



## Newsletter

### The Promise

"To co-create an ecosystem of opportunity and investment through collaboration that addresses systemic racism and inequities to improve the quality of life of Promise Zone residents"

Save the Date!  
**All-Partner  
Meeting**  
Tuesday,  
December 5  
2:00-4:00 PM

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From left to right: Youth Will leaders with three youth participants during Career P.O.W.E.R. Hour Night 1 at Outside The Lens on Oct. 17, 2024.

(Photo credit: Amber Weber)



## A MESSAGE TO OUR PARTNERS

FROM THE PROMISE ZONE STAFF

Hello and happy November!

As we move into the heart of fall, the San Diego Promise Zone remains dedicated to our promise of co-creating equitable opportunities and improving quality of life in our communities.

In this season of gratitude, we want to take a moment to recognize the amazing work of our partners. Together, we are building a more inclusive and resilient future for all residents of the Promise Zone. We also give thanks for our veterans and invite you to read about the City's efforts to hire more of them.

We are excited to hold an in-person **All-Partner Meeting** on Thursday, Dec. 5. You'll hear many Promise Zone updates, have an opportunity to celebrate successes, and contribute to the City's Broadband Master Plan. Please save the date!

Stay tuned for exciting opportunities, upcoming events, and ways you can stay involved as we continue to tackle the challenges that matter most. Thank you for your commitment and support.

With gratitude,  
San Diego Promise Zone

### PROMISE ZONE IN THE NEWS

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## WORKING GROUP UPDATES

### Jobs and Education

On October 17, the Jobs and Education Working Group gathered for a co-chair presentation on our logic model, focusing on purpose and action steps toward goals. Following this, we hosted the P.O.W.E.R. Hour career workshop, equipping participants with key skills to help them succeed in their career journeys. In November, we look forward to the digital equity focus group to be held during our regular meeting, as it will focus on improving internet access and digital resources in the Promise Zone. For more information, please reach out to **Donika Moreno**, [donikam@san Diego.gov](mailto:donikam@san Diego.gov), or **Ronah Fe Famorcan**, [RFFamorcan@san Diego.gov](mailto:RFFamorcan@san Diego.gov).

### Economic Activity

The October Economic Activity meeting was centered around identifying economic challenges and creating resources to overcome them. Gabriela Gonzalez and Miguel Lopez of the San Diego Foundation presented the recently published *State of Latinos* report that explored the economic challenges facing the Latino population of San Diego. Megan Thomas from Catalyst presented on the process behind the creation of their business matrix, and its purpose as an all-in-one document for small business resources that have been offered across San Diego. In November, we look forward to the digital equity focus group, as it will focus on improving internet access and digital resources in the Promise Zone.

For more information, reach out to **Domanic Riley**, [Driley@san Diego.gov](mailto:Driley@san Diego.gov).

### Healthy Communities:

Thursday, Nov. 14, 2024  
10:00 AM-11:30 AM

### Jobs & Education and Economic Activity:

Thursday, Nov. 21, 2024  
2:30-4:00 PM

### Housing Affordability:

Weds., Jan. 8, 2025  
10:00-11:30 AM

### Healthy Communities

The working group met on October 10 and heard guest presentations from Diane Moss of Project New Village on their new food and resource hub in development, 'The Village,' and from Paola Boylan of the City's Planning Department on their Healthy Cities, Healthy Residents program and child-and-teen-friendly city design manual. During our next meeting on November 14, we look forward to inviting FoodShed Co-op to discuss their local food access programs for farmers and consumers, as well as Families for Safe Streets to hear about their upcoming event, the World Day of Remembrance. We will also continue working on our action plans. For more information, reach out to **Zachary Engberg**, [zengberg@san Diego.gov](mailto:zengberg@san Diego.gov), or **Bex Nava-McClellan**, [rnavamcclell@san Diego.gov](mailto:rnavamcclell@san Diego.gov).

### Housing Affordability

During the October 31 Housing Affordability working group meeting, the group heard a presentation from Karen Clay, founder of I Love to Glean and co-chair of the Healthy Communities working group, about the effort to supply those displaced by the January floods with healthy foods. In addition, the group discussed the idea and potential of a developer's forum in San Diego. Lastly, the group continued to work on moving forward with the logic model. The next meeting will be Wednesday, January 8 at 10am. For more information, reach out to **Oscar Silva**, [OSilva@san Diego.gov](mailto:OSilva@san Diego.gov).

# Community Spotlight:

## Renato Paiva

Renato Paiva's journey into youth development began while coaching squash at Harvard University, where he realized that many talented young people lacked access to opportunities. Inspired by his belief that "a life is only worth living if it is a life of service," Renato committed himself to empowering underrepresented youth.

In 2006, Renato founded Access Youth Academy (AYA) in San Diego, initially operating in a small, rented space in Mira Mesa. Seeing the transformative potential of squash for underserved youth, he set out to expand the program. By 2020, after a decade of hard work and a \$12 million fundraising effort, AYA opened a 22,000-square-foot Squash & Educational Facility in Southeastern San Diego, an area with high need. Today, this state-of-the-art facility serves 21 schools and offers students mentorship, leadership development, and health and wellness resources.



Through the City of San Diego's competitive Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) process, AYA was awarded Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding for fiscal years 2020, 2023, 2024, and 2025. These grants not only covered essential construction costs but also supported AYA's ongoing public service programs, allowing the organization to plan sustainably, broaden its impact, and cultivate a meaningful partnership with the City.

The CDBG funding has allowed AYA to expand its reach, serve more students, and establish a strong foundation for long-term success. When asked what advice he would give to other nonprofit leaders seeking funding for similar youth development programs, Renato's message is clear: focus on the service first. "Make sure the outcomes are clear and the message is clear," he advises. "Good governance, strong organization, and clarity in mission are crucial before applying for funding."

He emphasizes that nonprofit work is about more than just financial currency; it's also about service currency. Access Youth Academy is driven by the belief that helping low-income students succeed in both education and sports can transform their lives. Whether people want to offer financial support or simply raise awareness, Renato encourages everyone to get involved in the mission of AYA, proving that meaningful contributions don't always have to be financial.

**Together, we can make a lasting impact on the next generation.**

For more on Access Youth Academy, visit [their website](#) or contact Renato at [renato@accessyouthacademy.org](mailto:renato@accessyouthacademy.org).  
Reminder: [CDBG applications](#) for FY2026 are open until Nov. 8, 2024.



# PROMISE ZONE UPDATES

"It has been a pleasure to volunteer for my year of service with the San Diego Promise Zone. In the last year I have had the amazing opportunity to connect with so many hard-working, diligent, values-minded individuals representing organizations that are making a positive difference in the lives so many people. I have learned so much in this role that I will take with me on my next adventure, wherever that may be. I encourage everyone who reads this message to continue to do everything you can to manifest the positive change you want to see on a daily basis, and to not lose sight of your role in creating the bright, inspiring future generations from now will benefit from."- Ian Hembree, Civic Engagement Associate



"I am a first-generation college graduate, having graduated from SDSU in May 2024 with a bachelor's degree in Political Science. The love for my community has led me to volunteer in many different capacities, from being an interpreter for Spanish speakers seeking legal advice to participating in cleanups. I am very excited to be working with you all and providing the Promise Zone with opportunities that will uplift the people of the communities."- Oscar Silva, Civic Engagement Associate

Thank you to everyone who joined us for **"Put Your Best Foot Forward - How to Present Yourself to Employers,"** the first session in our P.O.W.E.R. Hour series! We hope the experience provided valuable insights to help you stand out in today's job market. A special thanks to our presenters and volunteers who shared their time and expertise.

Once again, thank you for being part of this journey toward a brighter future. We look forward to seeing you at our next event!



# FINANCIAL WELLNESS

During November, Veterans Day (November 11) is recognized within **National Veterans and Military Families Month**. Learn how to maintain your finances and support your families through these webinars and events:



Enhance your financial preparedness with resources from the **California Coast Credit Union**, an active supporter of the Promise Zone.

## LONG-TERM CARE



Learn what factors matter when choosing the right long-term care insurance.



Learn avoid taking on unnecessary debt and learn how to use your home equity to grow your wealth.



## RETIREMENT

Prepare you and your family in advance for retirement.

## RELATED EVENTS



### EMPLOYER CAREER FAIR

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8



Join **Workshops for Warriors** for their Nov. 8 career fair!

Join **LASSD** and the **San Diego Law Library** and learn about Worst-Case Scenarios with Taxes and Unemployment Insurance Benefits.



Monday, Nov. 4,  
12:00 - 1:00 p.m.  
online. Register [here](#).

