The Chamber works with local businesses, government, nonprofits and other partners to advance policies and cooperative efforts that build and sustain regional prosperity. The Chamber’s policy priorities are updated annually with key insights from the Chamber’s membership.

Working with key stakeholders across the region, the chamber works to promote commerce and industry, advance economic growth, and to enhance the quality of life in the city and throughout the greater region.

The following policy priorities are used to inform our discussions around policy decisions at the local and state level.

1. **Business development**

   The Chamber helps local companies grow their business by advocating for policies that promote growth and investment.
   - Attract and market new businesses, relocations and job formation in West Sacramento.
   - Identify economic incentives for new and expanding small businesses.
   - Foster a diverse economic base of all industries, business sizes and sectors.
   - Support the creation of new business improvement districts.
   - Advocate for a conducive business climate and balanced regulatory environment.

2. **Homeless**

   The Chamber works in collaboration with other partners and stakeholders to minimize the impact of homelessness to the business community.
   - Homelessness should not be accepted as common place.
   - Support mental health and affordable/transition housing and programs.
   - Advocate for public private partnerships and response for business.
3. **Transportation**

The Chamber advocates for an interconnected transportation system to support residential and commercial use.

- Advocate for policies that build infrastructure to meet current transportation, safety and service needs that support our region’s long-term economic vitality.
- Provide education on topics related to public and alternative transportation, pedestrian logistics, bike safety and rollability.
- Advocate for transportation improvements to support manufacturing and distribution.
- Support alternative traffic plans to plan for evacuations during a disaster.

4. **City related opportunities/challenges**

The Chamber advocates for improved, business-friendly processes at the local level.

- Streamline the business license fee system and make the process more uniform.
- Improve government efficiency and foster a user-friendly and welcoming city government.
- Advocate for a transparent and efficient government processes.
- Protect diversity of business attraction and retention opportunities through oversight of zoning changes.

5. **Taxation & Local Fees**

The Chamber opposes unreasonable local and regional fees.

- Require thorough analysis and accountability for government fees and practices.
- Ensure fairness, predictability, accountability and compliance while balancing income, property and sales tax levels.
- Work to reduce local fees in order to spur economic development.
- Promote fiscal responsibility and accountability for city, county and state budget.
- Support policies that remove barriers for economic development.