



Welcome New Chamber Member,

Welcome to the Sanford Area Growth Alliance Chamber of Commerce! On behalf of the Chamber Advisory Board and its members in business, we thank you for your membership. Joint efforts of the Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development allows us to capitalize on the strengths of each organization, and better support long-term sustainable growth for Lee County.

As a new member of the Chamber, you have been added to our database, distribution lists and website.

With your membership, your business will have access to:

- Weekly emails on upcoming events
- Access to business related trainings
- Discounted advertisements in The Sanford Herald
- Ability to bring brochures and business cards to display in the SAGA office
- Free ribbon cutting (new or relocating businesses only), free mailing labels
- Reduced registration fees for our Annual Meeting and Public Policy Luncheon
- Access to participate in programs including Leadership Sanford, AM Buzz, Public Policy Luncheons, Business After Hours and the Chamber Ambassadors

We ask that you become involved, attend scheduled events and take advantage of your membership opportunities. The benefits and services are at your disposal.

Again, welcome to the Chamber!

Sincerely,
Susan Gomez
Chamber of Commerce Director
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We'd like to introduce you to a Chamber Program designed to enhance your business and your relationship with the Chamber and its member organizations:

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

The Ambassadors are an energetic group of business leaders from member organizations who volunteer their time and skills to welcome, nurture, and strengthen Chamber and community relationships. The Ambassadors assist the Chamber by:

- Serving as a liaison between the membership and the Chamber board and staff
- Delivering membership information to Chamber organizations
- Educating members about new programs and benefits
- Meeting with members one-on-one to discuss suggestions for enhancing membership
- Assisting at Chamber events such Ribbon Cuttings, AM Buzz and Business After Hours
- Recruiting new chamber members

The program is an excellent way to accelerate networking within your business environment while giving back to the local community. Ambassadors enjoy training, team-building and networking opportunities during monthly meetings and Chamber events.

If you appreciate the value of building relationships within the business community and want to help develop a stronger Sanford while showcasing your own organization, we invite you to apply to become a Chamber Ambassador. Participation is limited and new ambassadors start in July each year.

If you would like to join or learn more about this motivated and fun group of business leaders, please contact us at via email at sgomez@growsanfordnc.com or by calling the Chamber at 919-774-8439.

We look forward to meeting you, *The*

Ambassador Program Team



The Sanford Herald

To inform, challenge and celebrate

Welcome to the Sanford Chamber of Commerce.

As a chamber member, The Sanford Herald is pleased to offer you one FREE advertisement with the purchase of one same size advertisement.

Please contact myself or The Sanford Herald advertising department for details on how to redeem.

Best regards,

Jeff Ayers, Publisher
The Sanford Herald
919-718-1233

2025

EXCLUSIVE CHAMBER MEMBER BENEFITS

Benefits	Investor \$3,000 +	Chairman \$2,100	Corporate \$960	Collaborator \$700	Advocate \$285
Member Orientation					
New Member Recognition on social media					
BOGO Free ad in the Sanford Herald					
Chamber Member Certificate and Window Cling					
Invitation to participate in Chamber Activities					
Company listing on Chamber website and local publications					
One set of member mailing labels <i>annually</i> *					
Ribbon cutting/groundbreaking (new/relocated businesses only)					
Milestone anniversary recognition					
Marketing Material distribution opportunities					
Option to participate in discounted Affinity Programs					
Processing of Certificates of Origin					
Host AM Buzz <i>(based on availability)</i>	No Cost	No Cost	No Cost	\$40	\$75
Host Business After Hours <i>(based on availability)</i>	No Cost	No Cost	No Cost	\$75	\$150
Business Spotlight in Weekly Digest* <i>annually</i>					
Social Media Spotlight* <i>annually</i>	Reel	Reel	Grid Post	Story	
Discounted Sponsorship opportunities					
Recognition at all Chamber events denoted by level					
SAGA Annual Meeting	4 tickets	2 tickets	1 tickets		
Registration for Public Policy Luncheon <i>annually</i>	24	24	12		
Logo recognition in all Weekly Digests					
Feature in the <i>Sanford Herald</i> or <i>The Rant</i> *					
Discounted team to the Chamber Clays Championship	50% off	30% off	20% off		

Effective as of 1/1/2025

*as requested

To register for membership, call 919-775-7341 or email frontdesk@growsanfordnc.com. Nonprofit, Home-based Businesses and Individual Memberships are available. Please contact our office for more information.

