

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"

Save the Date!
**All-Partner
Meeting**
Tuesday, Dec. 4
9:30-11:30 a.m.

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Pictured above: Housing Affordability and Jobs & Education co-chairs Adria Fox and Raquel Aparicio staffing the Promise Zone booth at the Live Well conference on Oct. 22, 2025.



A MESSAGE TO OUR PARTNERS

FROM THE PROMISE ZONE STAFF



Dear Promise Zone Network,

Happy November! We hope autumn has been going well. We look forward to celebrating our collective work at the next All-Partner Meeting on Dec. 4. Please [register to join us!](#)

This month, we recognize **National Native American Heritage Month, Veterans Day and National Homelessness Awareness Month**, with many opportunities to honor individuals. We invite you to learn about **Ale Ricardez** in the Community Spotlight, and, in recognition of National Stormwater Day, the **Stormwater Department** in the City Spotlight.

We hope you enjoy this issue and wish you a wonderful rest of autumn!

~San Diego Promise Zone Team

PROMISE ZONE IN THE NEWS

SAN DIEGO WAVE FC.
CITY LEADERS
CELEBRATE PARK
RESURFACING
PROJECT IN LOGAN
HEIGHTS

DOZENS OF TREES
PLANTED IN
ENCANTO AS PART OF
CITY'S NEW
PROGRAM

PORT OF SAN DIEGO
INVESTS \$800K TO
UPGRADE AIR
FILTRATION AT
LOGAN HEIGHTS
LIBRARY IN CLIMATE
AND HEALTH
INITIATIVE



PROMISE ZONE UPDATES

WORKING GROUP UPDATES 2025 - 2026:



Economic Activity

Jan. 15
April 9

Economic Activity Updates

The October Economic Activity meeting had a presentation by Zaba Rashan, Divian Contreras and Alex Southard on the City's [Economic Development Department's Business Assistance programs](#). Additionally, the meeting addressed the upcoming [Career Expo](#) and final survey questions for the [Community Perception Survey](#). The logic model was also updated in real time via a large group discussion.

Jobs & Education Updates

October's Jobs and Education meeting had two presentations from [San Diego College of Continuing Education](#) (Kelly Henwood) and [Neighborhood House Association](#) (Ernesta Johnson). We also had a special presentation by VISTA Chrishael Sanchez who presented on the Youth-Led [Career Expo Design Input](#) findings. The meeting concluded with final survey questions for the [Community Perception Survey](#) and ways to transition to community leadership following the federal Promise Zone designation.



Jobs & Education

Jan. 22
Feb. 19
April 16

Interested in joining a working group? Sign up [here](#).

Special Affordable Housing Presentation

Want to better understand what the term "affordable housing" means, and some of the reasons there is a housing shortage in San Diego? At the Promise Zone's November Housing Affordability working group meeting, we will provide a comprehensive overview of affordable housing. Register [here](#).

Coming up in November:

Healthy Communities

Nov. 13
March 12
May 14

Housing Affordability

Nov. 20
Jan. 29
March 19



Live Well Conference

Snapshots from the Day



Special thanks to Promise Zone Steering Committee members **Jon Rios, Sarah Tuakli Cooper, Angel Nolasco, Raquel Aparicio and Adria Fox** for serving on the Promise Zone panel and staffing the Promise Zone exhibitor booth at the 2025 Live Well Conference and School Summit on Oct. 22, 2025. We loved talking with community members about the work we're doing in the Promise Zone!



Please join us for a



All-Partner Meeting

Thursday, Dec. 4, 2025

9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

San Diego City College, Room MS-140
1313 Park Blvd.
San Diego, CA 92102
(Free parking available.)

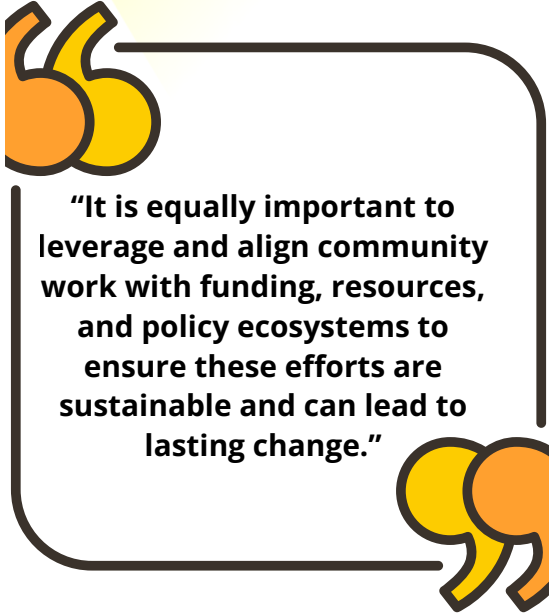
- Learn about Community Perception Survey progress and suggest neighborhood locations
- Contribute to the Promise Zone's Community-Led Transition Plan
- Share successes and network with partners

