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**CED RELEASES POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION REPORT
WITH LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR NEWSOM**

November 26, 2013 – Washington, DC & San Francisco, CA – Today, in collaboration with Lieutenant Governor Gavin Newsom, the Committee for Economic Development (CED) released *Boosting California's Postsecondary Education Performance* at the Commonwealth Club of San Francisco. The report examines the state of California's higher education framework and provides recommendations for improvement.

In addition to keynote remarks by Lieutenant Governor Gavin Newsom, other featured speakers included: Patrick Callan, author of the report and President of the Higher Education Policy Institute; Lenny Mendonca, a Director at McKisney & Company and Trustee of the Committee for Economic Development; Mohammad Humayon Qayoumi, President of San José State University; Robert Linscheid, President and CEO of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce; Eloy Ortiz Oakley, President and Superintendent of Long Beach City College; and Christine Herron, a Director at Intel Capitol.

The report addresses issues surrounding postsecondary education, including the major demographic shift in schools and working Californians; state-based opportunities in education and training; projected shortages of workers with education and training beyond high school; and the financial impediments for students and families.

"It's time for a new direction in California higher education," Lieutenant Governor Gavin Newsom said. "California needs to be on track to educate and train a greater number of residents with higher levels of knowledge and skills. We need to reshape and rethink our success models of higher education."

The full report can be found [online](#).

About The Committee for Economic Development (CED)

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