

DNC: In the states: President Biden is delivering

Posted on Friday, Oct 7, 2022

>> **WisPolitics is now on the State Affairs network. Get custom keyword notifications, bill tracking and all WisPolitics content. [Get the app or access via desktop.](#)**

In the states this week, headlines from Pennsylvania to Florida to Oregon were full of news about how President Biden is delivering for the American people.

Yesterday, local news highlighted President Biden's announcement of a full and unconditional pardon of all prior federal offenses for simple possession of marijuana. From California to Virginia, this will help thousands with prior convictions seeking housing, employment, benefits, and educational opportunities who may be currently ineligible based on federal statutory or regulatory bars on individuals with prior drug convictions.

- **In California:** Los Angeles Times: [Biden pardons thousands convicted on federal marijuana possession charges](#)
- **In D.C.:** DCist: [Biden Announces Mass Pardon Of Weed Possession In DC](#)
- **In Florida:** Florida Politics: [‘This is huge’: Florida Democrats laud Joe Biden’s marijuana moves](#)
- **In Massachusetts:** WCVB: [How Biden’s pardons of simple marijuana possession affect Mass.](#)
- **In Michigan:** ClickOnDetroit: [President Biden wipes marijuana offenses for thousands of Americans — what this means for Michiganders](#)
- **In New York:** News 12 The Bronx: [President Biden pardons thousands for ‘simple’ marijuana possession ahead of DNC fundraising event in Jersey](#)
- **In North Carolina:** WXII 12: [Biden pardons thousands for ‘simple possession’ of marijuana](#)
- **In Oregon:** Oregon Capital Chronicle: [Biden to pardon all federal offenses for simple marijuana possession, review criminalization](#)
- **In Virginia:** The Roanoke Times: [Va. Democrats celebrate Biden’s pardons for simple marijuana possession](#)

Also this week, local headlines highlighted yet another big win for the American people made possible in large part by President Biden and Democrats' *CHIPS and Science Act*. In New York, IBM announced their commitment to invest \$20 billion in the state over the next decade, including a new facility to manufacture semiconductor chips.

- **In New York:**

- Poughkeepsie Journal: [What Biden's Poughkeepsie visit means to a supply chain resurgence in the U.S.](#)
- Albany Times Union: [Biden celebrates \\$20 billion IBM investment in Poughkeepsie](#)
- Spectrum News 1: [In Poughkeepsie, Biden touts \\$20B investment from IBM](#)

Also this week, President Joe Biden and First Lady Jill Biden visited Puerto Rico and Florida to meet with those affected by Hurricanes Fiona and Ian and emphasize the Biden-Harris administration's commitment to helping local communities rebuild.

Here's what Puerto Ricans and Floridians read on their front pages this week:

Tampa Bay Times

FLORIDA'S BEST NEWS PAPER | tampabay.com | Thursday, October 6, 2022 | B2

School boundary changes explored

In Hillsborough, some parents are benefiting; others fear it could ruin their kids' education.

By Nancy Pope
 Hillsborough County voters last week approved a new school district boundary that will split the county into two districts. The new boundaries will take effect in 2023.

The new boundaries will split the county into two districts. The new boundaries will take effect in 2023. The new boundaries will take effect in 2023.



President Joe Biden (right) and Vice President Kamala Harris (left) with Florida Governor Ron DeSantis (center) and other officials.

Biden promises to help rebuild

He meets Gov. DeSantis, surveys damage during Florida trip.

President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris visited Florida on Wednesday to survey damage from Hurricane Ian and meet with Gov. Ron DeSantis. Biden promised to help rebuild the state.

Bay area tourism leaders tread careful line

They want visitors to know "we're open for business," while being mindful of those still reeling from disaster.

Tourism leaders in the Tampa Bay area are trying to balance the need to attract visitors with the need to be sensitive to those still reeling from the damage caused by Hurricane Ian.

DeSantis seeks to shield redistricting documents

They include communications with U.S. House leaders, the Republican National Committee.

Gov. Ron DeSantis is seeking to shield documents related to his redistricting plan, including communications with U.S. House leaders and the Republican National Committee.

Tuesday, October 4, 2022

The San Juan Daily Star 50¢

Several Guánica Communities Remain in Darkness P3

'As Long as It Takes'
 Biden Vows to Help Rebuild Island Power Grid 'In a Resilient Way' P5

Panel Slated for This Week Before US Supreme Court Takes Up 'Insular Cases' P6

NOTICIAS EN ESPAÑOL P18

HYDE PARK VILLAGE ART FAIR October 8th - 9th
 FREE ADMISSION
 Outdoors at Hyde Park Village Tampa, FL

In addition, President Biden and Vice President Harris outlined new steps their administration is taking to protect reproductive rights for women across the country.

- **In Arizona:** KGUN: [President Biden Introduces 2 New Measures to Boost Patients' Protections for Abortion Care](#)
- **In California:** KNTV: [100 Days After Dobbs, President Biden Protects Access to Abortion](#)
- **In Florida:** WFLA: [President Biden Protects Abortion Access at the Federal Level](#)
- **In North Carolina:** ABC 11: [Biden expands access to reproductive care in NC 100 days after Roe v. Wade overturned](#)

Meanwhile, extreme Republicans are still making headlines for pushing abortion bans at the local and national level that would prevent women from making their own health care choices:

- **In Arizona:** AZ Mirror: [In Kari Lake's Arizona, my high risk pregnancy would be illegal](#)
- **In Minnesota:** Star Tribune: [DFL calls GOP attorney general nominee Schultz's history on abortion dangerous to Minnesotans](#)
- **In Wisconsin:** CBS 58: [GOP lawmakers object allowing voters to repeal abortion ban, Democrats rally for abortion access](#)
- **In Wisconsin:** Milwaukee Journal Sentinel: [Attorney general candidate Eric Toney doesn't rule out prosecuting abortion in cases of rape, incest](#)