

# SD PromiseZone

## 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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(Image credit: City of San Diego Planning Department)



## A MESSAGE TO OUR PARTNERS

### FROM THE PROMISE ZONE STAFF

Dear Promise Zone Network,

The month of May invites us to reflect on many causes and people. Examples include National Bike Month, Mental Health Awareness Month, Military Appreciation Month, AAPI Heritage Month, Jewish American Heritage Month, and more. May also recognizes teachers, nurses, pets, and, of course, moms. Thank you to all who bring awareness to these important recognitions.

This newsletter highlights National Small Business Week with various resources and programs that help bolster economic activity. It also draws attention to the City's Bike Master Plan and recognizes Alondra Estrada-Lam, Healthy Communities Working Group co-chair, in the community spotlight.

Included on page 7 is a new resource from the Healthy Communities Working Group: Promise Zone Food Distribution Sites. The flyer is also available in Spanish and Arabic on the [website](#). We hope you enjoy this issue!

~San Diego Promise Zone

### PROMISE ZONE IN THE NEWS

OWNERS OF FORMER  
BARRIO LOGAN TACO  
SHOP SALUD TAKE  
OVER TIO LEO'S  
RESTAURANT

EAST VILLAGE BLOCK  
WILL GET A \$3.8M  
'GREENWAY' IN PLACE  
OF PARKING LANE

BARRIO LOGAN  
RESIDENTS ASKED TO  
PROVIDE INPUT ON  
CÉSAR CHÁVEZ PARK  
PROJECT





## WORKING GROUP UPDATES

### **Housing Affordability:**

Thursday, May 1  
10 - 11:30 a.m.

### **Healthy Communities:**

Thursday, May 8  
10 - 11:30 a.m.

### **Jobs & Education:**

Thursday, May 15  
2:30 - 4 p.m.

### **Economic Activity:**

Thursday, May 22  
10 - 11:30 a.m.

### **Jobs and Education**

During the April Jobs & Education working group meeting, Aron Pritchard from Goodwill Industries shared about their employment programs and services. Goodwill operates six Community Employment Centers across the region, offering job readiness workshops, paid training programs, and specialized supports for youth, veterans, and individuals with disabilities. He also introduced their Mobile Employment Center, available to local partners for on-site job services. Partners engaged in meaningful discussions in our breakout rooms about language in the logic model, inviting Promise Zone high schools to join efforts, and how AI and technology are reshaping young adult workforce preparedness. For more information, please reach out to Donika Moreno, [donikam@sandiego.gov](mailto:donikam@sandiego.gov).

### **Economic Activity**

The April Economic Activity meeting featured a joint presentation on Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs) given by Promise Zone partners Accessity and LISC. At this meeting, we learned about the important functions that CDFIs hold in the business community and the opportunities they grant to minority business owners who are overlooked by traditional finance. Accessity detailed how their low interest loans allow businesses to build credit, and LISC detailed how their loans have helped build affordable housing. In our breakout rooms, we finalized the objective wordsmithing that was begun in our March meeting. The Economic Activity working group will now look towards ensuring its Logic Model activities match its new objectives.

### **Healthy Communities**

The April Healthy Communities meeting sought to reengage with healthcare professionals and promote healthy living. To that end, we had a presentation from San Ysidro Health on their recent move into the Promise Zone and how they are supporting the health of Promise Zone residents by providing affordable healthcare. SANDAG also presented and discussed the programs they have developed to improve transit equity, including the Youth Opportunity Pass, microtransit services, and Bike Month events. Our time in the breakout rooms was used to re-integrate healthcare and identify synergies with our presenters' programs.

### **Housing Affordability**

The Housing Affordability working group met on May 1, 2025. The working group heard a presentation from Carrie Tapia regarding the San Diego Housing Commission's First-Time Homebuyer Programs for low- and middle- income families and individuals. They have programs specifically for the City of San Diego but also offer County-wide programs. The breakout groups continued to discuss and add items to the Logic Model. Conversations in the breakout rooms consisted of brainstorming ways to provide housing information such as the First-Time Homebuyer Programs to residents of the Promise Zone. The group also discussed a potential town hall in the fall to provide more resources to the Promise Zone.

# PROMISE ZONE UPDATES



Welcome, Communications Associate VISTA, **Amairany Macias!**

"I am a recent Media Studies graduate from Pitzer College (part of the awesome Claremont Colleges)! My pronouns are she/her/hers. I love movies and am always ready to discuss the latest in pop culture. I currently have taken up tennis as a hobby. I'm excited to work with AmeriCorps and the City to create a more equitable environment."

Welcome, Communications Associate VISTA, **Daniella Salgado!**

"I'm a soon-to-be UC San Diego graduate in Communication, originally from Victorville, California. I moved to San Diego four years ago to pursue my studies and explore new creative opportunities. I enjoy merging my creative endeavors with strategic communication, especially through storytelling, media, and digital marketing. I'm excited to be joining the San Diego Promise Zone team and contributing to meaningful community work."



Farewell, Civic Engagement Associate VISTA, **Oscar Silva!**

"Firstly, I want to thank all of the Promise Zone team for being so easy to work with. The Promise Zone team may be small, but the amount of work everyone does is outstanding and I am glad to have been part of an amazing team. I also want to thank the amazing co-chairs of the working groups, being able to participate in discussions regarding different issues within the Promise Zone. Feel free to connect with me via LinkedIn and I know I will get to see you all in the future at community events in the Promise Zone."



New to the Promise Zone initiative and **interested in becoming a partner?** Send us a note at [PromiseZone@sandiego.gov](mailto:PromiseZone@sandiego.gov) if you would like to discuss becoming a partner.



# CONGRATULATIONS!

On March 26, 2025, some of our San Diego Promise Zone partners received grants from the **Dr. Seuss Foundation and San Diego Foundation's Ready to Learn program**, an initiative to support early literacy development of young children.

## Featured Partners:



**SBCS**



**SAY San Diego**



**YMCA of San Diego**



**Diamond Educational  
Excellence Partnership**



**Father Joe's Villages**

Read the press release [here](#).

Has your organization received an exciting grant? Let us know at [PromiseZone@sandiego.gov](mailto:PromiseZone@sandiego.gov).

# COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

## Alondra Estrada-Lam

Alondra Estrada-Lam was born and raised in San Diego, and working with community members brings her joy. She completed her bachelor's and master's degrees at San Diego State University, with both degrees concentrating in Public Health and Health Promotion and Behavioral Science. In her personal time, she enjoys traveling, hiking, dancing, and cooking. She feels most at peace when surrounded by family, friends, and community.



Currently, she works at the County of San Diego's Maternal, Child, and Family Health Services Department in the Chronic

Disease and Health Equity Unit. At the County, Alondra supports two active transportation projects called Healthy Cities, Healthy Residents and the Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH). Her role as co-chair for the Promise Zone's Healthy Communities Working Group supports active transportation and active living goals to increase safe and equitable access to everyday destinations. She strives to create safer and complete streets for all modes of transportation.

Alondra's favorite moment this year was volunteering at the Promise Zone's Youth-Led Career Expo. The event had a great turnout and allowed youth to strengthen their skills and work towards their career goals. Alondra also enjoys collaborating with community partners and organizations during monthly meetings as common goals are shared to strengthen the Promise Zone.

To Alondra, the Promise Zone means dedication. During her time with the Promise Zone, she has seen firsthand how dedicated partners and community members are in creating a better quality of life for all Promise Zone residents.

Thank you, Alondra, for being a wonderful co-chair for our Healthy Communities Working Group!

**Submit your nomination for the next Community Spotlight by clicking [here](#)!**

# San Diego Promise Zone Food Distribution Sites



AGENCY	WEBSITE	ADDRESS	CITY	ZIP CODE	DISTRIBUTION
Bayview Church Daily Bread Marketplace	<a href="http://www.bayviewbc.org">www.bayviewbc.org</a>	6134 Pastor Timothy J Winters St.	San Diego	92114	Weekly Tuesday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Thursday 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. <i>Days and Hours Subject to Change</i>
Epiphany Women in Focus	<a href="http://www.thecirclebyepiphany.org">www.thecirclebyepiphany.org</a>	5081 Logan Ave.	San Diego	92113	Weekly Monday - Friday 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Father Joe's Villages	<a href="http://www.neighbor.org">www.neighbor.org</a>	3350 E St.	San Diego	92102	Weekly Friday 12 p.m. - 2 p.m.
I am My Brother's Keeper	<a href="http://www.iambkcdc.org">www.iambkcdc.org</a>	6601 Imperial Ave.	San Diego	92114	Weekly Tuesday 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Logan Heights Com Dev Corp.	<a href="http://www.loganheightsscdc.org">www.loganheightsscdc.org</a>	3040 Imperial Ave.	San Diego	92102	Monthly Third Friday 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Logan Temple AME Zion Church	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/logantempleamez/">www.facebook.com/ logantempleamez/</a>	302 S. 32nd St.	San Diego	92113	Weekly Saturday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
New Day Urban Ministries	<a href="http://www.newdayurbanministries.org">www.newdayurbanministries. org</a>	2459 Market St.	San Diego	92102	Weekly Monday-Friday 9 a.m. - 11:45 a.m., Monday-Thursday 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.
San Diego Black Panther Party	<a href="http://sdobpp.org">sdobpp.org</a>	Elks Lodge 6 Hensley St.	San Diego	92102	Weekly Wednesday 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
San Diego Maranatha SDA Church	<a href="http://www.sdmsda.org">www.sdmsda.org</a>	6065 Skyline Drive	San Diego	92114	Monthly Fourth Saturday 2 p.m.
Sherman Heights Community Center	<a href="http://www.shermanheightsscc.org">www.shermanheightsscc .org</a>	2258 Island Ave.	San Diego	92102	Monthly Family: First Thursday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Seniors: Second Wednesday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Stepping Higher	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/steppinghighernow/">www.facebook.com/ steppinghighernow/</a>	7373 University Ave., #201	La Mesa	91942	Weekly Tuesday-Thursday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Stepping Higher	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/steppinghighernow/">www.facebook.com/ steppinghighernow/</a>	SD 211 Service Ctr 138 28th St.	San Diego	92102	Weekly Tuesday & Thursday 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Trinity Lutheran Church	<a href="http://www.tlcsd.org">www.tlcsd.org</a>	7210 Lisbon St.	San Diego	92114	Monthly First Tuesday and Thursday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Third Tuesday and Thursday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Food Needs Contact: I Love to Glean, [info@ilovetoglean.org](mailto:info@ilovetoglean.org), 619-598-4912  
 2024 Flood Related Needs: Contact Community Recovery Team, [info@communityrecoveryteam.org](mailto:info@communityrecoveryteam.org), 619-673-8780  
 Provided by SDPZ Nourishment Network for Hunger Relief



# FINANCIAL WELLNESS

**National Small Business Week** is recognized from May 4 to May 10 to celebrate the accomplishments of small businesses and highlight resources to support them. Starting a business can be challenging, so we've compiled a few resources for you:



## Small Business Programs

### Technical and Permitting Assistance

The Economic Development Department has dedicated staff available to assist businesses and developers. Businesses are encouraged to contact Economic Development Department staff early in the permitting process.