RSVP at <https://bit.ly/allpartnerdec4>



COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

Ale Ricardez



Ale Ricardez grew up in a small village, Agua Blanca Tlapacoyan, located in the Central Valley of Oaxaca, Mexico. She attended California State University, San Marcos (CSUSM) as an undergraduate and later attended UCLA’s Luskin School of Public Affairs for graduate school. When Ale is not busy helping the community, she likes to hike, practice Zen, travel and volunteer. Ale feels most at peace surrounded by nature, particularly when she’s around coniferous trees and forests.

Ale’s involvement in the Promise Zone and similar programs was in part brought about by her own cultural practices of *Tequio* and *Guetza*. *Tequio* signifies community work and service, while *Guetza* translates to gift in reciprocity. These cultural practices served as the groundwork for her passion in giving back, and ultimately led her to pursue roles that center the lived experience of the community with participatory, trust-based methodologies. She currently serves as the co-chair and co-founder of the Indigenous Peoples ERG at Blue Shield, the Promise Zone’s Healthy Communities co-chair, and she has been a board member for local nonprofits. She is presently the **Duals Outreach and Enrollment Manager at Blue Shield of California**. To Ale the Promise Zone represents a powerful manifestation of **resiliency, wisdom, knowledge and community engagement**. She states it is an honor to contribute to this important effort.

Thank you, Ale Ricardez, for allowing us to highlight you and your amazing work in this month’s newsletter.

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

FINANCIAL WELLNESS

November highlights **Veterans Day**. This is a time to honor and thank those who have served our country for their courage, dedication and sacrifice. This month, we're sharing resources that support veterans and their families, including programs that promote housing stability, financial resilience and community connection. Here are a few resources to help strengthen financial stability and access veteran support services.

Veterans Resources:

[Wounded Warrior Project](#)

[San Diego Veterans Coalition](#)

[California Department of Veterans Affairs](#)

[Veterans Village of San Diego](#)

[Disabled American Veterans](#)



[Veterans Day 2025: Discounts for California Veterans and Service Members](#)

RESOURCES



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

Visit [California Coast Credit Union](#) for more information about programs and events.

FINANCIAL WELLNESS

November also highlights **National Homelessness Awareness Month**, a time to recognize the challenges many individuals and families face in finding stable housing and to raise awareness about solutions that promote housing security and dignity for all. This month, we're sharing resources that support housing stability, financial resilience and community assistance for those in need. Here are a few programs and tools to help strengthen financial stability and connect with local support services.

Homelessness Resources:

Homeless Housing and Support Services

Father Joe's Shelter & Housing Information

SDHC Homelessness Programs

211 San Diego - Crisis Resources

Community Resources

Join SDYHC's Membership Meetings to collaborate with community providers to improve outcomes for youth experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness. Visit our website [SDYHC.org](https://sdhc.org) or email Jessica at Jrihan@ymcasd.org for meeting information.

National Runaway Safe line (Youth 24 hour Crisis hotline)
<https://www.1800runaway.org/>

Visit 211 to search for a variety of resources regarding housing support, food pantries, health services, basic needs support, and more!
<https://211sandiego.org/housing-information/>

SDHC and City of San Diego Homelessness Programs
(Resources for housing programs, shelters, and basic needs support)
<https://sdhc.org/homelessness-solutions/city-homeless-shelters-services/>

HETAC's National Homeless Youth Awareness Month (NHYAM) Toolkit
(Information about Homeless Youth Awareness Month including event calendars, social media tool kit and more!)
<https://www.hetac.org/hetac-resources/youth-awareness>

