

# AMERICA'S CAN DO CITY

## **STATE ACTION AGENDA 2025**

### **2025 STATE FUNDING REQUESTS**

#### **QUALITY OF LIFE**

- \$2 million for homeless support initiatives to include shelter and emergency shelter operations
- \$2 million for Cape Fear River Park Trail Extension Phase II
- \$2 million for Solid Waste & Transit facility modernization and improvements

#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

• \$1 million for workforce development initiatives including STEM and NextGen workforce

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

- \$3 million for regional public safety training center
- \$1 million for mental health co-response
- \$1 million for community-based violence interruption programs

	AIR SERVICE
Infrastructure and Transportation	<ul> <li>Runway Extension:         Less restrictive NC Airport Improvement Program (AIP) guidelines.         PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM     </li> <li>FAST (Fayetteville Area System of Transit) West Fayetteville Hub:         Seek funding for construction of west Fayetteville hub to increase access, service and operational efficiency.         Service Expansion to Ft. Liberty to expand transit services for military communities.     </li> <li>Expansion of Passenger Rail Connectivity:         State support and advocacy for completion of passenger rail routes from FAY to RAL and FAY to WLM.     </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>PROTECT Grant Projects:         <ul> <li>Align local transportation priorities with PROTECT Grant eligibility and DOT priorities.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Dam Infrastructure:         <ul> <li>Coordinate with state agencies to include Iron Lake and College Lakes dams in hazard mitigation plans.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Pedestrian and Safety Projects:         <ul> <li>Request state funding for implementing completed safety studies.</li> <li>ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION/TRAILS</li> </ul> </li> <li>Cape River Trail Extension:         <ul> <li>Advocate for state funding to support the trail's recreational and environmental benefits.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Housing & Community Development	<ul> <li>Affordable and Workforce Housing:         Legislative policy, actions and funding programs to increase affordable and workforce housing in Fayetteville.</li> <li>HOME and CDBG Funding Supplement:         Consider supplemental state funding and programs aligning with federal programs to more efficiently address stabilizing individuals and families.</li> <li>VASH Voucher Program:         State policy and funding support to offset costs of the program.</li> <li>Fair Housing Assistance Program (FHAP)/Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP):         Alignment of housing initiatives with state fair housing priorities and address barriers to program engagement with state support.</li> </ul>
Public Safety	<ul> <li>Recruitment and Retention:         Advocate for legislative changes to extend the Law Enforcement Officers Separation         Allowance (LEOSA) to firefighters.         Support Law Enforcement recruitment and retention efforts with state support, policy and programs.</li> <li>Firefighter Cancer Benefits:         Advocate for the continuation of the NC Firefighter Cancer Benefit Program beyond 2025</li> <li>School Resource Officers:         Expand public education funding to support School Resource Officer Program.</li> <li>Office of Community Safety:         Seek state funding for pillars of the office addressing youth intervention, gun violence, homelessness, and mental health.</li> <li>Ghost Gun Regulation:         Support legislation that prohibits and imposes strict penalties for ownership and use of ghost guns in NC.</li> <li>PFAS Disposal:         Work with state agencies to address PFAS foam collection and disposal challenges.</li> </ul>
Quality of Life & Economic Development	<ul> <li>Tax Allocation:         Equitable tax distribution among local government entities.</li> <li>I-685 Connectivity:         Interstate connectivity linking I-95 and I-295 to the proposed I-685 through Cumberland County.</li> <li>Sewer/Water Extension:         Support sewer and water infrastructure expansion that encourages increased economic development activity.</li> <li>Blight Removal:         Support and funding for programs that enhance the City's ability to engage in blight removal in key development areas.</li> <li>Corridor Improvements:         Support City corridor improvements to support key corridors of Murchison, East Fayetteville, Airport, Bragg Blvd and I-295 interchanges.</li> </ul>