**San Diego Housing Commission** is hosting a webinar on Tuesday November 19 @ 3:00 p.m regarding budgeting for the holidays! Join [here](#).



Visit **California Coast Credit Union's Website** for more information about their programs and current events.



# PARTNER ANNOUNCEMENTS



*Unless otherwise stated, events listed below are not organized by the City of San Diego. Please reach out to the sponsoring organization for details or questions.*

Nov  
14

## Memory Work: The Radical Act of Remembering

Hear from a panel of memory workers, artists, and community organizers working in San Diego-Tijuana. Learn about the concept of memory work and how it can intertwine with art to strengthen communities like the Promise Zone. This FREE event is led by San Diego Made resident artist Natalia Venture as part of the “My Creative Journey/Mi Viaje Creativo” artist residency and event series supported in part by the City of San Diego Arts & Culture Commission. [Register here.](#)



Nov  
14

## Community Climate Conversations

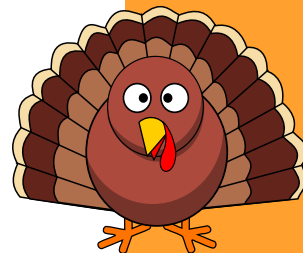
Calling all residents from Central and South San Diego! In partnership with the County of San Diego, the Urban Collaborative Project invites you to attend its last event of 2024. Explore climate ideas and projects leading with YOUR community voice. Share your ideas, learn about starting a community project, and help shape the future you want to see. [Register here.](#)



Nov  
15

## Logan Heights Turkey and Food Distribution

Food distribution TURKEYS will be provided on Friday, Nov. 15 from 10 am - 12 pm. Limited quantities are available, so you MUST pre-register to receive a turkey. Hosted by CA State Senator Steve Padilla; legislative resources will be provided. [Register here.](#) Contact Logan Heights CDC: 619-858-0563 or [info@loganheightscdc.org](mailto:info@loganheightscdc.org)



We post partner events to our [City Calendar website](#). If you would like us to post your event, please fill out our [Submission Form](#). The form is also available on our [website](#).

[Promise  
Zone  
Calendar](#)

## An Artist's Journey into the Science of Seaweed

Friday, November 22, 2024  
5-6 p.m.



Join artist Josie Iselin as she walks us through  
*The Curious World of Seaweed* exhibit explaining  
her process for art-making, research, and writing.

REGISTER HERE



SD Public  
Library

## HOW DO WE REGENERATE A FOREST?



REGISTER  
HERE

THINKING WITH THE HARRISONS | PANEL DISCUSSION

Join us for a keynote  
discussion on themes in the  
**Helen & Newton Harrison:**  
**California Work** exhibition  
and the parallels playing out  
in our local forests and  
terrains of San Diego.

### PANELISTS:

- Josh Harrison
- Dr. Megan Jennings
- Joeline Tamm
- Wes Ruise Jr.
- Ruth Wallen
- Chris Freemantle
- Anne Douglas



Tuesday  
November 12, 2024  
5:30PM-8PM



A GIFT JUST FOR YOU!

# Toys4Tots

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

SATURDAY, DEC 7


Volunteers,  
please register  
here:




For more information on the toy drive, call the Logan Heights CDC office at 619-858-0563. For more information on volunteering, email Ebony at [ebony@loganheightscdc.org](mailto:ebony@loganheightscdc.org).







**TRAINING SESSION FOR EDUCATORS**  
**November 7, 2024**  
**4:30PM-6:30PM**  
**FREE**  
**The OTL Wonder Lab**  
**125 14th Street**  
**San Diego**

 [bit.ly/VO2025Training](https://bit.ly/VO2025Training)

more info: [programs@outsidethelens.org](mailto:programs@outsidethelens.org) or (858) 349-7578



**SAN DIEGO MADE**  
**10TH ANNIVERSARY**

**HOLIDAY MARKET**

**SATURDAY, NOV. 9**  
**SUNDAY, NOV. 10**  
**10 AM - 5 PM**  
**NTC PARK**  
**2455 CUSHING RD, SAN DIEGO, CA 92106**



**DIA DE LOS MUERTOS**

**Movie Night**

**FRIDAY: NOVEMBER 8, 2024**  
**TIME: 5:00 PM**  
**LOCATION: 310 EUCLID AVENUE**  
**SAN DIEGO CA 92114**

[WWW.JACOBSCENTER.ORG](http://WWW.JACOBSCENTER.ORG)

**JACOBS**  
 CENTER FOR NEIGHBORHOOD INNOVATION

## Caregiver Resources

Questions about Southern Caregiver Resource Center's free services for family caregivers? Join SCRC at Logan Heights Library on the second Thursday of every month from 3-5pm! Staff will be offering information and caregiving resources in the lobby.

We post partner events to our [City Calendar website](#). If you would like us to post your event, please fill out our [Submission Form](#). The form is also available on our [website](#).

[Promise Zone Calendar](#)

**2024 HOLIDAY  
MICRO-BUSINESS FAIR**

HOSTED BY:

VOCATIONAL & ADULT SERVICES  
The Institute of  
Education

OUTSIDETHELENS  
MEDIA MAKERS

WHEN:  
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH  
10:30 AM TO 2:30 PM

WHERE:  
VOCATIONAL & ADULT SERVICES  
2225 CAMINO DEL RIO SOUTH

**SAVE  
THE  
DATE**

TABLES ARE LIMITED. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RESERVE  
A TABLE FOR THE EVENT FILL OUT THIS SURVEY:  
[HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/0HGQ4NYP9LYUHMSTA](https://forms.gle/0HGQ4NYP9LYUHMSTA)

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**PARTY**

**GIRL**

**2000**

ART SHOW AND PARTY!  
DEC. 6TH  
\*FREE ENTRY

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## Join Us for Free Educational Field Trips at Balboa Park!

Interactive outdoor learning experiences for grades K-3, funded by  
Forever Balboa Park

### What We Offer:

#### Lesson 1: Scavenger Hunt

A fun, interactive scavenger hunt  
through the park's gardens that  
teaches students environmental  
literacy.

#### Lesson 2: Comic/Story Writing

Connects traditional literacy with  
environmental awareness,  
encouraging creativity while  
learning about nature.

### Materials Available:

Worksheets & vocabulary guides  
in English and Spanish during  
field trips.

### When & Where:

Monday-Thursday: 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM  
Lessons take place in Balboa Park's  
garden spaces

### Transportation & Chaperones:

Forever Balboa Park covers or reimburses  
transportation costs. Schools are responsible  
for chaperones.

### Booking Information:

Scan the QR code to view available dates  
and book your field trip today!

### Contact Us:

For questions or more details, please email  
[roseanhdo@gmail.com](mailto:roseanhdo@gmail.com)  
[briana@balboapark.org](mailto:briana@balboapark.org)

[foreverbaloapark.org](http://foreverbaloapark.org)



**FOREVER  
BALBOA PARK**

**MY CREATIVE +  
JOURNEY**

ARTIST RESIDENCY • EVENT SERIES

**MEMORY WORK:  
THE RADICAL ACT OF REMEMBERING**

FREE SPEAKING EVENT WITH ARTISTS,  
MEMORY WORKERS AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZERS  
FOCUSED ON THE PROMISE ZONE

The City of  
**SAN DIEGO**

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[sandiego.gov/sdaccess](http://sandiego.gov/sdaccess)

### Need Tech Help and Tech Resources?

The City of San Diego and C2K partner to offer free Digital Navigator services.  
Drop-in or call for assistance.

**1 (800) 350-6945**

### NOVEMBER 2024 DIGITAL NAVIGATOR SCHEDULE

Central Library 330 Park Blvd.	Park de la Cruz Recreation Center 3911 Landis St.
English Tuesday: 11:30 am – 3:30 pm *Thursday: 11:30 am – 3:30 pm English/Spanish	English/Spanish Tuesday: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm *Thursday: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm English
City Heights Library 3795 Fairmount Ave.	Valencia Park/Malcolm X Library 5148 Market St.
English/Tagalog/Somali *Monday: 11:30 am – 3:30 pm English/Tagalog/Spanish Tuesday: 11:30 am – 3:30 pm	English/Spanish *Monday: 9:00 am – 7:30 pm English/Spanish Saturday: 11:30 am – 3:30 pm
Cathy Hopper Rec Center 4425 Bannock Ave.	Skyline Hills Library 7900 Paradise Valley Rd.
English/Somali Tuesday: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm	English/Arabic/French *Thursday: 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Logan Heights Library 567 S. 28th St.	Otay Mesa – Nestor Library 3003 Coronado Ave.
English/Spanish Saturday: 11:30 am – 3:30 pm	English/Spanish Tuesday: 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm
San Ysidro Library 4235 Beyer Blvd.	
English/Spanish *Thursday: 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm	

\*Libraries closed for Veterans Day, Monday, Nov. 11 & Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov 28

## 7th Annual Kind Heart Coalition Thanksgiving Day Vegan Potluck

🕒 November 28, 2024 at 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm



## Giving Thanks by Giving Back

JOIN US ON NOVEMBER 25TH FOR OUR ANNUAL  
THANKSGIVING MEAL GIVEAWAY



DIVERSE RESEARCH NOW





**Olivewood™**  
Gardens & Learning Center

SHOP SMALL & SUPPORT LOCAL AT THE  
2024 ANNUAL

# HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Check off your holiday shopping list with gifts from  
Kitchenistas and other small businesses!



