



ORANGE COUNTY  
BUSINESS COUNCIL

# AGENDA



Orange County Business Council  
**Sacramento Advocacy Trip**

March 24-25, 2025

# TRIP AGENDA

## Advocacy Meetings

The Citizen Hotel  
7<sup>th</sup> Floor Metropolitan Terrace,  
926 J St., Sacramento, CA 95814

## OC Legislative Reception & Dinner

Cafeteria 15L  
1116 15<sup>th</sup> St.,  
Sacramento, CA 95814

## MONDAY, MARCH 24

The Citizen Hotel, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Metropolitan Terrace

- 9:45 a.m.** Registration
- 10:20 a.m.** Welcome Remarks: Amanda Walsh, OCBC  
OCBC Board Chair Remarks: Rebecca Hall, APR, Idea Hall  
Title Sponsor Remarks: Stephen Finnegan, Automobile Club of Southern California
- 10:30 a.m.** The Honorable James Gallagher, California State Assembly, Republican Leader
- 11:00 a.m.** The Honorable Juan Alanis, California State Assembly
- 11:30 a.m.** **Lunch – Hosted by Southern California Gas Company**  
Sponsor Remarks: Tina Javid, Southern California Gas Company
- 12:00 p.m.** The Honorable Dave Cortese, California State Senate
- 12:30 p.m.** Chris Micheli, Principal, Snodgrass & Micheli
- 1:00 p.m.** Skyler Wonnacott, California Business Properties Association
- 1:30 p.m.** Dan C. Dunmoyer, California Building Industry Association
- 2:00 p.m.** Jennifer Barrera, President & CEO, CalChamber
- 2:30 p.m.** **BREAK**
- 3:00 p.m.** Zack Olmstead, Department of Housing and Community Development
- 3:30 p.m.** The Honorable José Luis Solache, Jr., California State Assembly
- 4:00 p.m.** **BREAK**
- 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.** **OC Legislative Reception & Dinner at Cafeteria 15L – Hosted by Disneyland Resort**  
Sponsor Remarks: Larry Labrado, Disneyland Resort

# TUESDAY, MARCH 25

The Citizen Hotel, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Metropolitan Terrace

- 8:00 a.m.**                    **Breakfast – Hosted by Amazon Web Services**
- 8:35 a.m.**                    Welcome Remarks: Amanda Walsh, OCBC
- 8:45 a.m.**                    The Honorable Catherine Blakespear, California State Senate
- 9:10 a.m.**                    Kevin Gould, California Bankers Association
- 9:30 a.m.**                    Karla A. Nemeth, California Department of Water Resources
- 10:00 a.m.**                  The Honorable Cottie Petrie-Norris, California State Assembly
- 10:30 a.m.**                  The Honorable Tom Umberg, California State Senate
- 11:00 a.m.**                  Gabe Petek, Legislative Analyst’s Office
- 11:30 p.m.**                  **Lunch – Hosted by  
American Career College/West Coast University**  
Sponsor Remarks: Andrea Harvey,  
American Career College/West Coast University
- 12:00 p.m.**                  Michael R. O. Martinez, California Department of Insurance
- 12:30 p.m.**                  The Honorable Brian Jones, California State Senate, Minority Leader
- 1:00 p.m.**                    The Honorable Fiona Ma, California State Treasurer
- 1:20 p.m.**                    Secretary Stewart Knox,  
California Labor & Workforce Development Agency
- 1:30 p.m.**                    Meetings Adjourn; Assembly Floor of Capitol with  
The Honorable Laurie Davies, California State Assembly – RSVP Only

*Speakers and schedule subject to change.*



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