

# 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"*

#### All-Partner Meeting

Thursday, July 10  
9:30-11:30 a.m.  
Lincoln High School  
Library

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An AmeriCorps VISTA and volunteers plant a tree at Grant Hill Park on June 6, 2025.



## A MESSAGE TO OUR PARTNERS

### FROM THE PROMISE ZONE STAFF

Dear Promise Zone Network,

Happy summer! We hope to see you at the **All-Partner Meeting** on Thursday, July 10, at Lincoln High School. Please register [here](#). This in-person meeting takes the place of our July working group meetings.

The Housing Affordability and Healthy Communities Working Groups have both released new resources for community members: a short housing survey and numerous gardening resources. Read on for details!

In this issue, we invite you to learn about Economic Activity co-chair **Danielle Stephen**, our July Community Spotlight. We also highlight the San Diego Public Library's Summer Reading Program.

We hope you enjoy this issue and wish you all a cool summer!

~San Diego Promise Zone Team

## PROMISE ZONE *IN THE NEWS*

[NEW \\$5M MACHINE SHOP HELPING FORMER GANG MEMBERS FIND JOBS AFTER LIFE BEHIND BARS](#)

[VACCINATION CLINIC HELD IN LOGAN HEIGHTS IN RESPONSE TO MEASLES OUTBREAK IN U.S.](#)

[MURAL AT SOUTHCREST LITTLE LEAGUE FIELD HONORS COMMUNITY'S 'EXCEPTIONAL' UMPIRES](#)






**ALL-PARTNER**

**MEETING**

**THURSDAY, JULY 10  
9:30-11:30 A.M.**

**LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY  
4777 IMPERIAL AVE., SAN DIEGO, CA 92113**

Please **arrive early** to park and make your way to the library.  
Free parking is available in the underground garage behind the school.

An illustration of various school supplies including a yellow ruler, a red pencil, a blue pencil, a pink pencil, a green pencil, a black eraser, and a blue and pink pencil sharpener.

*Support LHS students by bringing items to donate: backpacks, reusable water bottles, pencil pouches, pencils, pens, erasers, hand sanitizer, tissues, Chapstick, notebooks, organizers, new socks, new packs of underwear, new bras, plain hoodies.*

**RSVP at**  
**<https://bit.ly/allpartner>**

For more information, email the Promise Zone team at [PromiseZone@sandiego.gov](mailto:PromiseZone@sandiego.gov).

# PROMISE ZONE UPDATES

## Farewell, Employ & Empower Intern, **Damilare Shonuyi**



I am grateful for the opportunity to intern for the San Diego Promise Zone. These past three months have been insightful, getting to network with working professionals and being a servant for my community. This internship has inspired me to continue to be a servant of the community going forward. I have heard so many individual stories that inspire me to keep going and pursuing meaningful work. As I conclude my time as an intern, I look forward to the future, pursuing my master's degree in Business Analytics at UC San Diego. I am grateful for the San Diego Promise Zone, and I am excited to see the continued impact they will have. Feel free to connect with me on LinkedIn!

## Welcome, Grants & Research VISTA, **Chrishael Sanchez**

Hi, I'm Chrishael Rose B. Sanchez, but I go by Chris! I recently graduated from San Diego State University (SDSU) with a B.S. in Public Health and a minor in Cognitive and Behavioral Neuroscience Psychology. At SDSU, I gained hands-on experience in community engagement and health equity through leadership roles in campus organizations and departments such as Women in Science Society, Students 4 Public Health, Well-Being & Health Promotion Department, and the Center for Intercultural Relations. I'm excited to bring my skills and passion for community-driven work to my new role as an AmeriCorps VISTA Grants and Research Associate with the San Diego Promise Zone.



**Reminder: No Working Group Meetings in July!**

Welcome to the newest Promise Zone partners: [Kate Sessions Commitment](#), [Young & Prosperous](#) and [HealthCorps Inc.](#) Interested in becoming a partner? Send us a note at [PromiseZone@sandiego.gov](mailto:PromiseZone@sandiego.gov).



# Meet Our Working Group Co-Chairs

**Reminder:** Working Group meetings will resume in August and September. Stay tuned for upcoming dates soon.



**Danielle Stephen**  
Co-Chair of Economic  
Activity



**Sylvia Ramirez**  
Co-Chair of Economic  
Activity



**Adria Fox**  
Co-Chair of Housing  
Affordability



**Jon Rios**  
Co-Chair of Housing  
Affordability



**Rosa Ana Lozada**  
Steering Committee Chair



**Sarah Tuakli Cooper**  
Co-Chair of Jobs &  
Education



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Co-Chair of Jobs &  
Education



**Ale Ricardez**  
Co-Chair of Healthy  
Communities



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Estrada-Lam**  
Co-Chair of Healthy  
Communities



**Karen Clay**  
Co-Chair of Healthy  
Communities

# COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

## Danielle Stephen

Danielle Stephen was born in Los Angeles but grew up in San Diego. She attended Monte Vista High School and later attained her bachelor's degree at SDSU in English with a minor in Africana Studies. After SDSU, Danielle went on to receive her master's degree in education. It was in higher education that Danielle met and married her husband. She currently has three kids, two in high school and one in middle school. She mentions that she is most at peace during family time.



Currently, Danielle is the Community Engagement Manager for [Harmony Academy](#) at National University.

Harmony is a program that educates pre-K to sixth-grade teachers in adeptly teaching their students vital developmental skills as it pertains to their age groups. Danielle's commitment to teaching and educating led her to become the Economic Activity Working Group co-chair. Her interest in this position first had its roots in 2020, when she first got involved with the Promise Zone via the [San Diego Black Chamber of Commerce](#) and [Small Business Development Center](#). Danielle's continued involvement in the Promise Zone highlights her commitment to community work and social responsibility. To Danielle, the Promise Zone means hope and commitment, a constant visual reminder of social responsibility in action.

**"I love the mission. Everyone at the Promise Zone has a common goal. A mission to help people. That's what unites us. " — Danielle Stephen**

*Thank you, Danielle, for being a wonderful co-chair of the Economic Activity Working Group! We are grateful for your steadfast commitment to the San Diego Promise Zone.*

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

# FINANCIAL WELLNESS

Summer is the perfect time to explore smart ways to save while still enjoying all the season has to offer. From finding seasonal discounts on supplies to cutting energy costs during warmer months, small changes can help stretch resources further. Here are a few tips and resources to help you make the most of your summer savings.

The City of

**SAN DIEGO**

## SUMMER SAVING RESOURCES:

[Emotional Spending & Reducing Expenses](#)

[Financial Opportunity Center](#)

[Budget Like A Boss](#)

[How to Save Money](#)

[Mastering the Art of Financial Security](#)

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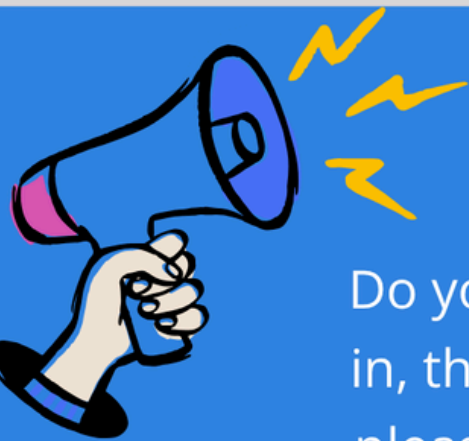
Learn how to craft a plan for your money based on your unique financial situation.

