

# Sen. Feyen: A budget for the success of all Wisconsinites

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*Governor Evers signs 2019-2021 state budget into law*

MADISON- Senator Dan Feyen (R-Fond du Lac) released the following statement on the 2019-2021 biennial budget being signed into law:

“I’m happy to see Governor Evers made the responsible decision to sign the 2019-21 budget into law. This budget truly invests in the success of all hardworking Wisconsinites.

This budget makes historic investments in education, healthcare and transportation while also providing an over \$500 million tax cut to hardworking Wisconsin families. Years of responsible budgeting have allowed us to put more money back into the pockets of taxpayers.

We prioritized our children’s futures by investing a total of almost \$12.4 billion into education funding, setting the record as the largest actual dollar investment in the history of our state.

We’ve heard from countless people about the need to fund our local roads. This budget includes a boost of \$75 million in additional funds to repair and replace local roads. It also invests an additional \$66 million in General Transportation Aids to counties, cities, villages and towns to improve maintenance and expedite construction.

This budget guarantees the necessary funding to keep the Highway 23 project on track and to protect the safety and economic prosperity of the residents of the 18th Senate District.

Careful budgeting has allowed us to invest in people, not programs. This budget more than doubled Governor Evers’ proposed investments in Family Care, nursing

homes and personal care workers. We have also held down insurance premiums for all Wisconsinites by providing \$72 million more to the Wisconsin Healthcare Stability Plan.

This budget addresses the shortage of correctional officers on staff. We recognize the selfless service of these officers and this budget provides them all with much-needed raises, it implements a long-term pay progressions scale and it provides a 14% increase in starting wages to provide a recruitment incentive.

I'm proud that lawmakers and the Governor came together to pass a responsible budget for the state of Wisconsin. I look forward to continuing a productive session of bipartisan legislation with Gov. Evers. I am excited to see the benefits this budget will have on my constituents in the 18th Senate District!"