



It has been an honor and a source of immense satisfaction to have served as Chairman of the Greater Enid Chamber of Commerce. Since its establishment in 1950, the Chamber has been steadfast in its dedication to supporting the many local businesses and community initiatives that enrich the lives of our citizens every day. The past year has been a testament to the success of Enid's community-driven mission. Before I spotlight a few of the past year's successes, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to the board members and chamber staff for your commitment, integrity, and passion for Enid. And for those of you who participated in Enid's Federal legislative trip to Washington D.C. and Enid Day at the Capitol, thank you for taking the time to carry the mission we all in this room know to be true. Enid is on the Rise.

Allow me to highlight some of the many notable successes from the past year.

- **The opening of the Advance Soccer Complex** has brought tremendous benefits to our community, serving as both a quality-of-life enhancement and an economic catalyst, attracting soccer enthusiasts from across Oklahoma and beyond.
- **The Kaw Lake water pipeline project** remains on track for completion in September 2025. This critical infrastructure endeavor, conceived in 2015, ensures Enid's water security for generations to come. The scale and complexity of this project are awe-inspiring, and I extend my gratitude to all those involved for their dedication and creativity.
- The acquisition of 560 acres of property and \$15.8 million in ARPA funding by the City of Enid for the development of the **66th St. West Industrial Park** underscores our city's commitment to fostering business growth and economic development.
- The renovation of the GEFCO facility by **Bri-Steel** has transformed it into a state-of-the-art seamless pipe manufacturing facility, bringing high-quality, skill-based jobs to our city. Bri-Steel's decision to invest in Enid speaks volumes about the quality of our workforce and the favorable business environment we offer.
- **Takkion's** completion of its wind tower gearbox remanufacturing facility, along with the creation of 50 new jobs, further contributes to Enid's economic vitality and the job market.

I would be remiss to a few more achievements from the past year:

PT Coupling expansion, Woodring Airport improvements, Enid Public School Bond Issues, ENID 4 Teachers, The One, Enid Day at the Capitol, and the 130th Cherokee Strip Celebration

In closing, I am filled with optimism as I reflect on the progress we've made together and the promising future that lies ahead for our community. Enid is not only open for business but also committed to building a vibrant and prosperous future for all who call it home. It is a pleasure to announce that Andie Cremer will be taking over as Chamber Chair. Andie's fresh perspective and energy will ensure the ongoing, impactful endeavors of The Greater Enid Chamber of Commerce. Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

Alex Williams
2023-2024 Board Chair