2025 SAGA EVENTS

PUBLIC POLICY LUNCHEON



11:45 TO 1:00 PM | DENNIS A. WICKER CONFERENCE CENTER
JOIN US AS WE DISCUSS TOPICS THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO OUR BUSINESS COMMUNITY.

JANUARY 6TH
FEBRUARY 3RD
MARCH 3RD
APRIL 7TH
MAY 5TH

JUNE 2ND
AUGUST 4TH
SEPTEMBER 8TH
OCTOBER 6TH
NOVEMBER 3RD

AM BUZZ



7:30 TO 8:30 AM | LOCATIONS VARY
MONTHLY NETWORKING SESSIONS WITH CHAMBER MEMBERS AND VARIOUS COMMUNITY LEADERS.

JANUARY 16TH
FEBRUARY 20TH
MARCH 4TH
APRIL 17TH
MAY 15TH

JUNE 26TH
AUGUST 21ST
SEPTEMBER 25TH
OCTOBER 16TH
NOVEMBER 20TH

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

5:00 TO 6:00 PM | LOCATIONS VARY

BUSINESS-TO-BUSINESS NETWORKING IN A LAID BACK SOCIAL ATMOSPHERE. SPONSORS HAVE THE AVAILABILITY TO PROMOTE THEIR BUSINESS TO ALL ATTENDEES.

HOSTED MONTHLY. CONTACT US FOR AVAILABILITY!

MARQUEE EVENTS

SAGA ANNUAL MEETING: SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2025
AWARDS BANQUET AND COMMUNITY CELEBRATION.

CHILDREN'S BUSINESS FAIR: OCTOBER 11TH, 2025
SHOWCASING OUR YOUNGEST ENTREPRENEURS!

CHAMBER CLAYS CHAMPIONSHIP: NOVEMBER 7TH, 2025
READY, AIM, FIRE! WHO'S THE BEST SHOT IN SANFORD?

FOR UPDATES ON UPCOMING EVENTS, VISIT:
WWW.GROWSANFORDNC.COM/EVENTS/CALENDAR.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT
SHINITA WILLIAMS AT FRONTDESK@GROWSANFORDNC.COM.



SANFORD

AREA GROWTH ALLIANCE

Economic Development • Chamber of Commerce

Strengthen the Voice for Business

Refer a Member!

As we increase our Chamber Members, we increase our Voice for Business.

If you know a business that is not a Chamber Member...Let us know!

Referrals can be submitted to:

frontdesk@growsanfordnc.com

919-774-8439

Please include:

- Business name
- Contact name
- Phone number
- Email

Thank you for your support!



Affinity Program

Guild Mortgage is happy to partner with Chamber Members to offer exclusive benefits to your employees!

Benefits for employees & members:

- 0.25% credit towards closing costs*
- Appraisal fee credited at closing (up to \$750**)
- NC Housing Home Advantage Program \$15k down payment assistance for qualified buyers
- First Time Homebuyer Programs
- Free mortgage consultation and review with a dedicated local lender
- Homebuying education and resources
- Wide array of loan products to match every unique situation
- Local processing, underwriting and funding
- Easy online application and digital mortgage process
- Top rated customer service***

Get Credit Approval Protection**** secures your earnest money. If we issue a preliminary underwriting credit approval certificate and are unable to close the transaction, we'll pay up to \$1,000 for inspection, appraisal & relocation costs as well as lost earnest money deposits up to \$5,000.

****Subject to requirements listed in the program terms and conditions on the back page.

Call or scan to schedule a meeting to learn more!



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mortgage
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*Offer valid only for applications along with a fully executed sales contract received by Guild Mortgage Company ("Guild") that identifies a property for sale in the state of North Carolina. No minimum loan amount necessary to qualify for BOTH a lender contribution of 0.25% of the loan amount to be reflected as a lender credit (Example: 0.25% of \$800,000 in loan costs would equal \$2,000 in closing cost savings) and a \$750.00 maximum lender contribution toward appraisal costs to be reflected as a lender credit. If the cost of the appraisal is less than \$750**, the lender credit applied will be equal to the lesser cost. Must provide paystub or proof of employment/membership with Sanford Area Chamber of Commerce. Settlement service providers are not eligible for the offer. Offer valid on FHA, VA and Conventional loan products. This offer is only valid for applications received between 5/14/2024 and 5/14/2025 at the following Guild office location: 212 Hawkins Avenue Sanford, NC 27332. This offer is not a commitment to lend. All loans subject to underwriter approval and applicable program guidelines. Payment subject to maximum allowable lender credit and minimum contribution requirements under applicable loan requirements. Some loans require a minimum cash investment by the borrower, which may limit the amount of any lender credits or payments by Guild under the offer. Please consult your tax advisor regarding any tax implications. All loans must close by 7/14/2025 in order to remain eligible for this offer. Offer cannot be combined with any other available incentive offer programs. Guild Mortgage is not affiliated with Sanford Area Chamber of Commerce.



