

Evers Campaign: ICYMI: Gov. Evers announces \$2.2 million investment to keep Milwaukee safe

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MADISON, Wis. — Yesterday, Governor Tony Evers [announced](#) \$2.2 million in funding for violence prevention efforts in Milwaukee and to help the Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) take immediate steps to address crime.

Yesterday's announcement is in addition to the [more than \\$100 million](#) the governor has delivered to support violence prevention efforts, crime victims, and local and tribal law enforcement agencies — as well as funding to help alleviate the pandemic-related backlog of criminal cases through additional public defender and assistant district attorney support.

Gov. Evers' latest \$2.2 million investment will allow MPD to better allocate staffing resources, fund officer overtime costs in downtown Milwaukee this summer, purchase new equipment, and allow the city of Milwaukee to install remote-controlled security fencing that can transform downtown entertainment corridors into pedestrian-only zones during weekends and events.

Public safety starts with prevention, and years of Republican-backed cuts have forced communities to do more with less. That's why Gov. Evers is directing funds to violence prevention programs and victims' services, helping provide communities with the resources they need for making our neighborhoods safer.

See below for coverage on Gov. Evers' \$2.2 million investment to keep Milwaukee safe.

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel: [Gov. Evers announces \\$2.2 million for](#)

downtown Milwaukee security and police investigative efforts

- *“Gov. Tony Evers announced Monday he will send \$2.2 million in federal funding for additional security measures in downtown Milwaukee and support other police investigative efforts.”*

Milwaukee Business News: Evers announces \$2.2 million in funding to help prevent violence in Milwaukee

- *“Governor Evers has been a consistent partner in building a safer Milwaukee, and I appreciate this latest investment,” said Mayor Cavalier Johnson in a statement. “With technology and expenditures for officers, Milwaukee will improve our crime reduction efforts. This additional support fits well into our comprehensive public safety work.”*

Patch: Evers Plans \$2.2M For Milwaukee Police, Fencing In Downtown Areas

- *“Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers announced \$2.2 million in funding for the Milwaukee Police Department on Monday, with one possible use including security fencing that could turn downtown Milwaukee entertainment areas into pedestrian-only zones.”*

Milwaukee Record: Gov. Evers announces \$2.2 million for Milwaukee violence prevention, including “security fencing”

- *“The \$2.2 million follows Evers’ previous investment of more than \$100 million ‘to support violence prevention efforts, crime victims, and local and tribal law enforcement agencies, as well as funding to help alleviate the pandemic-related backlog of criminal cases through additional public defender and assistant district attorney support.’”*