SAN FRANCISCO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
Our City. Your Business.

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Our Vision
As a global economic force, San Francisco is the most inclusive and vibrant city for innovation and entrepreneurship.

Our Mission
The San Francisco Chamber of Commerce attracts, supports and grows business through Advocacy, Economic Development and Business Development.

Our Unique Values
The San Francisco Chamber of Commerce is the ONLY organization that Champions all business.
Advocacy

The Chamber provides public policy analysis, leadership and content to keep your business informed on the important issues critical to your success. From Washington to Sacramento to City Hall, no organization has done more to serve San Francisco’s business community and no organization is currently doing more to support local business and the economy. We fight for your business!

BUILD SF
Construction in SF is a complex process that is often costly, cumbersome and confusing. BuildSF consists of contractors, architects and developers convened by the Chamber to explore ways to streamline the building process to reduce project time and costs, and ensure timely completion of new projects.

CITYSTATE SACRAMENTO
The Chamber each year leads a delegation to Sacramento to meet with legislators, key department heads and the Governor’s staff to ensure the voice of business is heard at the State Capitol.

CITYTRIP DC
Lawmakers, the Secretary of Commerce, Secretary of Labor, congressional leaders and White House officials are among the key officials our delegates have met during the Chamber’s annual legislative trip to Washington, D.C.

NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS SUMMITS
The Chamber’s quarterly Neighborhood Business Summits, sponsored by Recology and PG&E, bring together members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, merchants, civic leaders and neighbors. This provides for an open and meaningful dialogue about issues concerning each of the 11 supervisorial districts and the greater San Francisco.
Advocacy continued

PUBLIC POLICY FORUMS
The Chamber’s monthly Public Policy Forums, sponsored by Safeway & Halo Fine Confections, help partners understand and engage in key issues impacting the business community. Forums feature elected representatives, city department heads, subject-matter experts and community leaders on matters that impact the business community.

SF FORWARD POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE
The voice of San Francisco business is amplified through the Chamber’s Political Action Committee, SF Forward. SF Forward supports initiatives that strengthen the local economy, improve the business climate, streamline the operation of government and promote sound economic policy in San Francisco.

SMALL BUSINESS ADVISORY COUNCIL
The Small Business Advisory Council, sponsored by American Express, serves as the small business voice to the Chamber’s greater advocacy efforts. Meetings consist of a legislative update, an opportunity to “Ask the Policy Department” your questions around current city issues, and presentations on current small business issues.

SUPES FOR LUNCH
The Chamber’s popular Supes for Lunch series, sponsored by San Francisco Soup Company and Halo Fine Confections, brings partners together with a member of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors each month for an informal discussion focused on pressing policy issues. The series provides partners with the opportunity to hear directly from supervisors and ask unscripted questions about key issues facing our city and your businesses.
Economic Development

The Chamber works through our foundation partner, the San Francisco Center for Economic Development (SFCEDE) to promote San Francisco as a great place for business and facilitates business attraction, retention and expansion in the city. With programs focused on bilateral trade with China, the rest of Asia and Latin America, we are working to grow our local economy from across the globe.

SAN FRANCISCO CENTER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
The San Francisco Center for Economic Development focuses exclusively on helping businesses locate and expand in the Bay Area. We work collaboratively with community partner organizations, industry groups and the Mayor’s Office of Economic and Workforce Development to pave the way for businesses to succeed in one of the most dynamic, innovative and technologically advanced cities in the world.

UNITESF
UniteSF represents a unified commitment by key San Francisco business leaders to support collaborative change in our approach to students’ preparation for college and the 21st century global economy and workplace. Designed not as a program but as a convening entity, UniteSF serves as an intermediary to align committed partners around common education goals.

CHINASF
Established in 2008, ChinaSF is a public-private partnership with the City of San Francisco and the San Francisco Center for Economic Development. ChinaSF’s mission is to create jobs in San Francisco by recruiting and retaining companies in San Francisco and inbound investment. ChinaSF also helps San Francisco businesses expand into China with the assistance of ChinaSF offices in Beijing and Shanghai.