**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16 | 10AM - 2PM**

This is a FREE event! Food will be  
available for purchase & at the event.

2525 N AVENUE, NATIONAL CITY, CA 91950

**LOGAN HEIGHTS**  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

# FOOD DISTRIBUTION

## TURKEYS!

with

**TURKEYS!**

Hosted by CA State Senator Steve Padilla


**FRIDAY, NOV 15**

**10AM - 12PM**

**3040 IMPERIAL AVE.  
SAN DIEGO, CA 92102**

Limited quantity available.  
MUST pre-register to receive a turkey.

**REGISTER HERE:**



<https://loganheightscdc.tforms.net/f/2024TurkeyDistributionRegistration>

Legislative resources will be provided  
Contact Logan Heights CDC: 619-858-0563 or [info@loganheightscdc.org](mailto:info@loganheightscdc.org)

A GIFT JUST FOR YOU!

# Toys4Tots

**Saturday, December 7th, 2024  
10AM-1PM**

Toys must be picked up at the Logan Heights CDC Office  
3040 Imperial Ave. San Diego, CA 92102

REGISTRATION FOR THE 8TH ANNUAL TOY DRIVE

## NOW OPEN

**REGISTER BY NOVEMBER 18TH**

**REGISTER FOR THE 2024 TOYS4TOTS**  
\*\* CHILDREN AGES 0 TO 13

Each year, Logan Heights CDC hosts our annual toy distribution in the Logan Heights community. This year will be **no different!** If you are interested in receiving toys this year please complete the registration form by **November 18th at 5 PM** with the information for ALL the youth in the family ages 0-13. Only (1) one response per family will be accepted.

Please email LHCDC at email [info@loganheightscdc.org](mailto:info@loganheightscdc.org) for more information!

For more information on the Toy Drive or to register over the phone, call the Logan Heights CDC office at (619) 858-0563

**Register Now**  
<https://forms.gle/4Ndt8HuQYf5cKrd5>

Scan me

Interested in volunteering for the Toys4Tots distribution on December 7th? Please register to volunteer here: [Volunteer Registration](#)

**LOGAN HEIGHTS**  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

LOGAN HEIGHTS CDC PRESENTS

# LIGHT UP LOGAN

**6TH DEC**

**FREE ENTRY**

**HOLIDAY MARKET  
CRAFTS FOR KIDS  
REAL SNOW  
TREE LIGHTING  
LIVE MUSIC + DJ**

**4:00 PM - 8:00 PM**  
**THE SOAP FACTORY**  
**2995 COMMERCIAL STREET SAN DIEGO, CA 92102**

Vendors Needed! RSVP: [leonardo@loganheightscdc.org](mailto:leonardo@loganheightscdc.org) +619-858-0563



November 16, 2024



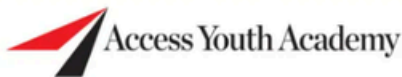
4:00-7:00pm

## Harvest Moon Soirée

### McCain Residence

6847 La Valle Plateada  
Rancho Santa Fe

*In support of*



Delectable bites, hors d'oeuvres, and beverages will be served  
Cocktail attire - Valet Parking



**COMMUNITY CLIMATE CONVERSATIONS**

**FROM IDEA  
TO REALITY**

**HOW DO WE TURN OUR CLIMATE ACTION IDEAS INTO REALITY?  
SHARE YOUR PROJECT IDEAS, LEARN MORE ABOUT PROJECT  
CREATION, AND HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE YOU WANT TO SEE.**

**Jackie Robinson YMCA**  
**5:00 PM–7:30 PM**  
151 YMCA Way, San Diego

**NOV  
14**

**CSUSM INNOVATION HUB**  
**5:00 PM–7:30 PM**  
288 CAMPUS WAY SUITE 102, SAN MARCOS

**NOV  
19**



Community Climate Conversations are a program of the County of San Diego's Regional Decarbonization Framework. The County of San Diego has partnered with Climate Action Campaign and the Urban Collaborative Project to support outreach and engagement efforts.

**RSVP: [bit.ly/rdf\\_itr](https://bit.ly/rdf_itr)**

 **FREE FOOD**

 **OPPORTUNITY  
DRAWING**

 **PANEL FEATURING  
COMMUNITY LEADERS**



**NEED INTERPRETATION?**  
Please submit requests for language access and other accommodations at least 72 hours in advance of event to:  
**[osej@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:osej@sdcounty.ca.gov) or 619-629-7121**

## Adult High School Diploma Program

San Diego Public Library is proud to offer adults the opportunity to earn an accredited high school diploma. They currently offer two diploma programs: Career Online High School and Gale Excel Adult High School. Adults who are looking to continue their education, expand their career opportunities or apply to enter the military will benefit. These programs are offered entirely online with 24/7 access to fit busy schedules. [Learn more here.](#)

## SOUTHEASTERN LIVE WELL CENTER CBO SUITE



### OVERVIEW

The new Southeastern Live Well Center provides a single stop for services, and also serves as a hub for collaboration. The Community Based Organizations (CBO) Suite is available to CBOs who serve the local community. Huddle rooms (small conference rooms) and workstations must be reserved prior to being used. Limited huddle rooms and workstations are available on a drop-in basis. Cancellations must be made at least 24 hours in advance.

### WAYS TO RESERVE

#### 1. E-mail

The digital reservation form can be obtained and submitted via email at [SELWCReservations.HHSA@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:SELWCReservations.HHSA@sdcounty.ca.gov)

#### 2. Call

Call **858-351-6075** to make a reservation over the phone.

#### 3. In-person

Visit the front desk outside of the CBO Suite to reserve a huddle room or workstation.

### HOURS OF OPERATION

- Monday - Friday
- 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

### AMENITIES

- 6 small conference rooms with AV Equipment
- 4 workstations with desktop computers
- 8 workstations with charging stations

### CONTACT INFORMATION



 858-351-6075

 [SELWCReservations.HHSA@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:SELWCReservations.HHSA@sdcounty.ca.gov)

 5101 Market Street, San Diego, CA 92114



## THANK YOU Wildlife Conservation Board

The Connecting Communities Restoration and Trail Project is funded by a grant from the [Wildlife Conservation Board](#).



### Ready for a Free Tree(s) in Your Yard this Fall?

Groundwork is launching an ambitious tree planting program in partnership with Groundwork USA and the US Department of Forestry to bring **FREE Trees** to homes in the Watershed.

If you are a Chollas Creek Watershed resident, contact Groundwork to express your interest in a **FREE Tree(s)** planted in your yard this Fall.

Based on your home location, number of trees desired and planting locations, Groundwork will provide you the tree options available and assist with planting. Click below to get started.

[\*\*I Would Like a FREE Tree\(s\)\*\*](#)

Funding for this project provided by the Inflation Reduction Act and the USDA Forest Service, Urban and Community Forestry Program in partnership with Groundwork USA

## Youth Opportunity Pass Program

All riders 18 & under will be able to ride MTS and [North County Transit District](#) (NCTD) services for **FREE** with a Youth PRONTO app account, or a Youth PRONTO card. The [Youth Opportunity Pass](#) is a pilot program, sponsored by the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) and County of San Diego. This promotion has now **extended for another two years, until June 30, 2026.**



## COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS ADVANCING PUBLIC HEALTH

The University of California San Diego (UCSD), in partnership with local agencies are leading a Community Health Worker (CHW) training program to develop capacity in Native American/Indigenous communities and Refugee and Immigrant communities, particularly but not exclusively from Africa, the Middle East and Southeast Asia.

