

## Lt. Governor Guadagno Addresses Montclair Women Entrepreneurship Conference

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### Women Entrepreneurship Week 2014 Recognizes Critical Role of Women in Business

**Trenton, NJ** – Celebrating Women Entrepreneurship Week 2014, Lt. Governor Kim Guadagno today addressed the participants of the Women Entrepreneurship Conference hosted by the Feliciano Center for Entrepreneurship at the Montclair State University School of Business.

"New Jersey is home to more than 220,000 women-owned and women-run businesses whose leadership and contributions are invaluable to our economy," said Lt. Governor Guadagno. "As we highlight women entrepreneurs through events like this, we help more women find the resources they need to start and expand their businesses in the Garden State."

Wednesday's day-long event featured panel discussions, networking, workshops and speakers to provide advice and inspiration for women looking to grow or start their own businesses, or take on a more entrepreneurial role within larger companies.

There are currently more than 8.6 million women-owned businesses in the United States. As of 2013, the New Jersey/New York metropolitan area is home to approximately 663,200 women-owned firms – the largest population in the nation. There are roughly 223,400 women-owned businesses in New Jersey, an increase of nearly 44 percent since 1997. The sales revenues of these businesses exceed \$43 million annually.

Those interested in starting or growing a business are encouraged to call New Jersey's Business Action Center at (866) 534-7789 or visit the State's Business Portal at [www.newjerseybusiness.gov](http://www.newjerseybusiness.gov).

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