## RESOURCES



The **San Diego Housing Commission (SDHC)** offers free trainings and webinars. Click [here](#) for July webinars.





Win a  
RAFFLE prize  
for two!

Do you live in, or would you like to live in, the San Diego Promise Zone? If so, please take this short survey, brought to you by the San Diego Promise Zone Housing Affordability Working Group.

We want to:

- Understand what kinds of housing people need
- Share helpful resources that already exist
- Find out what's missing so we can work together to fill the gaps



★ **Your Feedback Matters.**



Complete the survey by July 31.

<https://bit.ly/PZHSB>

# Gardening Resources

Transform your space and neighborhood with gardens!

These gardening resources are meant to inform and inspire residents in the Promise Zone to start their own food-producing gardens.



1

## **How to Garden Without Land**

Step-by-step guide on growing your first food producing plant.

2

## **Garden Map**

A map showing school and community gardens within the Promise Zone.

3

## **Gardening on a Budget**

Resources for planters and local incentives that promote growing plants.

4

## **Upcycle as a Planter**

A list of household items you can use to reduce waste when growing.

5

## **Victory Gardening**

Learn how to start your own victory garden and where you can donate produce.

6

## **Gardening Supplies and Resources**

A list of supplies and locations where you can get them to start your very own garden.

# 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.*



July  
11

## **People's Produce @ Encanto Village** **Friday, July 11, 2025, 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

Mobile farmers truck bring fresh, locally grown produce to neighborhoods throughout greater Southeastern San Diego. For more info click [HERE](#).



July  
14

## **Eco-Artists: Exploring Science, Photography & Art** **Monday, July 14, 2025, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.** **Location: 125 14th St., San Diego**

Third, fourth, and fifth-graders are invited to dive into the world of photography, science, art and environmental activism! Create innovative imagery while exploring the marvels of science. Materials and snacks are provided. Contact [programs@outsidethelens.org](mailto:programs@outsidethelens.org) for more information.



July  
19

## **Small Business Matters - Entrepreneurship Summit** **Saturday, July 19, 2025, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.**

Be part of a full day dedicated to workshops, networking and valuable resources aimed at supporting small businesses and aspiring entrepreneurs in launching, growing and flourishing. A diverse lineup of speakers will lead engaging sessions filled with invaluable tips and insights essential for every entrepreneur on their journey to building a successful business. Register [HERE](#).



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](#)



# FREE SUMMER LUNCH

June 9 - August 1, 2025

Monday Friday • 12:00 1:00p.m.\* | Ages 0-18

\*No service on holidays: June 19, 2025 and July 4, 2025

Youth ages 0 - 18 can enjoy a free summer lunch at one of these two participating San Diego Public Library locations:

College-Rolando  
Skyline Hills

Lunch at the library is back!

To learn more, visit: [mysdpl.org/summerlunch](https://mysdpl.org/summerlunch)



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USDA Food and Nutrition Service  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

## 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)



## FREE MEALS! ¡ALIMENTOS GRATUITOS!

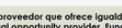
Monday-Friday (Lunes a Viernes)  
Note: All school sites will be closed on June 19, 2025 & July 4 (Cerrado el 19 de Junio y 4 de Julio)

MORE INFO:  
[www.sandicoastcafe.com](https://www.sandicoastcafe.com)

### SUMMER MEAL LOCATIONS | CENTROS DE COMIDAS GRATUITAS

Open to Ages 18 & Under. No ID Required.  
Desayunos y Almuerzos gratuitos para personas menores de 18 años.

School Site	Address	Dates	Meal Times
Adams	4672 35th St., 92116	June 4 - July 3	Elementary/Middle Schools
Alcott	4680 Hidalgo St., 92117	June 4 - July 3	Breakfast: 7:30-7:45 AM
Angier	8450 Huribut St., 92123	June 4 - July 3	Lunch: 12:05-12:25 PM
Babcock	1844 South 40th St., 92113	June 4 - July 3	=====
Birney	4345 Campus Ave., 92103	June 4 - July 3	High Schools
Carson	6905 Kramer St., 92111	June 4 - July 3	Breakfast: 9-9:15 AM
Central	3878 Orange Ave., 92105	June 4 - July 3	Lunch: 1:45-2:00 PM
Cherokee Point	3735 38th St., 92105	June 4 - July 3	=====
Chollas Mead	401 North 45th St., 92102	June 4 - July 3	Scan for more info!
Clairemont Canyons	4133 Mt. Albertine Ave., 92113	June 4 - July 3	
CPMA Middle	5050 Conrad Ave., 92117	June 4 - July 3	On vacation? Find summer meals nearby.
Edison	4077 35th St., 92104	June 4 - July 3	
Emerson	3510 Newton Ave., 92113	June 4 - July 3	
Ericson	11174 Westholme Dr., 92126	June 4 - July 3	
Field	4375 Barnack Ave., 92117	June 4 - July 3	
Foster	6550 51st St., 92120	June 4 - July 3	
Freese	8140 Greenlawn Dr., 92114	June 4 - July 3	
Golden Hill	1240 33rd St., 92102	June 4 - July 3	
Grant	1425 Washington Pl., 92103	June 4 - July 3	
Hage	9750 Galvin Ave., 92126	June 4 - July 3	
Hoover HS	4474 El Cajon Blvd., 92115	June 4 - July 3	
Ibarra	4877 Orange, Avenue 92115	June 4 - July 3	
Johnson	1355 Kellon Rd., 92114	June 4 - July 3	
Kimberly	321 Holt St., 92102	June 4 - July 3	
Lafayette	6125 Printwood Way 92117	June 4 - July 3	
Lincoln HS	4777 Imperial Ave., 92113	June 4 - July 3	
LMCE HS	2875 Ocean View Blvd., 92113	June 4 - July 3	
McKinley	3045 Felton St., 92104	June 4 - July 3	
Miller	4343 Shields St., 92124	June 4 - July 3	
Mira Mesa HS	10510 Marauder Way 92126	June 4 - July 3	
Morse HS	6905 Skyline Dr., 92114	June 4 - July 3	
Muir K-8	4431 Mt. Herbert Ave., 92117	June 4 - July 3	
Penn	2797 Ullica Dr., 92139	June 4 - July 3	
Porter North	445 S. 47th St., 92113	June 4 - July 3	
Rolando Park	6620 Marlowe Dr., 92115	June 4 - July 3	
Rosa Parks	4510 Landis St., 92105	July 7 - August 1	
Walker	9225 Hillery Dr., 92126	June 4 - July 3	
Wegforth	3443 Edwihar Ave., 92123	June 4 - July 3	
Zamorano	2655 Casey St., 92139	June 4 - July 3	
Gompers	1005 47th St., 92102	June 4 - June 27	
Harriet Tubman	6880 Mohawk St., 92115	June 16 - July 11	
Keller Leadership	7270 Lisbon St., 92114	June 23 - July 25	
O'Farrell Charter	6130 Skyline Dr., 92114	June 4-20, July 21-25	



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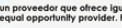
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### SUMMER MEAL LOCATIONS | CENTROS DE COMIDAS GRATUITAS

Breakfast & Lunch Times are listed as B/D: TIME and L/A: TIME  
Los horarios de desayuno se indican como B/D: HORA y almuerzo L/A: HORA

