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Washington State's Chamber of Commerce

***Small Business – Big Opportunity
Finding Solutions to Small Business Challenges
Seattle, WA
Thursday, April 10, 2014***

Agenda

Purpose: In partnership with the [Association of Washington Business](#), the [Travelers Institute](#) has chosen Seattle for its twelfth in a national series of symposia to identify challenges facing small businesses today. Small Business - Big Opportunity will bring together small business owners and advocates, policymakers, lenders and community leaders to discuss risk management, the regulatory environment, access to capital and other issues affecting small business growth and job creation.

As one of the largest insurers of small business in the country, The Travelers Companies, Inc. believes small businesses are an integral part of the U.S. economy, especially as a driver for creating and sustaining jobs.

This symposium is complimentary to attendees and open to the media.

Program: Keynote Address

- Rahim S. Rajan, Senior Program Officer, Postsecondary Success, The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

Panel Discussion

- Brian Bonlender, Director, Washington State Department of Commerce
- Gary Chandler, Vice President, Government Affairs, Association of Washington Business
- Kim Krogh, Senior Commercial Account Executive, Fidelity Associates
- Walter H. McLaughlin, Senior Vice President, SBA Manager, Banner Bank
- Moderator—Joan Woodward, President, Travelers Institute; Executive Vice President, Public Policy; The Travelers Companies, Inc.

Time: 8:15 a.m. Registration & Breakfast
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. Policy Discussion

Location: Marion Oliver McCaw Hall at Seattle Center
321 Mercer Street
Seattle, WA 98109