

WHO WE ARE

We are the North Carolina Progress Board. We were created in 1995 by the General Assembly. Our charge is to “...encourage understanding of critical global, national, state, and local...trends that will affect North Carolina in the coming decades...” and further, we are expected to:

- define a long-term vision for the state’s future in eight critical “issue areas”(we call them imperatives) These imperatives are:
 - Healthy Children and Families
 - Quality Education for All
 - A High Performance Workforce
 - A Prosperous Economy
 - A Sustainable Environment
 - A 21st Century Infrastructure
 - Safe and Vibrant Communities
 - Active Citizenship/Accountable Government
- set measurable goals for attaining that future;
- keep score and report progress to the General Assembly and the people of North Carolina; and
- increase the accountability of government and promote a more active and informed citizenry.

If you’d like to know more about us, please visit our website at www.theprogressboard.org.

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