Meal Service Site	Address	Dates	Meal Times
<b>MILITARY SITES</b>			
Bayview CYP	1876 Sky Harbor Rd. SD 92139	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 8-9AM; L/A: 11AM-12PM
Chesterston CYP	7427 Linda Vista Rd. SD 92111	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 8-9AM; L/A: 11AM-12PM
Gateway CYP	2741 Mendocino Dr. SD 92110	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 8-9AM; L/A: 11AM-12PM
Miramar Youth & Teen	2700 Moore Ave. SD 92126	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 9-10AM; L/A: 12-1PM
Murphy Canyon Youth Center	4867 Santo Rd. SD 92124	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 8-9AM; L/A: 11AM-12PM
Murphy Canyon Kids	3493 Santo Rd., SD 92124	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 8-9AM; L/A: 11AM-12PM
Connection Village at Serra Mesa CYP	8420 1/2 Krenz St. SD 92123	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 8:30-9:30AM; L/A: 11:30AM-12:30PM
<b>PARKS &amp; REC CENTERS</b>			
Adams	3491 Adams Ave. SD 92116	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 9-10AM; L/A: 12-1PM
City Heights	4380 Landis St. SD 92105	June 9 - Aug 1	No Breakfast; L/A: 12-1PM
Dolores Magdaleno	2902 Marcy Ave., 92113	July 7 - Aug 1	B/D: 9-10AM; L/A: 12-1PM
Encanto	6508 Wunderlin Ave. SD 92114	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 9-10AM; L/A: 12-1PM
Golden Hill	2600 Golf Course Dr. SD 92102	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 9-10AM; L/A: 12-1PM
Martin Luther King Jr.	6401 Skyline Dr. SD 92114	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 9-10AM; L/A: 12-1PM
Mountain View	641 South Boundary St. SD 92113	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 9-10AM; L/A: 12-1PM
North Clairemont	4421 Barnack Ave. SD 92117	June 9 - Aug 1	No Breakfast; L/A: 12-1PM
North Park	4044 Idaho St. SD 92104	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 9-10AM; L/A: 12-1PM
Paradise Hills	6610 Potomac St. SD 92139	June 9 - Aug 1	No Breakfast; L/A: 12-1PM
Penn	2555 Dusk Dr. SD 92139	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 9-10AM; L/A: 12-1PM
Serra Mesa	9020 Village Glen Dr. SD 92123	June 9 - Aug 1	No Breakfast; L/A: 12-1PM
Skyline Hills	8285 Skyline Dr. SD 92114	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 9-10AM; L/A: 12-1PM
Southcrest	4149 Newton Ave. SD 92113	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 9-10AM; L/A: 12-1PM
Stockton	330 32nd St. SD 92113	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 9-10AM; L/A: 12-1PM
<b>Public Libraries</b>			
Rolando	660 Montezuma Rd. SD 92115	June 9 - Aug 1	No Breakfast; L/A: 12-1PM
Skyline Hills	7900 Paradise Valley Rd. SD 92139	June 9 - Aug 1	No Breakfast; L/A: 12-1PM
<b>Community Centers</b>			
Copley-Price Family YMCA	4300 El Cajon Blvd. SD 92105	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 9-10AM; L/A: 12-1PM
Jackie Robinson YMCA	151 YMCA Way SD 92102	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 8:30-9:30AM; L/A: 12-1PM
Mission Valley YMCA	5505 Friars Rd. SD 92110	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 8:30-9:30AM; L/A: 12-1PM
Ocean Discovery Institute	4255 Thorn St. SD 92105	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 8:30-9:30AM; L/A: 12-1PM
Kroc Center San Diego	4845 University Ave. SD 92115	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 8-9AM; L/A: 11AM-12PM
Sherman Heights	2258 Island Ave. SD 92102	June 9 - Aug 1	B/D: 8:30-9:30AM; L/A: 12-1PM
Community Center			
*Sherman CLOSED June 19 & July 4			



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# Community Produce Giveaway



## Skyline Hills Library

7900 Paradise Valley Rd. | (619) 527-3485

- June 10
- June 24
- July 15
- July 29

## College-Rolando Library

6600 Montezuma Rd | (619) 533-3902

- June 17
- July 8
- July 22

Free Fresh Produce for All San Diego Residents! No income or ZIP code restrictions! No identification needed! Walk-up only, first come, first served while supplies last. Please bring your own bags or cart.

Plus, from 12-1 PM, youth (ages 0-18) can enjoy a free hot meal at these locations.

Everyone is welcome!

Giveaway starts at  
12 p.m.

until everything is  
distributed!



To learn more, visit: [mysdpl.org/summerlunch](https://mysdpl.org/summerlunch)



Public Library

# Community Produce Giveaway



Wednesday, July 16 | 12 p.m.

Free Fresh Produce for All San Diego Residents! No income or ZIP code restrictions! No identification needed! Walk-up only, first come, first served while supplies last.



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12 p.m.  
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Mountain View/Beckwouth Library

721 San Pasqual St

619-527-3404



Public Library

Greater Logan Heights

LOGAN HEIGHTS  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

# COMMUNITY MARKET

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

What we offer:

Local  
Produce

Local  
vendors

Community  
oriented



Time:

12pm - 3pm

Where:

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

For More Information:

[info@loganheightscdc.org](mailto:info@loganheightscdc.org)  
(619) 858-0563



## LOGAN HEIGHTS CDC FOOD DISTRIBUTION



### 2025 CALENDAR

3RD FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH FROM 10AM - 12PM  
8040 IMPERIAL AVE. SAN DIEGO, CA 92102

JANUARY 17

FEBRUARY 21

MARCH 21

APRIL 18

MAY 16

JUNE 20

JULY 18

AUGUST 15

SEPTEMBER 19

OCTOBER 17

NOVEMBER 21

DECEMBER 19

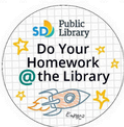
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LOGAN HEIGHTS  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

# Partner Announcements

## Do Your Homework @ the Library Presents **SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM @ LOGAN HEIGHTS**

**June 9 — July 17**  
**Monday - Thursday | 12 - 3 p.m.**  
*for students in grades 1st - 8th*



### **Don't Stop Learning this Summer!**

This summer we will be available to help students build on their math and reading skills to prevent the dreaded "Summer Slide"! Come practice your reading or math skills, enjoy our free educational worksheets or learn new reading skills.



Scan the QR code to view hours and programming available at select SDPL branches.



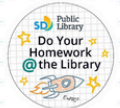
Logan Heights Library  
567S 28th St.  
(619) 533-3968



"Information and program content can be made available in alternative formats upon request. Please email [RACooper@sandiego.gov](mailto:RACooper@sandiego.gov)"

## Do Your Homework @ the Library Presents **KINDERGARTEN READINESS PROGRAM @ LOGAN HEIGHTS**

**June 13, 20 & 27**  
**July 11 & 18**  
**Friday | 10:30a.m - 12:30 p.m.**



### **Prepare your child for Kindergarten!**

The Kindergarten Readiness Program offers a variety of activities that focus on a child's academic development, learning readiness, social wellness and more! For children 4-5 years old who are entering Kindergarten and their guardians.



Scan the QR code to view hours and programming available at select SDPL branches.

