

## VI. PRIVATE SECTOR LEADERSHIP

### VISION

Before 2020, Angelina County will demonstrate private sector leadership across a representative range of demographics which makes it possible to continuously advance economic prosperity, business environment and desirability, education and quality of life for Angelina County.

### STRATEGIES

- 1. Expect for-profit organizations and not-for-profit organizations to endorse Angelina County Vision 2020 and to commit to assist with effective implementation. All types of organizations including (but not limited to) faith based institutions, civic clubs, school systems, neighborhood associations, private businesses, non-profit organizations, etc. will need to embrace the Vision and assist in implementation. Each organization that volunteers will become a Vision Partner and should adopt for implementation the strategy/strategies that interest it or that uniquely fit within its mission and scope of operation. Angelina County Vision 2020 will serve as an umbrella that ultimately brings together a network of 85 to 170 Vision Partners in alignment to achieve our interdependent Key Benchmarks and strategies.**
- 2. Develop grass roots communications of Angelina County Vision 2020 progress to ensure that our diverse community understands, supports and has the opportunity to participate in implementation.**
- 3. Encourage qualified leaders to run for office and serve on appointed boards. Support these leaders during their term in office, or suggest corrective actions, as they inevitably experience the conflicts and challenges of making difficult decisions in the best interests of Angelina County. Presume that they are working in the community's best interest unless proven otherwise. Encourage and support these leaders as they gain experience to move from local to state and federal positions.**
- 4. Establish a network of business, church, not-for-profit and government leaders to address emergency, moral and social issues affecting Angelina County.**
- 5. Focus efforts to raise up and train new leaders within the community while continuing to train current leadership.**
- 6. Develop a newcomers club to welcome people to Angelina County.**

7. Expand and enhance participation in the Lufkin/Nacogdoches Day in Austin and regional days (e.g., Pineywoods Economic Partnership) in Austin.
8. Mentor new leaders.
9. Encourage retirees to be active as volunteers and mentors.
10. Provide training for prospective board members that will increase their opportunities and effectiveness.