



It has been a privilege this past year to serve as your Chairman of the Board for the Greater Enid Chamber of Commerce. The year has gone by very quickly and as we know there has been significant activity in our community. Before I mention some of the highlights that we enjoyed as a community, I would like to thank Jon for his leadership and commitment to Enid as Chamber President. I'd also like to thank Kalea and Lesley who are always there to ensure the Chamber and activities run smoothly. Joan Bauer was also an integral part of our activities this year and we wish her well as she is now enjoying her retirement. We are pleased to welcome Brandy Hise to our Chamber staff.

I would like to thank all of our Chamber members for believing in and supporting our mission. Now, more than ever, it's a time for communities to pull together and persevere. It's great to see how local businesses and residents are supporting each other during this challenging time. I also want to thank Enid Regional Development Alliance, the City of Enid, the Chamber and the many others who collaborate on projects for the betterment of our great community.

I also want to thank all of our board members for their commitment to the Chamber and our community. Every one of you maintain a very busy schedule so thank you for carving out time for the Chamber as we all want to ensure our community's forward progress continues.

This has been another great year in Enid! Some of the community highlights from 2019-2020 include:

- The new \$2.5 million terminal at Enid Woodring Regional Airport was completed
- Vance Air Force Base increased pilot training from 300 to 375 annually
- Enid Public Schools completed construction on the new competition gym and fine arts center.
- Enid Public Schools Fowler Early Childhood Learning Center opened on the NWOSU-Enid campus
- Settlers Brewing Company opened in Downtown Enid
- Wind development investment in Garfield County has now topped \$1B and new projects are underway
- Koch Fertilizer Enid has announced another major plant expansion will begin in 2021
- New restaurants have opened in Enid's West Garriott retail corridor
- Retail development projects at The District have been announced and work continues at that location
- Work on the Enid Soccer Complex continues. The facility will be a great asset for expanding athletics tourism
- The Stride Bank Center continues to bring in outstanding entertainment events to NW Oklahoma and helping expand Enid's visitor industry
- Retail sales are on pace for the Billion by 2025 Plan
- Community wayfinding signage plan is being implemented with new signs up
- The City of Enid is investing in infrastructure and quality of life improvements (water resources, road upgrades, and parks & trails)
- Collaborative community response to the challenges the COVID-19 pandemic created for our community

Thank you to everyone who has had a part in any project that has helped our community continue to move forward. It will be important we all continue to support our local business and industry. As residents, we all benefit when our tax dollars stay local. We will continue to collaborate, strategize on our goals and execute for success together to ensure Enid remains a vibrant, thriving community.

Respectfully,

Krista Roberts
Chairman of the Board