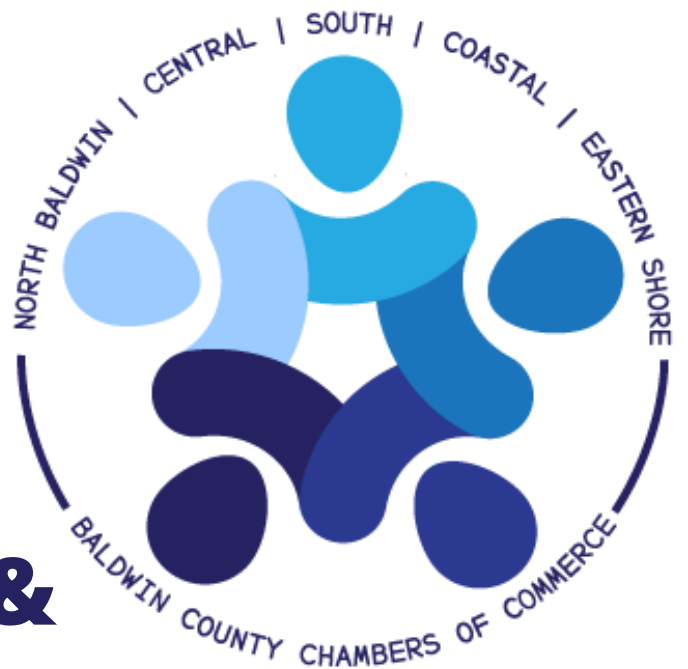


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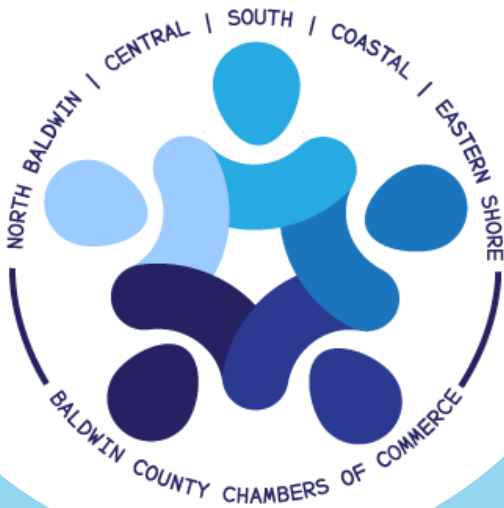
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One Voice for Business in Baldwin County



*Representing*  
**3,500 Businesses &  
74,000 Employees**

# Baldwin County Chamber Coalition



We are the collaborative voice of the five Baldwin County Chambers of Commerce aiming to promote and protect the collective interests of **3,500 businesses and 74,000 employees** in Coastal Alabama.

The Coalition advocates for local issues that matter most for the economic prosperity and quality of life for our local businesses and residents. This business legislative agenda represents the common interests of our businesses regarding important legislative issues that matter most to them!

## INFRASTRUCTURE

**The Baldwin County Chamber Coalition supports legislation and policies that will:**

- Expand and improve reliable broadband connectivity across Baldwin County necessary for increased economic development and improved quality of life for residents.
- Ensure adequate and responsible investments in local developments and infrastructure improvements that will improve Baldwin County's roads and bridges without adversely impacting quality of life.

## WORKFORCE + EDUCATION

**The Baldwin County Chamber Coalition supports legislation and policies that will:**

- Incentivize and promote improved housing availability and costs needed to match workforce needs in Baldwin County, more specifically a workforce campus in south Baldwin County.
- Incentivize and increase the availability of childcare options for working parents / guardians, including efforts to provide tax incentives for those that offer such services outside of conventional daycare hours.
- Increase funding and incentives for workforce development programs aimed at educating and improving the highly-skilled workforce needed across all industry clusters, namely programs born from or inspired by Governor Kay Ivey's Success Plus program, and including other professional development and technical training programs (e.g., ATAC, SAWDC, ATN, AIDT).
- Implementation of a State Lottery in Alabama with funds dedicated to free education for Alabama residents.
- Incentivize and promote businesses to use the ACCS industry cluster training for immediate hiring and training.

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

## **The Baldwin County Chamber Coalition supports legislation and policies that will:**

- Ensure the reauthorization, improvement, and extension of proven economic development incentives and tax credits, including the promotion of Opportunity Zone investment opportunities.
- Ensure all GOMESA funding is dedicated to Coastal Alabama.
- Place emphasis on workforce development efforts to increase the number of trained and credentialed job candidates to support new and existing businesses in Baldwin County.
- Advocate for Alabama's Liquor Liability Rating to be reduced and reflective of actual Dram Shop Litigation.

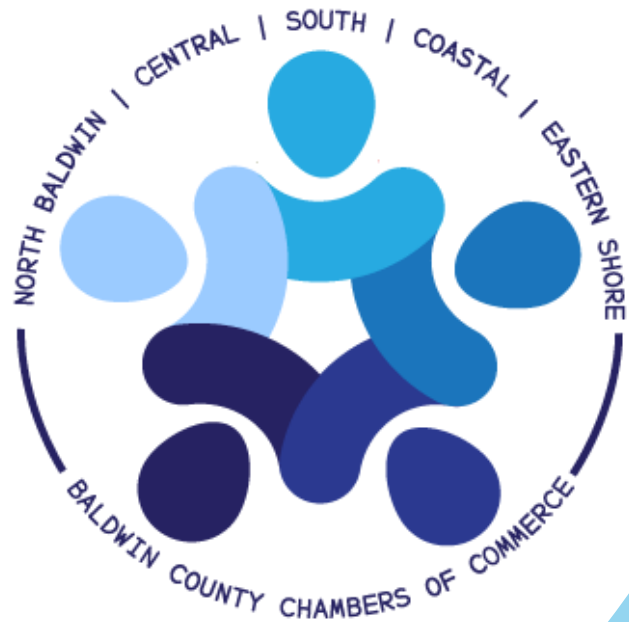
# HEALTHCARE, ENVIRONMENT + QUALITY OF LIFE

## **The Baldwin County Chamber Coalition supports legislation and policies that will:**

- Improve funding for and access to quality healthcare, training, programming and providers across Baldwin County.
- Establish a publicly funded county-wide program for formerly incarcerated non-violent offenders to enter entrepreneurial development training through established workforce development programs.
- Continue to provide for the creation or restoration of responsible and sustainable interactions with and the enjoyment of our natural resources, including but not limited to the Causeway Master Plan, Baldwin County Beaches, the Mobile Bay and the Tensaw River Delta.
- Incentivize and promote eco-friendly business practices that contribute to creating new and sustaining existing businesses and industry in Baldwin County.
- Incentivize and promote responsible and sustainable residential development that considers the safety, enjoyment and affordability of housing for all citizens of Baldwin County.
- Enhance public transportation to provide lifeline services to transport disadvantaged individuals connecting them with healthcare, educational institutions, employment and other important activities.
- Advocate for and adopt voluntary codes, policies, and guidelines that promote physical and mental health for people of all ages, abilities, and incomes.
- Establish a publicly funded county-wide opioid epidemic response fund administered by Health & Human services to support children and families impacted by the opioid epidemic.
- Expand and improve access to mental health rehabilitation services in Baldwin County and our school system.



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