

Chatham Economic Development Corporation

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Chatham EDC Office Priorities



- Lead the effort to increase the tax base and new jobs in Chatham County
- Provide a triage and referral function for business assistance and workforce development
- Support existing business
- Support the economic development efforts of the county's municipalities
- Be the economic development information resource and clearinghouse for the County, towns, local businesses and citizens



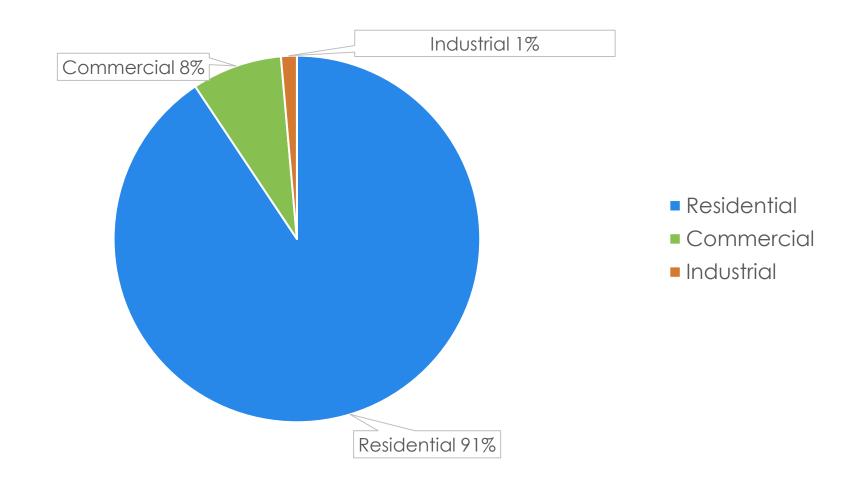
Benefits of a Strong ED Program

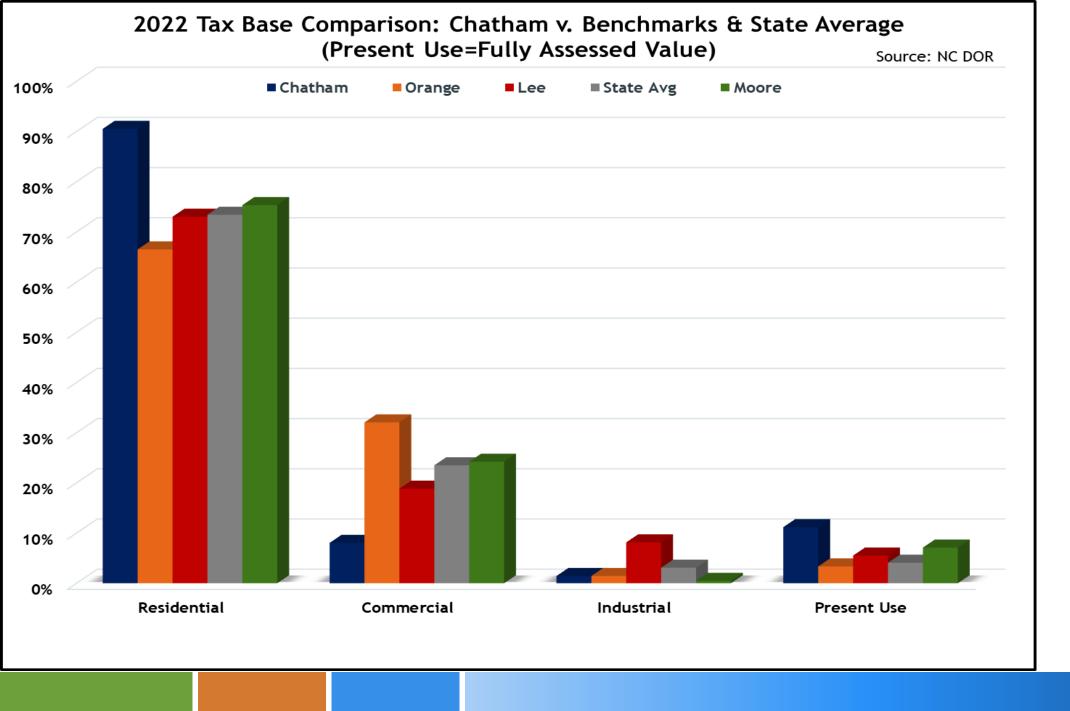


- Many citizens benefit directly from new and expanding industry
- Everyone in Chatham County benefits indirectly from these activities
- Potential lower tax burden on residents due to increased commercial & Industrial tax base
- Job opportunities
- Business opportunities

