

AGENDA

November 4–5, 2026 · Hyatt Regency Chicago, Magnificent Mile

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

5:00 – 7:00 PM

Welcome Reception

Hyatt Regency – The Living Room

Co-hosted by the Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce

Join SCF members, local business leaders, and partners for an opening reception.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

9:00 AM

Breakfast

9:30 AM

Welcome & SCF Update

A look back at SCF's first two years, including membership growth, advocacy accomplishments, federal engagement, communications, research and coalition development.

- › **Steven Hussain**, Chairman
- › **Tim Jemal**, CEO

10:00 AM

State Advocacy

An update on SCF's legislative and regulatory work in California and our growing engagement in Washington, New York, Illinois and New Jersey, followed by a member discussion on emerging issues, where we should focus next and priorities for the next 12–24 months.

- › **Sarah Wiltfong**, Chief Advocacy Officer
- › **Faith Conley**, Chief Sacramento Lobbyist
- › **Chris Shimoda**, Regulatory Affairs Lead

15-minute break

11:15 AM

Federal Advocacy

An overview of SCF's current federal priorities, our Washington, D.C. Fly-In and the Congressional Supply Chain Caucus, followed by a discussion on the post-midterm outlook and where SCF should focus its federal advocacy over the next 12–24 months.

- › **Winning Strategies Washington**

12:15 PM

Lunch & Fireside Chat

A conversation with a regional policymaker on Chicago's role in the national supply chain, infrastructure, goods movement and economic competitiveness.

1:00 PM

Communications

An update on SCF's communications and media growth, followed by a discussion on research, data, strengthening the supply chain narrative and communications priorities moving forward.

- › **Zane Rice**, Sr. Communications Advisor

2:00 PM**Connecting the Nation: The Midwest & the American Supply Chain**

A discussion with Chicago and Illinois policymakers, business leaders and supply chain stakeholders on industrial land, urban logistics, infrastructure and freight investment, economic competitiveness and opportunities for collaboration.

- › **Fran Inman**, Majestic Realty, Moderator
- › **Erik Varela**, Executive Director, Illinois International Port Authority
- › **Tim Butler**, President, Illinois Railroad Association
- › **Carl Gutierrez**, Vice President, Government Relations and Public Policy, Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce

*15-minute break***3:15 PM****Looking Ahead: SCF's Next Two Years**

An open member discussion on where SCF goes from here, including where we should grow, how we can provide greater value to members, emerging issues we should prepare for, and what success should look like over the next two years.

- › **Tim Jemal**, CEO

4:00 PM**Program Concludes****THURSDAY EVENING****6:00 PM****Dinner: Gino's East, Chicago Pizza**

Attire: Casual

An informal evening to enjoy Chicago and connect with fellow SCF members and partners.

8:00 PM**Optional: Andy's Jazz Club**

Since 1951, Andy's Jazz Club has been a cornerstone of Chicago's legendary jazz scene, bringing world-class artists, classic cocktails, and inspired dining together.

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