



Dear Chamber of Commerce Members:

There is a ***“dawning of a new era of government”*** forthcoming in Anderson County during the fall general election, and each of you have the opportunity as a voter to become a part of this exciting era! As a candidate for the honorable office of County Judge Executive, I am offering citizens an alternative style of strong leadership that is needed to bring together all community stakeholders for the purpose of working to do what is best for Anderson County. My leadership style involves both short and long term strategical planning that includes goals, objectives, action plans, and targeted dates for meeting goals and thus, creating much needed success in the government of our county.

As you know, small businesses are a vital part of Anderson County, and they, along with county residents and supportive Chamber of Commerce members, provide character to Anderson County. Their attributes, services, qualities, and features give our community a sense of purpose and uniqueness, but businesses’ abilities to grow or sustain themselves in a small community is hampered by: 1) aging infrastructures, 2) lower skilled labor, and 3) insufficient capital. Elected county government officials must assist small businesses in overcoming these three rural challenges to foster small business expansion in our county. By fostering small business expansion and sustainability, our county can develop new leaders, expand employment numbers, enhance worker skills, and boost local tax receipts. One way to approach these three rural challenges involves creating new partnerships or networks between small businesses, rural citizens, state agencies, and other public entities. As the county’s next Judge Executive, I will work to improve working relationships that will lead to greater success for our county’s businesses and government.

During this campaign, I am focused on how the county can solve its problems and emerge stronger on the other side of the current economic crisis. We need to help small businesses grow, keep taxes low, create jobs, increase tourism and revenue, and ensure that Anderson County is receiving federal funding (free grant monies) that spurs economic development and employment growth. I am the only candidate in the fall general election with the education, training and work experience to do all of that and have ideas and proposals for Fiscal Court to consider for problem solving.

As the county’s next Judge Executive, I will put to use my education, work experience and professional training in finance, economics, grants administration, leadership, business management, and marketing to provide what I call a “new, unique and much needed point of view” within the county’s Fiscal Court. The 28 years of professional government working relationships that I currently maintain with state and national legislators will benefit Chamber of Commerce members when there are needs for assistance from higher levels of government. As a member of the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce, I view having an experienced and educated County Judge Executive at the helm of local government as a requirement for a brighter future for our county and its Chamber of Commerce.

During the next six months of the campaign, I will be reaching out to all business owners through a survey that will seek information from owners regarding their needs related to our county's current and future economy. Information provided by business owners will be used for our county's strategic planning so I encourage everyone to participate in the survey.

For additional information regarding my campaign platform, please check out my campaign web site at [www.donnadruryforjudge.com](http://www.donnadruryforjudge.com). You may also contact me personally regarding your ideas or concerns via e-mail at [campaign@donnadruryforjudge.com](mailto:campaign@donnadruryforjudge.com) or by telephone at (502) 859-8080.

My door-to-door visits will begin in mid-May, and I look forward to meeting you and discussing what is best for our county. I am very excited about Anderson County's future with "*the dawning of a new era of government*" on the horizon! Please join Anderson County in this excitement by voting for me as the next County Judge Executive.

Respectfully,

*Donna Crain Drury*

Candidate for County Judge Executive

## **2010 Campaign Platform of Donna Crain Drury**

- 1. Community Alliance Building**
- 2. Strategic Government Planning**
- 3. Economic Development**
- 4. Tax Dollar Savings**
- 5. Technological Advancements**
- 6. Grant Funding Acquisitions**
- 7. Youth Activities & Entertainment**
- 8. Animal Control Improvement**
- 9. Staff Work Place Ethics**
- 10. Transparency & Accountability**
- 11. Senior Citizen Programs**
- 12. Continuing Education Support (for all ages)**
- 13. Government Information Sharing**
- 14. County Pride Projects**
- 15. Tourism**