

COMMITTEES

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS ATTRACTION COMMITTEE

Chair: Brian Brenner, JLL

Staff: Jesse Ben-Ron, Vice President
Maria Linares, Manager
Jim Mayfield, Advisor

The International Business Attraction Committee promotes Orange County as a premier destination for global companies by showcasing its innovation ecosystem, skilled workforce and key industries while fostering international partnerships that strengthen the region's economic competitiveness.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Chair: Enrique Perez, J.D., Rancho Santiago
Community College District

Vice Chair: Jessica Fernandez, Southern California Edison

Staff: Jesse Ben-Ron, Vice President
Maria Linares, Manager

The Economic Development Committee convenes businesses, cities and other community partners to learn about and tour major economic development projects or institutions in Orange County. Meets at least quarterly.

WORKFORCE COMMITTEE

Chairs: Julianna M. Asperin Barnes, Ed.D.,
South Orange County Community
College District
Shari Battle, Bank of America

Staff: Jesse Ben-Ron, Vice President
Maria Linares, Manager

The Workforce Committee brings together educators, workforce developers, and nonprofits to meet with employers, learn about the career opportunities and pathways they offer, and build partnerships that create a strong talent pipeline. Meets bi-monthly.

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Chair: Nicole Bolton, Automobile Club of
Southern California

Staff: Jesse Ben-Ron, Vice President
Maria Linares, Manager

The Human Resources Committee brings together senior HR leaders from Orange County's leading employers to address workforce challenges, share best practices and advance employer-driven strategies that attract, develop and retain talent while supporting a strong workforce and competitive regional economy. Meets bi-monthly.

LEADING EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT COMMITTEE

Chair: Jill Dunn, Chevron

Staff: Jesse Ben-Ron, Vice President
Maria Linares, Manager

The Leading Educational Attainment (LEA) Committee equips Orange County families to advocate for their children's education and prepare them for post-secondary education, careers and lifelong success. Through the 10 Education Essentials for Families, educational resources and the LEA Podcast and Video Series, families gain practical guidance to navigate the education system. Meets quarterly.

HOUSING COMMITTEE

Chairs: Susan Hori, Esq., Manatt, Phelps & Phillips LLP
Benjamin Z. Rubin, Esq., Nossaman LLP

Vice Chairs: Steven Oh, Related California
William A. Shopoff,
Shopoff Realty Investments, L.P.

Staff: Jesse Ben-Ron, Vice President
Maria Linares, Manager

The Housing Committee convenes businesses, cities and other interested stakeholders on housing and other developmental issues that have a direct impact on the business community and the workforce in Orange County. Meets at least quarterly.



INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

Chairs: Felipe Monroig, Charter Communications
Cedric Williams, SoCalGas

Vice Chairs: Darrell E. Johnson, OCTA
Dave Warner, P.E., HNTB

Staff: Jesse Ben-Ron, Vice President
Maria Linares, Manager

The Infrastructure Committee convenes businesses, public agencies, and other community partners to learn about and tour vital infrastructure projects critical to Orange County's economic vitality and quality of life. Meets bi-monthly.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Chairs: Cathi Killian, Disneyland Resort
Stephen Finnegan,
Automobile Club of Southern California

Vice Chair: Larry Labrado, Disneyland Resort

Staff: Amanda Walsh, Vice President
Paulina Alvarez, Manager

The Government Affairs Committee shapes OCBC's state and federal policy agenda and discusses public policy issues impacting the business community and hosts timely discussions with elected leaders. Meets monthly in a hybrid format.

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