### Fee Payment Incentive Program

The Fee Payment Incentive program affords businesses an opportunity to recoup certain City of San Diego fees paid by the business associated with submitting and securing required building permit entitlements. Click [here](#) to access the interactive map.

### Business Incentive Program

The program was designed to encourage inclusive economic growth through the expansion, attraction, and retention of businesses in the City of San Diego's base-sector economy.

### San Diego Region Revolving Loan Fund

This is a gap financing program that offers a variety of loan products that can provide financial assistance to expanding small-to mid-size business owners that require capital but may be unable to meet the terms of traditional banks.

### Storefront Improvement Program

The Storefront Improvement Program (SIP) revitalizes building facades visible to customers, neighboring merchants and residents.

### Outdoor Business Grant

[Spaces as Places](#) is the City of San Diego's program to allow outdoor dining and other community gathering spaces in the public right-of-way.

### Capacity Building Grant

This is a funding program that provides grants to nonprofit organizations that directly support small businesses in under-resourced communities within the City of San Diego.

*\*\*Funding for these programs depends on the current budget cycle. Funding may not be available in the next fiscal year.*



Learning business financial planning to set your business up for success.

## RESOURCES

### The San Diego Housing Commission (SDHC)'s Achievement Academy



offers free financial webinars every month. Click [here](#) for webinars in May.

Communications & Liaison  
STAKEHOLDER LIAISON

In Support of National Small Business Week, and in Partnership with Small Business Administration and Taxpayer Advocate, IRS presents:

**Small Business, Big Tools: Resources from the IRS That Will Lead to Success**

Thursday, May 8, 2025

2:00 p.m. Eastern, 1:00 p.m. Central, 12:00 p.m. Mountain, 11:00 a.m. Arizona and Pacific, 10:00 a.m. Alaska, 8:00 a.m. Hawaii  
(75 minutes including Q & A)

[Click Here to Register](#)

**Visit California Coast Credit Union's website and the City of San Diego's Business Assistance & Programs Page for more information about programs and 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.*



May  
8

## Lincoln Park Urban Greening Community Workshop

Engage in a community-led urban greening workshop with the **Urban Collaborative Project** and other Urban Greening partners from **5:30-8:00 p.m.** at the **UCP Office (5003 Imperial Ave.)**. Learn about the impact of trees in a community and help design future green spaces. Sign up [here](#).



May  
15

## Bike Anywhere Day

Ride your bike anywhere in the San Diego region and pedal to one of the pit stops between **6:30 and 9:30 a.m.** for a free t-shirt. Eligible registrants will be entered for a chance to win an e-bike! See pit stops within the San Diego Promise Zone boundaries [here](#).



May  
17

## Greater Heights Community Market

**Logan Heights CDC** is hosting their monthly community market at **3040 Imperial Ave., San Diego, CA 92102** from **10 a.m.-noon**, bringing together local produce and local vendors in a community-oriented space. For more information, email [info@loganheightscdc.org](mailto:info@loganheightscdc.org) or call **619-858-0563**.



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](#)

# Partner Announcements


**Resident Leadership Academy**  
BY COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PARTNERS



**Supplemental Training Online Course:**  
  
**Childhood Lead Education & Reduction Program (CLEAR)**

**Objectives**  
 Learn how lead can:  
 • Affect brain and physical development  
 • Appear in our homes and environment  
 • Compromise everyday products  
 • Gain nutritional tips on creating snacks and meals that help protect children  
 • Gain tips on oral care with children

**ONLINE TRAINING**  
**Tuesday, May 6, 2025**  
 3:00pm-5:00pm  
 Scan the QR code to register.



[Registration Link](#)

**Spanish Interpretation Available**


**Speaker Bio- Erika A. Hernandez, CLEAR Health Educator, FHCS**  
 With over 20 years of experience, Ms. Hernandez creates engaging marketing and educational content for community health initiatives. She has developed innovative materials such as a radio telenovela promoting fruit and vegetable consumption among Latino migrants, a sitcom highlighting a family's journey to healthier living, and a produce marketing campaign in Latino grocery stores. Using entertainment theory, she designs content that inspires behavioral change and supports healthier lifestyles.



For more information, contact Linda Puebla at [lpuebla@sdchip.org](mailto:lpuebla@sdchip.org)








**Professional Clothing Drive**  
 Through May 9th

Wesley House is hosting a professional clothing giveaway this Spring to prepare low-income college students for job interviews and the workplace. We are looking for donations of:

- Business casual attire.
- Lightly used accessories.
- Dress shoes and pumps.

**Delivery of donated items is appreciated. Pickup of donations by Wesley House staff can be arranged.**




For questions or more information:  
[joseph@sdwesleyhouse.org](mailto:joseph@sdwesleyhouse.org)  
 (619) 616-7600

5710 HARDY AVENUE #12, SAN DIEGO, CA 92115 | 619.582.0773 | [SDWESLEYHOUSE.ORG](http://SDWESLEYHOUSE.ORG)



**Southeastern SD Urban Greening Series**  
**Lincoln Park Urban Greening Community Workshop**

Join the Urban Collaborative Project and Urban Greening Plan partners at our Lincoln Park Urban Greening Community Workshop!  
  
 Engage in community-led urban greening, learn about the trees in your community, and help design future green spaces!

**EVENT DETAILS**  
 • Thursday, May 8th | 5:30 - 8 pm  
 • UCP Office | 5003 Imperial Ave  
 • Interpretation & Childcare Services Available Upon Request  
 • Food and Refreshments provided



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

Sign up here!



The Community Planning Collaborative for a Green SDSD is supported by the California Strategic Growth Council's Transformative Climate Communities Program in partnership with the California Department of Conservation.

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY INTRODUCES  
**The Nest** Healthy Learning Center





**Grand Opening!**  
 Join us for the grand opening and ribbon cutting of The Nest, National University's healthy learning center for non-traditional, working, and military students.

**FRIDAY, MAY 9**  
 10 am - 12 pm  
 The Nest  
 National University Spectrum Campus  
 9388 Lighthouse Ave  
 San Diego, CA 92123

[RSVP Here](#)

The Nest is a dynamic new physical space designed to serve NU students, alumni, and Veterans — our valued ANDers — with personalized services and support, including childcare by the Toby Wells YMCA. It offers a welcoming environment to study, engage with fellow learners, and receive expert, in-person assistance. Launching the Nest represents NU's latest commitment to support every facet of student life and break barriers to higher education.

The Nest is also home to three exciting training, support, and technology spaces:

- The Sanford Harmony Family Clubhouse
- The Veteran and Military Community Center
- The Navigator Innovation Studio









# Partner Announcements

**SANDAG**

## Bike Anywhere Day 2025

Thursday, May 15

Ride your bike to work, school, the beach, or anywhere in the San Diego region on **Thursday, May 15**. Pedal to one of our many pit stops between 6:30 and 9:30 a.m. to pick up your free t-shirt.

Eligible registrants for this free event will be automatically entered for the chance to win one of three e-bikes, powered by Rad Power Bikes.



[SANDAG.org/bikeday](https://www.sandag.org/bikeday)




2025 T-Shirt Design



COX | **Rad Power Bikes** | SMART SWEETS | That's it. | QUANTUM ENERGY SQUARE | RAD POWER BIKES | ELS

[#BikeAnywhereSD](#)

## Carbon Literacy Project



A United Nations designated Transformative Action Program.



Join us Thursday, May 22nd  
31<sup>st</sup> St. Seventh-day Adventist Church

**WHAT YOU'LL TAKE AWAY:**

- Understanding of the causes and impacts of climate change
- Confidence to advance climate justice
- Action plans to reduce individual and group emissions

**EARN YOUR CERTIFICATE IN CARBON LITERACY**



**IGC** | IN GOOD COMPANY | [www.IGC.earth](http://www.IGC.earth)  
carbonliteracy@igc.earth  
(619) 717-2807

GROSSMONT COLLEGE | Urban League San Diego County

## Application Now Open GOLDEN PYRAMID SCHOLARS & COLLEGE SIGNING DAY PROGRAM

**SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2025, 2:00 P.M.**

Program Event Location: Grossmont College  
Address: 8800 Grossmont College Dr, El Cajon, CA 92020

Use this QR Code or the Link below.  
<https://form.jotform.com/250375842150147>



Contact Us  
+619.266.6265 OR  
KEA@SDUL.ORG



CHARTER STRATEGIC GROWTH COUNCIL | Urban Collaborative Project | TREE SAN DIEGO

## Southeastern SD Urban Greening Series

### Tree San Diego's Emerald Hills Tree Trek

Join Tree San Diego, UCP, and Urban Greening Plan partners at the Emerald Hills Tree Trek!

Engage in community-led urban greening, learn about the trees in your community, and help design future green spaces!

**EVENT DETAILS**

- Saturday, May 31st
  - 10 am - 12 pm
- Location: Meet at Emerald Hills Neighborhood Park
- Interpretation Services Available Upon Request

**Sign up here!**



[bit.ly/0508uqr](https://bit.ly/0508uqr)

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# Partner Announcements



## Webinar on Supporting Housing Affordability Through Investing in California's Community Land Trusts

May 21, 2025  
9:30 AM-11:00 AM PT

[Register Now](#)

[Already Registered?](#)

WORKSHOPS FOR WARRIORS INVITES YOU TO ATTEND OUR

## Forging Futures Gala

MAY 31, 2025

5:30 PM — VIP RECEPTION  
6:00 PM — GENERAL RECEPTION  
7:00 PM — DINNER & PROGRAM  
8:30 PM — DANCE PARTY

USS MIDWAY MUSEUM  
910 N. HARBOR DRIVE, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

Join us aboard the legendary USS Midway Museum for a night to remember. Enjoy an elegant evening of dancing, live entertainment, cocktails, a delectable dinner, and a thrilling auction with stunning views of downtown San Diego.

