

## People's Budget Lays the Foundation for Our Future

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### ***Education, Health Care, and Transportation Prioritized***

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MADISON – Thursday night, Governor Tony Evers gave his first budget address to the Wisconsin State Legislature. In the speech, the Governor laid out his vision for the future of Wisconsin. After holding listening sessions across the state, the Administration built the biennial budget from the thoughts, values, and priorities of the people of Wisconsin. Assembly Democratic Leader Gordon Hintz (D-Oshkosh) released the following statement on the Governor's address and the biennial budget proposal:



"I thought Governor Evers knocked it out of the park tonight. This budget, the people's budget, takes our state in a new direction. A direction that invests in the issues that matter to families across Wisconsin. It takes the first steps towards fixing our transportation infrastructure crisis. It gives Wisconsinites access to affordable, accessible health care by accepting the federal Medicaid expansion. And it works to fix the disparities that exist in our criminal justice system."

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“The Governor’s priorities are Wisconsin priorities. We know that the people overwhelmingly support our Democratic agenda. Things like redistricting reform, medical marijuana, and a tax cut for the middle class have broad, bi-partisan support. It’s time to stop the political games and work toward these policies the public wants.

“And finally, the cornerstone of this budget is a historic investment in education. From our public K-12 schools to our tech schools and UW System, the Governor knows that nothing lays the foundation for future success like world class public schools. Our students and parents deserve nothing less.

“I look forward to debating this budget, and I am hopeful that my colleagues across the aisle will listen to their constituents – the people of Wisconsin – who played such a large role in crafting this budget.”