

EXECUTIVE PRIORITIES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES

Competitive economic development tools are critical to bringing new businesses to the region and growing our economy. The Partnership supports the creation of a new school property tax abatement program that makes our state attractive to emerging industries and ensures our long-term competitiveness.

ENERGY TRANSITION

Texas is poised to lead the energy transition and safeguard our place as the global energy leader. The Partnership supports removing regulatory roadblocks and creating certainty for those investing in the future of Texas energy.

HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING

The University of Houston is the region's flagship public institution and continues to make meaningful strides in terms of student success and research funding. The Partnership supports increasing the state's investment in the University of Houston.

FLOOD MITIGATION

The Legislature made a strong commitment in 2019 to strengthen local communities and make the state more resilient by creating the Flood Infrastructure Fund. The Partnership supports significant re-investment in the Flood Infrastructure Fund.



ISSUES

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Aligning workers' skills with the needs of industry is key to economic growth.

TEXAS COMMISSION ON COMMUNITY COLLEGE FINANCE

Community colleges are essential to educating, certifying and training the workers needed to keep our economy strong. The Partnership supports student-focused and industry-led recommendations.

PUBLIC EDUCATION TEACHER WORKFORCE SHORTAGE

Public schools are facing a teacher workforce shortage. The Partnership supports targeted efforts to address this shortage and attract high-quality teachers to the classroom.

HEALTH CARE FRONTLINE WORKER SHORTAGE

COVID placed tremendous strain on frontline healthcare workers resulting in workforce shortages in critical areas. The Partnership supports state programs and investment to attract the best and brightest to the profession.

TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION CREDENTIALS

The Partnership supports an all-of-the-above approach to training and upskilling the region's workforce to ensure leading technology and innovation companies have access to a robust talent pipeline.

PUBLIC EDUCATION

A strong public education system is critical to the long-term prosperity of our region and state. The Partnership supports continued investment in public education, preservation of high-impact programs, and effective accountability measures.

LOCAL ISSUES

The judicial system in Harris County is broken and not serving the needs of the region. The Partnership supports policies that would help to alleviate the felony court case backlog.

BROADBAND

Equitable access to broadband will provide economic opportunities to all Texans. The Partnership supports continued state investment to address the digital divide and serve local communities.