**PARTICIPATING CHWS WILL RECEIVE:**

### TRAINING PROGRAM

- Only 2-3 hour time commitment per week; 120 total lecture hours to complete the program
- Topics include communication, case management, healthcare support, essential skills, technology/digital literacy, self-care, public health
- Hybrid Training - both online and in-person options available

Earn a professional CHW certificate from UCSD Extension!

### CAREER PATHWAY

Participants will be eligible for the following after completing training:

- Advanced public health training to support job readiness serving communities of color
- Apprenticeship/internship opportunities that can lead to employment
- High level coaching to become trainers of future CHWs in the community

### FINANCIAL SUPPORT

FULL TUITION COVERED BY PROGRAM

Other related expenses may be considered for reimbursement on a case by case basis

- TRAVEL
- CHILDCARE
- ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGIES

INTERESTED? SCAN THIS QR CODE/CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW TO ENROLL OR LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROGRAM

<https://forms.gle/EHKSZ7GASWYAUH77>

Questions? Contact: [jwiebanderson@ucsd.edu](mailto:jwiebanderson@ucsd.edu)

THIS PROGRAM IS SUPPORTED BY THE HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (HRSA) OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (HHS) AS PART OF AN AWARD TOTALING \$3,000,000 WITH 0% FINANCED WITH NON-GOVERNMENTAL SOURCES. THE CONTENTS ARE THOSE OF THE AUTHOR(S) AND DO NOT NECESSARILY REPRESENT THE OFFICIAL VIEW OF, NOR AN ENDORSEMENT, BY HRSA, HHS, OR THE U.S. GOVERNMENT. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT HRSA.GOV.

2/27/24

APPLY TODAY!

# SECOND CHANCE YOUTH GARDEN INTERNSHIP

**8 week PAID job training opportunity for youth ages 14-21**

**EARN \$50 A WEEK**

We empower young leaders to bloom through immersive experiences in urban gardens, tantalizing cooking and nutrition classes, and dynamic job development workshops. Join us in sowing the seeds of tomorrow's leaders today!

For more information, contact Maya Panicker (Program Assistant)  
[mpanicker@secondchanceprogram.org](mailto:mpanicker@secondchanceprogram.org)

Second Chance

Workforce Development Program

## Gain the necessary training, certification, and skills needed to start YOUR career.

**YOU MAY QUALIFY FOR ACCESS TO FREE TRAINING & JOB PLACEMENT WITHIN THE HEALTHCARE INDUSTRY**

**Who is Eligible:**

- Age 18+
- Committed to completing a job training program within one year
- Intermediate to advance ELL (English language learner)
- Career-minded individuals with a growth mindset
- Must be authorized to work in the US

**What we do:**

- Tuition support
- Barrier Support
- Case management
- Mentorship
- Job Placement
- Resume support

**LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE**

**CONTACT**  
 Pedro Estrada Jr, Career Pathway Case Manager  
[pestrada@MAACproject.org](mailto:pestrada@MAACproject.org), 619.746.3912

**APPLY TODAY!**  
[MAACproject.org/NextLevel](https://MAACproject.org/NextLevel)

## Baking

**Apply Now!**  
[kitchensforgood.org/apply](https://kitchensforgood.org/apply)

**Foundational Skills:** cake decorating, food safety and sanitation, pastry making, cookies, piping skills, confections, and more!

**Timeline - Front-Loaded:** 10 weeks on-campus training + 10 months On-the-Job Training

- Potential jobs as a baking assistant, decorator, pastry cook, production assistant

## Customer Service

(Front of House)

**Foundational Skills:** customer and guest services, event planning, catering, inventory management, and more!

**Timeline: Dual-Instruction:** 3 weeks on-campus training followed by 11 months On-the-Job Training (employment) + once-a-week classes

- Potential jobs as host, server, busser, runner

## Culinary

**Foundational Skills:** knife skills, food safety and sanitation, multiple cooking techniques, fish fabrication, plating and presentation, basic breads, and more!

**Timeline Options:**

- Front-Loaded:** 10 weeks on-campus class + 10 months On-the-Job Training
  - Jobs as prep cook, line cook, pantry cook, garde manger
- Dual-Instruction:** 3 weeks on-campus class followed by 11 months On-the-Job Training + once-a-week classes
  - Jobs as dishwasher, steward, prep cook



**LOGAN HEIGHTS**  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

# Community FOOD DISTRIBUTION

The distribution on **Friday, Feb 16** will include **flood relief kits** with dry, non-perishable foods.

**DISTRIBUTION DATES**  
 February 16, 2024  
 March 15, 2024  
 April 19, 2024  
 May 17, 2024  
 June 21, 2024  
 July 19, 2024  
 August 16, 2024  
 September 20, 2024  
 October 18, 2024  
 November 15, 2024  
 December 20, 2024

**Every 3rd Friday of the month**

**Distribution starts at 10:00 AM**

First come, first served until food runs out

**Location:** 3040 Imperial Avenue  
San Diego, CA 92102

For more information:  
619-858-0563 or  
[www.loganheightscdc.org](http://www.loganheightscdc.org)

\*Dates are subject to change\*

**Greater Logan Heights**

**LOGAN HEIGHTS**  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

# COMMUNITY MARKET

**ONLY 100% LOCAL PRODUCE**

*What we offer:*

- Local Produce
- Local vendors
- Community oriented

*When: Every Third Saturday*

**August 17, 2024**  
**September 21, 2024**  
**October 19, 2024**  
**November 16, 2024**  
**December 21, 2024**

*Time:*  
**12pm - 4pm**

*Where:*  
The Gilliam Space  
2835 Imperial Ave.  
San Diego, CA 92102

*For More Information:*  
[info@loganheightscdc.org](mailto:info@loganheightscdc.org)  
(619) 858-0563



## Make It! Charcuterie Board

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2024 | CENTRAL IDEA LAB (4TH FLOOR)  
2 PM - 4 PM




BRING IN A DIGITAL PHOTO TO CUSTOMIZE A CHARCUTERIE BOARD USING DYE SUBLIMATION. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. AGES 18+

**Public Library**

**Questions?**  
Email: [weblibrary@sandiego.gov](mailto:weblibrary@sandiego.gov)  
Phone: 619-238-6666

## Creative Collective

ARTS & CRAFTS FOR ADULTS

**1st & 3rd Tuesdays**  
2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Mary Hollis Conference Room  
San Diego Central Library

Join our open-ended art making program where you are free to be creative and expressive with many different forms of art!

[mysdpl.org/creativecollective](http://mysdpl.org/creativecollective)




**SD Public Library**

**Still-life Acrylic Painting**

**Art**





HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES PRESENTS

## Baby Steps

CLASS INFORMATION



\*Schedule and availability is subject to change.

**Caregivers long to provide the best for their newborn baby.** Baby Steps offers groups to help caregivers learn strategies and identify support such as:

- Understand your baby's cues and how to respond to them
- Build a stronger bond with your baby
- Learn Infant Massage techniques to help your baby relax and sleep
- Develop self-confidence in caregiving
- Connect with other caregivers

The groups are for caregivers and their children age **birth up to 15 months** (or prior to walking) and expectant caregivers. Classes are provided at no cost.

For program locations, start dates/times, and all other questions, please contact us.



## House of Hospitality

# Facility Maintenance Volunteer Program

Volunteers will be trained by and work alongside the Forever Balboa Park Facility Maintenance team. Volunteers will learn how to maintain the common areas and the facilities of the House of Hospitality, a historically significant building in Balboa Park. This position allows volunteers to build new skills, gain practical hands-on experience, and develop independence.

**FRIDAY MORNINGS**  
FROM 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM

- Must be over the age of 18
- Background check is required (at no cost to you)
- Must be available for 2 entire shifts/ month
- Commitment of at least 6 months



If you are interested in taking part in our new program, please scan the QR code and fill out the interest form, or fill it out online at: <https://bit.ly/fbpvolunteer>

Please email [mecklit@balboapark.org](mailto:mecklit@balboapark.org) if you have any further questions or concerns



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## The LEARN Program

Power Up Your Knowledge

**Free Energy Efficiency & Electrification Courses**



Scan the QR code to access the free courses

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Website  
[sandiegolearn.com](http://sandiegolearn.com)

**READY TO LEVEL UP YOUR SKILLS?**  
The LEARN Program offers free energy efficiency & electrification courses through live webinars, on demand training, microlearning, and more!

Whether you're a seasoned pro or just starting out, our short courses are designed to support individuals in upskilling and gaining new knowledge from courses provided by industry leaders.

Don't worry if you don't see what you're looking for - we're adding new courses all the time!

