



Providing *information* for DoD Contractors to enhance contracting capabilities.

**Connecting** Defense Contractors and Businesses with resources to improve business potential in the defense and homeland security industry cluster.

Offering *networking* opportunities to increase business contacts and build relationships.

- The North Carolina Defense Business Association is comprised of a group of businesses with interests in military contracting, government affairs and supporting the state's military installations.
- The purpose of the Association is to build the Defense and Homeland Security industry clusters at military installations in North Carolina.
- The state has a viable economic opportunity that is certainly within our grasp. The focus of the Association is to provide information to defense contractors to enhance their contracting capability to benefit from this economic opportunity.
- The Association is comprised of a vast networking group of defense contractors, private businesses, Chambers, Economic Developers, municipalities, military leadership, Universities, and Community Colleges that is reaching across the state to provide a networking opportunity that promotes doing business in North Carolina.
- The Association serves the state of North Carolina. With members from locations such as Greensboro, Wilmington, Cary, Raleigh, Sanford, Fayetteville, Southern Pines, Pinehurst, Durham, Matthews, and many places in between.
- Currently the membership has grown to over 250 members.
- Meetings are being held that provide valuable information regarding our military installations which continue to grow in size and mission requirements. Guest speakers discuss topics that are pertinent to defense contractors and that encourage continued growth in North Carolina. Members also participate in workshops, business to business breakfast meeting, and other networking opportunities throughout the year to build their business contacts.