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CLAUDE PARRISH ANNOUNCES HELP FOR INLAND EMPIRE SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS

Are you a business owner who is feeling overwhelmed by tax laws and reporting requirements? Perhaps you're unsure if you can claim exemptions, or perhaps you're having trouble understanding your business property statement. Well, help is on the way. Claude Parrish, Vice Chairman, State Board of Equalization, announced today that several federal, state, and local government agencies will team up to offer a free, one-day tax fair to Inland Empire area small businesses.

Here's your chance to attend a variety of free seminars and talk to the experts. Representatives of the BOE, Employment Development Department, Franchise Tax Board, Internal Revenue Service, Small Business Administration, as well as other local, state, and federal agencies, will be making presentations and, as time allows, answer questions from participants. If you are a small business owner, you won't want to miss this opportunity.

Date: Friday, February 27, 2004
Time: 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Place: Riverside Convention Center
3443 Orange Street
Riverside, CA 92501

The small business fair will begin at 8:00 a.m. with registration. Opening remarks will be by Mr. Parrish at 8:30 a.m. The fair will include general information sessions, as well as workshops tailored to suit the needs of the small business owner.

Topics to be presented include:

- State and Federal Payroll Taxes Reporting Requirements
- Preparing a Sales and Use Tax Return
- Understanding Your 2004 Business Property Statement
- Small Business and Income Taxes
- IRS/EDD Employment Tax Responsibilities
- Business Plans, Financing and Permits
- What is the Value of Having State Disability Insurance?

For more information or to obtain a brochure, please call (909) 680-6705; or visit the BOE website at www.boe.ca.gov and click on [Free Seminars](#) under the "Meet with Us" column on the left-hand side of the home page.

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