December 2024

Save the Date! All-Partner

Meeting

Thursday, <u>De</u>cember 5

2:00-4:00 PM

SD Promise Zone 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"

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Pictured: Roosevelt Williams III as Santa at UCP's Holiday Celebration in 2023



A MESSAGE TO OUR PARTNERS

FROM THE PROMISE ZONE STAFF

Hello and happy December!

We are excited to connect with you at our **All-Partner Meeting** on Thursday, December 5, from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM at **San Diego Made Factory**. This meeting will provide an overview of accomplishments from the past year and priorities for the new year, plus an opportunity to contribute to the City's Broadband Master Plan. Please click **here** to register, and bring a non-perishable food item to donate, if able.

This month, our Community Spotlight shines on **Shellie Baxter**, founder of Our Genetic Legacy, whose work preserves and uplifts the legacy of BIPOC communities. Her efforts are a powerful reminder of the importance of storytelling and representation in shaping a more inclusive history for future generations.

Thank you for being part of this impactful journey. Together, we're building stronger, more resilient communities. Let's close out this year on a high note and prepare for an exciting 2025 ahead!

With gratitude, San Diego Promise Zone

PROMISE ZONE IN THE NEWS

OPEN AND SHUT: LINCOLN BLASTS CATHEDRAL CATHOLIC TO WIN SAN DIEGO'S TOP FOOTBALL TITLE

<u>MORE JANUARY</u> <u>FLOOD VICTIMS TO</u> <u>RECEIVE FINANCIAL</u> <u>ASSISTANCE FROM</u> <u>SAN DIEGO</u> <u>HOUSING</u> <u>COMMISSION</u>

BORDER X BREWING IN BARRIO LOGAN COULD POTENTIALLY CLOSE BY END OF 2024

NEW AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMING TO EAST VILLAGE PLEASE JOIN US FOR A SAN DIEGO PROMISE ZONE

ALL-PARTNER MEETING

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2024

SAN DIEGO MADE FACTORY 2031 COMMERCIAL ST, SAN DIEGO

2:00 - 4:00 PM

- BRING A NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEM TO DONATE
- MEET CO-CHAIRS AND GET WORKING GROUP UPDATES
- LEARN ABOUT THE BROADBAND MASTER PLAN
- SHARE SUCCESSES AND NETWORK WITH PARTNERS

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We hope to see you at the **All-Partner Meeting on Dec. 5** in lieu of working group meetings this month. Working Group meetings will resume in January.

SD PromiseZone WORKING GROUP UPDATES

Jobs and Education & Economic Activity

During the month of November, the Jobs & Education and Economic Activity Working Groups held a joint Digital Equity Focus Group. Freny Cooper and Sam Waddoups from CTC Technology & Energy were our hosts for this meeting as they took questions from the assembled participants regarding how to bridge the digital divide and improve internet accessibility in the Promise Zone. Common issues brought up by the Working Group on behalf of the residents of the Promise Zone were the lack of access to home computers, expense of internet service, spotty coverage in certain areas, restrictive data caps on affordable plans, and false advertising regarding internet speeds. Freny, Sam, and the City of San Diego's Access 4 All team appreciated this feedback and will look to integrate it into their digital equity plans going forward. More information about this focus group and how the information will influence the development of the City's Broadband Master Plan will be shared at the All-Partner Meeting on Dec. 5.

For more information about the Jobs & Education working group, please reach out to **Donika Moreno**, donikam@sandiego.gov, or **Ronah Fe Famorcan**,RFFamorcan@sandiego.gov. For more information about the Economic Activity working group, reach out to **Domanic Riley**, Driley@sandiego.gov.

Healthy Communities

During the Nov. 14 working group meeting, **Casey Ng** from **FoodShed Co-op**, a farmer-owned food hub in City Heights, shared their initiatives and 'theory of change' principle, and **Families For Safe Streets San Diego** chapter founder **Laura Keenan** presented on the World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims, and their 3 major asks to improve the safety of walking and biking routes to schools, which you can find here. In the Jan. 9 meeting, we will share several community and home gardening resources that our VISTAs **Zachary Engberg** (zengberg@sandiego.gov) and **Bex Nava-McClellan** (rnavamcclell@sandiego.gov) developed.