Walk & Rally Events

Solidarity Journey (SOJO)	Walk & Rally: SBCS	The Green Wave Walk & Rally	Walk & Rally: SDYS	SOJO Final Event: Walk & Rally	Walk & Rally: Home Start
Tuesday Nov 4th to Friday Nov 7th 4 Day Journey from Tijuana to Escondido with multiple opportunities to join the Journey! Visit the SOJO website to see all join in events, ways to get involved and Walk & Rally options. Visit: https://sojocali.com	Wednesday Nov. 5th 11:30am-1:00pm Meet at Boarder View YMCA (3601 Arey Dr. San Diego, CA 92154) Participants will Walk & Rally to Trolley Trestle Station (746 Ada St, Chula Vista, CA 91911) A Roof For Every Youth!	Thursday Nov 6th 12:00PM - 1:30PM Please join us at the County Administration Building for a Proclamation and Speaker Series Green Wave meet up: 1600 Pacific Hwy., San Diego, CA 92101	Friday Nov 7th 2:00pm - 4:00pm Meet at City Hall (202 C Street) for rally & opening remarks. Participants will then Walk & Rally to TAY Academy (2220 Broadway). RSVP at: sdyouthservices.donordrive.com/events	Friday Nov 7th 1:00pm-3:00pm Meet at the Escondido Transit Center to Walk & Rally to YMCA Lincoln Apartments Join in for a Final Closing event at YMCA Lincoln Apartments at 1:30pm (711 W. Lincoln Ave., Escondido 92026)	Thursday Nov 13th 10:30am- Noon Meet at Little House Family Resource Services (131 Avocado Ave. El Cajon, 92020) Walk and Rally to Centennial Plaza for Remarks from Home Start, leadership, youth and local elected officials

November is National Homeless Youth Awareness Month

Learn more and help spread awareness at hetac.org/hetac-resources/youth-awareness



Visit **California Coast Credit Union** 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.



Nov.
6

SD Community Wealth Building Coalition - Woo Studios

Thursday, Nov. 6, 2025, 5:30 - 7 p.m.

Join for an evening of shared learning about how a community wealth building resolution can garner City support for community land trusts and housing, worker, and food cooperatives. RSVP [here](#).



Nov.
6

Community Forum on Smokeshops - Barrio Logan College Institute

Thursday, Nov. 6, 2025, 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Learn about how smoke shops operate and their impact on your children and community. Share your thoughts and hear about ways to get involved in this issue. Located at the Barrio Logan College Institute; dinner and childcare will be provided. RSVP [here](#).



Nov.
15

Project New Village - Day of Outdoor Wellness

Saturday, Nov. 15, 2025, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Nov. 15 is a full Day of Outdoor Wellness Activities. At the Mt. Hope Community Garden, you can join a Community Work Day, and at Market Creek Outdoor Plaza you can join an Outdoor Wellness Expo! More info [here](#).



Nov.
22

Turkey Giveaway & Resource Fair - Jacobs Center

Saturday, Nov. 22, 2025, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Pick up a free turkey for this holiday season at the Joe and Vi Jacobs Center! In addition to the free turkey there will be food, entertainment and other resources to partake in. More info [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](#)

Partner Announcements

CONSOLIDATING POWER: PURSUING CITY SUPPORT THROUGH A COMMUNITY WEALTH BUILDING RESOLUTION



Join us for an evening of shared learning about how a community wealth building resolution can garner city support for community land trusts and housing, worker, and food cooperatives.

Meet with local policymakers, community leaders, and coalition members to help form the future of community wealth building advocacy in San Diego.

DETAILS

November 6th
5:30pm-7pm

Woo Studios,
2212 Main St

Light food and
drink provided



JULIUS CAESAR



FREE SHAKESPEARE SHOW

Event Details

SAY San Diego and Lincoln High School are happy to welcome this **FREE** performance of professional theatre with this year's Globe for All tour of Julius Caesar.

WHEN: Thursday, November 6th, 2025, Dinner at 5:00 PM/Show starts at 6 PM

WHERE: Lincoln High School's Theater, 4777 Imperial Ave 92131

Please park in the parking structure located off of Franklin Ave

RESERVE YOUR SEAT: <https://tinyurl.com/JuliusCaesar25> or Scan the QR Code

QUESTIONS: Contact Shannon Stracener at ssracener@saysandiego.org

*This play contains staged violence, self-harm depictions, and intense group scenes. Rated PG



The 2025 Globe for All Tour is dedicated to the memory of Silvia Delella, who, along with Elaine Bennett Derrin, was the first philanthropist to support the program when it began in 2015. It is also supported by Lead Supporters: Elaine Bennett Derrin and Quacema, with additional support from The Peggy and Robert Matthews Foundation, The Kenneth T. and Elaine S. Worthy Foundation, and PNC Bank. Arts Engagement programs are supported by Bank and Richard Bremer, Sherry Coleman, Ann Sorens, Pamela Fox and Susan Alexander, Michael and Catherine Park, Eric and Jennifer, Margaret, U.S. Bank, and The Donna Van Ekens Foundation. Additional support is provided by supporters of the Arts Engagement Giving Circle. Financial support is provided by The City of San Diego. The Theodore and Audrey Gabel Fund provides leadership support for The Old Globe's year-round activities.

