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### Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber Joins Small Business Majority's Strategic Partnership Program

*Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber members gain access to critical business information and government officials, with opportunities to advocate for small business in Washington, D.C.*

**Portland, Ore., August 15, 2014**—The Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber and [Small Business Majority](#) announced today that the Chamber has joined Small Business Majority's strategic partnership program—a [network](#) of more than 100 business organizations across the country working together to educate small business owners about national and state-level legislation and how it impacts their business.

The Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber, based in Portland, works with all members of the community to increase the economic advancement of Latinos in Oregon and Southwest Washington.

Small Business Majority is a national nonpartisan small business organization, founded and run by small business owners to focus on the biggest problems facing small firms today.

“We are excited to join Small Business Majority’s Strategic Partner Program,” said Gale Castillo, president of the Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber. “We look forward to working with Small Business Majority to provide our members with even more critical information about the issues affecting them most, including healthcare, immigration reform, clean energy and more.”

Through Small Business Majority’s strategic partnership program, which reaches more than 400,000 small businesses nationwide, Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber members will be able to participate in a host of events, including “Business Leader Briefing” calls with high-level government officials and policy experts. They’ll also have the opportunity to visit Washington D.C. to advocate on issues important to the small business community.

“We’re thrilled to have the Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber join our strategic partnership program,” said Jarvez Hall, Pacific Northwest Outreach Manager for Small Business Majority. “We look forward to working with the Chamber and its members to continue to make small business voices heard from the Main Streets of America to the corridors of Capitol Hill.”

#### ***About Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber***

*Formed in 1994, the [Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber](#) is dedicated to working with all members of the community to support the economic advancement of Latinos in Oregon and SW*

*Washington. Our vision is to close the economic and educational gaps that Latinos experience through: Technical assistance to small businesses, college scholarships to Latino students and leadership development for Latinos working in the public and private sector. We work as an advocate for the Latino community with elected officials, corporations and community organizations regarding policies that support the economic advancement of Latinos. Follow the Hispanic Chamber on [Twitter](#) & [Facebook](#).*

***About Small Business Majority***

*Small Business Majority is a national small business advocacy organization, founded and run by small business owners, to support America's 28 million small businesses. We conduct extensive opinion and economic research and work with our rapidly growing network of small business owners across the country to ensure their voices are an integral part of the public policy debate. Learn more about us on [Wikipedia](#) and follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).*