SFASIA
SFAsia builds on the momentum of ChinaSF to tap opportunities in rapidly growing Asian markets. Created as a public-private partnership between the Mayor’s Office of Economic and Workforce Development and the San Francisco Center for Economic Development, SFAsia assists Asian companies to set up, succeed and grow in San Francisco and supports San Francisco-based companies looking to expand in Asia.

LATINSF
LatinSF is a dynamic new economic development initiative to promote business and trade between San Francisco and the Latin American region, focusing on Mexico, Brazil, Colombia and Chile. Created as a public-private partnership between the Mayor’s Office of Economic and Workforce Development and the San Francisco Center for Economic Development, the goal of LatinSF is to help establish Latin American companies as well as startups to locate in San Francisco. LatinSF will also support San Francisco-based companies that are seeking to expand their businesses south.

SFBIZCONNECT
Mayor Ed Lee’s SFBizConnect is a partner initiative between the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce and the Office of Economic and Workforce Development. Designed to connect big business with small, local business, SFBizConnect is an online platform that allows larger businesses to increase their local spending and small businesses to facilitate sales. Shop small and local on SFBizConnect!
Business Development

No organization will help you identify, reach and approach your customers better. Tap into the best networking in San Francisco from casual meet-ups, to high-energy mixers, to structured leads exchange programs and speed networking. The Chamber delivers a robust roster of events, programs and initiatives to boost your business and economic success.

AMBASSADORS CLUB
No one makes more connections than Chamber Ambassadors. Ambassadors are volunteers who help engage new and prospective partners, while extending their own business contacts and the visibility of their business.

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS NETWORKING MIXERS
The Chamber’s popular Business After Hours mixers bring together hundreds of professionals from small, mid-size and large Bay Area businesses and organizations to network and build relationships. Events are held at locations around San Francisco so everyone can enjoy our city and your business.

BUSINESS ALLIANCE
Business Alliance is the Chamber’s structured leads-exchange program, which provides opportunities for entrepreneurs, managers and other professionals to promote their business, product or service to prospective customers.

CEO RECEPTIONS
This quarterly event offers senior-level executives from businesses of all types and sizes to come together in an informal setting to share food, drinks and ideas at a new or unusual venue or at a Chamber partner’s offices.
Partner Engagement Programs

The Chamber connects our partners through a robust roster of engagement programs. Once in network, your business will connect with people, ideas and resources to boost your professional and personal success. Your participation supports a healthy climate and a vibrant economy for your business and our city.

CHAMBER PRESIDENT ROUNDTABLE
During this exclusive session, partners meet with Chamber President & CEO Bob Linscheid to uncover ways the Chamber can help your business succeed.

CHAMBERS FOR INNOVATION AND CLEAN ENERGY
Chambers for Innovation and Clean Energy (CICE) is a national Clean Energy Information Hub and network for local chambers of commerce. Created and led by local chambers of commerce, CICE is helping fellow chambers and their member companies navigate and prosper in the clean energy and innovation industries.

LEADERSHIP SAN FRANCISCO
The Chamber’s foundation program, Leadership San Francisco (LSF), is dedicated to educating and developing future community leaders who are both knowledgeable about the city and concerned with its well-being. The 10-month LSF signature program helps participants increase understanding of the complex social and economic issues facing San Francisco and learn how to respond to community concerns.

PARTNER ORIENTATION
Offered monthly for new, existing and prospective partners to learn how to get the most out of their Chamber partnership, orientations provide partners with opportunities to network and introduce themselves – and their companies – to fellow partners.