Logan Heights Library  
567S 28th St.  
(619) 533-3968



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## SIGN UP FOR THE 2025 **SUMMER** READING PROGRAM

Regístrate para el Programa de Lectura de Verano 2025

For Readers of All Ages | *Para lectores de todas las edades*  
June 1 - August 31 | *1 de junio - 31 de agosto*

**[sandiego.gov/summerreading](https://sandiego.gov/summerreading)**



Complete a combination of 10 books, hours, or activities to claim your prizes. Earn a badge each time you read a book, read for 1 hour or complete an activity. You can mix and match the type of badges as you see fit! Collect 10 badges and you'll receive a prize. Bonus: Log your books, reading hours or activities and

you'll be entered into a grand prize raffle drawing.

Completa cualquier combinación de 10 actividades, horas leídas o libros leídos para conseguir tu premio.

Obtén una medalla cada vez que leas un libro, leas por una hora, o termines una actividad. ¡Puedes mezclar y combinar el tipo de medallas como mejor te convenga! Colecciona 10 medallas y recibirás un premio y la oportunidad de participar en la rifa del premio mayor.

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## 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@sdor.ca.gov](mailto:YLF@sdor.ca.gov)





# Partner Announcements



**REGISTER FOR THE 19TH ANNUAL  
UCSD SUMMER PROGRAM AT THE  
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**PROGRAM DATES: JUNE 23 - JULY 11, 2025**

**PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:**

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- ATTENDANCE EACH DAY 8:30AM-3PM
- 2 HOLIDAY OBSERVANCES: JUNETEENTH (JUNE 19, 2025) AND 4TH OF JULY (JULY 4, 2025)
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- EASY DROP OFF AND PICK UP
- BRING A LUNCH TO EAT WITH FRIENDS!

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**Jumpstart Your School Year - Sign Up Today!**

**SDSC UC San Diego**

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



*dr. akilah*  
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**BACKPACK GIVEAWAY &  
FAMILY RESOURCE FAIR**  
WITH A LEGISLATIVE UPDATE FROM THE SENATOR

**KIPP ADELANTE PREPARATORY ACADEMY**  
426 Euclid Ave, San Diego, CA 92114  
Saturday, July 12, 2025  
10am – 1pm

★ **FREE BACKPACKS  
& SCHOOL SUPPLIES** ★  
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The San Diego Family Justice Center

**BBB**

**BACK TO SCHOOL  
SUPPLY DRIVE**

**For families receiving services at Your Safe Place**  
Collecting new school supplies for children and youth including:  
notebooks, binders, pencils, pens, crayons, markers, glue sticks, erasers, and calculators. Hygiene items like hand sanitizer, tissues, and disinfecting wipes are also appreciated.

**Every donation helps set a child up for success this school year!**

**Donation Deadline: July 18, 2025**  
**Questions? Contact us! [Infoysp@sandiego.gov](mailto:Infoysp@sandiego.gov) or 619-533-6000**  
1122 Broadway, Suite 200 San Diego, CA 92101

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**NEWS**

**Future Humanitarians  
Scholarship**

**HOW TO APPLY**

**Any San Diego high school, college, and graduate students passionate about community service and social work can apply by writing a 1,000 to 3,000-word essay before the deadline.**

**Application: [HERE](#)**  
**Deadline: August 15, 2025**  
**Winner Announced: September 15, 2025**



# Partner Announcements



## Calling High School Students! Become a Summer Camp Ambassador!

Looking for a fun and rewarding way to gain leadership experience this summer? Outside the Lens is seeking high school students to support our full-day summer camps for K-8th graders! As a Summer Camp Ambassador, you'll help lead games and activities, assist with photography and digital media lessons, and earn up to 40 community service hours per week. This is a great opportunity to build your skills, give back to the community, and gain hands-on experience in media arts education!

[APPLY NOW](#)

## 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



Cortney Wallace  
Founder

[cwallace@westriveforliteracy.org](mailto:cwallace@westriveforliteracy.org)  
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(213) 434-4622  
270 N El Camino Real F503  
Encinitas, CA 92024

★ MAKING MEMORIES WITH EVERY SHOWTIME ★

## 2025 SUMMER MOVIES IN THE PARK

**FREE MOVIES ALL SEASON LONG!**

- Arrive early for pre-show festivities.
- Movies begin 15 minutes after sunset.
- Beach chairs, blankets and picnics are encouraged.

**SummerMoviesInThePark.com**  
Scan the QR code below for the full schedule.

For more information, contact Carl McCullough  
(619) 961-0159 • [carl.mccullough@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:carl.mccullough@sdcounty.ca.gov)

Presented by:

Sponsored by:

For Southeastern San Diego Youth Ages 9-12

## KIDS TO THE COAST

**FREE**

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!!

**SCAN ME**

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

Link: <https://forms.gle/o4/pouAe7TDunt5DT>



# Partner Announcements



## July 2025 TECH ON THE GO SCHEDULE

Our Tech on the Go program supports San Diegans who need IT assistance and is made possible through the support and sponsorship of the City of San Diego.

- 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: Class discussion Q&A for basic on monthly topic	HOOR 2: tech questions
Our classes can help teach you how to be confident with your devices. Our structure is as follows:		
<b>Valencia Park/Malcolm X Library</b> 5148 Market St. Thursdays   10 am - 12 pm <b>Smartphone Basics</b>	<b>Park de la Cruz Recreation Center</b> 3911 Landis St. Mondays   9:30 am - 11:30 am <b>Network Safety Series</b>	
7/3 Smartphone I - Navigating Phone and Settings	7/7 Network Safety I: Home Network and Internet	
7/11 Smartphone II - Contact and Block People	7/11 Network Safety II: Internet Safety	
0 Smartphone III - Taking Photos	4 Network Safety III: Public Wi-Fi safety	
7/1 Smartphone IV - Apps	7/2 Network Safety IV: The Cloud	
7 Open office hours	1	
7/2 <b>Skyline Hills Library</b> 7900 Paradise Valley Rd. Saturdays   10 am - 12 pm <b>Social Media Safety</b>	7/2 <b>Sherman Heights Community Center*</b> 2258 Island Ave. Tuesdays   10 am - 12 pm <b>Social Media Safety</b>	
4	8	
7/3	7/11 Social Media Safety Basics	
1	7/8 Social Media Privacy Tips	
7/5 <b>Holiday</b>	7/11 Social Media Phishing	
7/11 Social Media Safety Basics	5 Texting and Cyberbullying	
2 Social Media Privacy Tips	7/2 Open office hours	
7/1 Social Media Phishing	2	
9	7/2 Scan this QR code for more information	
7/2 <b>Otay Mesa-Nestor Library *</b> 3003 Coronado Ave. Fridays   10 am - 12 pm <b>Community Topic</b>	9	
6		
7/4 <b>Holiday</b>		
7/1 Assistive Technology		
1 AI (Artificial Intelligence) Technology		
7/1 The Future of Technology		
8		
7/2		
5		

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



[sandiego.gov/sdaccess](https://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

## JULY 2025 DIGITAL NAVIGATOR SCHEDULE

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

\*Digital Navigator Helpline will be unavailable on July 4, 2025 Holiday.



