

# IRA Drives Growth, Economic Development Across Kentucky Coal Country

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My Kentucky roots run deep. My bloodline can be traced to a hidden gem nestled in the hills of Eastern Kentucky-Beattyville. For generations, coal has been the lifeblood of Eastern Kentucky. In fact, coal is interwoven into the history, culture, politics, and soul of Kentucky.

In recent years, communities across my home state have faced significant challenges as the nation transitions from coal to cleaner energy and technologies. The [Inflation Reduction Act](#) (IRA), passed in 2022, has spurred massive investments that will reverberate in communities across Kentucky for years to come. This article briefly explores the positive returns thus far.

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