All proceeds support Workshops for Warriors.  
Rebuilding American Manufacturing, One Veteran at a Time ®

ENTERTAINMENT:  
bonnie foster productions

EMCEE AND AUCTIONEER:  
SEAN KELLY

ATTIRE:  
BLACK TIE OPTIONAL



FOR TICKET DETAILS, SCAN THE QR CODE, RETURN THE REPLY CARD, OR VISIT [WFW.ORG/GALA](http://WFW.ORG/GALA)



## FREE READING TUTORING FOR STRUGGLING READERS

**Who Is This For?**

- Students in Grades 2-8 who are behind in reading
- San Diego County residents

**Program Details:**

- **\$1200 worth of Reading Tutoring— for FREE**
- Evidence-Based Literacy Instruction (EBLI®)
- 1-on-1
- Two 45-minute sessions per week
- Offered through We Strive for Literacy, a local pending nonprofit
- Available Virtually- Computer and Internet required

**Now enrolling for Summer 2025 and the 2025-2026 school year!**

**LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE FOR SUMMER SESSIONS!**

[Click here](#) to register

Scan here to register



[Courtney Wallace](#)  
Founder

[cwallace@westriveforliteracy.org](mailto:cwallace@westriveforliteracy.org)

[www.westriveforliteracy.org](http://www.westriveforliteracy.org)

(213) 434-4622

270 N El Camino Real F503  
Encinitas, CA 92024

## For Southeastern San Diego Youth Ages 9-12

# KIDS TO THE COAST

**FREE**

**Summer CAMP**

Select from 3 weeks:

- July 7-11
- July 14-18
- July 21-25

Camp Schedule:  
Monday - Friday  
from 8 am - 3 pm

Chollas Mead Elementary  
4525 Market St

Join us for a week of educational activities paired with exciting field trips to the beach for swimming, fishing, kayaking, and playing in the sand!!



 **EARTH LAB**  
A Program of Groundwork San Diego Chollas Creek

For More Information, contact us :  
[earthlab@groundworksandiego.org](mailto:earthlab@groundworksandiego.org)  
619-818-0275

**SCAN ME**



Link: <https://forms.gle/o4/pauAe77DuntSD7>



# Partner Announcements



**REGISTER FOR THE 19TH ANNUAL UCSD SUMMER PROGRAM AT THE SUPERCOMPUTER CENTER**

**PROGRAM DATES: JUNE 23 - JULY 11, 2025**

**PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:**

- OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS IN GRADES 5-12
- ATTENDANCE EACH DAY 8:30AM-3PM
- 2 HOLIDAY OBSERVANCES: JUNETEENTH (JUNE 19, 2025) AND 4TH OF JULY (JULY 4, 2025)
- SUMMER FUN WITH UCSD AND HIGH SCHOOL TAs!
- EASY DROP OFF AND PICK UP
- BRING A LUNCH TO EAT WITH FRIENDS!

**SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!**

**For More Information and To Apply, Please Visit:**  
[HTTPS://EDUCATION.SDSC.EDU/STUDENTTECH/SUMMER-CAMPS/](https://education.sdsc.edu/studenttech/summer-camps/)  
**Jumpstart Your School Year - Sign Up Today!**

**SDSC UC San Diego**

**For Questions, Please Contact Ange Mason at [amazon@ucsd.edu](mailto:amazon@ucsd.edu)**



**San Diego Regional Youth Leadership Forum**

*YLF*

Are you a student with a disability? Do you have an IEP or 504 Plan?

Join us at San Diego State University  
August 4-6, 2025  
9:00AM - 3:00PM

Open to all ages 16-21  
Learn about opportunities and services to support your goals after high school!

**REGISTER TODAY**

Questions?  
Email [YLF@sdsc.edu](mailto:YLF@sdsc.edu)



**SAVE THE DATE!**

LWSD South Region Community Leadership Team (SRCLT)  
Food Insecurity Work Group

**Trauma-Informed Nutrition Security Training**

*By Leah's Pantry*

☒ Session 1: Monday 06/09/25 from 2 pm to 4 pm

☒ Session 2: Monday 08/11/25 from 2 pm to 4 pm

**Trainings will be held virtually during the LWSD SRCLT**

**Register here!**

This training explores the connection between nourishment and both positive and adverse experiences, emphasizing a trauma-informed approach to community-based work. Participants will learn key principles of trauma-informed care, reflect on their relationship with food, and consider strategies for responding to challenging interactions.

For any questions, please email Cassandra Muniz at [Cassandra.Muniz1@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Cassandra.Muniz1@sdcounty.ca.gov)



**COMMUNITY POWER EFFICIENT REFRIGERATION PROGRAM**



**Who is San Diego Community Power?**  
San Diego Community Power is your community-driven clean energy provider. We are a locally run, not-for-profit public agency serving the San Diego region with cleaner energy and reinvesting in our community through customer programs.

**About Community Power's Efficient Refrigeration Program**  
Community Power is providing energy-efficient refrigerators and freezers at no cost to corner stores to stock California-grown fresh foods, thanks to funding from the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA).

**What Do You Get?**

-  **Up to two pieces of equipment**  
View available equipment on back
-  **Energy assessment of your store (optional)**
-  **Resources on sourcing, stocking and selling produce**

**Why Apply?**  
In 2022, the Nutrition Policy Institute surveyed 51 storeowners from the CDFA Healthy Stores Refrigeration Grant Program.

-  **78%** Increase in customers
-  **94%** Increase in ability to sell produce
-  **97%** Satisfaction rate
-  **79%** Increase in profitability

**Eligibility**

- Corner store or small business
- Located in a low-income or low-food access area
- Sells or donates a limited selection of foods and other products
- Currently accepts or is in the process of applying for EBT/SNAP/CalFresh benefits
- Must be a Community Power customer


**Program Availability Limited**

Scan the QR code or visit the link to apply.  
[SDCommunityPower.org/Efficient-Refrigeration](https://SDCommunityPower.org/Efficient-Refrigeration)





# Partner Announcements



**May 2025 TECH ON THE GO SCHEDULE**


Our Digital Bridge Program supports San Diegans who need IT assistance.

- Offers free basic computer skills classes.
- Provides free basic tech support (questions/how-tos).
- Promotes affordable devices through our Low-Cost Computer Program.
- Partners with workforce development partners to create tech skills training.


Class Structure		HOOR 1:	HOOR 2:	HOOR 3:
Our classes can help teach you how to be confident with your devices. Our structure is as follows:		Hands-on basic technical exercises and Q&A	Class discussion on monthly topic	Q&A for basic tech questions

Valencia Park/Malcolm X Library 5148 Market St. Thursdays   10 am - 1 pm Basic Computer	Park de la Cruz Recreation Center 3911 Landis St. Mondays   9:30 am - 12:30 pm Community Topics
5/1 Computer Hardware and Software	5/5 Smartphone Technology
5/8 Mouse and Keyboard	5/12 Assistive Technology
5/15 Internet Search   URL Overview	5/19 AI Technology
5/22 Types of Malware   URL Review   Hypertext	5/26 Holiday
5/29 <b>No Class</b>	

Skyline Hills Library 7900 Paradise Valley Rd. Saturdays   10 am - 1 pm Community Topics	Sherman Heights Community Center* 2258 Island Ave. Tuesdays   10 am - 1 pm Basic Computer
5/3 <b>No Class</b>	5/6 Computer Hardware and Software
5/10 Smartphone Technology	5/13 Mouse and Keyboard
5/17 Assistive Technology	5/20 Internet Search   URL Overview
5/24 AI Technology	5/27 <b>No Class</b>
5/31 <b>No Class</b>	

Otay Mesa-Nestor Library* 3003 Coronado Ave Fridays   10 am - 1 pm File Management	Scan this QR code for more information
5/2 Mouse and Keyboard	
5/9 File Management I - Open and Save Files	
5/16 File Management II - Create Folders	
5/23 File Management III - Transfer Files	
5/30 <b>No Class</b>	

\*Class discussion in Spanish; Q&A is offered in Spanish and English



[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**

**MAY 2025 DIGITAL NAVIGATOR SCHEDULE**

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

\*Libraries closed for Memorial Day, Monday, May 26, 2025.

**MAAC NEXT LEVEL & GRID ALTERNATIVES PRESENT**

**THE FUTURE OF SOLAR JOBS**

Learn to install solar panels and gain valuable skills for a growing industry. Get support services to help you succeed.

**1**

**Hands On Training**

Learn practical skills from experienced instructors in a real-world setting.

**2**

**Support Services**

Get help with resume writing, interview preparation, and additional supports to secure your next job.

**3**

**Career Advancement**

Build your skills and knowledge to advance your career in the clean energy field.

**ELIGIBILITY**

- ✓ 18 + years of age
- ✓ Unemployed or Underemployed
- ✓ Low Income
- ✓ Authorized to work in the US
- ✓ High School/GED Preferred

**CONTACT US**

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MAAC Workforce Development Program Coordinator  
(619) 744-2022  
pestrada@maacproject.org

**Elisabetta Baratti**  
GRID Alternatives - Workforce Development Workforce Coordinator  
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ebaratti@gridalternatives.org





MAAC Next Level Interview Point GRID Alternatives Interview Point





**Urban League of San Diego County & Doors of Change**


**PROJECT READY & HOMELESS YOUTH ADVOCACY PROGRAM**




Safe Shelter & Housing Assistance




Access to Basic Needs (i.e Food, Clothes...)



Career & College Readiness Programs



Life Skills & Mentorship



Job Training & Placement

Urban League of San Diego County & Doors of Change have partnered to support unhoused and opportunity youth in San Diego County. Our programs aim to provide essential resources, mentorship, and pathways to success for young individuals in need.

**Urban League of San Diego County**

Assisting African Americans and other underserved people in San Diego County to achieve social and economic equality through advocacy, bridge building, program services and research.

**Contact Us:**

Kea Hagan  
Kea@sdul.org  
(619) 266-6265  
sdul.org/project-ready/

**Doors of Change**

Acting as advocates to support homeless youth ages 17-24 and provide access to the resources they need to improve their quality of life. We aim to get them off the streets into safe housing and help them attain self-sufficiency.

