



2022 Advocacy@Work

Guiding Principles Document

The Chamber of Catawba County supports public policy that promotes a strong business climate and fosters economic development:

- **Workforce Development** - We support investments in education that increase educational attainment and promote affordable educational opportunities. We support policies promote the availability and affordability of childcare for the current workforce and promote early learning for the future workforce.
- **Infrastructure Investment**- We support investments in the infrastructure required to support a strong economy, including roads, broadband, water/sewer and housing. We support forward thinking investments that will support the future economy.
- **Smart Taxation**- We support tax policies that lower rates on business owners and return tax revenues to the communities in which they are collected. Government should avoid taxes on business investment and innovation and that disadvantage US firms in international trade.
- **Appropriate Regulations**- We believe that regulations must achieve government objectives in the least restrictive manner possible while creating minimum negative consequences. Government should not place unfunded mandates on businesses to enforce government regulations.
- **Affordable Healthcare**- We support policies that make health insurance affordable and accessible, and create insurance options, especially for small businesses.