Housing Affordability

During the October 31 Housing Affordability meeting, Karen Clay from the Flood Food Relief Committee discussed disaster food needs and flood zone mapping for the Promise Zone. Megan Emme and Michele Marano from HUD introduced the Developer's Forum to address affordable housing challenges through collaboration. The group also advanced their logic model. The next meeting is Wednesday, January 8 at 10:00 AM. For more information, reach out to **Oscar Silva**, <u>OSilva@sandiego.gov.</u>

Community Spotlight:

Shellie Baxter, founder of Our Genetic Legacy, is an inspiring advocate for understanding history through the lens of personal and ancestral stories. Born and raised in San Diego, Shellie has always had a strong sense of family, which led her to embark on a life-changing journey into genealogy.

In 2005, while planning a family reunion, her grandmother suggested that she trace their family tree. This moment sparked a deep interest in ancestry and eventually led Shellie to become a genetic genealogist. In 2018, Shellie founded Our Genetic Legacy to address her frustration with the lack of representation for BIPOC communities in historical narratives.



She aims to empower Black and Brown families to tell their own stories, while also providing the tools to trace their personal histories. She stresses that looking back at your family history can strengthen one's identity and provide the foundation to achieve whatever dreams you may have. Shellie works closely with students, especially those who may feel lost or disconnected from their cultural roots. She encourages them to embrace their American identity while staying true to their heritage, helping them understand that being American means being able to be all of who you are. One of her proudest moments was when a student, inspired by Shellie's teachings, went on to become a drone pilot.

At the heart of Our Genetic Legacy is Shellie's mission to educate and empower young people, especially those from historically marginalized communities. She believes that by looking at the histories of BIPOC families and communities, students can better understand their own identities. Shellie's organization helps students build virtual museums to share their discoveries with others, ensuring that these histories are not kept hidden but are shared with pride.

She is committed to bridging gaps in historical education, giving students access to the resources they need to understand their legacies. Through her work, Shellie is creating a ripple effect, inspiring young people to research their family histories, share their stories, and recognize the power of knowing where they come from.

Shellie Baxter's mission is clear: empowering individuals to trace their history, embrace their identity, and share their legacies with the world.

To dive deeper into Shellie Baxter's inspiring journey and groundbreaking work, visit <u>Our Genetic Legacy</u> and uncover the stories waiting to be told. Submit your nomination for the next Community Spotlight by clicking <u>here</u>!



December 9

Sherman Heights Community Center 2258 Island Ave. San Diego, CA 92102 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

FINANCIAL WELLNESS

National Homeowner's Day (December 26) is recognized and promoted in the month of December, highlighting the impact and benefits of owning a home. Learn how to maintain your finances and work towards homeownership through these webinars and events:



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



Take a few minutes to hear about the best financial wellness home buying tips.



Watch this video to learn the difference between pre-qualification and pre-approval.



Protect your home from the unpredictable through a webinar in partnership with Wawanesa Insurance.

RELATED EVENTS

The CFPB Financial Education Exchange (FinEx) is hosting a webinar on Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM.

> Consumer Financial Protection Bureau

Join to gain a perspective on the ways people use banks based on a 2023 FDIC Survey. Register for the online event <u>here</u>.

Learn about fair housing basics with Legal Aid Society of San Diego and what rights and responsibilities you have when it comes to antidiscrimination laws.



Wednesday, Dec. 11, 3:00-4:00 p.m. online. Register <u>here</u>.

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



National Tax Security Awareness Week

The **Internal Revenue Service (IRS)** is working with the <u>Security Summit Partners</u> to bring awareness to tax scams from **Dec. 2-6**, urging taxpayers to be wary of scams and protect their personal information.`

The IRS invites you to learn key strategies to keep you, your household, and your friends safe from financial scams! Click the flyer below to attend the meeting:



WEEK HIGHLIGHTS (December 2-December 6)

Cyber Monday: Beware of phishing as part of online safety.

Tuesday: Don't fall for schemes, misinformation on social media.

Wednesday: Get an IP PIN and IRS Online Account.