**Contact Us:**

Case Manager  
CaseManager@doorsofchange.org  
(760) 415-0009  
doorsofchange.org

EMPOWERING YOUTH BY PROVIDING STABLE HOUSING SOLUTIONS, EDUCATION, JOB READINESS, AND LIFE SKILLS TO BUILD A BRIGHTER FUTURE.

# Partner Announcements

## Get a refurbished Computer for as low as \$100

### DESKTOP

**Desktop set - \$100**

- Intel Core Processor
- 500+ GB Hard Drive
- 16 GB RAM
- Windows 10 Pro, MS Office 2019
- Includes monitor, keyboard, mouse, Wi-Fi connection adapter & webcam
- Free lifetime technical support

### LAPTOP

**Tier 2 - \$150**

- Intel Core Processor
- 8+ GB RAM / 256 GB SSD
- Windows 11 Pro, MS Office 2019
- Free lifetime technical support

**Tier 3 - \$200**

- Intel Core Processor
- 16 GB RAM / 256 GB SSD
- Windows 11 Pro, MS Office 2019
- Free lifetime technical support

Computers 2 Kids partners with the San Diego County Office of Education to host Monthly Drive-Thru Events throughout the county.

Refurbished computers are available to low-income families. All ages qualify and you can purchase all the devices that are needed for your household.

Register to attend any event(s). We will send you a confirmation email within 2-4 business days.

### REGISTER TODAY!

- Visit <https://c2k.org/c2k2025>
- Scan the QR Code with your smart phone
- Text "Apply Drive Thru" to (858) 375-9108

### 2025 CALENDAR

North County	Central	East County	South County
March 15 <sup>th</sup> - Escondido	March 1 <sup>st</sup> - San Diego	June 3 <sup>rd</sup> - El Cajon	April - Chula Vista (east)
July - Escondido	July - National City	December 6 <sup>th</sup> - La Mesa/Spring Valley	May 3 <sup>rd</sup> - Chula Vista (west)
September 6 <sup>th</sup> - San Marcos	October 4 <sup>th</sup> - Linda Vista		August 2 <sup>nd</sup> - Chula Vista
November 1 <sup>st</sup> - Ramona			

Get fast, affordable home internet with Wi-Fi for families that have K-12 students and receive government assistance.

**\$9.95 a month**

Qualify now: [c2k.org/c2k2025](https://c2k.org/c2k2025) or scan the QR code

Computers 2 Kids is a National advocate for Digital Equity. Our vision is that everyone has the technological & digital resources needed for full participation in society.

**WHAT WE DO:**

- ✓ Recycle electronics
- ✓ Refurbish computers
- ✓ Redistribute computers to families
- ✓ Respond with community partners to pair families with training, connectivity and support.

**Need more devices?** Our Technology Assistance Program is available year-round. Contact us at [programs@c2k.org](mailto:programs@c2k.org) or call (858) 200-9788.

**Need technical support?** Contact us at [techsupport@c2k.org](mailto:techsupport@c2k.org) or call (858) 200-9784.

8324 Miramar Mall, San Diego, CA 92121  
Service hours: Mon-Fri 9:30 am - 4:00 pm  
Sat. 9:30 am - 3:00 pm

BRIDGING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE

CELEBRATING 2004 2024

COMPUTERS 2 KIDS

EDUCATION

## Microenterprise Program

Transforming Lives Through Culinary Arts

### Program Highlights:

- **Educational Workshops:**
  - Including goal setting, recipe development, financial fitness and more
- **Commercial Kitchen Space:**
  - Free in order to remove barriers associated with bringing your vision to life
- **Personalized Advising & Mentorship:**
  - Individualized guidance on key elements of your entrepreneurial journey
- **Promotion and Sales:**
  - Ability to have product showcased via KFG's retail division, social media and special events

### Eligibility Criteria:

- Must be low to moderate income
- Face a barrier to employment such as:
  - Impacted by the Justice System (formerly incarcerated; have a felony or misdemeanor)
  - Substance abuse challenges
  - Survivor of domestic violence
  - Mental health challenges
  - Formerly in the foster care system
  - Formerly or currently unhoused
  - Other histories of trauma
- Reside within the County of San Diego
- Priority to City of San Diego residence

### Want more info?

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE HERE

<https://kitchensforgood.org/microenterprise-program/>

SCAN TO APPLY!

<https://kitchensforgood.org/microenterprise-application/>

For more information contact:

Claire Moore, Program Coordinator: [claire@kitchensforgood.org](mailto:claire@kitchensforgood.org)

Jesse Santos, Program Coordinator: [jesse@kitchensforgood.org](mailto:jesse@kitchensforgood.org)

## FREE BUSINESS ADVICE

## The INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE (IRC)

invites you to learn about...

## How to Start or Grow Your Business

IRC offers the following FREE business counseling services:

- Business Loans \$300 - \$50K (depends on eligibility and committee approval)
- Business Plan Support
- Permits and License Assistance
- Individual and Group Training

Schedule a free appointment with a Business Counselor!

**City Heights**

5348 University Ave., Suite 205  
San Diego, CA 92105  
[IRCSBDC@rescue.org](mailto:IRCSBDC@rescue.org)

**El Cajon**

131 E. Main St., Suite 201  
El Cajon, CA 92020  
[IRCSBDC@rescue.org](mailto:IRCSBDC@rescue.org)

From Harm to Home | [Rescue.org/SanDiego](https://Rescue.org/SanDiego)

Loans made or arranged pursuant to CA Finance Law License

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AMERICAN SBDC

WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL

This program is funded in whole or in part with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program funds provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to the City of San Diego

## SNAP COLLEGE STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

SNAP helps college students focus more on their studies and less on where their next meal will come from

**3.3 million** college students were potentially eligible for SNAP in 2020

**67%** of those college students reported **not receiving** benefits

### Think you might qualify?

All college students must meet the **SNAP eligibility criteria** to receive food assistance.

If you're enrolled half-time or more, you must also meet **at least ONE** of the following **conditions**:

- Work 20+ hours per week
- Participate in a federal or state work-study program
- Have a physical or mental disability or condition that prevents you from working
- Care for a young dependent child
- Receive Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- Enrolled in college through certain employment & training programs, such as SNAP E&T, Workforce and Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA), and others
- Participate in an on-the-job training program
- Be under age 18 or over 49

### Need more info?

Contact your state or local SNAP office:

[fns.usda.gov/snap/state-directory](https://fns.usda.gov/snap/state-directory)



# Partner Announcements

Greater Logan Heights

LOGAN HEIGHTS

# COMMUNITY MARKET

ONLY 100% LOCAL PRODUCE

Every Third Saturday

January 18, 2025  
February 15, 2025  
March 15, 2025  
April 19, 2025  
May 17, 2025  
June 21, 2025  
July 19, 2025  
August 16, 2025  
September 20, 2025  
October 18, 2025  
November 15, 2025  
December 20, 2025

Local Produce Local vendors Community oriented

What we offer:



Time: 12pm - 3pm

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

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

CAREER FAIRS	
SPRING/SUMMER 2025	
5-6 FEBRUARY	2-DAY STEM CAREER AND INTERNSHIP FAIR
21 FEBRUARY	BLACK RESOURCE CENTER CAREER FAIR
27 FEBRUARY	✦ SPRING CAREER AND INTERNSHIP FAIR
13 MARCH	FOWLER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS CAREER FAIR
18 MARCH	EDUCATION CAREER FAIR
24 MARCH	PUBLIC HEALTH CAREER FAIR
25 MARCH	PAYNE SCHOOL OF HOSPITALITY, RECREATION AND TOURISM MANAGEMENT JOB FAIR
26 MARCH	HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES • COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO CAREERS DAY
10 APRIL	✦ JUST IN TIME CAREER FAIR
17 APRIL	COLLEGE OF ARTS AND LETTERS CAREER FAIR
24 APRIL	✦ IMPERIAL VALLEY CAREER AND INTERNSHIP FAIR
28 MAY	✦ SUMMER CAREER FAIR

✦ = Open to the public

**SDSU** | Division of Student Affairs and Campus Diversity  
Career Services



# LOGAN HEIGHTS CDC FOOD DISTRIBUTION

## 2025 CALENDAR

**3RD FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH FROM 10AM - 12PM**  
**3040 IMPERIAL AVE. SAN DIEGO, CA 92102**

<b>JANUARY 17</b>	<b>JULY 18</b>
<b>FEBRUARY 21</b>	<b>AUGUST 15</b>
<b>MARCH 21</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER 19</b>
<b>APRIL 18</b>	<b>OCTOBER 17</b>
<b>MAY 16</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 21</b>
<b>JUNE 20</b>	<b>DECEMBER 19</b>

PLEASE EMAIL [INFO@LOGANHEIGHTSCDC.ORG](mailto:INFO@LOGANHEIGHTSCDC.ORG) FOR MORE  
 INFORMATION OR CALL (619) 858-0563



**LOGAN HEIGHTS**  
 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

<h1>TREE TREKS 2025 SCHEDULE</h1>	
<p>Every 2nd Saturday of the Month from 10:00-11:30AM</p>	
JAN 11	<b>LINDO LAKE PARK</b> 12660 Lindo Ln, Lakeside, CA 92040
FEB 8	<b>ROHR PARK</b> 4548 Sweetwater Rd, Bonita, CA 91902
MAR 8	<b>GRAPE DAY PARK</b> 321 N Broadway, Escondido, CA 92025
APR 12	<b>BALBOA PARK</b> Park Blvd & Presidents Way
MAY 10	<b>LAKE MURRAY COMMUNITY PARK</b> 7001 Murray Park Dr, San Diego, CA 92119
JUN 14	<b>BREngle TERRACE PARK</b> 1200 Vale Terrace Dr, Vista, CA 92084
JUL 14	<b>BUDDY TODD PARK</b> 2800 Mesa Dr, Oceanside, CA 92054
AUG 9	<b>KATE SESSIONS PARK</b> 5115 Soledad Rd, San Diego, CA 92109
SEP 13	<b>SHADOW HILL PARK</b> 9161 Shadow Hill Rd, Santee, CA 92071
OCT 11	<b>LA MESITA PARK</b> 8855 Dallas St, La Mesa, CA 91942
NOV 8	<b>BALBOA PARK</b> Corner of Quince St. & Balboa Dr.
DEC 13	<b>MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. PARK</b> 6401 Skyline Dr, San Diego, CA 92114



# Partner Announcements

**JFS AGING CARE SERVICES**



**Jewish Family Service**  
Moving Forward Together

## Helping You Lead a Safe and Independent Life at Home

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, falls are the leading cause of injury for older adults, and 60% of those falls happen at home. Jewish Family Service is dedicated to keeping older community members safe at home by taking steps to prevent accidents and injury.