## 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		East County	South County
<b>North County</b> March 15 <sup>th</sup> - Escondido July - Escondido September 4 <sup>th</sup> - San Marcos November 1 <sup>st</sup> - Ramona	<b>Central</b> March 1 <sup>st</sup> - San Diego July - National City October 4 <sup>th</sup> - Linda Vista	June 7 <sup>th</sup> - El Cajon December 8 <sup>th</sup> - La Mesa/Spring Valley	April - Chula Vista (east) May 3 <sup>rd</sup> - Chula Vista (west) August 2 <sup>nd</sup> - Chula Vista

**COX Connect2Compete.**  
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: [cox.com/connect2compete](https://cox.com/connect2compete) 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



## 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 Career Services



# Partner Announcements

## 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)

## 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@sdu.org
- (619) 266-6265
- sdu.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.**

## 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**

**Pedro Estrada Jr.**  
MAAC Workforce Development Program Coordinator  
858-746-3922  
pedro@maacproject.org

**Elisabetta Baratti**  
GRID Alternatives Workforce Development Coordinator  
(619) 535-3359  
elbaratti@gridalternatives.org

**CONTACT US:**

**MAAC NEXT LEVEL**  
Youth Workforce Development Program

**GRID ALTERNATIVES**

## 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!



[gridalternatives.org/solarcorps](https://gridalternatives.org/solarcorps)

**"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!"**

Rachel Matheny, Outreach Fellow

**CONTACT US:**

**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.

# Partner Announcements

## Apprenticeship Programs

### Culinary Dual-Instruction

Apprenticeship Timeline (12 months)


- 4 weeks (20 day) initial training period in Downtown San Diego
- 11 months of paid on-the-job training in SD County and regularly scheduled additional training classes

4 Week Initial Training

- Foundational Skills:** knife skills, food safety and sanitation, multiple cooking techniques, and more!
- Job Readiness Workshops

Begin Work As:

- Prep cook, Dishwasher, Steward



### Culinary Front-Loaded

Apprenticeship Timeline (12 months)


- 10 weeks (50 day) initial training period in Linda Vista
- 10 months of paid on-the-job training in SD County and regularly scheduled additional training classes

10 Week Initial Training

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


Begin Work As:

- Prep cook, Line cook



To apply:  
Go to our website, [kitchensforgood.org/apply](https://kitchensforgood.org/apply), or scan the QR code

For more information contact:  
Avery Sprenger, Outreach Coordinator; [avery@kitchensforgood.org](mailto:avery@kitchensforgood.org); (619) 828-5928





Transforming Lives Through Culinary Arts

## State-Certified Apprenticeships

### Program Highlights:

- One-Year Commitment
- Program Certified by the California Department of Apprentices Standards (DAS)
- No experience required
- Culinary, soft skills, and job training
- Uniforms, knife kits, and meals (during training days) all included free of cost
- Employment with leading companies in San Diego's thriving hospitality industry
- Transportation assistance - bus pass or gas card
- Career coaching and individualized case management support
- Weekly educational stipend during initial on-campus training (either ten or four weeks)
- Certificate of Completion from Division of Apprenticeship Standards upon graduation

### Eligibility Criteria:

- Must be unemployed or underemployed AND 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
- Eligible to work in the U.S.A.
- Be 18 years old at time of enrollment
- Reside within the County of San Diego
  - Priority to City of San Diego residence


### Program Requirements:

- Available full time Monday through Friday for initial on-campus training
  - Classes from 9:00 to 4:00 every week day for either ten or four weeks of training
- Live in San Diego County for the duration of the one year program
- Ready and excited to commit to both personal and professional growth
- I-9 documentation (work authorization)



### Application Process:

- Submit application online
- Eligibility phone call with staff member
- Try Out (Interview)
  - Information Session and Presentation
  - Hands-on kitchen activity
- Phone interview with staff member
- Acceptance decision (acceptance, denial, or waitlist) sent to applicant

For more information on program details:  
Check out our website at, <https://kitchensforgood.org>, or scan the QR code



## Kitchens for Good - Referral Partner FAQ



1	What is the eligibility criteria for the Culinary apprenticeship programs?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Must be unemployed or underemployed AND face a barrier to employment such as:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Impacted by the Justice System</li><li>Substance abuse challenges</li><li>Survivor of domestic violence</li><li>Mental health challenges</li><li>Formerly in the foster care system</li><li>Formerly or currently unhoused</li><li>Other histories of trauma</li></ul></li><li>Eligible to work in the U.S.A.</li><li>Be 18 years old at time of enrollment</li><li>Reside within the County of San Diego<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Priority to City of San Diego residents</li></ul></li></ul>
2	What is required of an apprentice during the initial 4 week or 10 week training?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Available full-time Monday through Friday for initial training period<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Attendance is required</li></ul></li><li>Ready to commit to personal and professional growth</li><li>Access to a phone or email</li><li>Basic English speaking and comprehension skills</li><li>I-9 documentation</li></ul>
3	What supportive services are apprentices offered?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Interview preparation, soft skills development, and job readiness training</li><li>Free uniforms, tools, and meals during training</li><li>Employment support</li><li>Transportation assistance - bus pass or gas card</li><li>Career coaching and individualized case management support</li><li>Educational stipend of \$40 per day provided during on-campus training, based on daily attendance</li></ul>
4	How does the application process work for my client?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Submit application online: <a href="https://kitchensforgood.org/apply">kitchensforgood.org/apply</a></li><li>Eligibility phone call with staff member</li><li>Try Out<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Information Session</li><li>Hands-on kitchen activity where applicants are evaluated on coachability, teamwork, and other soft skills</li></ul></li><li>Phone interview with staff member</li><li>Acceptance/denial into the program</li></ul>
5	Who can I direct any further questions to?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Outreach Coordinator, Avery Sprenger</li><li>Phone: (619) 828-5928</li><li>Email: <a href="mailto:avery@kitchensforgood.org">avery@kitchensforgood.org</a></li></ul>



Transforming Lives Through Culinary Arts

## Microenterprise Program

### 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 below 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

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE HERE



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

Want more info?



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

SCAN TO APPLY

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)



# Partner Announcements

## 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)



## TREE TREKS 2025 SCHEDULE

RSVP  
HERE



Every 2nd Saturday of the Month from 10:00-11:30AM

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

## 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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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

## JFS AGING CARE SERVICES



## 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.





# Partner Announcements

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.





## Legal Services

### WALK-IN OFFICE HOURS

2ND WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH  
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!**

### SERVICIOS SIN CITA PREVIA

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

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 - 03:40pm (7-11 months)  
Wednesday:  
11:00am - 12:00pm (0-6 months)  
01:00pm - 02:00pm (0-6 months)  
Thursday:  
09:00am - 10:00am (0-6 months)  
Friday:  
11:00am - 12:00pm (12-15 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







## 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](mailto: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](http://www.udwresourcecenter.org) 7777 Alvarado Rd Suite 116, La Mesa, CA 91942 (by appointment only)



# GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

## The Impact Fund

The Impact Fund provides grants to legal services nonprofits, private attorneys, and small law firms in the United States who seek to confront economic, environmental, racial, and social injustice. Funding is provided for specific cases targeting social justice, including human and civil rights; environmental justice; and economic justice, including workers' rights and consumer protection. Grants may be used for out-of-pocket litigation expenses such as expert fees and discovery costs, but not for attorneys' fees, staff, or other overhead. Most grants are for class actions, though funding may be provided for other cases that will have a systemic impact.

**Award Amount:** \$10,000 to \$50,000

**Deadline:** July 8, 2025, for Letter of Inquiry

**TAGS:** Safety, Healthy Communities, Environmental Stewardship, Social Justice, Criminal Justice

 **IMPACT FUND**  
Strategic Litigation for Social Justice

## First Nations Development Institute

First Nations invites applications for Native Agriculture and Food Systems Scholarships, which are designed to encourage Native American, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian college students to enter agriculture and agriculture-related fields so they can better assist their communities with efforts to reclaim local food systems control.

