ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF 2017





Received Five Star Accreditation from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce placing the Tucson Metro Chamber in the TOP 1% OF CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE NATIONWIDE



Made **804,424 INVESTOR REFERRALS** through the Chamber's website and online business directory



Led advocacy efforts to raise \$19.5 MILLION IN ROAD REPAIR FUNDS through county-wide property tax to improve road conditions



HONORED 52 LOCAL SMALL BUSINESSES and charitable non-profit businesses, before an audience of 900, at the Copper Cactus Awards for their excellence and achievements



DEFEATED Prop 204, a **PERMANENT 1/2 CENT SALES TAX** increase in the City of Tucson



Coalition Against Retail Theft (CART) **HELD 50 WORKSHOPS** to create solutions to the growing problems of retail theft



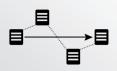
MET MORE THAN 100 TIMES with City Council, County Board, mayors of Tucson, Marana, Oro Valley and Sahuarita, state legislators and Gov. Ducey's office to promote job creation and economic expansion



TRACKED 174 DIFFERENT bills at the state legislature



Published summary of state and local elected officials' voting records. **STATE OFFICIALS VOTED WITH THE CHAMBER 74.7% OF THE TIME**



HELPED to STREAMLINE CITY OF TUCSON SYSTEMS and procedures to be more business-friendly and worked to create more urban development opportunities through Project Prosperity program



LED DELEGATION OF BUSINESS LEADERS TO WASHINGTON, DC

and met with the entire Arizona delegation officials to advocate for matters important to the growth and prosperity of Southern Arizona's economy



Fought to keep A-10 flying at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base and preserve estimated **\$2.98 BILLION ECONOMIC IMPACT** of

Davis-Monthan and the 162nd Air National Guard



HOSTED 196 INVESTORS AT EIGHT INTERFACE meetings to create dialog between local business executives, County Administrator Huckelberry and Mayor Rothschild



INITIATED THE TALENT RECRUITMENT TASK FORCE, a

group of major employers the Chamber will serve by creating a talent and recruitment toolkit to help them be more successful



CONNECTED 15 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH SUMMER INTERNSHIPS and on-the-job training at local businesses through the Intern to Career program



CONVENED MORE THAN 3,750 LOCAL BUSINESS EXECUTIVES at

23 events in 2017 to make connections and gain business opportunities



Hosted more than **58 RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONIES** celebrating investors' milestones, anniversaries and grand openings