Tax Base 2021-2022









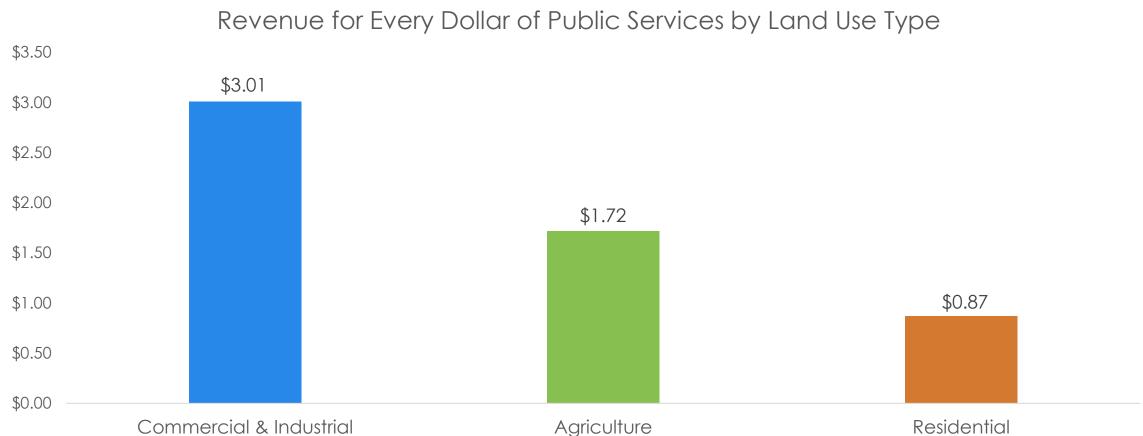
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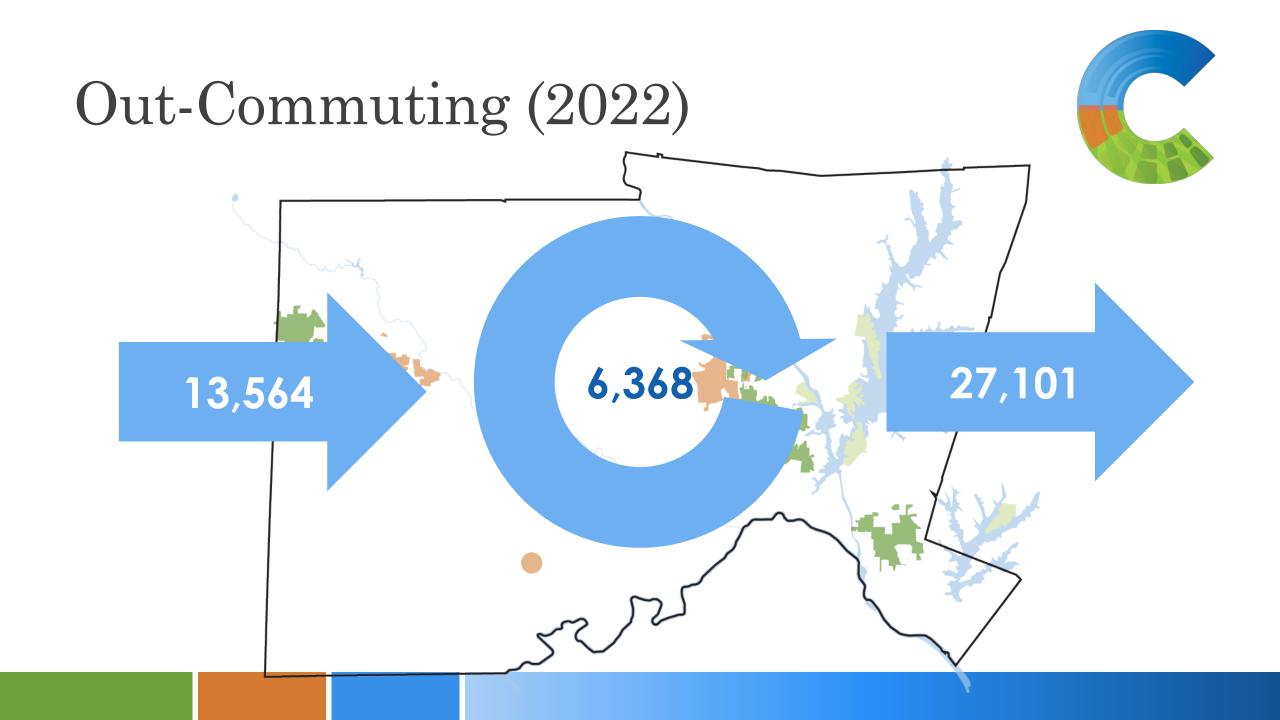


