



GOVERNOR GRETCHEN WHITMER

COVID-19 BUDGET PRIORITIES

HOW WE'VE TAKEN ACTION TO PROTECT MICHIGANDERS

- ▶ **Hospitals: \$25M**
- ▶ **Direct Care Workers: \$22.8M**
- ▶ **Nursing Homes: \$3.4M**
- ▶ **Federally Qualified Health Centers: \$5M**
- ▶ **Community Mental Health Grants: \$5M**
- ▶ **PPE: Hospital gowns, ventilators, sanitizer, N95 masks, hospital beds: \$251M**
- ▶ **Support for Working families:**
 - ▶ **Child Care: \$101M**
 - ▶ **Unemployment: \$8.5 Billion paid to Michigan workers**
 - ▶ **Work Share**
- ▶ **Small Business Grants**
 - ▶ **\$1M to small businesses that retooled**
 - ▶ **\$10M to small business relief grants**
 - ▶ **\$3.3M to bars and restaurants**

COUNTING ON SUPPORT FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Coronavirus prompts projected \$3.2B drop in Michigan tax revenue, more losses expected

“The numbers announced today clearly show that the COVID-19 has had a dramatic impact on state revenues and they present enormous challenges for the state budget...The bottom line is, if we’re going to save lives and provide critical services to Michiganders throughout this crisis, we’re going to need flexibility and support from the federal government.”

- *State Budget Director Chris Kolb*

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GOVERNMENT."

Sen. Mike Shirkey



BUDGET CHALLENGES ACROSS AMERICA

CORONAVIRUS | LOCAL GOVERNMENT | STATE GOVERNMENT

'Largest budget deficit:' State, local revenue projections show steep shortfalls

'Unprecedented': States face hundreds of billions in lost revenue, NBC News finds

More than 30 states were surveyed to get a detailed picture of the coronavirus-caused crisis.

Governors across U.S. face tough choices as coronavirus takes its toll on state budgets

MONEY

State budget hits due to coronavirus are trickling in and it's not pretty

TAKING ACTION & TIGHTENING OUR BELTS

- ▶ Governor's pay cut – 10%
- ▶ Executive team pay cut – 5%
- ▶ Cabinet pay cut – 5%
- ▶ Two rounds of state employee layoffs – \$80M gross savings

Michigan governor Whitmer taking a pay cut to offset coronavirus impact

Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer (D) said at a press conference Monday that she and senior members of her staff would take a pay cut as the state tightens its budget during the coronavirus outbreak.

Whitmer told reporters that she would take a pay cut of 10 percent for the duration of the pandemic, while senior members of her staff would take a 5 percent pay reduction.

"I'm going to lead by example," she said. "I know that times are tough and that we as a state are going to be confronting a tough budget as a result of the economic shutdown."

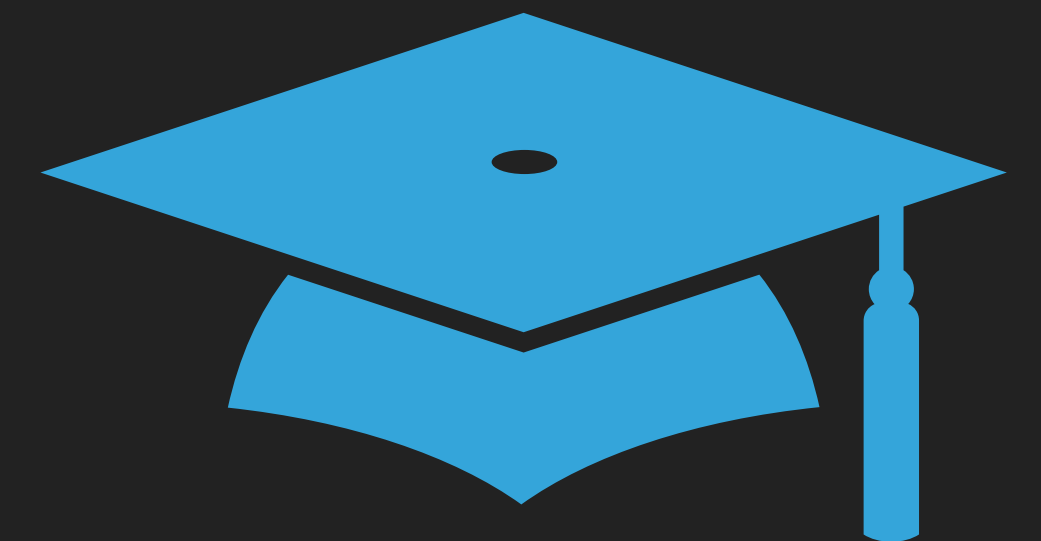
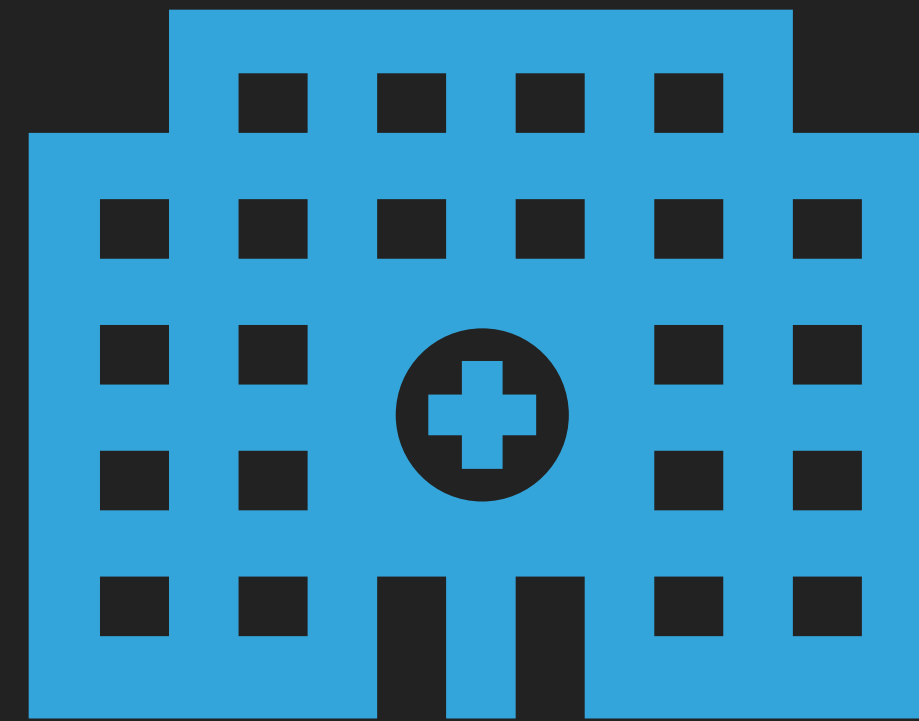
BUDGET PRIORITIES

- ▶ Prioritize funding for school classrooms and literacy
- ▶ Protect police, fire, and local communities
- ▶ Worker Protections:
 - ▶ Hazard pay for first responders
 - ▶ Extend unemployment benefits
 - ▶ COVID-19 Office of Worker Safety
- ▶ Fund vaccine research at Michigan research universities
- ▶ Rebuilding Michigan bonding program to start fixing state roads right now and keep drivers safe
- ▶ Paid sick and family leave



POLICY PRIORITIES TO HELP MICHIGAN FAMILIES

- ▶ Access to Health Care
- ▶ High Quality Childcare
- ▶ Worker Retraining: Future for Frontliners
- ▶ Return to School Plan
- ▶ Supporting Small Businesses
- ▶ Enhanced Consumer Protections





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