### TOPICS AVAILABLE

- |                                  |                             |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| ✓ Building Design & Construction | ✓ HVAC / Hot Water Systems  |
| ✓ Building Performance           | ✓ Lighting Marketing,       |
| ✓ Commercial / Industrial        | ✓ Finance & Sales Rates,    |
| ✓ Decarbonization                | ✓ Rebates & Incentives      |
| ✓ Electrification                | ✓ Renewable Energy Zero-Net |
| ✓ Energy Codes & Standards       | ✓ Energy ...and more!       |
| ✓ Food Service                   | ✓                           |

The LEARN Program is funded by California utility customers under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission and implemented by RHA (Richard Heath & Associates) under a contract awarded by San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E). Customers who choose to participate in this program are not obligated to purchase any additional services offered by the contractor. The trademarks used herein are the property of their respective owners.



# NONPROFIT FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) is a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Entitlement Grant that the City receives to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for **low- and moderate-income persons**. The City of San Diego Economic Development Department administers these funds to support projects and programs that **serve City of San Diego communities**. Interested nonprofit organizations can apply for this funding via the CDBG Annual NOFA process.

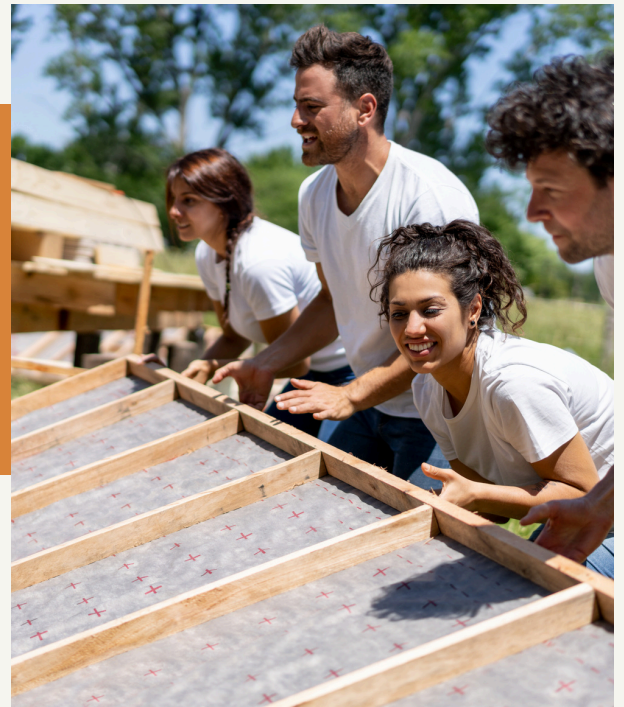
The NOFA consists of two phases: the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) phase and the Request for Proposals (RFP) phase.

Individuals may add their name and contact information to the CDBG email distribution list to receive up-to-date information about the Annual NOFA and other related programs.

Visit [edgrants.force.com](https://edgrants.force.com) to view information on currently open NOFAs and associated resources.

## ASSISTANCE

The [RFQ Checklist](#) is available on the website to help interested organizations prepare all required documents for the release of the CDBG NOFA. The listed requirements will need to be entered into ED Grants once released.



## AT A GLANCE

### RFQ SUBMITTAL

- Closes **November 8, 2024** at 5 p.m.

### RFP SUBMITTAL

- Anticipated release is **December 9, 2024**
- Tentative deadline **January 17, 2025**

## NOT READY YET?

Are you interested in City funding but not quite sure if CDBG is a good fit? We're happy to help you find a program that might be a better match for your organization. From Capacity Building funding to Arts and Culture funding, we want to make sure you are connected in with the right people. Email us at [cdbg@sandiego.gov](mailto:cdbg@sandiego.gov) with a little information about what you're looking for and we can refer you to the correct program.





# GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

## Community Enhancement Program

The Community Enhancement Program funds grants for cultural activities, museums, visitor and convention bureaus, economic development councils, and other similar institutions at the regional and community levels throughout San Diego County. Only nonprofit or government/public agencies operating in San Diego County may apply. Non-profit entities must use County funding for:

- Tourism or economic development
- Services which attract tourists
- Services which create jobs and/or promote a better quality of life

**Grant awards are made throughout the fiscal year and there is no deadline for submitting an application.**

**Award Amount:** Dependent on Project

**Deadline:** Rolling



## Neighborhood Reinvestment Program

The Neighborhood Reinvestment Program provides grant funds to County departments, public agencies, and to non-profit organizations for one-time community, social, environmental, education, cultural or recreational needs. Only non-profit or government/public agencies operating in San Diego County may apply. Non-County government entities may apply to fund projects that benefit the community and enhance the region's quality of life. A higher priority shall be given to requests for capital projects and/or one-time expenses. Non-profit entities must provide services in or more of the following areas:

- Educational/recreational projects for children and/or adults
- Local business and tourism promotional activities
- Arts and cultural programs
- Environmental awareness programs or projects, including maintaining and increasing open space holdings
- Public safety programs including fire protection
- Health and social service initiatives and programs.

**Grant awards are made throughout the fiscal year and there is no deadline for submitting an application.**

**Award Amount:** Dependent on Project

**Deadline:** Rolling



### Community Food Projects Competitive Grant Program

The purpose of the Community Food Projects Competitive Grants Program is to bring together stakeholders from distinct parts of the food system and to foster understanding of national food security trends and how they might improve local food systems. Projects should address food and nutrition security, particularly among the nation's historically underrepresented communities. Two types of grants are available: Community Food Projects and Planning Projects. Community Food Projects grants seek solutions over the longer term rather than focusing on short-term food relief.

**Award Amount:** \$25,000 - \$400,000

**Deadline:** November 7, 2024



### Prebys Sparx Challenge

The Prebys Foundation, in collaboration with Carrot, proudly announces the launch of Prebys Sparx, a groundbreaking challenge aimed at improving youth mental health and well-being across San Diego County. The Prebys Sparx challenge seeks to stimulate innovative solutions that leverage the power of arts, culture, and nature to address mental health challenges among San Diego County's youth. Nonprofit organizations based in or collaborating with local San Diego nonprofits are invited to participate.

**Award Amount:** 1,000,000 to Winner and \$25,000 to 4 Honorable Mentions

**Deadline:** November 7, 2024 to register; December 4, 2024 to submit



### Ending California's Tobacco Epidemic in Every Community

Funding up to 43 local projects with three or more years of demonstrated agency experience and capabilities in tobacco prevention. The purpose of this RFA is to accelerate momentum toward ending California's tobacco epidemic through policy, system, and environmental change strategies by increasing community engagement within populations that have been disproportionately targeted by the tobacco industry.

**Award Amount:** Dependent Upon Amount Requested

**Deadline:** November 8, 2024







**Lorrie Otto Seeds for Education Grant**

The SFE program provides meaningful learning opportunities that connect youth to nature and the Wild Ones mission. For more than 25 years, this vital Wild Ones donor-funded program has provided grants ranging from \$100 to \$500 for native plant gardens and landscaping projects throughout the United States. The funds are designated for acquiring native plants and seeds for outdoor learning areas that engage youth (preschool to high school) directly in planning, planting and caring for native plant gardens.

**Award Amount:** \$100 to \$500

**Deadline:** November 15, 2024



**FY24 WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficient Grant**

This Water and Energy Efficiency Grants Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) provides funding for projects that result in quantifiable water savings, implement renewable energy components, and support broader sustainability benefits. These projects conserve and use water more efficiently; increase the production of renewable energy; mitigate conflict risk in areas at a high risk of future water conflict; and accomplish other benefits that contribute to sustainability in the Western United States.

**Award Amount:** \$5,000,000

**Deadline:** November 13, 2024



**NSF Research Traineeship (NRT) Program**

The NSF Research Traineeship (NRT) program seeks proposals that explore ways for graduate students in research-based master's and doctoral degree programs to develop the skills, knowledge, and competencies needed to pursue a range of STEM careers. The program is dedicated to effective training of STEM graduate students in high priority interdisciplinary or convergent research areas, through a comprehensive traineeship model that is innovative, evidence-based, and aligned with changing workforce and research needs. Researchers at minority serving institutions and emerging research institutions are strongly encouraged to submit proposals.

**Award Amount:** \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000

**Deadline:** November 14, 2024



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### **Museum Grants for American Latino History and Culture**

The Museum Grants for American Latino History and Culture (ALHC) program supports projects that build the capacity of American Latino history and culture museums to serve their communities, and broadly advance the growth and development of a professional workforce in American Latino cultural institutions.