- Chatham County currently has a heavy dependence on residential tax base
- New residential is an important and necessary part of community growth, but research shows that on average this growth does not pay for itself

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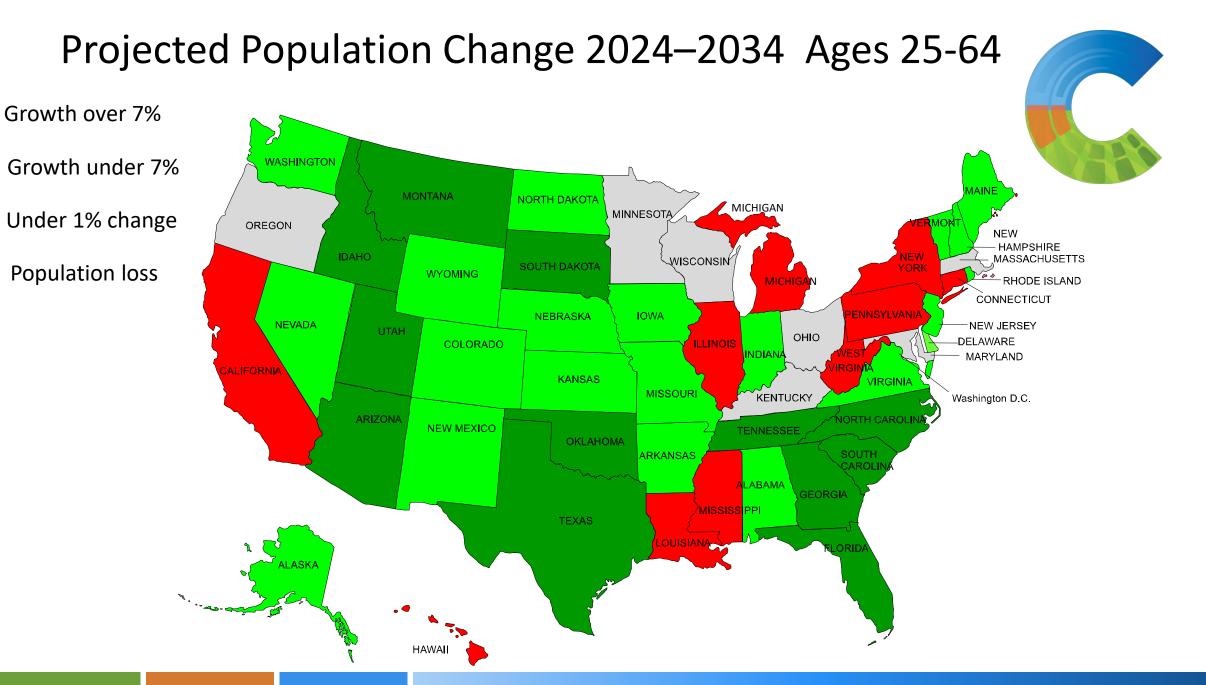








Projected Growth & Workforce



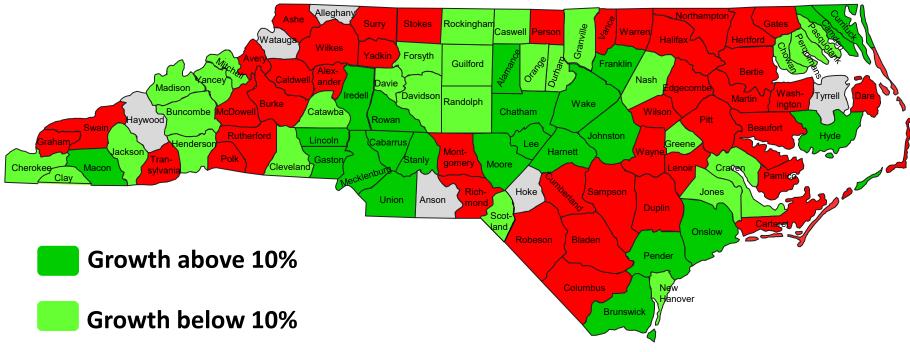
PROJECTED CHANGE IN LABOR FORCE AGE POPULATION

