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Free San Diego Tax Seminar for Nonprofit and Exempt Organizations

Sacramento – Individuals who manage or who would like to start a nonprofit or exempt organization can find answers to questions about taxes and funding programs at a free San Diego Tax Seminar for Nonprofit and Exempt Organizations on Wednesday, December 5, 2012. It is sponsored by Board of Equalization (BOE) Vice Chair Michelle Steel, San Diego County Supervisor Ron Roberts, San Diego City Council Member Lorie Zapf, and the Neighborhood House Association.

- Event:** San Diego Tax Seminar for Nonprofit and Exempt Organizations
- Date:** Wednesday, December 5, 2012
- Time:** 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
(Check-in: 8:30 a.m.)
- Place:** Neighborhood House Association
Administrative Offices Conference Center
5660 Copley Drive
San Diego, CA 92111
- Register:** Call 1-888-847-9652 or go online to
www.boe.ca.gov/cgi-bin/seminar.cgi?FLAG=184

The [seminar](#) will cover a variety of topics, including sales and use tax for nonprofits, compliance for exempt organizations, employment taxes and nonprofits, property tax exemptions, regulation of charities, and grant writing.

Available to answer your questions will be representatives from The San Diego Foundation, Office of the California Attorney General, Employment Development Department, Franchise Tax Board, and BOE's Sales and Use Tax Department and Property Tax Department.

BOE offers a variety of [in-person classes](#) and [online seminars](#) to help your nonprofit organization.

Editor's note: Listen to the public service announcement (PSA) for this event (15-second and 30-second audio).

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Elected to the Board of Equalization in 2006 and re-elected in 2010, Michelle Steel serves as *Southern California's elected taxpayer advocate*. In December 2007, Steel discovered the Board of Equalization had delayed the return of millions of dollars in security deposits owed to California businesses. Procedures were changed due to Steel's decisive leadership. Following her investigation, the tax agency refunded tax security deposits to over 5,500 small businesses. To date, over \$100 million in security deposits have been returned to taxpayers.

The five-member California State Board of Equalization (BOE) is a publicly elected tax board. The BOE collects more than \$53.7 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It hears business tax appeals, acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and serves a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes. For more information on other taxes and fees in California, visit www.taxes.ca.gov.

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