

# Senator Reid: Working Hard To Strengthen Nevada's Economy

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Senator Reid has fought tirelessly to help create jobs and promote economic development in Nevada. Senator Reid helped pass tax cuts for middle and working class families, promoted our state's major industries, ensured the completion of major economic development projects, and provided assistance to distressed homeowners and Nevadans who are out of work. These efforts have not only saved thousands of jobs, but will help create thousands more.

## Highlights

- ★ Senator Reid has a long record of promoting important Nevada industries such as tourism, gaming, and mining, and supporting efforts to save and create jobs in Nevada.
- ★ Senator Reid helped lead passage of legislation to reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration in 2012 and the surface transportation program, which will improve our nation's transportation infrastructure and save or create more than three million new jobs.
- ★ Senator Reid included a provision in the Federal Aviation Administration Modernization and Reform Act of 2012 to establish six sites around the country to develop the use of unmanned aerial vehicles, commonly known as drones, and has since worked with the Obama Administration to ensure Nevada was selected as one of those locations.
- ★ Senator Reid cut taxes for middle class and working Nevadans. He was instrumental in passing legislation in early 2013 that continued tax cuts for 98 percent of Americans and ensured that middle-class Nevadans and families across the country did not face an income tax increase.
- ★ Senator Reid worked hard to include a provision in the 2012 transportation bill for Interstate 11 to eventually connect Las Vegas and Phoenix.
- ★ Senator Reid helped protect the state sales tax deduction, so Nevadans can continue to deduct the sales taxes they pay in computing their federal income tax liabilities.
- ★ Senator Reid worked to extend other key middle class tax deductions for higher education expenses, mortgage insurance premiums, and out-of-pocket expenses for teachers.
- ★ Senator Reid helped grow Nevada's small businesses by supporting tax cuts and increased access to capital. He was the lead sponsor of legislation that would provide small business owners who hire new workers or give raises to current employees a tax credit and cut taxes for firms that invest in new equipment.
- ★ Senator Reid led the fight to reform Wall Street in 2010 – to provide protection for consumers, prevent further recklessness, and end taxpayer bailouts of large banks.
- ★ Senator Reid continues to fight for out-of-work Nevadans to make sure they have the unemployment benefits they have earned and need to provide for their families as they look for work. He has led the effort in recent years to expand the program for states with high unemployment such as Nevada.

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