Ages 25 – 64 2024 - 2034

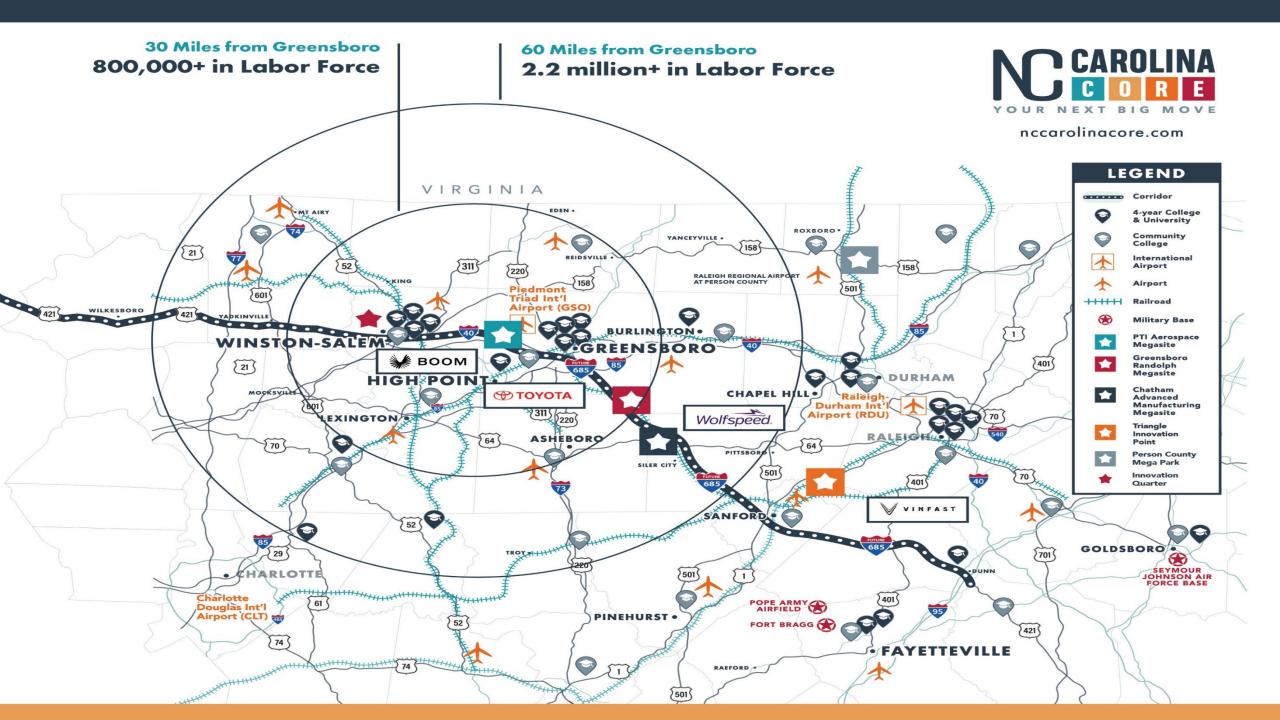
North Carolina state average 8.2%

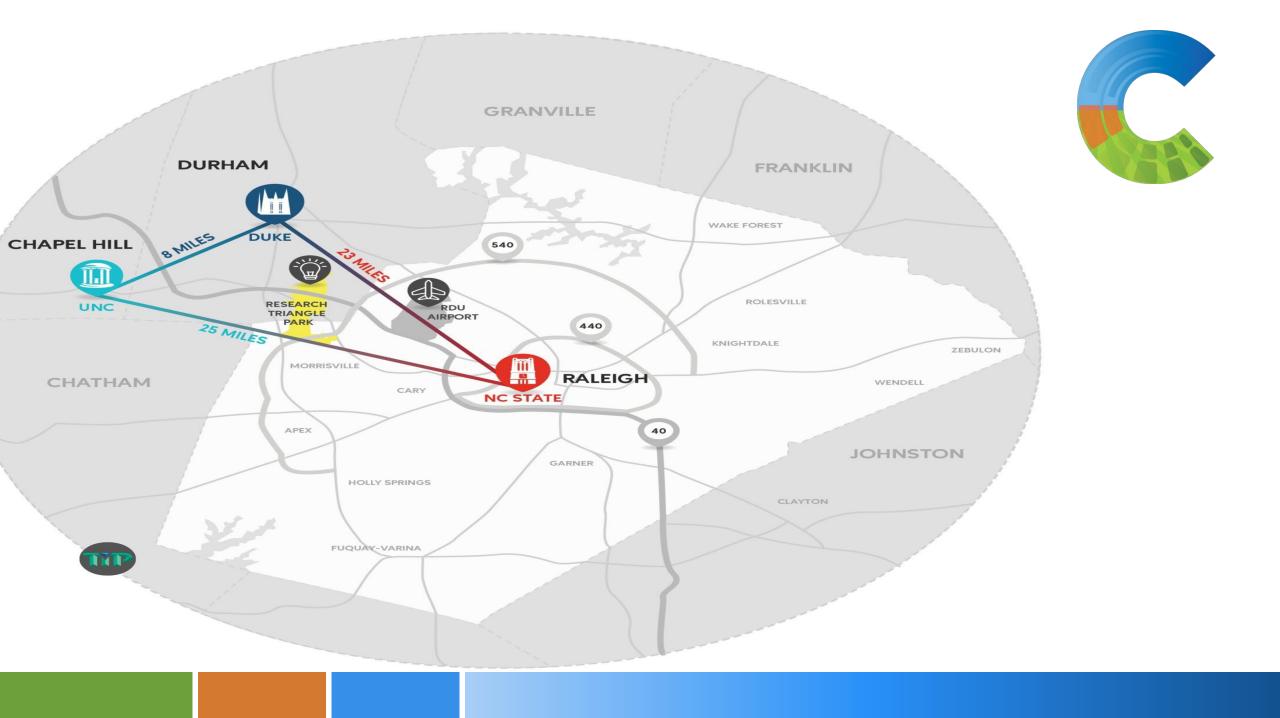
Chatham County 17.3%





- **Losing population**
- Less than 1% or less than 100 person change





Local Talent – Higher Education





































8,000 Exiting Military Personnel Annually. 45 minutes away.



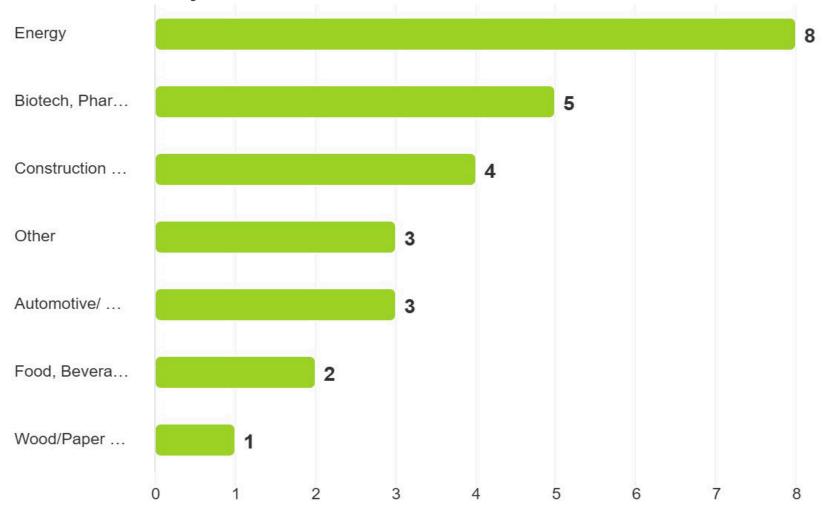




New Project Activity

JULY 2024-CURRENT

Industry Sectors New Location Projects





Top Industry Sectors



Automotive/Motor Vehicle

\$100,000,000 Median Investment 250 Median Jobs 5 Projects

Biotech, Pharma & Life Sciences

\$450,000,000 Median Investment 380 Median jobs 7 Projects

Construction Materials

\$25,000,000 Median Investment 150 Median Jobs 4 Projects

Energy

\$100,000,000 Median Investment 250 Median Jobs 11 Projects

Food, Beverage & Agriculture

\$22,500,000 Median Investment 100 Median Jobs 5 Projects

Other

\$25,000,000 Median Investment 85 Median Jobs 6 Projects

Chatham County's Commercial & Industrial Growth



 Chatham County's commercial and industrial sectors saw a significant 24% revenue increase, reflecting strong economic momentum and business expansion.





