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**Chicago Loop Alliance to host Leadership Forum with
42nd Ward Alderman Brendan Reilly,
Choose Chicago President/CEO Don Welsh, and
President/CEO Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce Theresa Mintle**

Results of 2013 Chicago Loop economic study revealed

Tuesday, Dec. 3, from 8-9:30 a.m.

CHICAGO (November 20, 2013)—**Chicago Loop Alliance (CLA)** will host a **Leadership Forum** to release the findings of the **2013 State of the Chicago Loop Economic Profile**—an economic study of downtown Chicago— at The Gene Siskel Film Center, 164 N. State Street, Tuesday, Dec. 3 from 8-9:30 a.m.

The open-to-the-public forum will feature an introduction from 42nd Ward **Alderman Brendan Reilly**, presentation of the study's results by Goodman Williams Group Principal **Christine Williams**, followed by a panel of civic leaders including: Alderman Reilly; Choose Chicago President and CEO **Don Welsh**; Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce President and CEO **Theresa Mintle**; and Chicago Loop Alliance Board of Directors Chairman **Martin Stern**.

The focus of the panel discussion will be on the importance of a high-performing downtown as part of a successful tourism and business investment strategy. Questions will be taken from the audience and a networking reception will follow at 9 a.m.

Tickets for the Leadership Forum at The Gene Siskel Film Center (164 N. State Street) are \$15 for CLA members and \$25 for non-members. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit <http://bit.ly/CLALeadershipForum>.

Chicago Loop Alliance (CLA) creates, manages and promotes high-performing urban experiences, attracting people and investment to the Loop. For more information, please visit www.LoopChicago.com.

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Editors' note: Copies of the Economic Profile will be available at the Leadership Forum.