



PACC Public Policy Agenda 2018

BUILDING THE FUTURE

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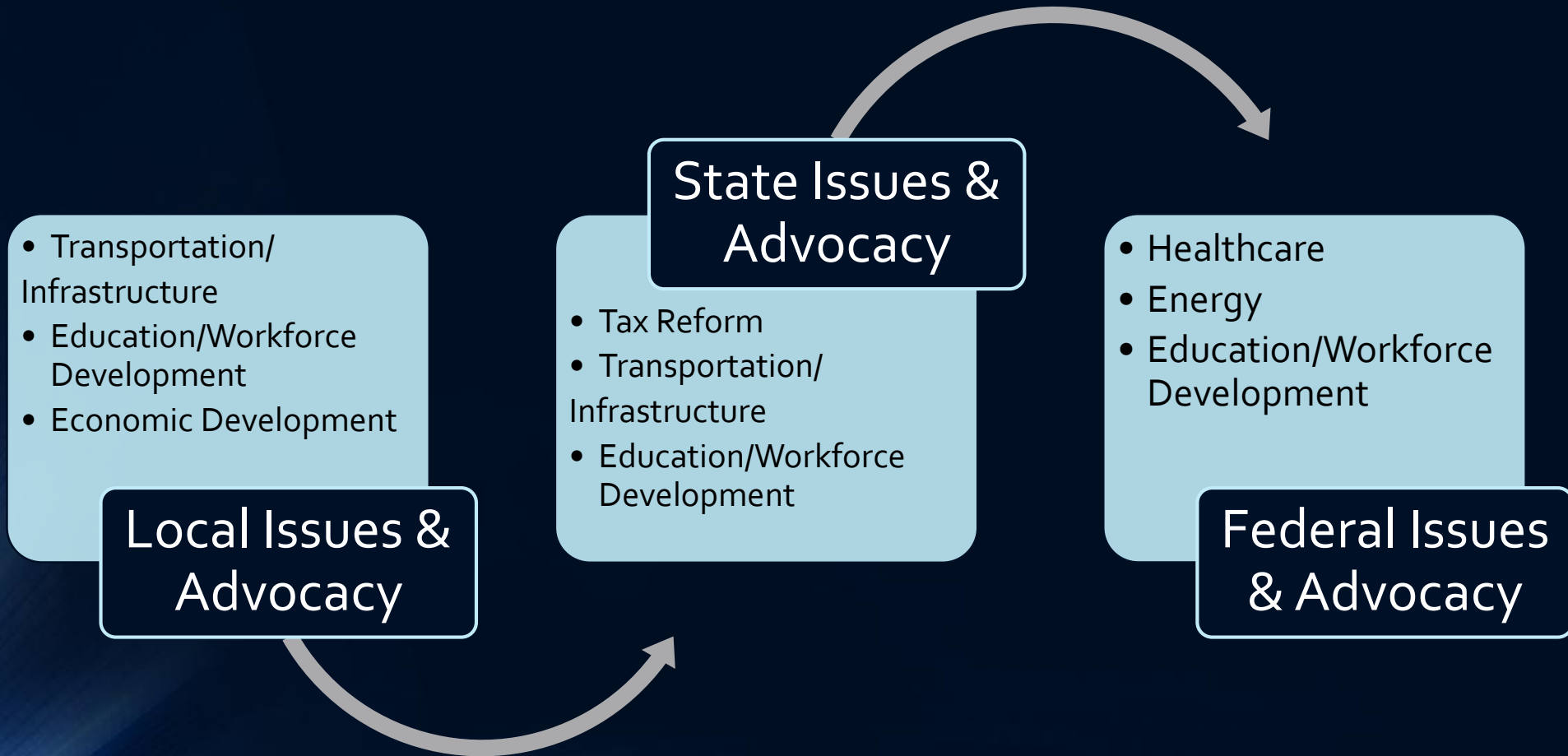
Every business, no matter large or small, operates within a world of policy, regulations, laws, and long-range planning.

The Business Advocacy Committee of the Pickerington Area Chamber is committed to reviewing, developing, and supporting issues that promote a positive, pro-active business environment. The Pickerington Area Chamber is the “Voice for Business” and our purpose is to work with our elected officials to establish regulations and policies that will affect the ability of a business to compete and continue to generate income and jobs that will improve the quality of life in the Pickerington region.

We look forward to working with our local, state, and federal representatives on this agenda for stronger, sustainable economic growth – focusing on the success for employers.

We thank you for your support and continued engagement in these important endeavors.

