



89TH LEGISLATIVE SESSION

LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

Strategic Legislative Principles:

- Support policies that enhance job creation, innovation, and capital investment in the Metrocrest area economy and overall community.
- Support policies that will foster a favorable business climate and grow Metrocrest economic development.
- Support policies that streamline processes, and reduce undue burden whenever and wherever possible which includes but is not limited to unfunded mandates, taxes, fees, etc.

We Support:

- **Workforce & Education:**
 - Funding workforce development programs that foster career exploration and technical programs which build next generation workforce and leaders.
 - Increase funding for the Skills Development Fund grants to improve workforce training.
 - Continuing investments and updates to the community college finance legislation.
 - Continuing investments in Small Business Development Centers and their professional business advising and training programs for small business owners.
 - Restoring public school funding to levels established by HB3 (2019), when accounting for inflation.
- **Transportation and Infrastructure:**
 - A well maintained, planned, and operated transportation network that is adequately funded for future growth and capacity.
 - Support innovative financing tools that leverage state funds to expedite delivery of needed infrastructure construction and maintenance projects.
 - Strengthening Texas' aging infrastructure through dedicated funding sources for adequate water planning and supply, safe and efficient modes of transportation, reliable energy production and delivery, and accessible broadband service.
- **Quality of Life**
 - Funding safe and secure communities, access to affordable housing and health care, favorable taxes, and regulatory freedom for businesses.
 - Funding to improve access to in/out-patient behavioral and mental health.

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