

# 2025

# LEGISLATIVE AGENDA



*Advocacy is the core responsibility of a chamber of commerce. To prevent anti-business legislation. Public policy significantly impacts businesses and their ability to operate*

The Mansfield Area Chamber of Commerce’s purpose is to be a community catalyst for change that will create an impactful difference to the success of our members. One of the core activities in support of our purpose is to advocate for pro-business policies and legislation to help businesses in the area grow and prosper. It is critical that the members of the Texas Legislature who represent our city and our area hear and understand our legislative priorities for the 89th Texas Legislature. Our legislative agenda informs them of what we support and what we oppose in legislation, and we expect to be considered.

Priority	Key Focus
Workforce Development & Education	Our members prioritize workforce development and collaboration between educational institutions and industries. To meet the demands of a modern economy, we advocate for enhanced vocational and technical education programs that prepare students for high-quality jobs in critical industries. We also support fully funding public education to ensure a solid foundation for economic growth.
Infrastructure	Investments in water, energy, and transportation infrastructure to ensure the long-term sustainability of economic growth. Supporting diversified energy strategies to maintain reliability and affordability
Economic Development	Low regulation and smart growth initiatives that attract businesses and encourage sustainable development. The right incentives that encourage businesses to invest and grow while keeping government intervention minimal.
Healthcare	Healthcare remains a challenge for many businesses, especially around the rising costs of insurance and regulatory burdens. We support reforms that reduce regulations on healthcare providers and businesses, while addressing the influence of large pharmaceutical companies. Encouraging competition and free-market solutions will help drive down healthcare costs for employers and employees.

## Advocacy Plan

The goal of this advocacy plan is to ensure the Mansfield Area Chamber of Commerce’s legislative priorities are effectively communicated to policymakers, community stakeholders, and Chamber members. Through a strategic and collaborative approach, the plan aims to secure legislative support for policies that promote economic growth, workforce development, infrastructure investment, and healthcare reform.