# NACOGDOCHES COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

# **2017 Legislative Priorities**

We Believe . . .

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, COMMUNITY & BUSINESS

**That** additional incentives and initiatives provided by the State of Texas to Nacogdoehes County will result in economic growth, investment and jobs in East Texas;

**That** providing funding for adequate broadband throughout rural counties will promote economic development;

**That** legislators should oppose legislation which would encroach on local government's ability to self govern;

**That** support for the legislative objectives in the Texas Economic Development Council's Legislative Agenda will result in growth and investment in Nacogdoches County.

**That** support for the construction of Lake Columbia is critical to the future development of Nacogdoches County.

#### **EDUCATION**

**That** continued state and legislative support for Stephen F. Austin State University will promote economic vitality in Nacogdoches County;

**That** investing in and supporting local school districts will be a major contributor to the economic future of Nacogdoches County;

**That** investing in workforce development and technical training will pay dividends to rural areas of Texas.

### TRANSPORTATION

**That** legislative support for the continued development of I-69 and the need to support the numerous other transportation projects in Nacogdoches County will be critical to future growth, investment and development.

### HEALTH CARE

**That** the need to support funding resources and assistance for rural hospitals and indigent health care is critical to our economic future;

**That** legislative support for comprehensive health care reform will contribute to a stronger economy;

**That** it is important to continue and expand support for mental health resources/services for children and adults in Nacogdoches County.



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