Thursday: Update digital security to protect businesses and customers.

Friday: Tax pros need to maintain heightened awareness.

Learn more about National Tax Security Awareness Week <u>here</u>.

Don't get hooked by holiday scams.

Get tips to protect yourself during National Tax Security Awareness Week.

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irs.gov/securitysummit

Be cautious of scammers targeting your disaster donations. Check before you give.

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P A R T N E R A N N O U N C E M E N T S

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.



Lincoln Visions

Lincoln Vision is a retrospective art showcase featuring the creative talents of Lincoln High School students. Celebrate opening night on **December 4 at 4:00 PM at the Central Library Teen Center.** This inspiring event is organized by Lincoln High School's Visual Arts Department, celebrating the vibrant artistic expressions of its students.

Light Up Logan

"Light Up Logan" is a **FREE** festive holiday celebration in the heart of Logan Heights! Join on **December 6 at 4:00 PM at 2995 Commercial St.** for an unforgettable evening filled with joy, community spirit, and holiday cheer. This event warmly welcomes residents and visitors to come together and celebrate the season. For more details, click <u>here</u>.

Winter Wonderland

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Attention San Diego families! Get ready for Winter Wonderland 2024 at its exciting new location, Jacobs Center - Market Creek Plaza! Attend on **Saturday, December 14, from 4:00 to 8:00 PM at 310 Euclid Ave** for a magical evening of festive fun. Don't miss out—<u>RSVP here</u> and be part of the holiday celebration!

We post partner events to our <u>City Calendar website.</u> If you would like us to post your event, please fill out our <u>Submission Form</u>. The form is also available on our <u>website</u>. <u>Promise</u> <u>Zone</u> <u>Calendar</u>

November 2024







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.









ADY LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

In-person - Free

- This program focuses on:
- Mentorship, Leadership Development,
- Historical and Cultural Literacy, Scholarships and Money for College,
- College Tours.
- National Urban League Youth Summit (Travel out of Town & Stay on a college campus with 300 plus
- students) National Case Competitions, and
- Career Preparation & Exploration
 Social Justice & Public Speaking
 Incentives, Swag, Gift Cards, and Money for College
- Contact Kea Hagan at: 619.266.6265; kea@sdul.org



https://form.jotform.com/241286464318157

Caregiver Resources

Do you have questions about the Southern Caregiver Resource Center (SCRC)'s free services for family caregivers? Join SCRC at Logan Heights Library on the second Thursday of every month from 3-5pm. Staff will offer information and caregiving resources in the lobby.

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<u>Promise</u> Zone Calendar



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 briana@balboapark.org

foreverbalboapark.org



FOREVER BALBOA PARK



ANTS & CHAPTS FOR ADOL15

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





Still-life Acrylic Painting

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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

E-mail

The digital reservation form can be obtained and submitted via email at

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.

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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

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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 <u>North County Transit</u> <u>District</u> (NCTD) services for FREE with a Youth PRONTO app account, or a Youth PRONTO card. The <u>Youth Opportunity Pass</u> 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.**





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

YOU MAY QUALIFY FOR ACCESS TO

TRAINING & JOB PLACEMENT WITHIN THE HEALTCARE 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 Mentorship
- Case management
- Job Placement **Resume support**
- LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE

CONTACT

Pedro Estrada Jr, Career Pathway Case Manager pestrada@MAACproject.org, 619.746.3912





APPLY TODAY!

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Baking 💥

Jobs as prep cook, line cook, pantry cook, garde mange Dual-Instruction: 3 weeks on-campus class followed by 11 months On-the-Job Training + once-a-week classes

Foundational Skills: cake decorating, food safety and sanitation, pastry making, cookies, piping skills,

Timeline - Front-Loaded: 10 weeks on-campus training + 10 months e-Job Training Potential jobs as a baking assistant, decorator, pastry cook,

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Customer Service

Foundational Skills: customer and guest services, event

Apply Now!

Jobs as dishwasher, steward, prep cook

HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES PRESENTS

Baby Steps CLASS INFORMATION

Currently all HDS services can be accessed virtually from the comfort of your home at no cost. For further details or to schedule a class call: (619)515-2406.

