

JON TESTER

Fighting for Rural America

“Too many folks in Washington don’t have a clue about the challenges facing rural America. Maryland’s problems aren’t the same as Montana’s, and I’ll stand up to anyone to ensure that rural America gets a seat at the table...”

Jon Tester

Keeping Rural Montana Connected

Politicians have talked about revitalizing American infrastructure for decades – Jon actually delivered. With the help of five Republicans and four other Democrats, Jon spearheaded the *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)* and is upgrading Montana’s aging infrastructure to meet the needs of the 21st century.

Jon knows that if Montana’s students and businesses want to compete in the 21st century, it’s critical that they have access to reliable and affordable internet services. Through his *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law*, Jon secured resources to connect Montana’s rural households to high-speed internet so that folks can do business from every corner of the state.

Whether it’s hauling grain, or ensuring children get to school safely, Jon knows that Montanans count on roads and bridges to get places. Jon secured hundreds of millions for much-needed repairs to Montana’s roads and bridges so that Montana’s small businesses and families can travel safely across the state.

As Montana continues to grow, Jon knows it’s critical that small businesses and families have access to safe, reliable airport services. Through his *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law* and other measures, Jon delivered hundreds of millions to upgrade and expand airports in every corner of the state so that Montanans can stay connected from anywhere.



Montanans rely on the Postal Service for everything from Social Security checks to prescription medication, and Jon has taken USPS leadership to task to ensure Montanans can count on reliable service. Jon halted the USPS from relocating a Montana mail facility, held Postmaster DeJoy accountable to Montana, and passed his *Postal Reform Act* to improve mail service for generations to come.

Reliable train service has kept Montanans connected for decades. When Amtrak’s Empire Builder Route

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on Montana's Hi-Line faced shutdown threats, Jon got to work and restored full service. He's also leading the charge to restore Amtrak's North Coast Hiawatha Route through southern Montana to protect access to affordable interstate transportation.

Clean Water, Strong Communities

As a product of rural Montana, Jon knows that clean drinking water is the cornerstone of healthy rural communities. Through Jon's *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law*, Jon secured tens of millions to ensure that communities across Montana have access to safe, reliable drinking water.

As a third-generation Montana dirt farmer, Jon knows that water is life. Production agriculture is the backbone of rural Montana, which is why Jon fought to secure \$1 billion to complete rural water projects across the state, ensuring that Montana's producers can keep growing rural economies and feeding the world.

Tribes in Montana have fought an uphill battle against bureaucracy for decades, but after working with Jon on his *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law*, every existing Tribal Water Rights Settlement in Montana will be completed.

Protecting Rural Health Care

Jon knows that rural hospitals are critical to the survival of every Montana community. Since 2020, Jon has secured hundreds of millions to help cover the costs for Montana's rural hospitals and clinics and support communities by meeting the most pressing health care challenges head-on.

Hospitals and clinics are only as strong as their workforce, which is why Jon has fought tooth and nail to combat Montana's rural health care provider shortage. In 2019, the Trump administration adopted policies from Jon's *Restoring Rural Residencies Act* to better incentivize new doctors to work and stay in rural America.

For many Montanans, the nearest health care provider can be an hour's drive away, which is why Jon is leading the charge to improve telehealth services in Montana. Following pressure from Jon, the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has expanded access to telehealth across Montana.

Supporting Rural Schools

As a former public school teacher and product of Big Sandy Public Schools, Jon is fighting tirelessly to ensure Montana's rural schools stay strong. Since 2021, Jon has secured tens of millions for the Secure Rural Schools program to provide much-needed funding for municipal services across Montana, including for schools.

Standing up to President Biden

One-size-fits-all solutions don't work for rural America, and Jon will stand up to anyone to defend Montana. When the Biden administration announced a burdensome staffing mandate that threatened to close rural Montana nursing homes, Jon fought to ensure that folks can continue to access care in the communities they live.

Jon knows that Montana's farmers and ranchers don't have time to waste when they're growing food, so when the Biden administration added burdensome "climate disclosure" paperwork for producers, Jon put a stop to it. Because of Jon's work, farmers can focus on feeding the world instead of jumping through bureaucratic hoops.

Folks in Washington don't understand the challenges facing rural America, so when two Montana Jobs Corps Centers were on the chopping block, Jon took action. Because of Jon's leadership, Montana's two Job Corps Civilian Conservation Corps Centers in Anaconda and Darby can continue providing job training programs to hundreds of Montanans.



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