

### **Federal Bridge Improvement Program**

The Bridge Investment Program is one of several federal discretionary grants administered by the U.S. Department of Transportation. It was created under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) – also known as the “Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.” The IIJA is the current multi-year funding act providing federal aid for road and bridge projects to the states. The IIJA was signed into law November 15, 2021.

The Bridge Investment Program is a competitive, discretionary program that focuses on existing bridges to reduce the overall number of bridges in poor condition, or in fair condition at risk of falling into poor condition. It also expands applicant eligibilities to create opportunity for all levels of government to be direct recipients of program funds. Alongside states and federal lands management agencies, metropolitan planning organizations and local and tribal governments can also apply directly to FHWA, making it easier to advance projects at the local level that meet community needs.

### **Previous Grant Recipients**

One round of awards has been made so far under the program, announced by the U.S. Department of Transportation on January 4, 2023. [Biden-Harris Administration Announces \\$2.1 Billion to Improve Four Nationally Significant Bridges Through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law’s First Large Bridge Grants | US Department of Transportation](#)

**\$1.385 billion** to the Brent Spence Bridge project, **Kentucky Transportation Cabinet** (Kentucky Department of Transportation), to rehabilitate and reconfigure the existing Brent Spence Bridge between Kentucky and Ohio over the Ohio River. The project includes construction of a new companion bridge immediately west of the existing bridge and complete reconstruction of eight-mile interstate approach corridors both in Ohio and Kentucky, replacing 54 additional bridges.

**\$400 million** to the **Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District**, in California, to replace, retrofit and install critical structural elements on the Golden Gate Bridge to increase resiliency against earthquakes.

**\$158 million** to the **Connecticut Department of Transportation** to rehabilitate the northbound structure of the Gold Star Memorial Bridge, which is part of the Interstate 95 corridor over the Thames River between New London and Groton, Connecticut.

**\$144 million** to the **City of Chicago, Illinois**, to rehabilitate four bridges over the Calumet River on the Southside of Chicago.

### **For more information:**

Bridge Investment Program homepage <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bridge/bip/>

Bridge Investment Fact Sheet [Bipartisan Infrastructure Law - Bridge Investment Program \(BIP\) Fact Sheet | Federal Highway Administration \(dot.gov\)](#)

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