

# 2024 GHCC LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TAXATION**

- Support and maintain current state tax incentives and economic development policies that have proven to attract investment, create jobs, incentivize growth, and provide economic stability.
- Support policies to assist in privately funded technological infrastructure advancements in rural communities aiding small businesses, colleges, hospitals, and local governments.
- Maintain consistency and uniformity with respect to regulating Georgia businesses.
- Support legislation that allows market force principles to work in the state's economy free from government intervention.

### **HEALTH & WELLNESS**

- Support policies that promote the development of a talented and qualified workforce across the healthcare industry. Further supporting policies that allow for an intentional focus on training and develop of the Hispanic workforce in the healthcare community.
- Support the expansion of mental health services in the state through increasing state funding and reducing regulatory barriers that would allow for services to be provided in Spanish.
- Support policies that promote cost containment for to employer-sponsored health insurance.

#### **TALENT & WORKFORCE**

- Support policies that improve education completion rates and programs that will grow and develop an employable and adaptable workforce that is responsive to business and industry needs.
- Support efforts to address current workforce housing access and affordability challenges to ensure communities across the state can attract and retain talent.
- Support additional college and career advising to improve student outcomes.
- Support policies that enhance childcare resources, access and support for families, particularly emphasizing affordability, and culturally appropriate childcare.

### **INFRASTRUCTURE**

- We support policies that will allow for the expansion of critical infrastructure assets such as water, power and broadband that serve Georgia's Hispanic businesses and residents.
- Support efforts to expand Georgia's capacity to transport freight and logistics through the supply chain as well as to end-market users in the state, including support of innovative transportation technologies.
- Support continued strategic efforts to increase public investment of local, state, and federal funding into Georgia's transportation network which will result in economic growth and greater quality of life with a focus on prioritizing minority suppliers and small businesses.
- Support development of Georgia's public transportation systems.

