

## **Workforce Excerpts of 2025**

### **Community Partner Legislative Positions**

#### **Broward County State Legislative and Executive Program Commission Priorities**

- **Apprenticeships:** Promote workforce development by investing in apprenticeship and training programs including hard-to-hire individuals.
- **Affordable Housing:** Support full utilization of the Sadowski Affordable Housing Trust Fund for housing programs, opposing any diversion of these funds for unrelated purposes.
- **Workforce Housing Concurrency:** Develop policies requiring commercial developments to offset their impact on workforce housing needs through financial contributions or housing unit allocations.
- **Small Business:** Support policies that foster fair competition practices among businesses including procurement and contracting opportunities.
- **Infrastructure Investments:** Advocate for significant investments in public infrastructure projects to enhance business opportunities and community connectivity.

#### **Broward County Public Schools**

- Maintain funding for industry credentials; target funding for college, career, and technical education programs for all students including ESE students, and funding for job coaching.
- Support the Governor's initiative to make Florida the #1 state for Workforce Education by 2030.

#### **Florida Restaurant & Lodging Association (FRLA)**

- Support continued funding for VISIT FLORIDA. FRLA further supports extending VISIT FLORIDA'S sunset date to facilitate strategic planning and marketing for the near-term and long-term.

#### **Florida Manufacturing & Supply Chain Advocacy Council**

- **Talent Development and Retention**  
As fostering a future pipeline of skilled workers is essential for Florida's manufacturing, support initiatives improving early engagement, upskilling, and talent attraction and retention.
- **Florida's Competitive Edge**  
The Council supports policies that position Florida as a leader in the manufacturing industry by enhancing the business climate for Florida's manufacturers and promoting in-state production.
- **Industry Modernization**  
The Council supports innovation and modernization, which is vital for keeping Florida's manufacturers globally competitive.

## **Florida Economic Development Council**

- Fund the Job Growth Grant Fund at \$100,000,000 to invest in site identification, site improvements, related infrastructure and talent development critical to high-wage job creation and skills upgrades.
- Retain and expand Florida's growth industries by increasing funding for Incumbent Worker Training and Quick Response Training grants, offering flexibility in average wage thresholds.

## **Florida Chamber of Commerce**

- **Creating America's Best Workforce**  
Support the efforts of all public and private colleges, universities, technical schools, and industry certification programs to produce a skilled and talented workforce.
- **Small Business Support**  
To continue as the #1 state for business start-ups, support state / federal measures that accelerate economic growth for Florida small businesses while knocking down bureaucratic hurdles to free enterprise.
- **Marketing Florida's Business Brand & Diversifying the Economy**  
Support an aggressive marketing of Florida's brand as a business-friendly state, and initiatives that support the creation of high-skill, high-wage jobs and/or encourage capital investments in Florida.
- **Reemployment Assistance**  
Continue to ensure that unemployment taxes remain affordable and consistent so job creators can do what they do best- create jobs.