



State Board of Equalization

# News Release

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### **Free San Diego Tax Seminar for Nonprofit and Exempt Organizations**

**Sacramento** – Nonprofit managers and others who have questions or would like more information about state tax laws are invited to attend a [free tax seminar in San Diego](#) on Tuesday, December 3, 2013. California State Board of Equalization (BOE) Vice Chair Michelle Steel and the Neighborhood Housing Association are sponsoring this free event.

Representatives from the BOE, Employment Development Department, Franchise Tax Board, the Office of the California Attorney General, and the San Diego Foundation will offer informative presentations on sales and use taxes for nonprofits, compliance for exempt organizations, employment taxes and nonprofits, property tax exemptions, regulations for charities, and grant writing.

**Event:** Free San Diego Tax Seminar for Nonprofit and Exempt Organizations

**Date:** Tuesday, December 3, 2013

**Time:** 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
(Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m.)

**Place:** Neighborhood Housing Association  
Administrative Offices, Conference Center  
5660 Copley Drive  
San Diego, CA 92111

**Registration:** [www.boe.ca.gov/sutax/nonprofitsched.htm](http://www.boe.ca.gov/sutax/nonprofitsched.htm) or call 1-888-847-9652

Learn more about a variety of other BOE [in-person classes](#) and [online seminars](#).

**Editor’s note:** *The following PSAs (15-second audio) and (30-second audio) are available for your use.*

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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

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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 \$50 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](http://www.taxes.ca.gov).

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