SFUP
Open to all professionals and community leaders under the age of 40, the SFUp network, sponsored by NaviSite, offers access to key players in the public policy arena as well professional development opportunities. SFUp provides its members with the tools to be successful business leaders. Up-and-coming professionals gain access to peers, mentors, community influencers, business leaders and elected officials.
Partner Engagement Programs continued

SMALL BUSINESS UNIVERSITY
The San Francisco Chamber of Commerce’s Small Business University program, sponsored by American Express, consists of workshops, panel discussions and presentations that help small business partners successfully run their businesses. Each month Chamber partners have the opportunity to network, discuss challenges and opportunities and learn best practices.

THE JOB FORUM
The Job Forum is a community service sponsored by the Chamber providing career resources for those seeking employment or planning a career change.

WOMEN IN BUSINESS NETWORKING PROGRAMS
The Women in Business Networking Program is the Chamber’s signature program for dynamic, achievement-oriented businesswomen. It is widely considered the most successful ongoing networking events of its kind in the country.
MEET THE NFL’S GREATEST PLAYERS

PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME
SUPERBOWL LUNCHEON
HONORING JOHN MADDEN

The Pro Football Hall of Fame, in partnership with the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, present the Superbowl Luncheon featuring dozens of Pro Football Hall of Fame “Gold Jackets” who will share their stories.

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DON’T MISS THIS ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME OPPORTUNITY. SEATING IS LIMITED FOR THIS EVENT.
ACT NOW. SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE.
Signature Events

The Chamber hosts five Signature Events throughout the calendar year that are the most visible and highly attended events by business and political leaders of San Francisco. Opportunities are available to sponsor each of the five events as well as across the series. Don’t miss the opportunity to catapult your business brand.

**CITYBEAT BREAKFAST**
The Chamber’s CityBeat Breakfast brings together over 1,000 of the Bay Area’s top business and civic leaders to apply fresh thinking to today’s political challenges. Attendees will be among the first to hear the results of the highly-anticipated annual Dignity Health CityBeat Voter Poll that takes the political pulse of San Francisco. With an all-star lineup of speakers and topics, CityBeat Breakfast is a must-attend event for those who need to be in the know.

**CITYGOLF CLASSIC**
The Chamber joins the Major League Baseball Players Alumni Association each May in presenting an inclusive “shotgun scramble” at world-famous TPC Harding Park. This is a must-attend event for golfers of all levels. Participants compete in a classic, 18-hole tournament while networking and entertaining clients on one of the sport’s premier courses.

**FORECASTSF**
Join business leaders at the Bay Area’s leading economic forecast and job summit. Recent events have focused on innovation acceleration, job growth, healthcare and the state budget and featured Brookings Institute vice president Bruce Katz, Wells Fargo chief economist John Silvia, Governor Jerry Brown’s Chief of Staff, Nancy McFadden, House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi and other leading officials and visionaries.

**WARRIORS TIP-OFF LUNCH**
Enjoy this unique chance to dine with players, coaches and top management at the Golden State Warriors Tip-off Lunch, held each year just before the season opener. Learn about the upcoming season and enjoy in-depth interviews with top players. A private meet-and-greet for top sponsors offers another chance to speak one-on-one with players.

**EBBIES - THE EXCELLENCE IN BUSINESS AWARDS**
The Excellence in Business Awards (Ebbies) Gala is San Francisco’s preeminent celebration of the Bay Area’s visionary entrepreneurs, business leaders and exemplary corporate citizens. Each fall, the Chamber recognizes businesses in several categories during an evening of networking and celebration honoring business excellence, including:

- United Airlines Excellence in Business Award
- Hathaway Dinwiddie Construction Building San Francisco Award
- Comcast & Visa Innovation through Technology Award
- Kaiser Permanente Economic Development Award
- PG&E Step Up Excellence in Energy Award
- American Express Small Business Award
- Small Business Advisory Council Community Champion Award
- Recology & Wells Fargo Emerging Growth Award
- Bank of America Small Business Woman of the Year Award
We look forward to celebrating the Warriors’ 2014-15 season and kicking off the 2015-16 season at our annual Warriors Tip-off Lunch on October 6, 2015. Save the date for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to meet our Golden State Warriors!