First Nations will award 20 to 25 scholarships of between \$1,000 and \$1,500 for the 2025-26 academic school year to Native college or university students majoring in agriculture and agriculture-related fields, including but not limited to agribusiness management, agri-science technologies, agronomy, animal husbandry, aquaponics, environmental studies, fisheries and wildlife, food production and safety, food-related policy and legislation, food science and technology, horticulture, irrigation science, and sustainable agriculture or food systems programs.

**Award Amount:** \$1,000 to \$1,500

**Deadline:** July 11, 2025

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities



**FIRST NATIONS**  
DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE



## INSIDER TIP!



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### Family Medicine Cares USA



The Family Medicine Cares USA, a program of the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Foundation, helps new and existing free clinics to care for the uninsured in areas of need across the United States. Reimbursement grants fund the purchase of durable medical equipment and instruments necessary for the diagnosis and treatment of primary care patients. Priority is given to new clinic applications, though support may be provided to existing clinics if funds are available. Applicants for a new clinic grant must have opened or be open within six months of the application deadline, have received or be in the process of receiving the National Association of Free and Charitable Clinics' Seal of Excellence, and have an AAFP member in a leadership role within the clinic.

**Award Amount:** Up to \$25,000 for new clinics and up to \$10,000 for existing clinics

**Deadline:** July 15, 2025

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Medical, In-Kind



### Hand to Hand 2025 Grant



The San Diego Foundation is supporting non-profits who are expanding and improving current programs used in service of women and girls within San Diego County. Submitted requests should fulfill Hand to Hand's mission and include one or more of these focus areas:

- Education and job training for women
- Programs for women re-entering the work force
- Mentoring programs for women and/or girls
- Health and wellness programs for women and/or girls

**Award Amount:** \$5,000 - \$15,000


**Deadline:** July 15, 2025

**TAGS:** Jobs & Education





### Staff Sergeant Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Program (SSG Fox SPGP)

 The SSG Fox SPGP directs efforts to reduce Veteran suicide by awarding grants to community-based organizations to provide or coordinate the provision of primarily non-clinical suicide prevention services, including outreach and linkage to VA and community resources, to eligible individuals and their families. The goal of this grant is to reduce Veteran suicide risk by improving mental health status, well-being, financial stability, and social support for eligible individuals and their families.

**Award Amount:** \$100,000 to \$750,000

**Deadline:** July 18, 2025

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Safety, Vet-Focused, Federal



### Department of Housing and Community Development

The non-entitlement competitive grant program component prioritizes assistance to persons experiencing or at risk of homelessness and investments that increase the supply of housing to households with incomes of 60 percent or less of area median income.

**Award Amount:** Four awards of \$250,000

**Deadline:** July 22, 2025

**TAGS:** Housing, Community and Economic Development



### Advancing Building Technology Grant Program

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is providing competitive awards for research projects that have the potential to increase the supply of affordable housing. HUD encourages research projects that study the effects of interventions and suggests strategies for adopting or scaling effective interventions through public policy or industry practices while reducing the time of housing construction and deployment.

**Award Amount:** \$500,000 - \$1,500,000

**Deadline:** July 25, 2025

**TAGS:** Housing Affordability





## INSIDER TIP!



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### **Bell's Brewery 2025 Grassroots Grant**

The focus area for Bell's Brewery 2025 Grassroots Grant is water stewardship. Bell's Brewery is looking to fund projects that:

- Strengthen and protect ecosystem health and biodiversity.
- Improve the use of water resources for the protection and benefit of public health and frontline communities.
- Promote resiliency and adaptation in the face of climate-related water risks.

The Water Stewardship grassroots grant cycle will not prioritize funding for large-scale infrastructure projects, recreation focused requests, land acquisition, trail building, nor policy and advocacy initiatives. Bell's Brewery will be accepting applications from June 1, 2025-July 31, 2025, and awards will be announced in September.

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

**Deadline:** July 31, 2025

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Environmental Stewardship, Small Grant



### **Direct Action Visionary Grants**

The American Psychological Foundation's Direct-Action Visionary Grants seek to fund innovative interventions, based on psychological knowledge, that directly address pressing needs of communities in the United States. Projects should serve marginalized communities, end prejudice and stigma, prevent violence, and explore mind-body health connections. APF is particularly interested in supporting communities and populations dealing with prejudice, bias, intolerance, and all forms of bigotry including racism, antisemitism, homophobia, and misogyny. Examples of supported projects include evaluation of the implementation of an evidence-based intervention in a specific community, bringing an evidence-based intervention to a community in need, and translation of psychological knowledge into a form that can be easily distributed to and understood by a community in need. Project applicants may be individuals or organizations and are not required to be psychologists or mental health professionals; however, an expert in the relevant evidence-based foundation used for the project must be centrally involved.

**Award Amount:** Up to \$60,000

**Deadline:** July 31, 2025

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Social Justice





### Nasdaq Foundation: Quarterly Grant Program



The Nasdaq Foundation's Quarterly Grant Program seeks to support under-resourced communities in the U.S. by equipping communities with the financial knowledge needed to share in the wealth that markets create. Grants focus on organizations and programs that enhance financial literacy among under-resourced communities, with an element of teaching participants how to invest in the capital markets; that improve access to knowledge and tools for investing and wealth creation among under-resourced communities; and that support entrepreneurs from under-resourced communities with mentoring and resources or by improving access to capital.

**Award Amount:** There is no set minimum or maximum; the average size is \$75,000.

**Deadline:** The remaining 2025 deadlines are August 1 and October 24.

**Tags:** Economic Activity



### PCs for People: Tech for Nonprofits



PCs for People are proud to work with nonprofits, schools, museums, housing authorities, and other community organizations across the country to provide low-cost technology. Tight budgets and high price tags for tech can be a barrier for people seeking to make a difference in their communities and PCs for People is looking to rectify this through their Tech for Nonprofits program. Eligible nonprofits, schools, and museums can order up to five computers online. For orders larger than five computers, please contact [partner@pcsforpeople.org](mailto:partner@pcsforpeople.org). All computers come pre-loaded with Microsoft Office 2019. Internet hotspots are also available upon request by visiting [mobilebeacon.org/techsoup](http://mobilebeacon.org/techsoup) (libraries and nonprofits) or [www.digitalwish.org](http://www.digitalwish.org) (schools).

**Award Amount:** Not Stated

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Jobs & Education, In-Kind, Museums & Archives, Digital Equity







**INSIDER TIP!**



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### **Foxwynd Foundation**

The mission of the Foxwynd Foundation is to assist communities in need by enhancing access to key pillars of human dignity and potential. Support is primarily provided in California, Florida, Pennsylvania, and Texas, with 80% of funding targeting initiatives in those geographies, though applications from outside these areas will also be considered. The Foundation focuses on the following priorities: environmental sustainability, including wind and solar energy, recycling efforts, wildlife conservation, endangered species, ecological concerns, and animal welfare; healthcare, including programs assisting domestic violence victims and abuse survivors, the protection of women's rights, and other initiatives such as food insecurity and medical equipment; and housing, including shelters, homelessness prevention, housing facilities, housing assistance to prevent eviction, and employment opportunities. The first step in the application process is to schedule an intake meeting.

