

The City of Taylor is robust, diversified and expanding, largely due to dedicated community leadership, regional collaboration and execution of economic and workforce development initiatives by the Greater Taylor Chamber of Commerce. The City of Taylor, and Texas as a whole, consistently exhibits a pro-business posture and low regulatory environment.

The Taylor Chamber asks members of the 89th Texas Legislature to join us by embracing the following key public policy priorities which are critical to our region's continued growth and success.

EDUCATION

Since a sound, basic education is fundamental to an informed citizenry, productive workforce and stable society, the Taylor Chamber of Commerce:

- Supports increasing the basic school funding allotment and updating the cost of public education index to ensure that public schools across Texas have the resources needed to succeed.
- Supports investment of additional funding for K-12 public education that creates strong career pathways for all Texas students.
- Opposes state funding for school choice programs that drain public funds from public school systems.





WORKFORGE DEVELOPMENT

- Supports increased funding for workforce development programs that helps employers attract and train their labor pool while also enabling accessible and affordable education and training for Texas workers.
- Opposes legislation that could adversely impact worker attraction and retention or puts forward barriers for any worker seeking to enter or re-enter the workforce or change careers.

CHILD CARE

- Supports investment in high quality, yet affordable childcare and early childhood education.
- Urges the Texas Legislature to compile modern statistics on the relationship between affordable childcare and pathways to wealth creation.

LOCAL CONTROL

- Opposes legislation that impedes a city's ability to provide locallyaccepted services.
- Opposes legislation that require local governing bodies to fund implementation of state government mandates.
- Advocates for modification or repeal of HB 1819 to allow the city to re-institute a local curfew.
- Supports the repeal of HB 2127 (Death Star Bill) to once again allow cities to create local solutions to local needs.

