

FACT SHEET

- Representing more than 4,300 members and approximately 275,000 employees, the State Chamber of Oklahoma has been the state's leading advocate for business since 1926.
- We are the only statewide non-partisan, pro-jobs organization in Oklahoma that represents all types, sizes and kinds of businesses, as well as other associations, cities, schools and chambers of commerce.
- More than three-fourths of our members are small businesses with 100 or fewer employees.
- The State Chamber is not funded by or a function of state government. Instead, we are a non-profit business membership organization. Our primary focus is advocating for our members at the state and federal Capitols.
- The Chamber Action Network (CAN) is a grassroots initiative of the State Chamber of Oklahoma to engage local chambers of commerce and economic development organizations (EDOs) in the political process. CAN provides these groups with information and resources to effectively advocate for issues that impact their business and Oklahoma's economy.
- The State Chamber also serves as Oklahoma's Manufacturers Association and Retail Association.
- The State Chamber Research Foundation has provided economic research for Oklahoma, its associations and its businesses since 1981. Working alongside state and business leaders, the Research Foundation provides research and strategy for innovative state policies to secure Oklahoma's future as the best state for business.
- We house and staff the Oklahoma Professional Economic Development Council (OEDC).
- Our annual legislative agenda and policy positions are developed through our membership and 11 committees, which are then approved by our Board of Directors.
- Staff includes seven registered lobbyists who advocate at the State Capitol for policies that support a pro-business climate and strengthen our economy.
- The State Chamber is the administrator and sponsor for the first statewide association health plan in Oklahoma. Oklahoma Chamber Blue provides medical, dental and vision benefits and is available to small business members of the State Chamber with 2 to 50 employees.
- Our current chairman is Mark Funke, President Southwest Division, Simmons Bank. Board terms are through June of each year.

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