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## **GREENSBORO PARTNERSHIP SEEKS PARTICIPATION IN ANNUAL RALEIGH TRIP**

Greensboro, NC (March 2, 2011) – With North Carolina facing a projected budget shortfall of \$2.4 billion, the **Greensboro Partnership is mobilizing leaders of the business community to meet with the North Carolina General Assembly in Raleigh on Wednesday, April 6, 2011.** This Greensboro contingency will discuss the Greensboro Partnership's legislative agenda with elected officials and advocate for issues that affect the future of the city and region during this time of potentially devastating budget cuts.

This year, issues such as the NCA&T/UNCG Joint School of Nanoscience and Nanoengineering, the Greensboro Urban Loop, the High Point Furniture Market, and public education funding top the agenda.

"We in Guilford County and the Triad, along with the rest of our state, are sensitive to the difficult budget decisions facing the General Assembly this session," commented Jason Cannon, Vice President of Governmental Affairs at the Greensboro Partnership. "This trip is a key opportunity for us to play a direct role in state policymaking and keep our local interests at the forefront in Raleigh."

This important event is sponsored by Duke Energy. The Guilford Legislative Delegation and the Greensboro Partnership will host members of the General Assembly at a lunch on the Halifax Mall, adjacent to the Legislature.

**Attendees are asked to meet in the Costco parking lot, 4201 West Wendover Avenue in Greensboro, at 7:45 a.m. to board the bus to Raleigh.** The bus will return no later than 5:00 p.m. The cost to register is \$80. For additional registration information, please call Jennifer Comer at (336) 387-8331 or visit <http://raleightrip2011.eventbrite.com>.

The Greensboro Partnership is the principal economic and community development organization in Greensboro through the work of its three member organizations, the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce, Action Greensboro, and Greensboro Economic Development Alliance. The Partnership works to develop a vibrant community that creates, expands and attracts business while advancing the quality of life for all.

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