**Award Amount:** \$20,000

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Housing Affordability, Environmental Stewardship, Furry Friends, Medical



### **Hispanic Wealth Project Accelerator**

The Hispanic Wealth Project (HWP) Accelerator is a free 6-week training program for new entrepreneurs and small business owners. The program offers a holistic approach to entrepreneurial growth, focusing not only on business strategies but also on personal wellbeing and leadership development. The HWP Accelerator includes access to connect with and pitch your business idea to investors nationwide. The only eligibility requirements are that you are an early-stage startup interested in scaling your business and a willingness to attend six weekly 1-hour virtual workshops.

**Award Amount:** Up to \$350,000

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Economic Activity, Technical Assistance





### Mary's Pence Grant Program

Mary's Pence funds grassroots women-led and -focused nonprofit organizations or groups working with a fiscal sponsor. Eligible organizations have budgets of \$250,000 or less. They are located in the U.S. and their work takes place in the U.S. Mary's Pence funding is focused on social justice actions that are long term and create sustainable systems change. Mary's Pence values subsidiarity—that is those who are most impacted are part of the decision-making. Funds are provided to organizations whose work centers on human dignity, the common good, the right to economic security, dignified work, care for the earth, gender justice, and nonviolence. To date, Mary's Pence has awarded over \$2 million in grants to more than 700 grassroots organizations throughout the U.S.

**Award Amount:** Up to \$7,500

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Environmental Stewardship, Social Justice, Small Grant



Mary's Pence

Funding Women. Changing Lives.

### Ravi & Naina Patel (RNP) Foundation

The RNP Foundation is committed to increasing the overall well-being of our neighbors and beyond. To achieve a path to lasting happiness individuals must have their basic living, education, nutritional, and environmental needs met, which is why the RNP Foundation has worked to make happiness possible for underserved communities by promoting basic education, proper nutrition, secure housing, and a healthier environment through funding nonprofits in Canada and the United States.

**Award Amount:** Not Stated

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Housing Affordability, Healthy Communities, Jobs & Education



RAVI & NAINA PATEL  
FOUNDATION

### WM Charitable Giving 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





**INSIDER TIP!**



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### **Albertsons Companies Foundation: Nourishing Neighbors**

Nourishing Neighbors, a program of Albertsons Companies Foundation, is committed to ensuring that everyone, including children, seniors, and families, have access to nourishing food. Through the Innovation Spark Incubation Fund request for proposals, support will be provided to organizations for new and innovative ideas or concepts that create lasting independence from food assistance and help end hunger. The focus is on new, never tried solutions that create impact in communities where Albertsons Companies stores are located. (A list of stores in the Albertsons Companies family, as well as states where Albertsons Companies stores are located, is available in the application portal.)

**Award Amount:** Not Stated

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Community Gardens



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

The Americana Foundation's American Heritage program area supports projects and programs across the U.S. that seek to broaden the inclusivity of early American art and the early American historical narrative to "tell the full story" of the American experience. The focus is on organizations and projects that elevate those whose perspectives have been traditionally underrepresented, especially people of color, Indigenous people, and women. Eligible projects may involve the interpretation of early American material culture and its public display, development of exhibits and other educational programs, and creation of career opportunities in curation and conservation. Nonprofit organizations across the United States are invited to apply.

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

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Jobs & Education, Healthy Communities, Museums & Archives







### A.J. Muste Foundation for Peace + Justice

The A.J. Muste Foundation invites applications for its Rapid Response grants program, which will award grants for the immediate and/or emergency needs of groups involved in grassroots nonviolent activism for the liberation of all. Grants will help groups respond quickly to unexpected needs and timely political opportunities with powerful organizing and direct actions. They will be approved on a rolling basis. The maximum grant award is \$10,000, with most awards to be around \$5,000.

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

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Social Justice, Small Grant



**AJ MUSTE FOUNDATION  
FOR PEACE + JUSTICE**

### Patagonia Environmental Grants

The Patagonia's Environmental Grants support innovative work that addresses the root causes of the environmental crisis and seeks to protect both the environment and affected communities. We focus on places where we've built connections through outdoor recreation and through our network of retail stores, nationally and internationally. Our funding strategy focuses on organizations that have or can create a strong base of support, have a clear strategy, and are action oriented. Bike advocacy programs are only funded if they are in direct support of climate change solutions. One proposal per funding group is accepted per fiscal year (May 1–April 30). Typical grant size varies, but generally ranges between \$5,000 and \$20,000.

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

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Environmental Stewardship

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## INSIDER TIP!



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### Lundbeck US Charitable Fund

The Lundbeck US Charitable Fund, a corporate giving initiative of the pharmaceutical company Lundbeck, supports organizations in the U.S. who are dedicated to advancing brain health. Support focuses on the following three areas: 1) organizations in Chicagoland, IL, that are changing lives through outreach, interventions, and support for at-risk communities, particularly in the areas of mental healthcare; 2) addressing gaps in care in the U.S., with a focus on communities that are at high risk of brain disorders, including the military and veteran community; and 3) fueling novel strategies for future progress, with a focus on innovation acceleration to redefine the next generation of care for a wide range of brain disorders. Grants are also available to medical non-profits outside the Chicagoland metropolitan area.

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

**Deadline:** Rolling

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



### Incyte Healthcare-Related Charitable Contributions

Incyte Corporation, a biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of therapeutics in areas including oncology and dermatology, offers support through its Healthcare-Related Charitable Contributions, Sponsorship, and Membership Requests program. The focus is on supporting organizations in the United States ensuring that students, healthcare providers, patients, caregivers, and patient advocates have access to healthcare information. Eligible organizations may include medical schools, medical associations and societies, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, patient advocacy groups, and hospitals and medical centers.

**Award Amount:** Not Stated

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Medical





### T.E.A.L.: Tell Every Amazing Lady About Ovarian Cancer



The Tell Every Amazing Lady® About Ovarian Cancer Louisa M. McGregor Ovarian Cancer Foundation 2025 Medical Research Program offers funding in support of ovarian cancer research studies that are most aligned with our mission as determined by the T.E.A.L.® board of directors and scientific advisory board.

The mission of T.E.A.L.® is to offer women's health and wellness services, including public awareness and education of the signs, symptoms and risk factors of ovarian cancer, provide support to those impacted by the disease and raise funds for research in order to find a screening test and a cure.

**Award Amount:** Up to \$20,000

**Deadline:** Rolling Until April 13, 2026

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



### HerSuiteSpot: HerRise MicroGrant



The HerRise Micro-Grant provides financial assistance, with the help of our corporate sponsors and donors, to women of color creating innovative solutions that impact their community and that are often unable to secure funding for their small business.

Apply for the HerRise MicroGrant by sharing your business pitch and plan in the application. Applications close on the last day of the month, and the winners will be announced at the HerSuiteSpot First Friday Mixer in the following month.

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

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Economic Activity, Micro-Grant

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**INSIDER TIP!**



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### **Exploring Equitable Futures**

The purpose of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Exploring Equitable Futures program is to support projects led by visionary thinkers—scientists, anthropologists, engineers, technologists, creatives, and others—who are imagining what the world might look like in the next 10 to 100 years. By funding these imaginative visionaries, we hope to seed new and unconventional ideas that could radically advance health equity for generations to come.

We aim to fund projects that:

- Explore the future by researching and experimenting with ideas that are ahead of the curve or at the edge of our collective imagination.
- Shine a light on the emerging trends and forces that are shaping our future for better or worse—and suggest ways to navigate them to mitigate harm and advance health equity.
- Dream big and challenge conventional wisdom to surface possibilities and uncover new paths to dismantle structural racism and build a more equitable future.