In partnership with the City of San Diego, we offer the following items at no cost for low-income older adults.

- Bathroom safety non-install items, such as shower chairs, nightlights, nonslip rugs, and support rails
- Canes and rollators
- Carts for transporting groceries and laundry
- Small cooking appliances, such as toaster ovens and microwaves
- Portable heating and cooling units, such as room fans and small heaters

To request any of the items listed above and learn how we can make living at home even safer, call (858) 637-3210.

The City of **SAN DIEGO**

## SolarCorps

### Build Your Future, Help Our Planet.

Are you ready to start your career and make a real impact? Join SolarCorps, an 11-month full-time paid term of service with GRID Alternatives to help significantly contribute to under-resourced communities.

- **Earn While You Learn:** Paid hands-on training in various departments within the clean energy industry: construction, outreach, workforce development, and more.
- **Comprehensive Training in an Inclusive & Supportive Environment:** Kickstart your career pathway with a dedicated manager, monthly workshops, a 4-day in-person retreat, 80 hours of personalized professional development time, plus \$600 to spend on building your future.
- **Scan the QR code** for detailed program benefits and requirements. Your journey towards a brighter future starts here!




"I appreciate the optimistic and transformative approach that GRID takes in creating job opportunities and connecting people to savings through solar while also helping the planet."  
Rachael Matheny, Outreach Fellow

AmeriCorps California | GRID ALTERNATIVES | CALIFORNIA VOLUNTEERS  
Office of the Governor

GRID Alternatives is a proud grantee of AmeriCorps and California Volunteers, Office of the Governor.



**LH LOGAN HEIGHTS**  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

## 2025 FREE TAX PREP SERVICE

- ✓ Tax Services every Monday from 9 AM to 3 PM
- ✓ Less than \$67,000 gross income
- ✓ Forms accepted:
  - Certain 1099s Accepted
  - No business Tax Return
  - ITINS Accepted

**By appointment ONLY**

To make an appointment, call us at (619) 858-0563.

**Logan Heights CDC**  
3040 Imperial Ave, San Diego, CA 92102

For information about our services, visit our website: [www.loganheightscdc.org](http://www.loganheightscdc.org)

Serving Older Adults and Veterans 60+

**JFS Fix-It Service**

Helping You Lead A Safe & Independent Life At Home



When you or someone you care about is concerned about fall prevention, JFS Fix-It Service provides a four-point safety check, along with minor safety repairs and modifications to improve your mobility and security at home. All services are completed free-of-charge by our amazing volunteers.

**No Cost Safety Items For Low-Income Older Adults**

- Help with task lighting/nightlights/light bulbs
- Small cooking appliances – such as toaster ovens and microwaves
- Bathroom safety items – such as shower chairs, non-slip rugs, and safety rails
- Cleaning equipment – such as carpet sweepers, microfiber mops, and vacuums
- Portable heating/cooling units - such as room fans and small heaters
- Carts to help transport laundry and groceries

**(858) 637-3210 • [www.jfssd.org/FixIt](http://www.jfssd.org/FixIt)**

Program funded by a grant from San Diego County Aging and Independence Services to provide relief to unpaid caregivers of people aged 60 and older. A caregiver can be a friend or neighbor who checks in by phone or in person.

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO | LIVE WELL SAN DIEGO | JFS

# Partner Announcements

**FEEL LIKE YOU NEED A LITTLE HELP? YOU'RE NOT ALONE.**

2 out of 3 Community College students experience hunger and/or housing insecurity.

11% or more than 10,000 university students are unsheltered at some point during the year.

3 out of 5 Wesley House student residents previously experienced homelessness.

14% of community college students experience hunger.

One There's only one you and you know best how to achieve your goals. Wesley House is here to equip you for success.

**Join the Wesley House Community Today!**

Use a little, use a lot; we have the tools for your success:

- Full-service food pantry.
- CalFresh application assistance.
- Life-skills workshops.
- Mentoring, tutoring counseling.
- Housing assistance (in early 2025).

*Equipped for Success.*



sdwesleyhouse.org/resources

**WESLEY HOUSE**

5710 Hardy Avenue, Ste. 12  
San Diego, CA 92115  
619.582.0773  
sdwesleyhouse.org  
EIN: 47-5032212




Living • Learning • Life-changing



**Legal Services**



**WALK-IN OFFICE HOURS**

**2ND WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH**  
**9AM - 12 PM**  
3040 IMPERIAL AVE. SAN DIEGO, CA 92102

**SERVICIOS SIN CITA PREVIA**

**2DO MIERCOLES DE CADA MES**  
**9AM - 12 PM**  
3040 IMPERIAL AVE. SAN DIEGO, CA 92102

**The San Diego Volunteer Lawyer Program provides free legal services for micro-businesses and nonprofits every second Wednesday of the month.**

**Don't miss this opportunity to obtain expert legal advice and support!**

**San Diego Volunteer Lawyer Program ofrece servicios legales gratuitos para micro-empresas y ONGs el segundo miércoles de cada mes.**

**¡No pierdas esta oportunidad de obtener asesoramiento legal!**

**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.

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









**UDW RESOURCE CENTER**

**FAMILY CHILD CARE EDUCATOR APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM**

Do you want to pursue a career on Early Childhood Education and want to have your own business?

Apprentices will get hands-on training on how to start and manage your own Family Child Care businesses while working as assistants.

**MORE INFORMATION:**

(619) 381 - 4277  
nhernandez@udwresourcecenter.org

**JOIN OUR INTEREST LIST!**



**WHAT WE OFFER:**

- Accredited College Courses
- On-the-job paid training and stipends as an apprentice.
- Business Management Training
- A Community of Support



www.udwresourcecenter.org 7777 Alvarado Rd Suite 116, La Mesa, CA 91942 (by appointment only)



# GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

## Andy Warhol Foundation Arts Writers Grant



The Andy Warhol Foundation Arts Writers Grant supports emerging and established writers who write about contemporary visual art. Ranging from \$15,000 to \$50,000 in three categories—articles, books, and short-form writing—the grants support projects addressing both general and specialized art audiences, from short reviews for magazines and newspapers to in-depth scholarly studies. We also support art writing that engages criticism through interdisciplinary methods and experiments with literary styles. As long as a writer meets the eligibility and publishing requirements, they can apply.

**Award Amount:** \$15,000 to \$50,000

**Deadline:** May 7, 2025

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Jobs & Education, Fine Arts

The Andy  
Warhol  
Foundation  
Arts Writers  
Grant

## Kubota Hometown Proud



Kubota's Hometown Proud community grant program will invest in communities across the country by awarding 10 grants in 2025. Now in its 5th year, the Kubota Hometown Proud grant program has helped fund various projects across the country, from building agricultural education centers to revitalizing community gardens, and we are proud to support initiatives that make a lasting impact on a local level. Each grant is valued at \$50,000 (includes \$25,000 cash and \$25,000 equipment voucher). Kubota will announce the 10 winning hometown projects on September 1, 2025. Nonprofit organizations with a community project are encouraged to enter; the application is easy: just fill out the form and upload a short video!

**Award Amount:** \$50,000

**Deadline:** May 9, 2025

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Community Gardens, In-Kind, Prize Philanthropy



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## INSIDER TIP!



The Promise Zone can support the Partner grant applications by providing a Letter of Support! Reach out to our Grants and Research Associate **Domanic Riley** at [DRiley@sandiego.gov](mailto:DRiley@sandiego.gov) for more information!



### **Empower to Grow (E2G) Program Manufacturing**

Provide hands on assistance to SBAs E2G eligible small manufacturing firms in key manufacturing industries including timber, energy, aluminum, steel, digital encompassing technology, manufacturing, digital services, and automotive. This funding opportunity seeks proposals that are unique and innovative in the substance of manufacturing related training and technical assistance to be provided to eligible participants, and/or the methodology by which the assistance is provided. Eligible participants are located in areas of high unemployment or low income and owned by low-income individuals.

**Award Amount:** \$1,148,658

**Deadline:** May 12, 2025

**TAGS:** Economic Activity, Federal



U.S. Small Business  
Administration

Empower to Grow (E2G) Program



### **Coastal Habitat Restoration and Resilience Grants**

The principal objective of the Coastal Habitat Restoration and Resilience Grants for Tribes and Underserved Communities program is to support opportunities for tribes, tribal entities, and underserved communities to meaningfully engage in coastal habitat restoration activities. Funding will prioritize capacity building, meaningful engagement, and restoration project activities that enhance the resilience of tribes, tribal entities, and underserved communities and have the greatest potential to lead to habitat restoration in coastal, estuarine, marine, and Great Lakes areas.

**Award Amount:** \$75,000 to \$2,000,000

**Deadline:** May 12, 2025

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Federal



### **Wilhelm Family Foundation**

The Wilhelm Family Foundation's mission is to help expand artists' access to resources by supporting nonprofit organizations working to make creative expression, experimentation, public programming, and discourse accessible to all people, artists and non-artists alike. The Fund makes 20 to 30 grants annually to small creative organizations of all types across the United States, with the majority of grants supporting organizations in California. The focus is on organizations that align with the Foundation's mission and values, are community focused, embody intersectional practices and disciplines, and further dialogue around creativity, cultural, environmental, and social justice issues.

**Award Amount:** Not Stated

**Deadline:** May 12, 2025

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Fine Arts, Social Justice

**WILHELM** FAMILY FOUNDATION



### **JD Finish Line Foundation: Louder Than Words**

The JD Finish Line Foundation's Louder Than Words grants seek to support diverse and underserved communities in the company's corporate Indianapolis, IN, neighborhood as well as communities across the United States. Applications are currently being accepted through the Foundation's health and wellness funding cycle, with a focus on participation in programs focused on personal development, an active and healthy lifestyle, or mental health. Funded programs must create positive impact specifically in diverse communities. (Funding cycles focused on workforce development and safe communities are offered later in the year.)

