

The Pearland Chamber supports empowering elected officials with the flexibility and policy tools required to ensure the needs of the business community are met. We have identified four areas that are crucial in providing support for Pearland businesses to recruit, develop, and retain a dynamic and diverse workforce while eliminating barriers to business growth and creation.

OUR FOUR PRIORITY AREAS FOR 2023:

BUSINESS

- Support state and local tools used to compete for corporate expansions/relocations and job growth, such as the Texas Enterprise Fund, the Texas Enterprise Zone Fund, and the tax incentives available under the Texas Economic Development Act under Chapter 312 and Chapter 313 of the Tax Code.
- Support the removal of excessive and unnecessary licensure and business requirements while continuing to protect consumer safety.

HEALTHCARE

- Support efforts to stabilize the health care marketplace and accessibility of coverage options that are both appropriate and affordable.
- Support protecting Texas healthcare providers from payment or reimbursement reductions within subsidized programs.

INFRASTRUCTURE

- Support ongoing partnerships with local, state, and federal entities to increase solutions for funding for continued expansions, improvements, and maintenance of our region.

EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE

- Support protecting the funding solution for public education that was approved during the 86th Texas Legislature (HB3).
- Support partnerships between higher education institutions, public schools, other educational entities, and the workforce that promote post-secondary readiness, such as Skills Development Fund.