Monday: 2:40pm - 3:40pm (0-6 months) Thursday: 9:00am -10:00am (0-6 months)

Friday: 10:40am - 11:40am (7-11 months)

"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.

nent Services Central Region 2044 First Ave Suite 200 San Diego, CA 92101 (619) 515-2406









EDUCATION

MANAGING STRESS DURING THE HOLIDAYS HOST: San Diego Housing Commission (Power of One)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2024 1:00PM - 2:00PM

VIRTUAL EVENT/ZOOM ID: 830 0276 6872



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619-825-8388 LIVE WELL For More Information www.steppinghigher.org



House of Hospitality

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EVELOPMENT

Facility Maintenance Volunteer Program

Volunteers will be trained by and work alongside the Forever Balboa the common areas and the facilities of the House of Hospitality, a historically significant building in Balboa Park. This position allows

FRIDAY MORNINGS



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

program, please scan the QR code and fill



WWW.FOREVERBALBOAPARK.ORG/

Racial Justice Assessment Tool and the Racial Justice, Equity and Inclusion Survey

This survey is anonymous, has 34 questions, and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete.

SURVEYMONKEY.COM/R/HVBXS73

ALLIANCE FOR REGIONAL SOLUTIONS RACIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE



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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

TAGS: Jobs & Education/Healthy Communities/Economic Activity

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

TAGS: Jobs & Education/Healthy Communities/Economic Activity





The Promise Zone can support the Partner grant applications by providing a Letter of Support! Reach out to our Grants and Research Associates, **Zachary Engberg**, at <u>zengberg@sandiego.gov</u> or **Domanic Riley** at <u>DRiley@sandiego.gov</u>for more information!

Fusenot Foundation

The Foundation makes annual contributions to a wide spectrum of existing charities in the State of California as required by its Charter. During its short existence, the Foundation has helped hundreds of needy persons; helped to improve hospitals and medical care; aided students to establish careers to music and the active arts; it has been of direct help to the blind and afflicted and physically and mentally helpless of our State.

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Award Amount: Not Stated Deadline: Rolling TAGS: Healthy Communities, Jobs & Education, Economic Activity

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 TAGS: Healthy Communities

<u>Advancing Health Equity through Interventions to</u> <u>Address Housing Instability</u>

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 TAGS: Healthy Communities













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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 TAGS: Jobs & Education



Interagency Working Group on Coal & Power Plant Communities & Economic Revitalization

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 **TAGS:** Jobs & Education/Healthy Communities



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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 climaterelated societal challenges and leverage recent advances in fundamental climate change and Earth system science research.

Award Amount: Not Stated Deadline: December 16, 2024 TAGS: Healthy Communities

<u>Community Power Accelerator Prize Round 3</u>

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 TAGS: Healthy Communities

<u>Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program</u> (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 **TAGS:** Housing Affordability











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GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

<u>Consumer Recycling Education and Outreach</u> (<u>REO) Grant Program</u>

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

TAGS: Healthy Communities

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 **TAGS:** Healthy Communities/Jobs & Education

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 TAGS: Healthy Communities













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Healthy Communities

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

<u>Boys and Girls Foundation Grant</u>

The Mission of the Boys and Girls Foundation is to identify, support or create programs, which provide preventative services or direct care to at-risk and underserved youth in San Diego County.

As granters, The Boys and Girls Foundation prefers to: Make direct contributions to non-profit organizations who provide programs, projects or services to at-risk and underserved youth in San Diego County. Make single-year grants rather than multi-year commitments. Provide funding for local start-up organizations.

Provide camp scholarships through our Boys and Girls Go to Camp voucher program.

