



# 2017 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

## WE SUPPORT

### **Competitive Tools for Economic Success:**

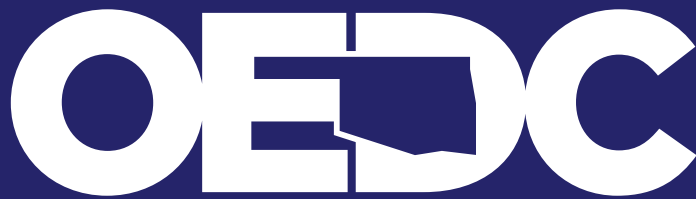
- Protect the **ad valorem tax abatement program** for qualifying manufacturing facilities and support initiatives to properly fund local taxing jurisdictions
- Support economic development incentives that create and maintain jobs and investment in Oklahoma including the **Quality Jobs Program & Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Districts**
- Support funding for the **Oklahoma Quick Action Closing Fund** at a level that allows Oklahoma to be competitive with surrounding states
- Support funding for the **Training for Industry Program (TIP)** administered through the Oklahoma Career Tech System, allowing businesses to receive additional training and education for employees

### **Competitive Workforce Development:**

- Support **Oklahoma Works** and the alignment of business needs and workforce training
- Support **adequate funding** and competitive standards for all levels of **Oklahoma education** to provide a skilled workforce for the global economy
- Support the growth of **STEM** and **Career Pathways programs in Oklahoma** to create a career ready workforce

### **Competitive Infrastructure for Future Development:**

- Develop a long-range statewide transportation plan that addresses all needs in the state including commercial, industrial and distribution needs of Oklahoma businesses and communities
- Support the preservation of bridge improvement funding and a **turnpike growth and modernization plan**
- Protect the **ODOT Eight Year Construction Work Plan** and **Industrial Access Road Program**.



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# FUNDAMENTALS

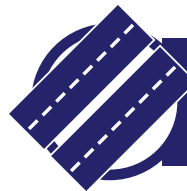
## of Economic Development



**Pro-Business  
Climate**



**Qualified  
Workers**



**Good  
Roads**



\*Source: CNBC - America's Top States for Business 2014

### COMPETITIVE TAX POLICY

encourages critical investment in Oklahoma which allows us to remain competitive in recruitment, retention and growth of industry.

**Oklahoma Professional Economic Development Council (OEDC)**, is an association of 150+ economic development professionals who support efforts to market regions and communities throughout the state of Oklahoma as places where people want to live and invest. Members of OEDC are advocates for a prosperous economy in Oklahoma and strive to be active economic development resources for state elected officials and leaders.

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