

## Vos Obstructs Wisconsin's Priorities

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***Republican politicians in Madison obstructing progress.***

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**MADISON, Wis.** — Despite widespread support for expanding Medicaid in Wisconsin, Tuesday Robin Vos again doubled down on his opposition to this popular policy, stating that “Medicaid expansion will never happen” as long as Vos leads the Wisconsin Assembly.

This was followed by today’s news that Republicans planned to [cut UW System by \\$32 million](#)—an amount Vos claims is equal to the System’s spending on Diversity, Equity & Inclusion initiatives.

**Here’s just a few recent examples of Robin Vos and Republican politicians in Madison obstructing progress on the issues that matter to Wisconsin:**

- [Robin Vos announced](#) that “as long as I am speaker of the Assembly, Medicaid expansion will never happen.” By refusing to expand BadgerCare, Vos is denying affordable health care to an estimated [89,700 Wisconsin](#) .

- Robin Vos said he “[can’t see any scenario](#)” where he would support legalizing recreational marijuana in Wisconsin despite [over two-thirds of Wisconsin voters](#) backing the full legalization of cannabis.

- Robin Vos and Republicans are now poised to [gut funding for the UW system](#) by tens of millions of dollars—enforcing devastating cuts to UW campuses and programs statewide at a time when Wisconsin faces long standing workforce challenges.

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- Last week, Republicans [voted down funding for a new engineering building at UW Madison](#), an investment that would have enabled the campus to graduate at least 1,000 more engineers annually, hire more faculty and staff, expand research, and attract new investment to Wisconsin.

“The hallmark of Robin Vos’ tenure in the Legislature has been his willful ignorance of Wisconsin’s top concerns,” said **Democratic Party of Wisconsin spokesperson Haley McCoy**. “From refusing to expand Medicaid and legalize cannabis, to inflicting petty and politically-motivated budget cuts on the University of Wisconsin, Robin Vos seems determined to drive Wisconsin into the ground by ignoring our state’s priorities and obstructing progress.”