Award Amount: Not Stated Deadline: February 1, 2025 TAGS: Healthy Communities Boys And Girls Foundation

Economic Activity

<u>Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for</u> <u>Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP) Partnership</u> <u>Grants</u>

The GEAR UP program is a discretionary grant program that encourages eligible entities to provide support, and maintain a commitment, to eligible students from low-income backgrounds, including students with disabilities, to assist the students in obtaining a secondary school diploma (or its recognized equivalent) and to prepare for and succeed in postsecondary education. Under the GEAR UP program, the Department awards grants to two types of entities: (1) States and (2) Partnerships consisting of at least one degree-granting institution of higher education (IHE) and at least one local educational agency (LEA). **Award Amount:** \$5,000,000

Deadline: February 3, 2025

TAGS: Jobs & Education, Public Institution





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GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Landmarks of American History and Culture

Description: The Landmarks of American History and Culture program supports a series of one-week residential, virtual, and combined format workshops across the nation to enhance how K-12 educators and higher education faculty and humanities professionals incorporate place-based approaches to humanities teaching and scholarship.

Award Amount: \$1 to \$190,000 Deadline: February 12, 2025 TAGS: Jobs & Education

HHS Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students (SDS) program increases diversity in the health professions and nursing workforce by providing awards to eligible health professional training institutes for use in awarding scholarships to students from disadvantaged backgrounds who have financial need, including students who are members of racial and ethnic minority groups.

Award Amount: Not Stated Deadline: February 19, 2025 TAGS: Jobs & Education



FY25 Minerva Research Initiative University Research Program

Minerva's University Research program aims to support innovative basic research projects that contribute to the advancement of social science and provides new methods and understandings on social and behavioral questions of security and defense-related interest. **Award Amount:** \$1,000,000 to \$30,000,000 **Deadline:** February 28, 2025 **TAGS:** Jobs & Education

U.S. Department of Defense

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 elp get recycling programs off the ground in communities foughout 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 **TAGS:** Healthy Communities



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 **TAGS:** Jobs & Education



Funding Opportunities



To see more funding opportunities, visit the Communities LEAP Funding Database.

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The Promise Zone can support the Partner grant applications by providing a Letter of Support.

Reach out to our Grants and Research Associates, **Zachary Engberg** at <u>zengberg@sandiego.gov</u> or **Domanic Riley** at <u>DRiley@sandiego.gov</u>for more information!

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 TAGS: Jobs & Education

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CAPACITY BUILDING RESOURCES

- **<u>Digital Assessment Tool</u>**: 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 <u>Venzant</u> and <u>Mark Hager</u> 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

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Get It Done

Simple and easy to connect with the City:

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

sandiego.gov/get-it-done
or download your mobile app today!
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Community Listening Sessions for Trash Collection and Fees

The City of San Diego is entering Phase 2 of community sessions to improve trash collection and discuss potential fees. These meetings will include an overview of resident priorities and service comparisons, followed by an open house for feedback. Join the conversation, attend an open house!

Mobility Master Plan

The City of San Diego has released the revised **Draft Mobility Master Plan**, shaped by community feedback from a year of outreach efforts. Residents are encouraged to review the plan and **submit comments** on the Mobility Master Plan webpage before it heads to the City Council for final approval in coming months.

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. <u>Learn more</u> <u>about this strategy.</u>

City Spotlight: "Daylighting" to Save Lives

Starting January 1, 2025, San Diego will enforce a **new state law** aimed at improving pedestrian safety by increasing visibility at crosswalks. Known as the **"daylighting" law**, this regulation prohibits parking within 20 feet of marked or unmarked crosswalks, ensuring drivers have a clear view of pedestrians, cyclists, and others crossing intersections. Assembly Bill 413 (AB413), passed in September 2023, applies even in areas without red curbs or signage indicating parking restrictions. Drivers in violation of the law can be ticketed regardless of markings.



The goal of the daylighting law is to reduce accidents by ensuring clear sightlines for drivers approaching intersections. Keeping crosswalks unobstructed helps protect pedestrians, skateboarders, cyclists, and others who rely on safe road crossings.

To help the community adapt, San Diego Police will issue warning notices for the first 60 days starting January 1, 2025. Once this period ends, full enforcement will begin, and drivers who park too close to intersections risk receiving citations. Currently, enforcement only applies to areas with designated no-parking zones, such as red curbs or signs. However, this law grants local jurisdictions the authority to issue tickets for parking violations near any crosswalk, marked or unmarked.



