Connecting with communities across the country to promote small businesses, jobs and economic development is a part of Congressman Blumenauer's work in Congress. Last Thursday in NW Portland, Blumenauer spoke to a delegation from Silicon Valley who were participating in their 2011 Annual City to City Study Mission organized by the San Jose Chamber of Congress.

Almost 65 people were part of the group that visited a number of sites in the metro area, meeting with local business leaders, elected officials and community advocates to learn more about Oregon, focusing on regional job creation efforts, land use and sustainability and economic development strategies for both large and small businesses.

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