**Award Amount:** \$5,000 to \$500,000

**Deadline:** November 15, 2024



### **Environmental and Climate Justice Community Change Program**

The Environmental and Climate Justice Program (ECJ Program), created by the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) under Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 138, provides funding for financial and technical assistance to carry out environmental and climate justice activities to benefit underserved and overburdened communities. Requires partnership between two community-based non-profit organizations or a CBO and a local government, federally recognized tribe, or an institution of higher learning.

**Award Amount:** Based on Amount Requested

**Deadline:** November 21, 2024



### **Continuum of Care (CoC) Builds**

The Initiative for Supportive Housing Development (INSiDE) NOFO targets efforts within Continuum of Care (CoC) geographic areas to address and reduce homelessness by adding new units of permanent supportive housing (PSH) through new construction, acquisition, or rehabilitation through one-time INSiDE awards under the CoC program. PSH is permanent housing in which supportive services are provided to assist individuals and families experiencing homelessness with a disability to live independently.

**Award Amount:** \$1,000,000 to \$10,000,000

**Deadline:** November 21, 2024







## GRANT OPPORTUNITIES (CONT.)

### The Teagle Foundation: Transfer Pathways to the Liberal Arts

The Teagle Foundation works to support and strengthen liberal arts education in the United States. The Foundation's Transfer Pathways to the Liberal Arts initiative, jointly sponsored with the Arthur Vining Davis Foundations, aims to bring the lifelong benefits of a liberal arts education to students who historically have been excluded from higher education—including low-income students, first-generation students, students of color, and immigrant students—who now constitute the “new majority” of undergraduates and depend on community college as their gateway to higher education. Support is provided for statewide, regional, or academic partnerships between public two-year and private four-year colleges to facilitate transfer and completion of the baccalaureate in the liberal arts. The focus is on building comprehensive curricular frameworks between community colleges and independent colleges and ensuring alignment in learning objectives between lower and upper division coursework, transferability and applicability of credits, and timely completion of the baccalaureate in the liberal arts.

**Award Amount:** Up to \$25,000 for planning and up to \$350,000 for implementation

**Deadline:** December 1, 2024



### Cornerstone: Learning for Living Initiative

The Teagle Foundation invites applications for the Cornerstone: Learning for Living initiative, a grant program to reinvigorate the role of the humanities in general education, and in doing so, expose a broad array of students to the power of the humanities; help students of all backgrounds build a sense of belonging and community; strengthen the coherence and cohesiveness of general education; and increase teaching opportunities for humanities faculty.

**Award Amount:** Up to \$300,000

**Deadline:** December 1, 2024





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### Research Grants for Preventing Firearm-Related Violence and Injuries

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC, Injury Center) is soliciting investigator-initiated research to rigorously evaluate the effectiveness of innovative and promising strategies to prevent all forms of firearm-related violence, injuries, and deaths. Research funded under this announcement will strengthen the evidence base for strategies to keep individuals, families, schools, and communities safe from firearm-related violence, injuries, deaths, and crime.

**Award Amount:** Up to \$650,000

**Deadline:** December 2, 2024



U.S. CENTERS FOR DISEASE  
CONTROL AND PREVENTION

### Brady Education Foundation

The Foundation is currently accepting Research Project (RP) proposals and Existing Program Evaluation (EPE) proposals that have the potential to provide data that will inform how to address disparities in educational opportunities associated with race, ethnicity, and family income.

**Award Amount:** Not Stated

**Deadline:** December 1, 2024



Brady Education Foundation

### Research Grants for Preventing Violence and Violence Related Injury

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) is soliciting investigator-initiated research to support evaluation of innovative programs, practices, or policies to address risk for violence and inequities in risk for violence among groups experiencing a high burden of community violence. Funds are available to conduct studies focused on preventing all forms of community violence involving youth or young adults (ages 10-34 years), including assaults, homicides, violence between groups, and threats/use of weapons.

**Award Amount:** Up to \$400,000

**Deadline:** December 2, 2024



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### **Research Grants for Preventing Interpersonal Violence Impacting Children and Youth**



The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) is soliciting investigator-initiated research to support evaluation of innovative programs, practices, or policies to reduce the risk of violence impacting children or youth (from birth through age 17). Applicants must propose a research project that addresses at least one of the research priorities in the interpersonal violence prevention section of the NCIPC Research Priorities: Cross-cutting violence prevention; Adverse childhood experiences; Child abuse and neglect; Youth violence; Intimate partner violence (including teen dating violence); and Sexual violence.

Award Amount: Up to \$150,000

Deadline: December 2, 2024



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### **Action for Women's Health**



Description: Action for Women's Health is a \$250 million global open call launched by Pivotal that will fund organizations around the world that are improving women's mental and physical health. Each awardee will receive flexible funding between \$1 million and \$5 million USD.

Eligible organizations serve women and have a record of improving women's mental or physical health. They should center equity in their approach and be poised to scale their work to strengthen the health of more women. Organizations from around the world are invited to apply.

Award Amount: \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000

Deadline: December 3, 2024



### **Small Research Grants on Education Program**



The Small Research Grants on Education Program supports education research projects that will contribute to the improvement of education, broadly conceived, with budgets up to \$50,000 for projects ranging from one to five years. We accept applications three times per year.

Award Amount: Up to \$50,000

Deadline: December 4, 2024

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### **Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program Round 1**

Passed in March 2024, Proposition 1 includes Behavioral Health Services Act (SB 326) and the Behavioral Health Infrastructure Bond Act of 2024 (BHIBA) (AB 531). BHIBA is a \$6.38B general obligation bond to develop behavioral health treatment facilities and supportive housing for individuals experiencing mental health and substance use disorders. Of the total amount, DHCS will award up to \$4.4 billion in bond funding for BHCIP competitive grants.

Award Amount: Dependent on Amount Requested

Matching Funds: 10%

Deadline: December 13, 2024



### **Advancing Health Equity through Interventions to Address Housing Instability**

The purpose of this funding opportunity is to support research that advances health equity through development, testing, and evaluation of interventions that prevent and address housing instability. Applications responding to this Notice of Funding Opportunity should develop, test, and/or evaluate the impact of a housing intervention on both health and housing outcome(s). NINR is interested in applications that focus on social determinants of health (SDOH) interventions that modify housing opportunities and/or interventions that address housing instability as a social risk by addressing individual and/or interpersonal-level housing needs.

Award Amount: \$500,000

Deadline: December 13, 2024





# GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

## Clean Energy Careers for All (CEC4A).


The Department of Energy (DOE) announced a new program to fund initiatives aimed at developing a diverse clean energy workforce by targeting a wide variety of groups within science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields. The Clean Energy Careers for All (CEC4A) program will award nearly \$3 million to non-profit educational organizations—including engineering, scientific, and technical societies—to support programs that promote awareness and interest in clean energy careers among K-12 and university students, alumni and academic professionals, veterans, and formerly incarcerated individuals.

Award Amount: First Phase - \$300,000, Second Phase - \$750,000

Deadline: December 13, 2024



## Cannabis Equity Grants Program

 The purpose of the Cannabis Equity Grants Program for Local Jurisdictions is to advance economic justice for populations and communities impacted by cannabis prohibition and the War on Drugs by providing support to local jurisdictions as they promote equity in California and eliminate barriers to enter the newly regulated cannabis industry for equity program applicants and licensees.

Award Amount: Dependent on Amount Requested

Deadline: December 16, 2024





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### **Regional Resilience Innovation Incubator**

This program funds a series of pilot projects that focus on the creation and refinement of solutions to address climate-related societal challenges and leverage recent advances in fundamental climate change and Earth system science research.

Award Amount: Not Stated

Deadline: December 16, 2024



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### **Community Power Accelerator Prize Round 3**

This three-phase \$10 million prize competition fast-tracks the distributed solar power projects of new, emerging, and expanding solar developers and co-developers. Participants receive funding, training, and other important resources to grow successful projects so they can bring solar benefits to their communities.

Award Amount: \$10,000,000

Deadline: December 17, 2024



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
**ENERGY**



### **Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program (SHOP)**

This SHOP NOFO announces the availability of \$12,000,000 in FY 2024 SHOP Grant funds to be awarded to national and regional non-profit organizations and consortia to facilitate and encourage innovative homeownership opportunities on a national, geographically diverse basis through the provision of self-help homeownership housing programs.

Award Amount: \$1,145,000 to \$12,000,000

Deadline: December 17, 2024





# GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

## Consumer Recycling Education and Outreach (REO) Grant Program



The Consumer Recycling Education and Outreach grant program aims to fund projects that will meet the following objectives and reduce greenhouse gases: decrease wasted food from households, expand markets for and sales of compost, inform the public about new or existing residential food waste composting programs, provide information about the materials that are accepted as part of a residential food waste composting program, and increase collection rates and decrease physical contamination in residential food waste composting programs.

