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*Chamber Biz: A weekly update from the South Carolin*

DECEMBER 15, 2015

Not even the Snowman is wishing for snow this year..... check out our website to learn more about why [#FIXSCROADS](#) is at the top of his list. We have an interactive map with facts about how much time and money each of us waste on our daily commute per year (hint: it's a lot). We also have a opportunity for you to sign up for infrastructure related communications and to [SHARE YOUR STC](#) about why we need to [#FIXSCROADS](#). We appreciate your feedback.

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## SONOCO CEO JACK SANDERS TO SERVE AS S.C. CHAMBER COMMERCE CHAIR

The South Carolina Chamber of Commerce is proud to announce that Jack Sanders, president and CEO of Sonoco, South Carolina's largest homegrown company will serve as the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce's 2016 Commerce Chairman. Mr. Sanders will serve as the first ever State Chamber Chairman of Commerce, a role developed by the Chamber Board and appointed by the Chairman of the Board of Directors to help make South Carolina the best place in the world to do business by focusing on growing existing South Carolina companies. Mr. Sanders joined Sonoco in 1988 and became its eighth CEO in 2013.

Chairman of the Board John Uprichard, CEO of Find Great People, said, "We

are pleased to announce that Jack has accepted the Board's appointment to Commerce Chairman. As South Carolina continues to grow jobs and opportunity, the State Chamber must continue to also grow its role of supporting our business community. With Jack's background in expanding Sonoco to South Carolina's largest homegrown company, we know he will be a great asset as the Chamber broadens its reach to help businesses across the state expand."

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## NOMINATE A SMALL BUSINESS FOR A DREAM BIG SMALL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARD

### DEADLINE: JANUARY 8, 2016

If you know a small business that is committed to its customers, employees, and community, please [give them the special recognition they deserve by nominating them for the 2016 DREAM BIG Small Business of the Year Award](#).

There is no fee to submit a nomination, and the online [nomination form](#) takes only minutes to complete.

The DREAM BIG awards program recognizes companies for their dedication to the principles of free enterprise and contributions to restoring jobs and supporting economic growth. All businesses are evaluated in four key areas - business strategy; staff training and motivation; customer service; and community involvement.

The winner will receive a \$10,000 cash prize and will be recognized during [America's Small Business Summit](#), June 13–15, 2016, in Washington, D.C.

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## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS FOR WORKFORCE SYMPOSIUM ANNOUNCED

**FEBRUARY 17-18, 2016 • COLUMBIA MARRIOTT**

Secretary of Commerce [Bobby Hitt](#) and workforce guru [Anne Loehr](#) have signed on to the agenda for the February Workforce Symposium. In partnership with the SC Department of Employment and Workforce and the State Workforce Development Board, this event unites the business community with economic development and workforce professionals. The [agenda](#) features a variety of topics from sector strategies, aging workforce concerns and available education initiatives to provide a job-ready workforce. Make plans to join us.

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## KEY LEADERS IN HOUSE AND SENATE INVITED TO BUSINESS SPEAKS

**JANUARY 26, 2016 • COLUMBIA MARRIOTT**  
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Each January, the Chamber offers members the opportunity to discuss legislative priorities with key General Assembly leaders at [Business Speaks](#). The SC Chamber's CEO Ted Pitts will moderate the discussion with [key leaders in both chambers](#) which include infrastructure, education and workforce, regulatory and legal reforms, and a conversation about the Chamber's Competitiveness Agenda for 2016.

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