentials in FY22 and FY23 through the TechCred program, including the Individual Microcredential Assistance Program.

## GROWING

For people looking for a place to call home, get an education, start or advance a career, or have fun, we want them to know they can find their future in Ohio. And when they're here we want them to see communities with strong infrastructure, ready for growth.

**\$200 million** over FY22 and FY23 will support community infrastructure projects, providing grants of up to \$2.5 million.

**\$50 million** over FY22 and FY23 will fund a national marketing campaign, promoting Ohio as a place to live, work, learn, and play.

## STRENGTHENING

Recognizing that key sectors – such as restaurants, bars, entertainment, hospitality, and new businesses – have been especially hard hit during the pandemic, we are targeting grant funding to help these entities cover costs and keep their doors open.

**\$200 million** will provide grants to bars and restaurants that have been affected by the pandemic. \$100 million this fiscal year and \$100 million in FY22 will provide grants of up to **\$30,000**.

**\$50 million** over FY21 and FY22 will provide grants of up to **\$30,000** for lodging industry businesses that have seen a significant reduction in occupancy because of the pandemic.

**\$40 million** over FY21 and FY22 the biennium will provide grants of up to **\$30,000** to indoor entertainment venues that have been most affected by the pandemic.

**\$150 million** in FY21 will provide grants of **\$10,000** to all qualified Small Business Relief Grant applicants that didn't receive funding in the initial application period.

**\$20 million** over FY21 and FY22 the biennium will provide grants of **\$10,000** to **2,000** new businesses.