Award Amount: \$34,094,000

Deadline: December 20, 2024



## Walmart Spark Good Local Grants



Description: Walmart believes that strengthening local communities creates value for business as well as society. Each year, Walmart U.S. stores, Sam's Clubs and Distribution Centers award local cash grants ranging from \$250 to \$5000. These local grants are designed to address the unique needs of the communities where we operate.

Award Amount: \$250 to \$5,000

Deadline: December 31, 2024



## Brooks and Joan Fortune Family Foundation



The Brooks and Joan Fortune Family Foundation was established to support education and the arts. While the Foundation has historically supported nonprofit organizations in Florida and Indiana, requests from around the country are considered. The Foundation primarily supports education, art, and outreach programs and projects. In general, the Foundation desires to support specific activities that result in a defined outcome rather than general operating funds or fundraising campaigns.

Award Amount: Not Stated

Deadline: December 31, 2024



## Funding Opportunities



To see more funding opportunities, visit the [Communities LEAP Funding Database](#).

### The Climate Initiative: Youth Action Grants



The mission of The Climate Initiative (TCI) is to empower youth voices for climate action. TCI's Youth Action Grants provide support to youth organizations and individuals for youth-led, community-based action projects that empower youth ages 13-23 to develop climate solutions in their local landscape. The goal is to encourage youth to take action within their communities to better mitigate climate challenges, foster climate change discussion and education, and provide young people with the necessary resources to fill the gaps of climate adaptation in their communities.

**Award Amount:** Up to \$2,500

**Deadline:** Rolling



**The Climate Initiative**

### Can'd Aid Crush it Crusade



Can'd Aid is a national nonprofit that rallies volunteers from all walks of life to build thriving communities. The Crush it Crusade provides recycling bins, training on how to launch and manage a recycling program, and the seed funding needed to help get recycling programs off the ground in communities throughout the United States. Funding can be used for products, staff/volunteer training, temporarily subsidizing hauling expenses, and various supplies needed to get a recycling program off the ground.

**Award Amount:** Generally, \$5,000 to \$10,000

**Deadline:** Rolling





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### **Americana Foundation: American Heritage**

The Americana Foundation's American Heritage program area supports projects and programs throughout the United States that seek to broaden the inclusivity of early American art and the early American historical narrative to "tell the full story of" the American experience. The Foundation seeks to support organizations and projects that elevate those whose perspectives have been traditionally underrepresented, especially people of color, Indigenous people, and women. Examples of eligible projects include interpretation or reinterpretation of art, decorative arts, or other objects of early American material culture ("Americana") and their placement on public display for the appreciation and understanding of present and future generations; internships, fellowships, apprenticeships, and other career development opportunities for people interested in the curation, conservation, preservation, or restoration of Americana; and exhibits, visual media, interactive experiences, and other educational programs that contribute to better understanding or "tell the full story" of the American experience. (The Foundation's Agriculture and Food Systems and Natural Resources program areas provide support in Michigan.)

**Award Amount:** \$10,000 to \$25,000

**Deadline:** Rolling

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## **CAPACITY BUILDING RESOURCES**



- **Digital Assessment Tool:** Discover your nonprofit's path to digital transformation — for free with TechSoup's Digital Assessment Tool (DAT) to identify your needs and find the best resources to meet them.
- **National Center for Cultural Competence:** The mission of the NCCC is to increase the capacity of health care and mental health care programs to design, implement, and evaluate culturally and linguistically competent service delivery systems to address growing diversity, persistent disparities, and to promote health and mental health equity.
- **How to Build a Truly Inclusive Nonprofit Volunteer Program:** Writers [Faiza Venzant](#) and [Mark Hager](#) dive into the challenges and best practices for developing a diverse volunteer program.





# Civic Engagement in the Promise Zone

In the San Diego Promise Zone, civic engagement plays a pivotal role in addressing the challenges residents face. It's not merely a process; it's a lifeline for residents to actively participate in the decision-making processes that directly impact their lives. By involving residents in understanding the unique issues that the Promise Zone faces, such as economic inequalities and educational gaps, civic engagement allows for the co-creation of effective strategies tailored to the community's specific needs.

[WATCH CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS](#)

[WATCH COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETINGS](#)



## Get It Done

Simple and easy to connect with the City:

- Report non-emergency problems
- Schedule appointments
- Obtain information

[sandiego.gov/get-it-done](https://sandiego.gov/get-it-done)

or download your mobile app today!

"Get It Done San Diego"



## How to vote: Your guide to casting a ballot in San Diego County

Election Day is Nov. 5! As you consider your ballot, get your voting questions answered. For voting resources, information, or to apply to work the polls, [click here.](#)





### VOTE

AT YOUR CITY HALL

BALLOT DROP BOX OPEN  
OCTOBER 8 THROUGH  
NOVEMBER 5, 2024 AT 8:00 P.M.

 Office of the City Clerk

 **202 C STREET**  
SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

## Blueprint SD

Blueprint SD is using the best available data to identify areas for more homes and jobs that are connected to convenient and affordable options to walk, bike, and ride transit to meet daily needs. [Learn more about this strategy.](#)

# **APPLY TO THE CONSOLIDATED PLAN ADVISORY BOARD**



*If you are a community member interested in being involved with policy-making decisions, including reviewing Community Development Block Grant applications, please consider volunteering for this Board.*

- Would you like to help award over \$8 million in grant funds to nonprofits annually?
- Do you often wonder how you can support business development, infrastructure improvements, services and housing for your community?
- Do you want to share your expertise, lived experience or insight to improve access to opportunities?

**If you said "yes" to any of these questions, please keep reading!**

The Consolidated Plan Advisory Board (CPAB) is composed of nine (9) members who represent each City Council District. Board members may represent the following areas of interest and expertise: affordable housing, homelessness, disability services, neighborhood revitalization, social service, fair housing, accounting, auditing, economic development, general contracting, legal, nonprofit management, and low- to moderate-income persons.

Currently, there are Board vacancies for the positions representing Council Districts 1 (LaCava), 4 (Foster), 6 (Lee), and 9 (Elo-Rivera).

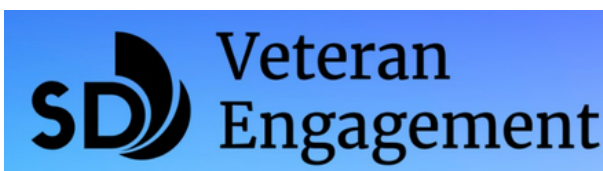
For more info or to apply, click [here](#).

# CITY SPOTLIGHT ON CITY JOBS



Looking for a career that combines public service, personal growth, and stability? The City of San Diego might be your perfect match. City employees contribute to essential services that improve life in San Diego, from keeping parks beautiful to enhancing public safety. More than a job, it's a chance to make a real impact while enjoying great benefits and professional growth.

The City offers structured advancement programs, mentorship, and training designed to open doors to leadership. Plus, the Career Advancement rule encourages you to explore new roles as you grow. The City's benefits are extensive—comprehensive health coverage, retirement plans, wellness programs, and entry-level roles like Management Trainee and Administrative Aide positions provide solid steppingstones for those new to public service.



Applying can feel daunting, but the City's Employment Information Sessions, held at San Diego libraries, offer guidance on everything from resume tips to interview prep, making the process approachable and fair.

Additionally, veterans in the City's workforce find a strong, supportive community thanks to Jon Aasted, a Navy service member and the City's Veteran Engagement Coordinator. Jon has been dedicated to enhancing veteran recruitment by connecting veterans with roles that match their skills through programs like SkillBridge, which eases the transition to government careers. Beyond recruitment, Jon fosters camaraderie among veteran employees by organizing community-building events and establishing the City of San Diego Veterans Association, a network that strengthens connections and support among veterans and military spouses within the City.

**Ready to take the leap? Check out job opportunities with the City of San Diego and start a career with purpose and potential.**

Explore career opportunities with the **City of San Diego's Personnel Department**.

Connect with:

**Jon Aasted, Veteran Engagement Coordinator**, on [LinkedIn](#) or at [JAasted@sandiego.gov](mailto:JAasted@sandiego.gov)

**Edgar Portilla, Program Coordinator**, on [LinkedIn](#)

Start your next career journey today!