Award Amount: Up to \$10,000

Deadline: May 15, 2025

TAGS: Healthy Communities, Youth-Centered, Medical

**FINISH LINE**



### **Ameriprise Financial Community Relations Program**

Ameriprise Financial corporate grantmaking is dedicated to strengthening neighborhoods across the country where company employees, advisors, and clients live and work. Grantmaking focuses on meeting basic needs, including hunger, shelter, and adult self-sufficiency; community vitality, including community development and cultural enrichment; and organizations in their Minneapolis headquarters community that have active Ameriprise Financial volunteer engagement. Preference is given to organizations demonstrating volunteerism by Ameriprise Financial employees and advisors.

**Award Amount:** Not Stated

**Deadline:** May 15, 2025

**TAGS:** Housing Affordability, Healthy Communities

**Ameriprise**   
Financial



### **SHIFT: Transformative Change and Indigenous Arts**

The Native Arts + Cultures Foundation (NACF) advances equity and cultural knowledge, focusing on the power of arts and collaboration to strengthen Native communities and promote positive social change with American Indian, Native Hawaiian, and Alaska Native peoples in the United States. NACF is currently accepting applications for its SHIFT: Transformative Change and Indigenous Arts program. The SHIFT: Transformative Change and Indigenous Arts program provides two-year, \$100,000 awards for up to five Native artists, curators, and collectives to develop innovative, community-driven projects in partnership with organizations. The program's focus is to support work that uplifts Native communities, promotes self-determination, and drives transformative social change. Awardees will also receive professional development and other supports.

**Award Amount:** \$100,000

**Deadline:** May 15, 2025

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Fine Arts, Technical Assistance

**NATIVE  
ARTS &  
CULTURES  
FOUNDATION**



### **Gerber Foundation Pediatric Research**

The Gerber Foundation's mission focuses on infants and young children. Accordingly, priority is given to projects that improve the nutrition, care and development of infants and young children from 0-3 years of age. The foundation is particularly interested in fresh approaches to solving common, everyday problems or emerging issues within its defined focus area, which includes Pediatric Health, Pediatric Nutrition, and Environmental Hazards that impact the growth of infants.

The foundation seeks projects that will result in 'new' information, treatments, or tools that will result in a change in practice. The board rarely funds projects that are focused on sharing current information with parents or caregivers (parent or provider educational programs). Grants of up to \$350,000 over a three-year period will be awarded.

**Award Amount:** Up to \$350,000 over 3 years

**Deadline:** May 15, 2025 (Concept Papers)

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Medical, Research-Focused

*The*  
**Gerber Foundation**





## INSIDER TIP!



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### California Wildlands Grassroots Fund

The California Wildlands Grassroots Fund (Cal Wildlands) supports the heroic efforts of grassroots activists to preserve California's wildlands and natural habitat. The Fund champions conservationists advocating for the permanent protection, including restoration and stewardship, of intact wildlands on both public and private lands, to help preserve California's wilderness and native biological diversity. This includes policy advocacy, litigation and regulatory watchdogging at the local, state and federal levels; efforts to advance wildlands and open space protection through county general plans and local planning; as well as direct stewardship and maintenance of intact wild areas.

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

**Deadline:** May 15, 2025

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Environmental Stewardship



### Advancing Equity Through Oral Health

The CareQuest Institute for Oral Health provides support in the United States to improve the oral health of all. The Institute's Advancing Equity Through Oral Health Fund seeks to drive oral health transformation through support of efforts to dismantle unjust structures and systems that drive disparities across oral health, access to care, treatment, and outcomes. Funding is structured around the following areas: policy and advocacy, with a focus on federal and state oral health policy; clinically appropriate care, inclusive of medical-dental integrations, minimally invasive care, and healthcare workforce; community capacity and voice, with a focus on engagement of community voices, specifically underserved populations; and research to advance oral health systems change. Nonprofit organizations, government agencies, and educational or research institutions are eligible to apply.

**Award Amount:** Not Stated

**Deadline:** May 16, 2025

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Medical





## **ICRG 2025 Seed Grants**

The International Center for Responsible Gaming invites applications for 2025 seed grants for research on gambling disorder and responsible gambling. Grants of up to \$40,000 for up to one year will be awarded in support of a variety of research activities, exploring the etiology, prevention and treatment of gambling disorder, and the development and evaluation of responsible gambling strategies, such as pilot and feasibility studies; secondary analysis of existing data; small, self-contained research projects; development of research methodology; and the development of new research technology.

**Award Amount:** Up to \$40,000

**Deadline:** May 16, 2025

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Research-Focused, Topical



## **ICRG: Effects of Advertising on Lottery Gambling**

The International Center for Responsible Gaming (ICRG) invites applications for 2025 seed grants for research on gambling disorder and responsible gambling. ICRG invites applications for research on the effects of advertising and messaging in lottery gambling. Grants of up to \$75,000 per year for up to two years will be awarded to explore research exploring the impact of advertising, promotions, and public awareness messaging on lottery gambling and gambling-related harms.

This RFP is designed to support research that examines how lottery-specific advertising and messaging contribute to awareness, prevention, and treatment efforts for gambling disorder. The goal is to generate actionable insights to inform responsible advertising practices and public health strategies that minimize harm while encouraging individuals with gambling-related problems to seek help.

**Award Amount:** Up to \$75,000

**Deadline:** May 16, 2025

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Research-Focused, Topical





## **Amazon Literary Partnership**

The Amazon Literary Partnership seeks to fund organizations working to champion diverse, marginalized, and underrepresented authors and storytellers in the United States. Eligible applicants are nonprofit organizations whose core mission is to develop emerging writers, support diversity, celebrate storytelling, or build authors' careers. Previously funded organizations and programs include nonprofit writing centers, residencies, fellowships, after-school classes, literary magazines, national organizations supporting storytelling and free speech, independent publishers, and poetry and translation programs.

**Award Amount:** Typically \$5,000 to \$20,000

**Deadline:** May 18, 2025

**TAGS:** Jobs & Education, Fine Arts



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## **ICRG: Effects of Advertising on Lottery Gambling**

The Joy in Childhood Foundation, an independent organization powered by Dunkin' and the generosity of its franchisees, provides grants to nonprofit organizations making a difference in the lives of kids battling illness across the country. Applications are accepted through the following grant programs: Dogs for Joy™ grants support in-resident facility dogs working in children's hospitals to bring joy to kids battling illness. Dunkin' Connecting Joy grants provide hospitals and nonprofit organizations with funding to bring gaming experiences and technology to their pediatric patients. Dunkin' Prom grants provide support to hospitals to host a prom-like event for teen patients. Dunkin' Joyful Spaces grants support hospitals and community health centers to create or revitalize playgrounds, healing gardens, teen rooms, and play spaces. Applicant hospitals and organizations must be within geographic proximity to Dunkin' locations.

**Award Amount:** Not Stated

**Deadline:** May 22, 2025

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Youth-Centered, Furry Friends, Medical





## **Digital Divide Grant Program**

The Digital Divide Grant Program will award one grant of \$100,000 for rural and urban public schools and two grants of up to \$50,000 each for non-profit Community Based Organizations (CBO). The grants will fund digital projects that serve beneficiary public schools/districts and non-profit Community Organizations. Projects may address gaps in broadband networks, affordability, access to personal devices and digital skills training. Grant recipients must be a non-profit community-based organization (CBO) with a demonstrated record of work in addressing the digital divide.

**Award Amount:** \$50,000 to \$100,000

**Deadline:** May 30, 2025

**TAGS:** Jobs & Education, Economic Activity, Digital Equity



## **California STEP Grant – Y11 Round 3**

The California State Expansion Program (STEP) grant offers financial assistance to eligible California small businesses seeking to expand into foreign markets through STEP Events and Export Vouchers. Eligible California small businesses seeking to increase the volume of goods and services they export can participate in up to two (2) STEP events per federal fiscal year. For the Export Voucher, eligible businesses can receive reimbursement for up to 75% of pre-approved expenses, capped at \$10,000 per fiscal year.

**Award Amount:** \$500 to \$10,000

**Deadline:** May 30, 2025

**TAGS:** Economic Activity, Small Grant



## **RESIST 2025 Movement's Bank Grant**

RESIST funds grassroots groups who organize, base build, engage in direct action, and cultural organizing with the purpose of structural social and economic change. Who are re-imagining de-humanizing or inaccessible institutions by creating community-based alternatives and building resilience through art and cultural work.

Resist's Movement's Bank is an experiment in Resist's regular grant cycle to make it more accessible with fewer obstacles for grassroots organizations. Applications for a \$5,000-\$10,000 grant will be considered on a first come first serve basis by our grantmaking panel each month until our bank is empty. The deadline for monthly submission is the last Friday of every month at midnight EST.

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

**Deadline:** May 30, 2025

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Economic Activity, Social Justice

**Resist.**



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### **Women Founders Network: Fast Pitch Competition**

Each year Women Founders Network creates a unique opportunity for Female Founders. What makes our pitch competition different than other fast pitch competitions is the valuable mentoring, coaching and in-kind sponsorships that we offer as part of the program.

This individualized attention allows the top women entrepreneurs to become pitch-ready in a way that sharpens their plans to scale their companies and makes their business more appealing to Angel and VC investors. In addition, there is cash investment potential from investors that attend the Fast Pitch event and an ongoing support network of successful businesswomen committed to building the female entrepreneur ecosystem. Interested female business owners must attend in-person Fast Pitch event at UCLA to qualify for award.

**Award Amount:** Up to \$25,000 for 1st Place Winner

**Deadline:** May 31, 2025

**TAGS:** Economic Activity, Prize Philanthropy



### **Draper Richards Kaplan Foundation**

The Draper Richards Kaplan Foundation seeks to dramatically improve the lives of people and the world around us through innovative strategies, systems changing approaches, and disrupting technologies. Our goal is to find social entrepreneurs with dynamic ideas and nurture them at the early stages with maximum leverage and total commitment. Prospects for our portfolio of social enterprises come from a vast field of compelling ideas and dedicated leaders. We concentrate our selection on the capabilities of the founder/leader, the scalability of the model, and the potential impact of the organization on the world. Take the pre-application questionnaire to determine your eligibility at this [link](#).