Workers' Compensation for Sanford Area Growth Alliance Chamber of Commerce Members

Workers' Compensation coverage with First Benefits Insurance Mutual, Inc. (FBIM) provides you and your employees with the peace of mind knowing accidents that occur on the job will be handled timely and fairly.

FBIM has an experienced staff that understands North Carolina employers. Why? Because they live and work here! FBIM has been providing quality service to North Carolina business owners for 25 years.

As a member of the Sanford Area Chamber of Commerce, you gain access to FBIM's knowledgeable staff, personalized service, competitive rates, and flexible payment plans.

- ✓ Knowledgeable Staff
- ✓ Personalized Service
- ✓ Competitive Rates
- ✓ Flexible Payment Plans



www.firstbenefits.org
(888) 393-2667

First Benefits Insurance Mutual, Inc. is an association based workers' compensation company created by North Carolina business owners. For more information, contact one of our appointed Sanford Chamber member agents.

Lee-Moore Insurance Agency
(919) 258-6112

Nobles Insurance Agency
(919) 833-3803

Sanford Insurance Center
(919) 775-7216

Today, we insure over 2,100 North Carolina businesses and have over 200 agencies across the state. With competitive pricing and strong attention to detail, First Benefits Insurance Mutual is proud to have built a strong reputation of success in the state where our business began.



Millions of people lose their identities every year.



Don't be one of them.

Identity theft has been one of the top consumer complaint filed with the FTC for 16 years straight. Victims are spending an exorbitant amount of time and money dealing with it. The criminals are getting smarter. And they're not going away. That's why you need a company that's more than a website. Our Licensed Private Investigators will do whatever it takes for as long as it takes to restore your identity to its pre-theft status. You have our \$5 million service guarantee.

“My investigator gave me great advice and the next day cleared up my situation.”

- IDShield member - L.N. in Sioux City, NE



MONITOR MORE OF WHAT MATTERS

We monitor your identity from every angle, not just your Social Security number, credit cards and bank accounts or breach-related incidents. If any change in your status occurs, you receive an email update immediately.



COUNSEL WHEN YOU NEED IT

Our identity specialists are focused on protecting you. They are available to provide you with a complete picture of identity theft, walk you through all the steps you can take to protect yourself and answer any questions. Plus, they are available 24 hours a day, every day, in the event of an identity theft emergency. We're always here to help, no matter what.



RESTORE YOUR IDENTITY COMPLETELY

IDShield is the only company with an exclusive partnership with Kroll, the worldwide leader in theft investigative services. If a compromise occurs, contact your Licensed Private Investigator who will immediately begin restoring your identity to exactly the way it was.

Protect yourself from getting less and paying more.

	IDShield FAMILY (for you, your spouse/ domestic partner and up to 8 minors)	LifeLock ADVANTAGE PLAN priced per person	IDShield INDIVIDUAL (for you)	LifeLock ADVANTAGE PLAN 1
COVERAGE	UP TO 10		1	1
Covers Up to 8 Minor Children	✓			
Covers Spouse/Domestic Partner	✓	✓		
CONSULTATION				
Unlimited Counseling with Investigator	✓		✓	
Social Security Fraud Detection	✓		✓	
Monthly ID Theft Updates	✓		✓	
Emergency Assistance 24/7/365	✓		✓	
Sex Offender Registry Reports	✓		✓	
Data Breach Notifications	✓	✓	✓	✓
Identity Alert System	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lost and Stolen Wallet Assistance	✓	✓	✓	✓
Reduced Pre-Approved Card Offers	✓	✓	✓	✓
RESTORATION				
Licensed Private Investigators	✓		✓	
Medical Identity Theft Restoration	✓		✓	
\$5 Million Service Guarantee	✓		✓	
Complete Identity Restoration	✓	✓	✓	✓
Financial Identity Theft Restoration	✓	✓	✓	✓
PRIVACY MONITORING				
Passport Number Monitoring	✓		✓	
File Sharing Network Searches	✓		✓	
Social Media Monitoring	✓		✓	
Address Change Verification	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fictitious Identity Monitoring	✓	✓	✓	✓
DOB/Social Security Number Monitoring	✓	✓	✓	✓
Medical Identity Number Monitoring	✓	✓	✓	✓
Phone/Email/Driver License Monitoring	✓	✓	✓	✓
Black Market Website Surveillance	✓	✓	✓	✓
SECURITY MONITORING				
Quarterly Score Tracker	✓		✓	
Credit Inquiry Alerts	✓		✓	
Payday Loan Monitoring	✓		✓	
Minor Identity Protection	✓	✓	✓	
Court Records Monitoring	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bank Account Number Monitoring	✓	✓	✓	✓
Credit Monitoring	✓	✓	✓	✓
Credit Card Number Monitoring	✓	✓	✓	✓



