



Chatham Economic Development Corporation Update

OCTOBER 18, 2021

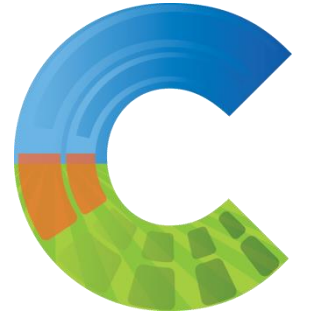




FY 2020-2021 Highlights



Industry Development



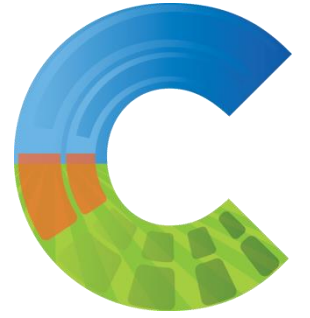
CHARTER
FURNITURE

Charter Furniture expanded their operations into a new facility in Siler City.

PolarOnyx

PolarOnyx, a laser 3D manufacturing company, relocated from California into the former Performance Bicycle building off 15-501 near Chapel Hill

Workforce Development

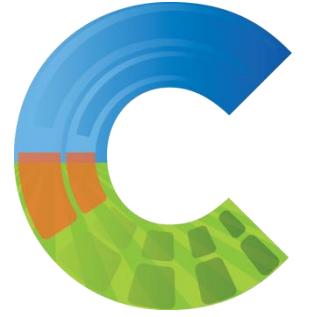


The EDC collaborated with Chatham Literacy and NC Works Career Center-Chatham to provide workforce readiness training for Chatham residents during the pandemic.

The EDC has been engaged with Central Carolina Community College in the development of: the Central Carolina Manufacturing Institute, a Commercial Drivers License (CDL) program, industry training and more.



Organization News



- In January 2021, Michael Smith joined the EDC as President.
- The EDC also welcomed new board members: Antonio McBroom, Ken Mack and Craig Wood.



McBroom



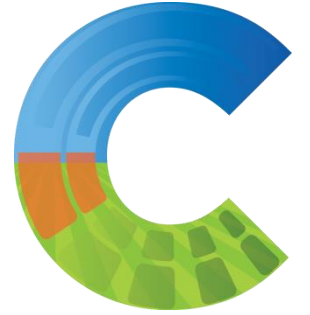
Mack



Wood



COVID-19 Efforts



The EDC Board of Directors voted to pivot the existing Chatham Loan Fund to address COVID-19 challenges and recovery. The updated guidelines allowed for greater flexibility in the program and additional uses.

To address questions concerning the COVID-19 vaccine, the EDC partnered with the Chatham County Public Health Department and a local attorney to answer local businesses' questions about the vaccine and the workplace.

**WEBINAR:
COVID-19 VACCINE BRIEFING
FOR CHATHAM COUNTY
EMPLOYERS**

THURSDAY, MARCH 4TH 2-3 P.M.



Panelists:

Mike Zelek, Chatham County Public Health Director

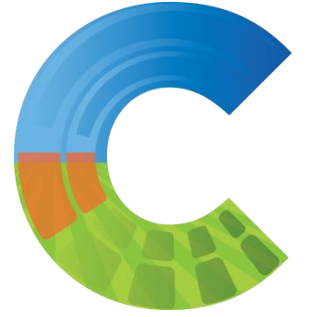
Kathie Russell, Russell & Associates



FY 2021-2022 Thus Far



Organization News



- Current fundraising efforts for the EDC's five-year capital campaign are underway, with \$751,250 of the \$900,000 goal pledged.
- The Chatham Small Business Fund is live, the first round ended Oct. 15 and applications are under consideration
- The EDC will seat four new board members this fall as part of normal board turnover and a vacated seat

Project Activity



Triangle
Innovation
Point

Wake Forest University

Piedmont Triad International Airport

UNC Greensboro NC A&T State University

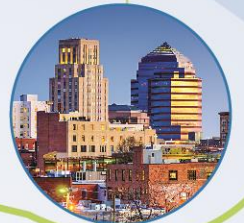
GREENSBORO
(30 minutes)



#1 BEST STATE FOR BUSINESS
Forbes, 2017, 2018, 2019



CHAPEL HILL
THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL



DURHAM

RTP IS THE LARGEST RESEARCH PARK IN THE NATION. 7K ACRES, 300+ COMPANIES, 55K EMPLOYEES.



Research Triangle Park (25 minutes)

Raleigh-Durham International Airport

Dozens OF COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES WITHIN AN HOUR DRIVE
130K+ STUDENTS ENROLLED IN 4 YEAR PROGRAMS

CHATHAM-SILER CITY ADVANCED MANUFACTURING SITE
1800+ Acres
30 minutes to I-85 in Greensboro

CHATHAM PARK
7,100+ Acres

1M+ REGIONAL LABOR FORCE IN RESEARCH TRIANGLE REGION
US Census, Emsi

SILER CITY Central Carolina Community College Siler City Campus
Siler City Municipal Airport

PITTSBORO Central Carolina Community College Pittsboro Campus

NC STATE UNIVERSITY

EASY ACCESS TO MULTIPLE DEEPWATER PORTS

CHATHAM COUNTY IS HOME TO 16,000-ACRE JORDAN LAKE AS WELL AS HUNDREDS OF ACRES OF PARKS & PUBLIC GREENWAYS.

THE RALEIGH-CARY METRO IS ONE OF THE FASTEST GROWING IN THE NATION. SO IS THE DURHAM-CHAPEL HILL METRO.
US Census Bureau

TRIANGLE INNOVATION POINT
2,500+ Acres
15 minutes to Raleigh's Outer Loop (NC540)

22K HOMES PLANNED IN CHATHAM PARK

EXITING MILITARY PERSONNEL ARE AN OUTSTANDING SOURCE OF TRAINED WORKERS FOR AREA COMPANIES

Fort Bragg Military Installation



Thank You

