

Evers Campaign: ICYMI: Gov. Evers announces \$50M for building safer communities

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MADISON, Wis. — Yesterday, as part of his [ongoing effort](#) to build safer communities, Governor Tony Evers [announced](#) more than \$50 million for community safety initiatives across Wisconsin.

Gov. Evers' [announcement](#) will deliver funding for local and tribal law enforcement, alleviate the pandemic-related backlog of criminal cases through additional public defender and assistant district attorney support, address reckless driving, and invest in crucial mental health resources.

After years of Republican-led shared revenue cuts under the previous administration, Gov. Evers is doing the right thing for Wisconsin by working with local leaders on common sense solutions that will ensure safer communities. The Cap Times [reported](#) this week that cuts to local communities' shared revenue under the previous administration "likely have contributed to the difficulties faced by municipalities in maintaining police and fire department budgets and staffing."

See below for a roundup of coverage on how Gov. Evers is investing in municipalities and building safer communities across Wisconsin.

WFRV: [Gov. Evers invests in community safety, allocates funds to local law enforcement](#)

- *"Wisconsin already has nine of America's top 100 safest cities, but Evers' investment will continue to move Wisconsin cities up on that list."*

TMJ4: More than \$50 million in ARPA funds dedicated to addressing public safety across state

- *“On Tuesday, Governor Tony Evers was in Milwaukee to announce a more than \$50 million investment of ARPA funds for public safety across the state.”*

CBS 58: Gov. Evers announces \$20M public safety investment to help curb violent crimes in Milwaukee

- *“Gov. Tony Evers on Tuesday, March 15, announced a more than \$50 million investment in community safety, including nearly \$19 million for 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.”*

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel: Tony Evers spending \$50 million in federal funds to boost police forces, clear court backlogs

- *“The new round of funding brings the total amount of federal dollars Evers has pushed to public safety efforts to \$100 million, with an earlier round of \$45 million announced in October.”*

Wisconsin State Journal: Gov. Tony Evers announces \$50 million to address public safety, court shortages

- *“Police agencies across the state, the state public defender’s office and other agencies statewide will receive over \$50 million to mitigate public safety issues and address workforce shortages, Democratic Gov. Tony Evers announced Tuesday.”*

WKOW: Evers announces more than \$50 million in community safety funds

- *“Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers announced more than \$50 million in new funds dedicated to community safety Tuesday.”*

WXOW: [La Crosse County law enforcement to receive over \\$342,000 from the state](#)

- *“Governor Tony Evers on Tuesday announced over \$50 million for state law enforcement agencies to ensure safety in their communities. La Crosse County agencies will receive \$342,109.”*

Fox 11: [Wisconsin communities receive \\$50 million for public safety](#)

- *“Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers says since 2011 funding for local governments has gone down, even as costs have gone up.”*

WQOW: [Gov. Evers announces more than \\$50 million for Wisconsin law enforcement agencies](#)

- *“Evers urged that violence is always preventable, and said violence is another public health crisis that deserves action.”*

WSAW: [Gov. Evers to visit Wausau Tuesday; announces \\$50 million investment to make communities safer](#)

- *“Wisconsin Gov. Tony Evers is stopping in Milwaukee, Green Bay and Wausau on Tuesday to announce \$50 million in funding for police, sheriff’s offices, and criminal justice initiatives.”*