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OUR MISSION

To drive economic development and prosperity for the people of the Greater Akron region.

Enhance Area Businesses

The Chamber supports efforts to grow and enhance the region's business community by advocating for policies that promote an efficient and profitable business climate.

- a. Business Climate
 - i. Advocate for a reduction and elimination of unfunded mandates that restrict operating a profitable business.
 - ii. Oppose policy that does not balance employer and employee interests.
 - iii. Support Regulatory Reform to ensure that government is creating and implementing policy that is responsive to customer needs.
 - iv. Monitor the local, state and national economy by partnering with appropriate officials to address economic concerns.
 - v. Encourage our federal legislators to focus attention on reducing the federal deficit.
- b. Minority Owned Enterprise
 - i. Support the growth of minority owned enterprises in the region.
 - ii. Continue advocacy for government funding to support local programs and enterprises such as the Akron Urban League and the Minority Business Development Organization.