**Award Amount:** \$300,000, doled out twice a year over 3 years

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Economic Activity, Technical Assistance





# GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

## NASE Growth Grants



At the core of the National Association for the Self-Employed (NASE) is the desire to help others in the self-employed community. To this end, one of the ways NASE gives back to the community is through the NASE Growth Grants. Four winners are chosen each quarter to be awarded up to a \$4,000 grant to support the growth of their business. Growth Grant applicants must be a NASE member in good standing for 3 months prior to submitting an application.

**Award Amount:** \$4,000

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Economic Activity, Small Grant



## Brinker Family Fund (BFF)



The Brinker International Charitable Giving Program and the company's restaurants, which include Chili's Grill & Bar and Maggiano's Little Italy, support nonprofit organizations in the communities where restaurants are located. (Information on locations is available for [Chili's](#) and [Maggiano's](#).) Areas of interest include kids, hunger and education. Monetary and in-kind support in the form of dining certificates are provided. 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations are eligible to apply.

**Award Amount:** Not Stated

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Jobs & Education, RoFP







# GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

## WomensNet Amber Grant



WomensNet was created decades ago to help women achieve their business dreams. In 1998, they gave out their first Amber Grant in honor of 19-year-old Amber Wigdahl, who died before fulfilling her business dreams. Today, they award three \$10,000 Amber Grants each month, and three of the 36 monthly winners get an additional \$25,000 Year-End Amber Grant. All business categories, including non-profits, are eligible for the monthly Amber Grant.

**Award Amount:** \$10,000 monthly grant with an opportunity for a \$25,000 year-end award

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Economic Activity, Prize Philanthropy



## The California Wellness Foundation: Advancing Wellness Grant



The California Wellness Foundation seeks to protect and improve the health and wellness of the people of California by increasing access to healthcare, quality education, good jobs, healthy environments and safe neighborhoods. The Foundation's Advancing Wellness Grants provide support to nonprofit organizations in California in the following areas: 1) community well-being, with a focus on the health, safety and resilience of communities of color, especially those that have been disproportionately affected by unhealthy environments and community violence; 2) equity in access, including healthcare coverage and access for all and defending the rights of immigrants to enjoy access to health services and other benefits; 3) economic security and dignity, with a focus on advancing the economic well-being of Californians, especially those from low-income communities and communities of color; and 4) leading for power and change, with a focus on amplifying the voices, leadership, and power of people of color and others who have historically been excluded from full participation in civic society.

**Award Amount:** \$5,000 to \$1,750,000

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Jobs & Education, Safety





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### **Banner Bank Community Support Program**



Banner Bank's community support program, Banner Gives, provides support to nonprofit organizations that contribute to the vitality and success of the **communities where Banner Bank operates** in Washington, Oregon, California and Idaho. Grantmaking areas of interest include housing, especially programs that address homelessness and opportunities to advance affordable housing; youth, including academic achievement, civic involvement, financial literacy, and physical and emotional development; financial education; and economic development, with emphasis on small business and small farm development and lending, workforce development education, and job creation and retention. Priority is given to programs serving low- and moderate-income populations.

**Award Amount:** Not Stated

**Deadline:** Rolling\*

**TAGS:** Economic Activity, Jobs & Education, Housing Affordability, ROFP



### **Banner Bank Community Support Program**



The WM Charitable Giving Program is committed to making company communities safer, stronger, and more sustainable. Support is provided to nonprofit organizations and public organizations in communities where the company operates. Areas of interest include environmental stewardship, environmental justice, sustainability education, workforce and skills development, and community vitality.

Award Amount: Not Stated

Deadline: Rolling

TAGS: Healthy Communities, Jobs & Education, Environmental Stewardship



*\*Closes for New Proposals on Oct. 15, 2025.*

## Kroger Charitable Giving



Kroger's charitable giving supports nonprofit organizations in communities where Kroger Family of Companies operates. Support may also be available for national initiatives. As part of Kroger's Zero Hunger | Zero Waste plan, priority is given to nonprofit organizations and programs that help end hunger and waste in Kroger communities. Support is also provided in the focus areas of sustainability, health and nutrition, disaster relief, diversity and inclusion, and education and youth development. Cash donations are provided, including through grants from The Kroger Co. Foundation and The Kroger Co. Zero Hunger | Zero Waste Foundation. Other types of support include sponsorships, gift card donations, and in-kind product donations. Additional information is available through the online application portal.

**Award Amount:** Not Stated

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Jobs & Education, In-Kind, Community Gardens



## The Skatepark Project



The Skatepark Project helps underserved communities throughout the United States create safe and inclusive public skateparks for youth. The Skatepark/Skatespace Grant of up to \$25,000 is available to nonprofit organizations and municipalities seeking to build free, public skateparks or skatespaces in underserved communities. Funded skatepark projects should be designed and built from concrete by qualified and experienced skatepark contractors; include local skaters throughout the planning, fundraising, and design process; and demonstrate a strong grassroots commitment to the project. Support is also available through the Community Activation Grant, which offers funding and technical assistance to help support the development and implementation of skateboarding-related programs in the United States and internationally. Additional information is available on the Skatepark Project's grant portal.

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

**Deadline:** Rolling (Community Activation Grant only)

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Technical Assistance, Youth-Centered







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### Glenn W. Bailey Foundation

The mission of the Glenn W. Bailey Foundation is to foster pathways to success in globally competitive STEM careers for students in the United States. The Foundation funds programs and projects throughout the United States that provide students and educators with enhanced resources for hands-on, STEM-based learning. Additional areas of interest include entrepreneurial programs that teach business, money management, marketing, leadership, strategy, financing, and startup skills; innovative environmental projects that utilize interdisciplinary research to identify and address critical environmental problems with innovative solutions; and projects and programs that contribute to advancements in biomedical research and innovation. Grants of up to \$25,000 are provided through the Foundation's specific program areas, which focus on supporting STEM education at all levels. Through a separate process, letters of inquiry are also accepted for projects that fall outside the Foundation's specific programs or that require funding above \$25,000.

**Award Amount:** \$20,000 to \$35,000 on average

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Jobs & Education, RoFP, STEM

GLENN W. BAILEY  
FOUNDATION



### Believe In Reading

Believe in Reading funds programs in the United States dedicated to the teaching and encouragement of reading for all ages. Funding is considered for programs that serve any age or aspect of supporting reading and literacy, including adult literacy, English as a second language projects, or Braille-related projects for the blind or visually impaired. The focus is on successful literacy programs that serve populations showing out of the ordinary needs, such as geographic areas with low reading scores and high poverty levels. Nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations, equivalent educational institutions, and public libraries are eligible to apply for support for existing, successful literacy programs that have been established for a minimum of two years.

**Award Amount:** Up to \$3,000 for first-time applicants

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Jobs & Education, Small Grant

 *Believe*  
in Reading



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### Del E. Webb Foundation



Del E. Webb Foundation provides support to nonprofit organizations in Arizona, California, and Nevada for programs that create or enhance opportunities for permanent improvements. The focus is on results-based programs that will impact the future of society by allowing it to reach its maximum potential. Support is primarily provided for child and health initiatives, and priority is given to projects and programs that progress to self-sufficiency. Applicants should reach out to the Foundation prior to submitting a request if it will be larger than \$1,000,000.

Award Amount: \$5,000 to \$3,000,000

Deadline: Rolling

TAGS: Healthy Communities, Medical



Del E. Webb Foundation

### Smart & Final Charitable Foundation



The Smart & Final Charitable Foundation supports nonprofit organizations that work to improve the quality of life in the communities the company serves in Arizona, California and Nevada. Areas of interest include health and wellness; education, including K-12 education; hunger relief; disaster relief; and team sports and youth development. Cash grants and sponsorships are provided.

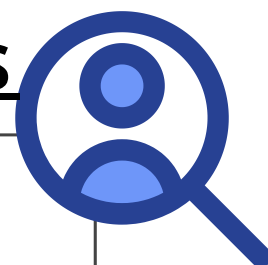
**Award Amount:** Not Stated

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Jobs & Education, RoFP



## 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.

# CITY SPOTLIGHT: BICYCLE MASTER PLAN UPDATE

The City of San Diego has **over 1,150 miles** of existing bike facilities and 130 miles of designed facilities prepared for implementation. The City is expanding and investing in biking infrastructure, doubling the separated bikeway network mileage from 2024 through early 2025. Over \$50 million has been programmed toward cycling infrastructure citywide since 2015. Improvements in the Promise Zone include facilities on National Avenue and Main Street in Barrio Logan, Ocean View Boulevard, S 47th Street, Euclid Avenue, South Valencia Parkway, and the City is working with SANDAG to design and build the Imperial Avenue Bikeway.

In addition, the City is working on an update to the Bicycle Master Plan that will apply current best practices in bicycle facility planning and design and incorporate an All Ages and Abilities approach when developing the updated bike network. The new plan will focus on **safety, equity and connectivity**, reflecting recent updates to the City's **Climate Action Plan** and **General Plan**. The goal is to create a plan that makes bicycling safer and more convenient, enjoyable and valuable for all San Diegans.

Phase 1 of the **Bicycle Master Plan Update (BMPU)** project assessed existing conditions for bicycling in the City. Over the past few months, the City collected public input via digital surveys to catalogue the lived riding experience which resulted in an unprecedented amount of engagement. During that time, the project also collected and analyzed data relevant to bicycling including street connectivity to destinations, comfort of existing bicycle facilities through level of traffic stress (LTS) analysis, bicycle collision history, and identifying gaps and opportunities.

The feedback and analysis from Phase 1 of the project will be used to develop draft network recommendations, which will be shared during future engagement opportunities including workshops and pop-up events over the next year. The BMPU takes into account the City's identified **Communities of Concern** and **Environmental Justice Areas**, which overlap with the Promise Zone. As the BMPU project moves into the network development and project prioritization phase, continued consideration and emphasis will be given to these areas.





# Civic Engagement in the Promise Zone

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## Trash Fee Proposal

The City of San Diego's Environmental Services Department (ESD) is proposing a fee for trash and recycling collection services. If the fee is passed, enhanced services would begin July 1.

More information, including a protest card, was recently mailed to all homeowners. Check your mail to learn about your right to civilly engage in this matter. You can also share your thoughts via email or call [using this link](#).