Ongoing Projects & Recent Announcements

VinFast

- Steel has been purchased for vertical construction.
- Start of production planned for 2028.
- Currently, a vehicle is at CCCC for training purposes.



Wolfspeed

- Begun hiring plant employees onsite
- 2,600 construction workers on site
- 2.2 Million SF under roof
- Customized training underway with Central Carolina Community College







Innovative Construction Group



- Locating at the Chatham-Siler City Advanced Manufacturing Site
- 157 new jobs, \$39M investment
- Over \$8.3 million in annual payroll at full build out



MetOx International



- Manufacturer's hightemperature superconducting wire, which can make energy transmission up to ten times more efficient than traditional copper cables
- 333 new jobs, \$193.7M investment





Available Industrial Land

MARKETED TO NEW USERS

Apex Gateway

- 375-acre commercial and industrial development
- Durham Coca-Cola Bottling HQ now open and operational
- Recently acquired additional acreage for the second phase
- Marketed towards Life Science industry with multiple +100K sq.ft. buildings under development



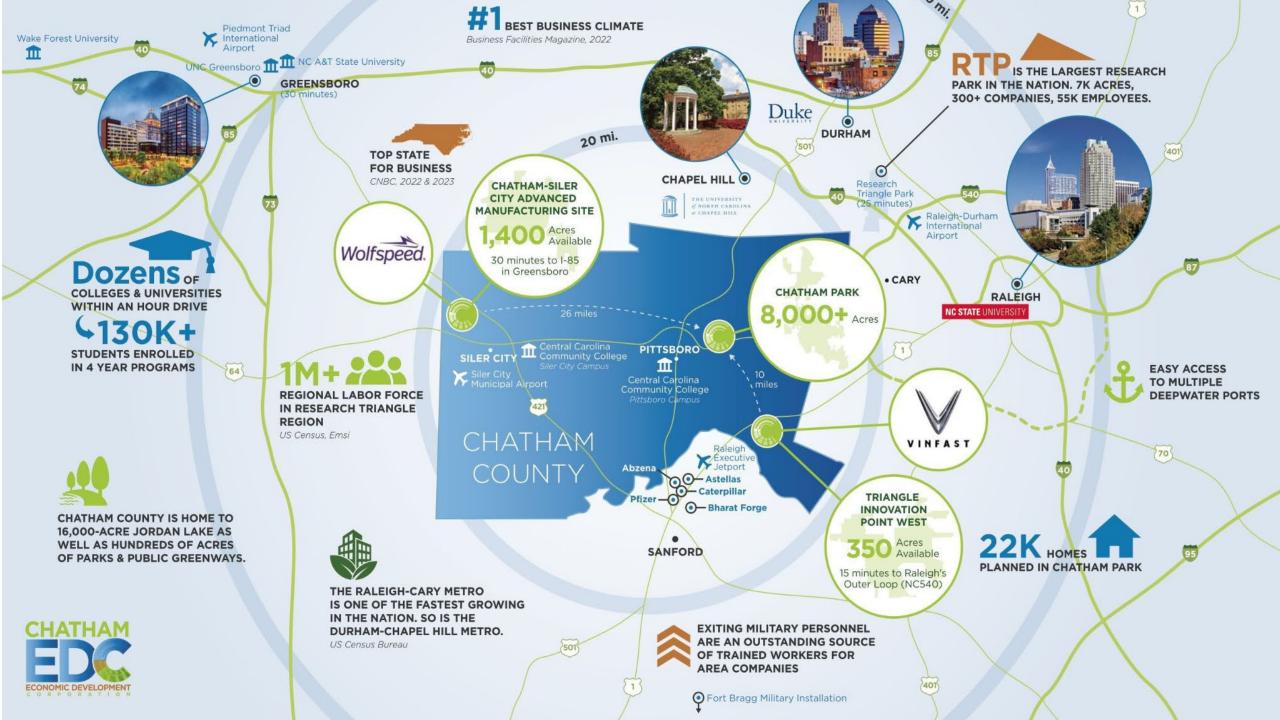
205,776 SF Available April 2025

Triangle Innovation Point West



- 360-acre heavy industrial site, FedEx completed construction on a 338,000 sq.ft. facility. Now operational.
- Located adjacent to the VinFast site.
- Marketed towards advanced manufacturing and life science users.
- Multiple cleared pads ready for users and utilities in place.
- 1 of 15 Sites to earn the North Carolina SelectSite Designation, which identifies the most industrial developmentready sites in the State.







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