These projects should address one or more of [RWJF's Prioritized Systems](#).

**Award Amount:** Not Stated

**Deadline:** Rolling

**TAGS:** Healthy Communities, Community Gardens



## **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:

## San Diego Public Library



**As we enjoy the middle of summer, we're highlighting the San Diego Public Library's events and programs throughout the season.**

The San Diego Public Library supports lifelong learning and community connection through its 36 branches a serving over 1.4 million residents each year. With a mission to inspire through knowledge and community, the library offers far more than books.

This summer, the library invites readers of all ages to join its [Summer Reading Program](#). Participants can log books, reading hours or literacy activities online or with paper forms from any branch. Readers who meet their goals can earn free books, museum passes and other fun prizes. The program kicked off June 7 and continues with events and activities through late summer. Another standout event this season is the [Voice Out 2025 Youth Media Arts Exhibit](#). On display at the Central Library through July 27, this exhibit showcases creative work by middle school and teen artists across the city. Through art, these young voices share powerful messages and perspectives.



Beyond summer programs, the library offers a range of services that go far beyond traditional expectations. The [Student EXCEL Card](#) gives students free access to library materials, online learning tools and tutoring support. Patrons can also explore their creativity using 3D printers, laser cutters and sewing machines at the Central Library and other branches. The library's dedicated [LGBTQIA+ resources](#) provide inclusive programming, curated booklists, and safe spaces that celebrate and support the community year-round.

To learn more, visit your local branch and explore the library's [online event calendar](#). Please note: All library locations will now be closed on Sundays.

# Civic Engagement in the Promise Zone

1

## City Planning Department Wants Your Input on Infrastructure Priorities

San Diegans are invited to share their infrastructure priorities by completing the [Infrastructure Priorities Survey](#). Input received by Aug. 1, 2025, will help shape the City's Five-Year Capital Infrastructure Planning Outlook for Fiscal Years 2027–2031. The survey remains open year-round, with later responses considered for future planning cycles. [Visit the Infrastructure Priorities website](#) to learn more.



2

## Land Development Code (LDC) 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).



3

## Use the Get It Done App

It's 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"**







# JOB BOARD



## Literacy Tutor/Learner Coordinator

The Literacy Tutor/Learner Coordinator oversees literacy and homework programs, matching learners with tutors, monitoring progress and supporting out-of-school learning. The role also promotes the program, manages materials, technology and ensures compliance with reporting standards.

[Apply here.](#)



## Student Worker

The Student Worker role offers part-time, temporary work for full-time students in high school, college or graduate programs to gain job experience. Students support County departments with tasks related to their studies. Applicants must maintain at least a 2.0 GPA and verify enrollment each term.

[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.](#)



## 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.

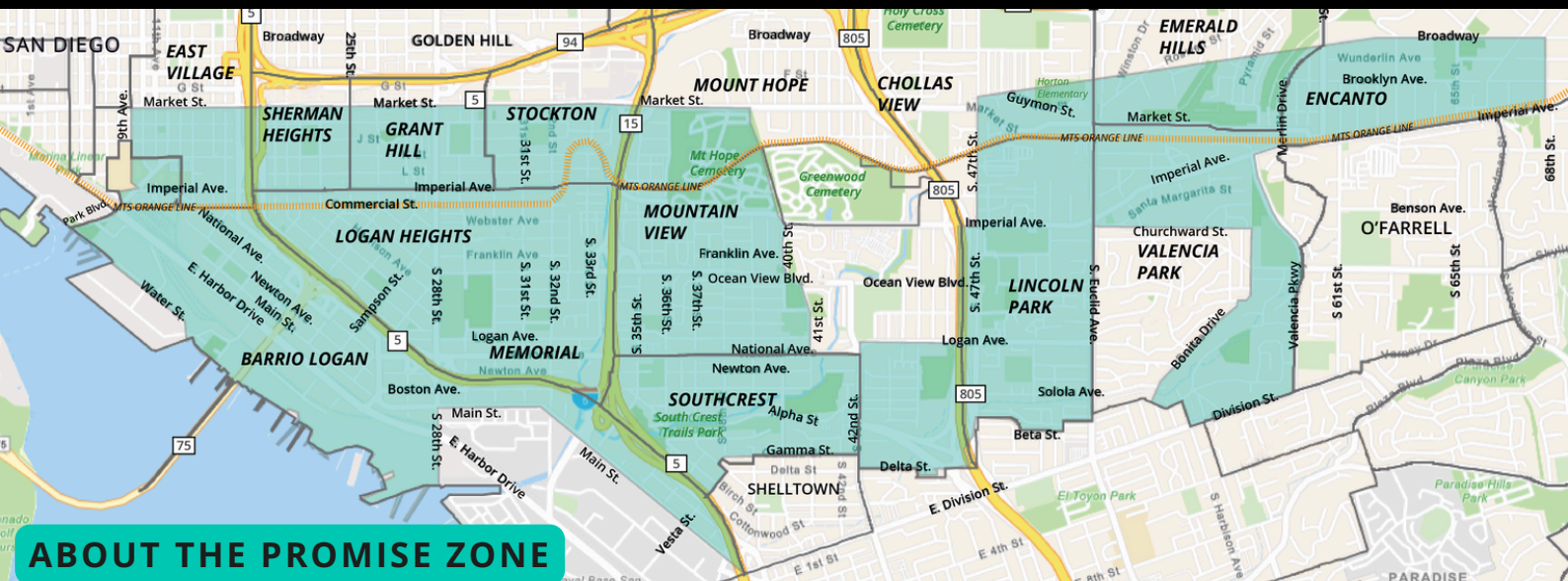
[Apply Here.](#)

**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.

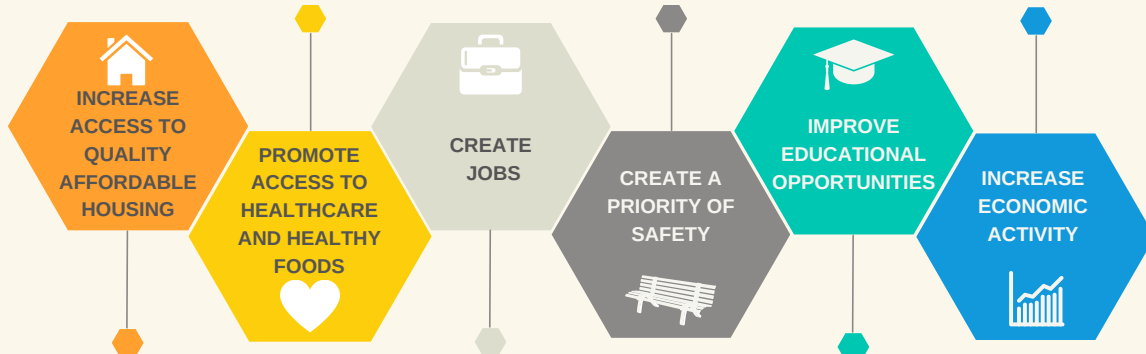
Between 2016 and 2023, the unemployment rate decreased from 14% to 10%, and the poverty rate fell from 35% to 20% (ACS, 2016-22). We recognize there are many factors that contribute to these numbers. We do know that in the eight years since the designation, targeted efforts from the City and CBOs have 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



## Promise Zone Staff

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