

We need to invest in affordable health care, good roads, better broadband, and great schools and universities in Wisconsin's budget.

MADISON – Today Rep. **Katrina Shankland** (D-Stevens Point) gave the Democratic Weekly Radio Address on the Wisconsin budget and the upcoming Joint Finance hearings:

"We need a budget that creates opportunities for everyone to succeed. We need to invest in our shared success: affordable health care, good roads, better broadband, and great schools and universities," said Rep. Shankland. "I encourage you to make your voice heard – Democrats are listening!"

You can find the audio of this week's address here and the video here or below.

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A written transcript of the address is below:

"Hi, I'm Rep. Katrina Shankland with this week's Democratic Radio Address.

"Here in Wisconsin, we're proud to be such hard-working people. We believe in opportunity, fairness, and community. But for many people across Wisconsin, they feel like no matter how

hard they work, they can't get ahead. From student loan debt to the rising cost of childcare, families are struggling – and it's time to put them first with an opportunity budget that gives them a fighting chance.

"Yet Governor Walker's re-election budget demonstrates the failures of his leadership: from refusing to fix our roads long-term to weakly trying to solve a public education crisis he created, the governor's budget pits community against community, his 'go to' move.

"We need a budget that creates opportunities for everyone to succeed. We need to invest in our shared success: affordable health care, good roads, better broadband and great schools and universities.

"The next few weeks, as a member of the Joint Finance Committee, I will be traveling the state to listen to the people of Wisconsin on what matters to them when it comes to our budget. I encourage you to make your voice heard – Democrats are listening!"

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Rep. Katrina Shankland, member of the Joint Finance Committee, gave this week's budget address. Here is a list of the of the upcoming budget hearings throughout the state.