

EDUCATION

- Support legislative efforts to enhance and improve the workforce pipeline of our region through all levels of education (PK-8, PK-12, Technology Center, and Higher Education).
- Support legislative and local efforts that recognize how critical the success and continued investment in our public and private schools is to the economic development of the region.
- Support continued development and implementation of ICAP (Individual Career Academic Plans) in our region by our PK-8 and PK-12 schools.
- Support bond issues in our local PK-8 and PK-12 schools as a critical form of investment in the continued success of our region.

ENERGY

- Oppose legislative efforts to further increase taxes on oil and gas companies in the state of Oklahoma.
- Support legislative efforts to ensure producers within the oil and gas industry are not unduly burdened by regulation or lawsuits associated with seismic activity.
- Support legislative and local efforts to promote all forms of Alternative Fuel opportunities as a benefit to the local economy.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

- Support long-term solutions to address full reimbursement funding for Medicaid services and oppose the privatization of Medicaid including any efforts to move to a managed care model.
- Support the passage of legislation that would remove the supervision requirement for CRNA's to provide anesthesia services.
- Support legislative and regulatory efforts to provide clearer rules concerning medical marijuana, especially as it relates to the workplace.
- Support Safe Act at the federal level to enhance financial transparency and workplace safety.
- Support legislative efforts to expand the ability for cities to create regulations concerning the use and access to tobacco and vaping products.
- Support legislative efforts to appropriately address the continuing opioid crisis in our state.

STATE AND FEDERAL ISSUES

- Support efforts through legislative redistricting to ensure the Greater Shawnee region continues to be well represented within the Oklahoma State Senate and House by individuals that understand the specific and unique needs of the area.
- Support efforts to develop Shawnee's Opportunity Zones to spur investment in those areas of our community.
- Support efforts to reduce preemption efforts, past and future, by the state legislature that limit the innovation possible by local governments to solve problems within their communities and across the state.
- Encourage the Oklahoma Corporation Commission to consider aspects other than rates when regulating those bodies under their jurisdiction.
- Support local tribes and their legislative initiatives, particularly those relating to economic development and collaboration with state and local governments.

TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

- Support federal and state efforts to expand rail service to the Greater Shawnee region and open the rail line from Shawnee through Seminole County and eventually to McAlester and beyond.
- Support local and regional efforts to expand infrastructure (water and sewage) strategically in the region to enhance economic development.
- Support full implementation of the states 8-year Transportation plan.
- Support the implementation of the Pottawatomie County prioritized transportation and infrastructure list as determined by the Shawnee Forward Economic Development Committee.

OTHER POSSIBLE ISSUES

- Support continued implementation of Oklahoma's Judicial and Prison Reform efforts.
 - Support local efforts to develop and implement strategies to appropriately deal with the local homeless issues.
 - Support local efforts to improve the downtown area through innovative efforts.
 - Support additional efforts to locate a National Guard Unit in Shawnee.
 - Oppose legislative efforts to impose "home rule."
 - Encourage local governments to create and enforce rules and regulations that protect adjacent businesses from intrusion from vaping and medical marijuana.
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