

2025 Legislative Priorities

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM

- We support the sustained allocation of state funds to VISIT FLORIDA.
- We oppose expansion of the use of Tourist Development Tax (TDT) revenue beyond its intended statutory purpose.
- We oppose sunset provisions and proposals that require periodic re-adoption of TDT allocations through referendums that would limit the ability for counties to bond revenue for construction of new facilities.
- We support regulation that excludes the collection of interchange fees on the sales tax portion of transactions.
- We oppose legislation that would prohibit businesses from adopting cashless business models, and advocates for policies that promote innovation, efficiency, and the ability of businesses to meet the evolving needs of their customers.
- We support the protection and preservation of Florida's state parks.

EDUCATION

Seminole State College

- We support continued capital funding to expand postsecondary nursing and allied health programs thereby increasing access to high quality healthcare.

Heart of Florida United Way

- We support funding initiatives that support student retention and persistence towards completion of postsecondary credentials to enter the workforce.

Seminole County Public Schools

- We support policy initiatives to address chronic absenteeism and to allow for greater flexibility in school start times. Further, we support funding initiatives to expand and modernize school-based engineering programs as well as funding to promote and develop the pipeline of qualified teachers through the Teacher Apprenticeship Program.

NATURAL RESOURCES

- We support legislative efforts, both in policy and funding, for restoration, clean up and maintenance of water quality.

HEALTHCARE

- We support budget policies that seek to reimburse providers as closely as possible to the actual cost.
- We support continued funding of programs, like Graduate Medical Education and Linking Industry to Nursing Education, which train Florida's next frontline health care professionals.
- We support caps on non-economic damages for medical malpractice claims.
- We support policies that hold insurance payers accountable.

REAL ESTATE/PROPERTY RIGHTS

- We support legislation that encourages quality and affordable property insurance carriers in the market.

HOMELESSNESS/AFFORDABLE HOUSING

- We support legislation and initiatives that empower communities to provide essential services to help individuals transition from crisis to stability.