Purchase of IDShield requires member to have a valid email address. This comparison is based on information that is publicly available on May 13, 2015 and on plans at similar price points, without discounts. This is a summary only. Each company may have more plans available. As with all plans, some exclusions apply. See company contracts and materials for full details. Marketed by: Pre-Paid Legal Services, Inc. dba LegalShield® and subsidiaries; Pre-Paid Legal CasualtySM, Inc.; Pre-Paid Legal Access, Inc.; In FL: LS, Inc.; In VA: Legal Service Plans of Virginia, Inc.; and PPL Legal Care of Canada Corporation.

Who We Are

We are a group of nearly 90 physicians in the Triangle who believe that healthcare can be done better, and we have set out on a mission to improve people's lives by simplifying the way they see a doctor. **RelyMD** provides you immediate, 24–7 access to a board-certified North Carolina doctor from the comfort of your home via a secure online video platform. We provide online doctor consultations to diagnose illnesses, evaluate injuries, and if needed, prescribe medications. We are more than a symptom checker or advice line. It's like having a doctor's office in your house—anytime you need it.



When to Use Us

RelyMD doesn't want to replace your family doctor. We're here to help with non-emergency medical conditions when the convenience and timeliness of seeing a doctor from your home is a priority. Many patients use **RelyMD** for:

- After-hours care when your doctor and urgent care facilities aren't open
- Prescription refills
- Determining if an illness requires prescription medication
- Peace of mind for parents with sick children (6 months or older) in the middle of the night
- Evaluating minor injuries and deciding next steps

What We Treat

RelyMD can treat many medical problems that are not medical emergencies. Common problems we treat include:

- abdominal cramps
- allergies
- arthritic pain
- mild asthma
- bronchitis
- cold and flu
- constipation
- diarrhea
- ear infection
- eye infections
- fever
- gout
- headache
- hemorrhoids
- insect bites
- joint aches and pains
- muscle pains and strains
- pink eye
- rashes
- respiratory infections
- sinus infection
- skin infections
- sore throat and
- vomiting

Thank You

RelyMD is owned and staffed by Wake Emergency Physicians, a Triangle-based practice of 89 board certified emergency medicine doctors who provide care to approximately 300,000 patients annually at hospitals throughout the region, including WakeMed Hospital. Many of our physicians trained at UNC, Duke, and other North Carolina-based hospitals. We are a well-respected, local group of doctors who started **RelyMD** because we are looking to deliver healthcare to North Carolinians in a convenient, secure and cost-effective manner.

We're excited to offer you the expertise we've gained from our years in the emergency room right to the convenience of your own home. Thanks for using **RelyMD** as we bring the doctor's house call into the 21st century.



Jim Palombaro
Member of the Leadership Team for RelyMD
President, Wake Emergency Physicians, PA

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What?

RelyMD is an online urgent care service making doctor's visits by video or phone available to North Carolina adults and children (6 months or older) in the comfort and convenience of their own homes. **RelyMD** is the only independently operated in-state telemedicine service in which care is provided by North Carolina-based physicians, each of whom is currently practicing emergency medicine.

Who?

RelyMD was developed and is staffed by Wake Emergency Physicians, PA, an established Raleigh-based practice of nearly 90 physicians and 49 physician assistants who currently provide hospital emergency room care.

Where?

RelyMD's online platform allows anyone in the state of North Carolina to see a doctor from the comfort and convenience of their home, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

How?

If visiting our doctors via your computer, go to www.relymd.com, and our platform will guide you through the steps to connect with a physician. If on-the-go, download our **free mobile app** and see our doctors through your smartphone or tablet!

Why?

With an average wait time of less than ten minutes and a cost of just \$10.00 for an appointment, **RelyMD** is a time and cost-effective alternative to long urgent care wait times and expensive emergency room bills.

For more information or to see a doctor, visit

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