San Diego officials encourage drivers to familiarize themselves with the law to avoid fines and contribute to safer streets. Stay tuned for updates on the implementation of AB413 as the City moves forward with its plan to make crosswalks safer for everyone. The City of SAN DIEGO

Environmental Services Department

Dec. 26 – Jan. 23 Drop off trees during daylight hours only

Residential Customers ONLY

Sorry...

- NO Ornaments, Lights or Tree Stands
- NO Plastic Bags or Trash
- NO Commercial or Fundraising Trees

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Drop-off sites are listed on next page.

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For more information on the Christmas Tree Recycling Program and holiday waste reduction tips, contact the City of San Diego's Environmental Services Department Recycling Hotline at 858-694-7000 or www.recyclingworks.com

The City of SAN DIEGO

Residential Christmas Tree Recycling Drop-off Sites

Carmel Valley	Carmel Valley Recreation Center, 3777 Townsgate Drive (lower parking lot)
Encanto	Cielo Drive at Woodman Street
Golden Hill	Golden Hill Recreation Center, 2600 Golf Course Drive
Logan Heights	Memorial Recreation Center, 2902 Marcy Ave.
Mission Bay	SeaWorld Drive at Pacific Highway
Mountain View	Ocean View Blvd @ 40 th Street (north side)
Oak Park	Chollas Lake, 6350 College Grove Drive (Gloria's Mesa parking lot)
Ocean Beach	Robb Field Recreation Center, 2525 Bacon St.
Otay Mesa/Nestor	Montgomery Waller Community Park (lower parking lot on the southeast corner of Palm Avenue and Beyer Boulevard)
Pacific Beach	Kate Sessions Park, Mount Soledad Rd.
Rancho Bernardo	Rancho Bernardo Recreation Center, 18448 West Bernardo Drive
Rancho Peñasquitos	Canyonside Recreation Center, 12350 Black Mountain Road
SDSU	Parking Lot 17 off of Alvarado Rd.
Scripps Ranch	Scripps Ranch Recreation Center, 11454 Blue Cypress Drive
Tierrasanta	Tierrasanta Community Park (Pool Parking Lot), 11220 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.
University City	Standley Community Park (Parking lot) 3585 Governor Drive

JOB BOARD

SAN DIEGO Literacy Tutor/Le

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. <u>Apply</u> <u>here.</u>

SAN DIEGO Field Representation

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. <u>Apply</u> <u>here.</u>



Communications Associate VISTA

Looking to gain valuable experience, elevate San Diego, and build strong connections? Serve for a year as an <u>AmeriCorps VISTA</u> with the San Diego Promise Zone team! You'll collaborate with local government, nonprofits, and community organizations. <u>Apply</u> by Dec. 13 for the open Communications Associate VISTA position.

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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 – <u>Personnel Job Board</u> San Diego Workforce Partnership – <u>Job Board</u> San Diego Regional EDC – <u>Job Board</u>



City of San Diego Employ & Empower 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
- 오 Professional Email Templates
- LinkedIn Learning Profile
- 오 Elevator Pitch and Interview Skills

Hourly Rate: \$19.47 Open to Ages: 16-30

Limited space available! Don't wait!

Application Deadline: December 20th



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ABOUT THE PROMISE ZONE

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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 <u>Promise Zone initiative</u>, 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 2022, the unemployment rate decreased from 14% to 10%, and the poverty rate fell from 35% to 20% (ACS, 2016-22). 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.

- Increase access to healthy foods • Dialogue with residents Improve access to healthcare Create environments conducive Support opportunities for active • to learning and working Increase and improve transportation and active living Improve infrastructure access to capital INCREASE ACCESS TO **IMPROVE** CREATE QUALITY PROMOTE EDUCATIONAL JOBS INCREASE CREATE A AFFORDABLE **ACCESS TO** OPPORTUNITIES ECONOMIC PRIORITY OF HOUSING HEALTHCARE SAFETY ACTIVITY AND HEALTHY FOODS m Create and preserve Cultivate opportunities for
- Create and preserve affordable housing
- Support renters, firsttime 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

WORKING GROUP GOALS

Stay Connected to the SD PromiseZone



VISTA, Grants and Research

AmeriCorps VISTA, Civic Engagement

Employ and Empower Intern

and Special Projects

Community

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