

2017 Legislative Priorities



— Focused On Forward —

One Acadiana is advancing a set of legislative priorities, developed through our policy committees and adopted by our Board of Directors. These priorities build on the “Priorities for a Better Acadiana” and reflect Louisiana’s urgent need for fiscal stability and sustainability. Achieving success on these priorities will require leadership and commitment from our State government leaders and strong collaboration with partners across the state.

Fiscal Reform

Seek long-term fiscal sustainability and stability through cost-containing measures and reform of the budget process while adequately funding key priorities like PreK-12 and higher education, health care, and transportation infrastructure

Transportation Infrastructure

Support efforts to increase transportation infrastructure investment, with I-49 South as a top priority, while strengthening transparency and accountability for how transportation revenues are spent

[View 1A Transportation Funding Guiding Principles](#)

Workforce Development

Promote funding for demand-driven workforce programs, advocate for sufficiently funding early childhood care and education, support increased autonomy for higher education institutions, and support regional higher education capital outlay priorities

[View 1A Regional Workforce Development Strategy](#)

Public Education

Protect and advance gains made in PreK-12 education by maintaining rigorous academic standards matched with a fair, robust accountability system designed to increase student achievement

Criminal Justice Reform

Support evidence-based sentencing and corrections reforms that will decrease costs by reducing the overall prison population, and reinvest in programs proven to reduce crime and recidivism and that provide training and critical employability skills for Louisiana businesses

Economic Development

Maintain and advance industry-based competitiveness, including key economic development incentives proven to generate return on public investment (esp. Digital Media/Software Development, Quality Jobs, R&D, Competitive Projects Payroll Incentive, and Angel Investor)

