

## At the NC Budget & Tax Center (BTC), we remain steadfast in our vision for North Carolina: a state where every person—no matter who they are or where they live—has the opportunity to thrive.

We believe this future is possible when every person has the resources to get ahead, feels connected to their community, and is included in the policy decisions that shape our daily lives.

Public policy should reflect the voices and needs of the people. That means decisions about how we raise public money, who pays taxes, and where we invest public dollars must be transparent, inclusive, and grounded in equity. Policymakers must be accountable to the goal of advancing equitable outcomes—where all people and communities have what they need, and where we actively address the inequities caused by historical exclusion and present-day policy choices.

## Your investment fuels our work to:

- Produce accessible, trusted research and data
- Identify and advance policy solutions that improve lives
- Build narratives that reflect our shared values
- Grow the people power needed to transform our state

Together, we are unlocking the policy process for more people—growing shared understanding, building trusting partnerships, and aligning around a vision for a more just, inclusive North Carolina.

We know that when we achieve these near-term wins, we lay the groundwork for lasting systems change. With your partnership, we will ensure public policies reflect the needs of real people and that our policymakers are accountable to the people's priorities.