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## City of San Diego Budget Feedback

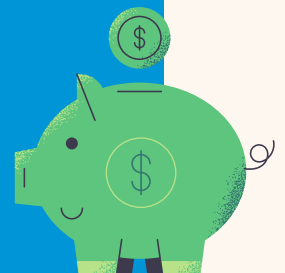
On April 15, Mayor Todd Gloria released the **2026 Fiscal Year Draft Budget**. The Mayor values citizens' participation in these priorities so that the final budget reflects the needs of San Diego Communities. Voice your thoughts to Mayor Todd Gloria **using this link**. You can contact your District Council Member to voice your thoughts about the budget. To see what District you are in, **use this link**.

**Council District 3** (*Councilmember Stephen Whitburn*).

**Council District 4** (*Councilmember Henry Foster III*).

**Council District 8** (*Councilmember Vivian Moreno*).

**Council District 9** (*Councilmember Sean Elo-Rivera*).



# Civic Engagement in the Promise Zone

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## Land Development Code Update

This will be the sixth year the City Planning Department is taking **online suggestions** for amendments to the Land Development Code (**Chapters 11-14**).

The submission period for the next LDC Update closes on Aug. 15, 2025. For questions, please contact **[developmentcode@sandiego.gov](mailto:developmentcode@sandiego.gov)**.



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## Open Consolidated Plan Advisory Board Positions

The **Consolidated Plan Advisory Board (CPAB)** serves in an advisory capacity to the Mayor, City Council and City Manager on policy issues related to the allocation of federal U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grants.

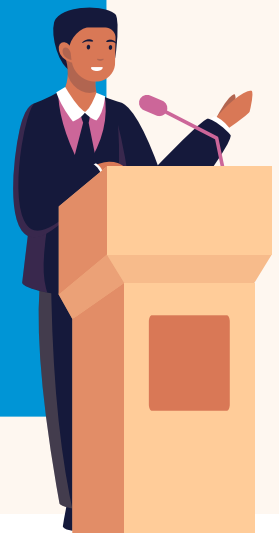
There are **2 vacancies** in the Promise Zone:

*Council District 4 (Councilmember Henry Foster III)*

*Council District 9 (Councilmember Sean Elo-Rivera)*

If you are interested in serving on the Consolidated Plan Advisory Board, an application may be submitted online and is available here: **[onboard.sandiego.gov](https://onboard.sandiego.gov)**.

For more information about the role of a CPAB member, email Nadine Hassoun, at **[nhassoun@sandiego.gov](mailto:nhassoun@sandiego.gov)**.



# Civic Engagement in the Promise Zone

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## Building Decarbonization Roadmap Survey

The City has developed a Building Decarbonization Roadmap Survey to gather community feedback. The input received will help identify public priorities and inform decarbonization strategies in alignment with the 2035 net zero goals outlined in the [Climate Action Plan](#).

Take the survey [here](#).



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## 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.



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## Use the Get It Done App

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'**





# Community Meetings in the Promise Zone

## **Southeastern Community Planning Group Meeting**



Second Monday of every month  
6:00 p.m.

Mountain View Recreation Center  
641 South Boundary St., San Diego, CA 92113  
& Virtually via Zoom

Next meeting: May 12, 2025  
<https://southeasternsdcommunityplanning.com/>

## **Barrio Logan Maintenance Assessment District Meeting**

Second Tuesday of every month  
5 p.m.

Ryan Bros Coffee  
1894 Main St.  
San Diego, CA 92113

Next meeting: May 13, 2025  
<https://www.barriologanassociation.org/>



## **Chollas Valley Community Planning Group Meeting**



Third Monday of every month  
6:30 p.m.

KIPP Adelante Preparatory Academy  
426 Euclid Ave., San Diego CA 92114  
& Virtually via Zoom

Next meeting: May 19, 2025  
<https://www.sandiego.gov/planning/>

## **Central Commercial Maintenance Assessment District Meeting**

Fourth Tuesday of every month  
5 PM.

Virtually via Zoom.

Next meeting: May 27, 2025  
<https://www.sandiego.gov/economic-development>



# Community Meetings in the Promise Zone

## District 4 Joint Town Council Meeting

First Monday of every month  
5:30 p.m.  
Virtually via Zoom

Next meeting: *May canceled for community  
to engage in City budget hearings*  
Register for upcoming meetings:  
[bit.ly/ucpcommunity](https://bit.ly/ucpcommunity)



## District 4 Community Infrastructure & Transportation Meeting

Second Thursday of every month  
5:30 p.m.  
Virtually via Zoom

Next meeting: *May canceled for community  
to engage in City budget hearings*  
Register for upcoming meetings:  
[bit.ly/ucpcommunity](https://bit.ly/ucpcommunity)



## Barrio Logan Community Planning Group Meeting

Third Wednesday of every month  
6 p.m.  
Virtually via Zoom.

Next meeting: May 21, 2025  
[https://www.sandiego.gov/economic-  
development](https://www.sandiego.gov/economic-development)





# JOB BOARD



## Special Event Traffic Controller I

Direct traffic on City streets and parking areas; place cones, barricades and signs; provide information to the public and respond to questions/complaints regarding events, parking and traffic conditions; and perform other duties as assigned.

[Apply here.](#)



## Stock Clerk

Receive, store, inventory, issue and deliver a variety of materials, supplies and equipment for a department or division in a large storeroom or warehouse. Essential functions are considered routine and physical in nature.

[Apply here.](#)



## Pool Guard I

Oversee the safety of pool patrons by monitoring the pool and deck areas to prevent accidents; rescue swimmers in distress or in danger of drowning; administer first aid and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) as needed; and perform other duties as assigned.

[Apply Here.](#)



## Peer Mentor

Support and guide youth participants (ages 14 to 24) in San Diego County. Assist with program engagement, advocacy and resource connections while gaining leadership and nonprofit experience. Ideal for those interested in Human Services!

[More information here.](#)

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

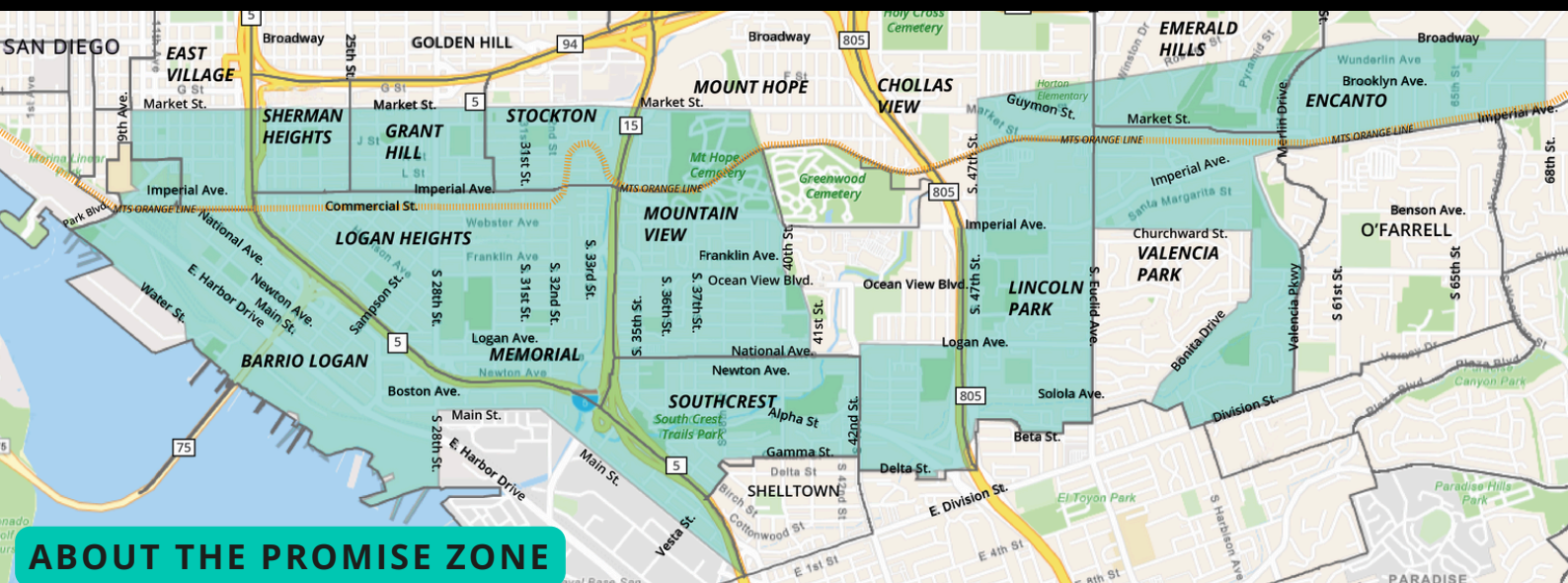
**City of San Diego - [Personnel Job Board](#)**

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

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







### ABOUT THE PROMISE ZONE

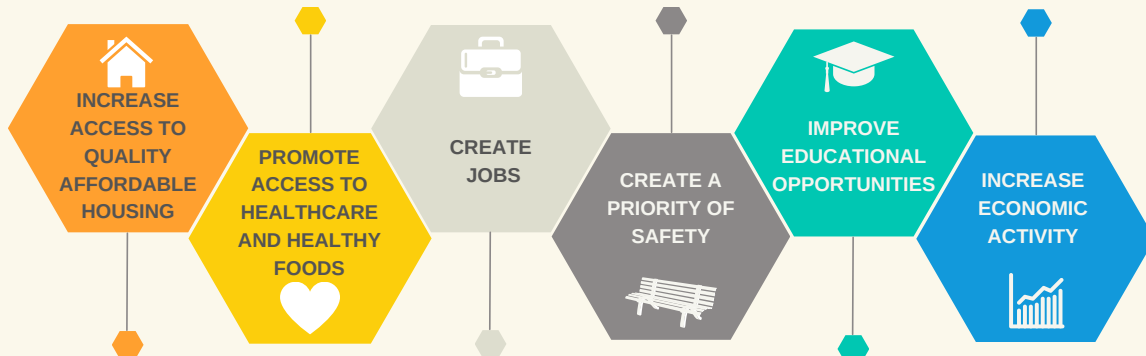
In 2016, the San Diego Promise Zone became one of 22 federally designated Promise Zones in the United States and one of only four in California. The San Diego Promise Zone covers a 6.4-square-mile targeted area with more than 80,000 residents that spans East Village and Barrio Logan east to Encanto. 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 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 eight 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



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