

## **Economic Development**

#### **SBDC Advisory Board**

Provides leadership and oversight to the Chamber's Small Business Development Center (SBDC) which is a cooperative effort of the Chamber, TASBA, the U.S. Small Business Administration and the Ohio Department of Development.

### **Toledo Area Small Business Association (TASBA)**

Serves as the voice of small business in Northwest Ohio. TASBA's 25 member Board of Directors determine a program of action and establish policy and positions on issues related to small business.

### **TASBA** Legislative

Provides advocacy for small business in the legislative arena.

### **EPIC Toledo**

#### **EPIC Toledo Advisory Council**

The Chamber's young professionals group, EPIC Toledo helps attract and retain diverse young talent in our region and develops future business and community leaders.

# **Membership/Member Services**

#### Insurance

Oversees the Chamber's health insurance member benefit program including program competitiveness, enrollment and product design. Meets regularly with representatives from the plan's insurance carrier (Medical Mutual.)

# Military Affairs

Meets periodically to keep the lines of communication open between the business community and the military installations in the region. This committee was an outgrowth of the successful leadership the Chamber provided to the local military during the BRAC (Base Realignment and Closing) rounds.

## **Public Affairs**

#### **Government Affairs Committee**

The lead committee for Public Affairs; looks at a wide variety of issues affecting Chamber members.

#### **Tax Subcommittee**

Examines Federal, local and state tax structures and their impact on business.

### **Workplace Regulations Subcommittee**

Examines and tracks legislation that deals with human resource issues in the workplace.

#### **Public Infrastructure Subcommittee**

Meets as needed to be appraised of any changes to City of Toledo water and sewer rates and infrastructure needs.

#### **Education and Workforce Subcommittee**

Reviews and advocates for workforce development & education issues important to the Toledo Region.

### **Workforce Advisory Board**

The advisory board works to identify the skills needed by the region's businesses and promote awareness of existing and emerging opportunities. It will also coordinate closely with the education subcommittee on initiatives.

#### **Levy Review Subcommittee**

Meets as required to examine existing and proposed property tax requests and report recommendations for possible endorsement by the Board.

#### **Whitepaper Committee**

Meets as needed to review and provide recommendations to the State on projects related to the capital budget.

# **The Leadership Fund**

The Political Action Committee of the Chamber; interviews and endorses candidates for public office. A sponsor of the Leadership Academy, a course designed to train people for public office.