Public Policy Overview



Local Issues & Advocacy

GROWING THE PICKERINGTON REGION

Growing the Region

BUSINESS-FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT

- Work with local partners to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of economic development processes, such as the swift approval of licenses, permits, plan submissions, scheduling of inspections, and other important business services
- Advocate for access to capital and financing programs that support investment and growth of business
- Assist with the creation of specific guidelines that developers and area businesses utilize during the development process

INVEST IN HUMAN CAPITAL

- Ensure that career and technical education is a career pathway that is fully engaged in meeting workforce needs
- Advocate for programs that encourage and provide post-secondary attainment that is aligned with the region's economic development priorities
- Support initiatives and programs that assist human resources and business executives to retain, recruit and attract talent

Growing the Region

TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

- Support the Pickerington region's business community through strategic transportation advancements aimed at increasing economic development and business growth opportunities
- Advocate for the investment of quality of life features to make our community attractive including recreational amenities, parks, art, and the presence of historical and cultural meaning
- Encourage efforts that will evaluate the need for investment in both traditional and non-traditional transportation for the residents of the Pickerington community



State Issues & Advocacy

GROWING BEYOND THE PICKERINGTON REGION

Growing Beyond the Region

COMPETITIVE CIVIC CLIMATE

- Support government incentives through tax abatements, financing options, grants, and other opportunities to generate jobs, investment and growth
- Advocate for a predictable tax climate, which will help attract investment
- Monitor Regulatory Reform to ensure that government is creating and implementing policy that is responsive to business and citizen needs



Growing Beyond the Region

WORKFORCE SKILLS & EDUCATION

- Encourage the development of consistent evaluation of existing education reform measures to ensure desired outcomes meet expectations
- Advocate for continued implementation of Ohio's public education standards
- Support our region's institutions of higher education through promotion of research and development programs that showcase our region's competitiveness

STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION

- Support the long-range plans for transportation policies and investment strategies for the coming years
- Encourage the continued evaluation of a connector between Route 33 and I-70

Federal Issues & Advocacy

CREATE THE CAPACITY TO SUCCEED

A Region of Success

GROWING OUR FUTURE WORKFORCE

- Advocate for funding availability and policies that support the strengthening of the cradle to career continuum to ensure students are prepared, succeed academically, earn a post-secondary degree or accreditation and enter a career
- Support the continued efforts of implementing programs that help Americans with barriers to employment gain high quality jobs and help employers hire and retain skilled workers

A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT

- Encourage the continued investment in opioid-specific funding, including to support state and local governments – to support treatment and recovery services, train first responders, and more
- Support market-based healthcare solutions that make private and public healthcare more affordable and accessible without placing undue burdens on employers
- Cooperate with regional healthcare leaders and businesses to ensure that an affordable healthcare product remains a viable option through the PACC program and initiatives

A Region of Success

KEEPING THE ENERGY GOING

- Advocate for lower energy costs and ensure members are able to access affordable energy services
- Promote alternative energy, efficiency and cost-savings opportunities for businesses
- Encourage the promotion of energy training programs to foster and maintain a high-performance workforce that constructs, operates, and maintains energy-efficient and cost effective facilities



Government Officials

Local Representatives	Local Representatives	County Representatives
<p>City of Pickerington</p> <p>Mayor Lee Gray</p> <p>City Manager Bill Vance</p> <p>Council Members Jeff Fix Tony Barletta Tricia Sanders Mike Sabatino Jerry Dailey Thomas Romine</p>	<p>Violet Township Trustees Darrin Monhollen Terry Dunlap Melissa Wilde</p> <p>Pickerington Local Schools Board of Education Lori Sanders Keith Kristoff Vanessa Niekamp Michele Waterhouse Clay Lopez</p>	<p>Fairfield County Commissioners Steve Davis Mike Kiger Dave Levacy</p> <p>Fairfield County Auditor Jon Slater, Jr.</p> <p>Fairfield County Engineer Jeremiah Upp</p> <p>Fairfield County Sheriff Dave Phalen</p>

Government Officials

County Representatives	State Representatives	State Representatives
Fairfield County Treasurer James Bahnsen	Governor of Ohio John Kasich	Ohio Treasurer of State Josh Mandel
Fairfield County Prosecuting Attorney Kyle Witt	Lt. Governor of Ohio Mary Taylor	Ohio Supreme Court Chief Justice Maureen O'Connor
Fairfield County Clerk of Courts Branden Meyer	Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine	U.S. Senate Sherrod Brown
	Ohio Auditor of State Dave Yost	U.S. Senate Rob Portman
	Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted	U.S. House of Representatives Steve Stivers

Government Officials

State Representatives	State Representatives
Ohio House of Representatives Heather Bishoff (District 20) Bill Hayes (District 72) Tim Schaffer (District 77)	Ohio State Board of Education Stephanie Dodd
Ohio Senate Kevin Bacon (District 3) Troy Balderson (District 20) Jay Hotinger (District 31)	

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