**Open to the Public!** Upcoming Career Fairs and Events

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OCT**

Grossmont College Career Expo/Job Fair  
Location: 8800 Grossmont College Drive  
San Diego, CA 92020

**11am - 2pm**

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NOV**

The City of San Diego Personnel Department - Invites You!  
Learn about available jobs and the application process.  
Location: **Logan Heights Public Library**  
567 South 28th Street San Diego CA 92113

**3 pm - 4 pm**

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NOV**

The City of San Diego Personnel Department - Invites You!  
Learn about available jobs and the application process.  
Location: **San Diego Central Public Library**  
330 Park Boulevard, San Diego CA 92101

**1 pm - 2pm**

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The City of San Diego Personnel Department - Invites You!  
Learn about available jobs and the application process.  
Location: **College-Rolando Public Library**  
6600 Montezuma Road, San Diego CA 92115

**2 pm - 3 pm**

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San Diego Police Department:  
Women's Hiring Expo  
Location: SDPD Police Plaza  
4020 Murphy Canyon Rd, San Diego, CA 92123

**8am - 12pm**

**Any questions?**

Email us at: [jobs@sandiego.gov](mailto:jobs@sandiego.gov)

# Winter Civics

## Internship and Training Program

February 11th–March 20th, 2025

QR CODE & LINK TO APPLY!



<https://bttr.im/mc309>



## About the Program

### Virtual Program Hours:

- Tues & Thurs: 4-6pm
- Wed: 3-6pm

### Required In Person Dates:

- February: 12th
- March: 5th, 13th, 19th, 20th

**Work up to 10-15 hours per week!**

**By the end of this program, Interns will have a portfolio containing:**

- ✓ Cover Letter and Resume
- ✓ Professional Email Templates
- ✓ LinkedIn Learning Profile
- ✓ Elevator Pitch and Interview Skills

**Hourly Rate:** \$19.47

**Open to Ages:** 16-30

**Limited space available! Don't wait!**

**Application Deadline: December 20th**

# JOB BOARD



## Literacy Tutor/Learner Coordinator

Literacy Tutor/Learner Coordinator positions conduct data collection and assessment to achieve measurable outcomes; coordinate volunteer tutors; volunteers; promote the program to community agencies. [Apply here.](#)



## Field Representative

Field Representative positions conduct routine field investigations in response to citizen complaints regarding City services; resolve customer issues/complaints; inspect businesses for proper licensing and conformance with City ordinances; enforce City codes; and perform other duties as assigned. [Apply here.](#)



## Mental Health Specialist

Serve as a liaison between a mental health service provider and individuals suffering from serious mental illness by providing a variety of services including counseling and case management. [Apply here.](#)



## Community Inclusion Professional

Support a small group (usually a 1:3 ratio) using person-centered approaches, advocacy, and empowerment strategies to foster full engagement in the community of their choice. [Apply here.](#)

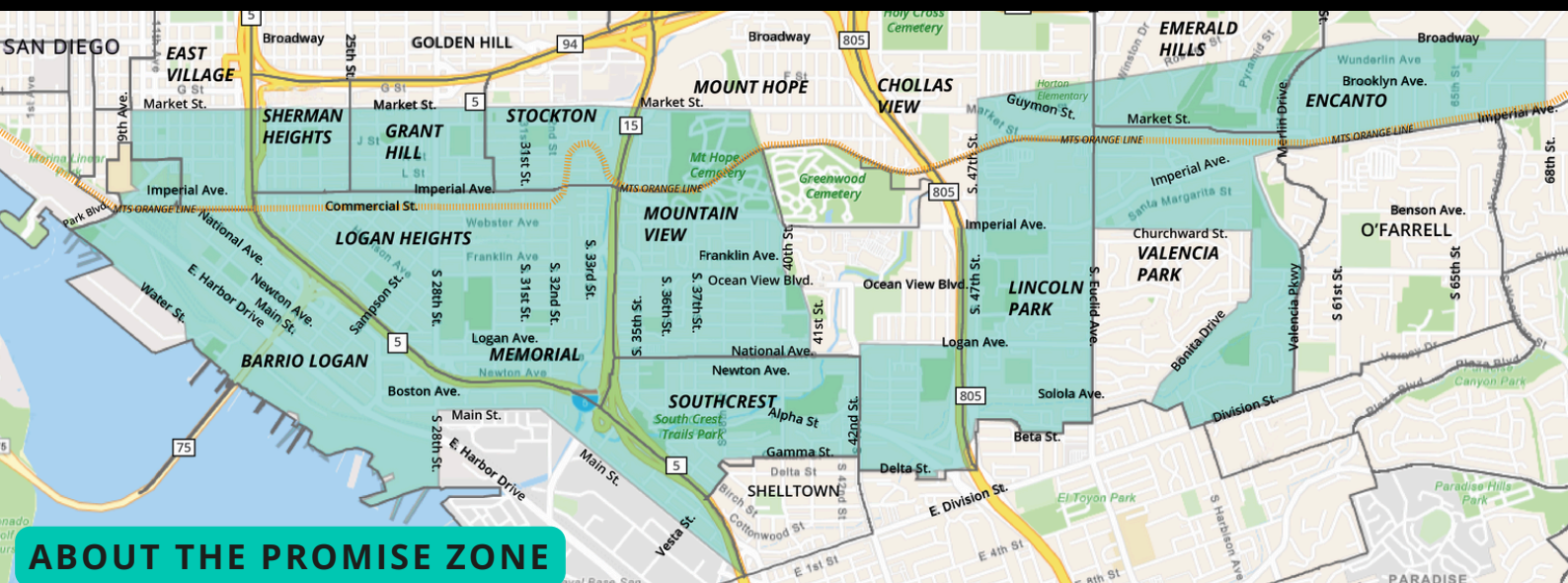
**Looking for more roles? Check out additional job boards:**

**City of San Diego – [Personnel Job Board](#)**

**San Diego Workforce Partnership – [Job Board](#)**

**San Diego Regional EDC – [Job Board](#)**





### ABOUT THE PROMISE ZONE

In 2016, the San Diego Promise Zone became one of 22 federally designated Promise Zones in the United States and one of only four in California. The San Diego Promise Zone covers a 6.4-square-mile targeted area with more than 80,000 residents that spans East Village and Barrio Logan east to Encanto. It is home to the City's most culturally rich and ethnically diverse neighborhoods, but also some of the most under-resourced communities.

Through the Promise Zone initiative, community-based organizations, direct service providers, residents, and business owners work with government agencies to enhance collective impact, streamline resources, and deliver comprehensive support.

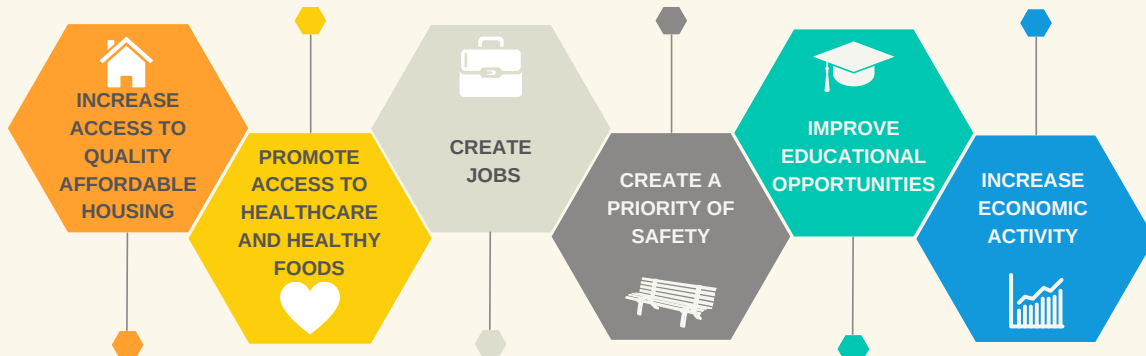
Between 2016 and 2021, the unemployment rate decreased from 14.9% to 6.7%, and the poverty rate fell from 38.3% to 22.1% (ACS, 2016-21). We recognize there are many factors that contribute to these numbers. We do know that in the 8 years since the designation, targeted efforts from the city and CBOs have supported improvement in these areas; However, we recognize there is still plenty of work to do to continue advocating for our Promise Zone residents.

### WORKING GROUP GOALS

- Increase access to healthy foods
- Improve access to healthcare
- Support opportunities for active transportation and active living

- Dialogue with residents
- Create environments conducive to learning and working
- Improve infrastructure

- Increase and improve access to capital



- Create and preserve affordable housing
- Support renters, first-time homebuyers, and people without housing

- Cultivate opportunities for career exploration, applied learning, and youth leadership
- Create meaningful summer employment experiences for teenagers

- Increase the number of students meeting school readiness and grade-level expectations
- Increase educational and career supports for Opportunity Youth

# Stay Connected to the **SD PromiseZone**



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