Presented inEnglishbyBarrio Logan College
Instituteand ParentsEmpowered from CityHeights

COMMUNITY FORUM ON SMOKE SHOPS

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2025
6PM-7:30PM**

Learn about how smoke shops operate and their impact on our children and community. Share your concerns and hear about ways to get involved in this issue.
Limited street parking is available. Public transportation is recommended.



**BARRIO LOGAN COLLEGE INSTITUTE
2104 NATIONAL AVENUE,
SAN DIEGO, 92113**

DINNER AND CHILDCARE PROVIDED



Register here!





Community Resource Fair

Join Cristo Rey High School's Resource Fair during our Open House! Come spread the word of the services offered by your organization to our students and families.



**Saturday,
November 8
1:30- 4:30 PM**

1228 S 38th Street

FREE EVENT!

This event is open to the public.

Please register for this event by Friday, October 31st. For more information, please contact Jax Mendez at jmendez@cristoreysandiego.org



JOIN US!

Partner Announcements

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WANT BETTER JOBS & CAREER SUPPORT FOR OUR YOUTH?

If you're between 18-25 years old and live in San Diego County, these surveys are for you.

Careers That Matter: Youth Voice for San Diego's Future

We want to hear:

- Career pathway preferences
- Desired career outcomes
- Support areas to reach passions in career pathways



Scan the QR code here!
bit.ly/ywminisurvey2



Opportunity to win a \$25 Visa Gift Card if you fill out both surveys!





SDSU CAREER FAIRS

2025-2026

11 SEPTEMBER	STEM CAREER AND INTERNSHIP FAIR
25 SEPTEMBER	FOWLER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS CAREER FAIR
2 OCTOBER	GRADUATE SCHOOL FAIR
10 OCTOBER	EDUCATION CAREER FAIR
16 OCTOBER	FALL CAREER & INTERNSHIP FAIR
23 OCTOBER	SDSU IMPERIAL VALLEY CAREER & INTERNSHIP FAIR
6 NOVEMBER	PART-TIME AND SEASONAL JOB FAIR
5 FEBRUARY	STEM CAREER AND INTERNSHIP FAIR
27 FEBRUARY	SPRING CAREER AND INTERNSHIP FAIR
12 MARCH	FOWLER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS CAREER FAIR
9 APRIL	JUST IN TIME CAREER FAIR
28 APRIL	SUMMER CAREER FAIR

Open to the public

SDSU Division of Student Affairs and Campus Diversity Career Services



TURKEY DISTRIBUTION



Hosted by CA State Senator Steve Padilla

FRIDAY, NOV 21

10AM - 12PM

3040 IMPERIAL AVE.
SAN DIEGO, CA 92102

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

REGISTER HERE:



Legislative resources will be provided

Contact Logan Heights CDC: 619-858-0563 or info@loganheightscdc.org

SPREADING LOVE AND GRATITUDE

TURKEY GIVEAWAY AND RESOURCE FAIR EVENT!

FREE PARKING
ACROSS THE STREET

Southeastern Livewell Center
5101 Market St.
San Diego, CA 92114
Valencia Park/Malcom X
5148 Market St.
San Diego, CA 92114



One (1) FREE Turkey per Household
Must be 18 Years or Older to Receive
Registration Starts at 9:00 am

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2025 | 10am - 2pm
JOE AND VI JACOBS CENTER
404, EUCLID AVE, SAN DIEGO, CA 92114


FOOD, ENTERTAINMENT & RESOURCES



Sponsorship opportunities available – feature your logo and support a great cause!

Partner Announcements

FOOD DISTRIBUTION



1ST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH- GENERAL
2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH - SENIORS
9:00 - 11:00 AM

SHCC SHERMAN HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CENTER
2258 ISLAND AVE, SAN DIEGO, CA 92102
WWW.SHERMANHEIGHTSCC.ORG

A Free, Virtual *Live Well San Diego* Youth Leadership Team
Town Hall on Access to Nutrition
Education and Wellness

How can youth build a healthier community?

**NOV 8TH
10-12 PM
ON ZOOM**

Join us to:

- Address access to nutrition education
- Hear from experts about healthy food systems
- Explore solutions to build a healthier San Diego!

Scan the QR code to register!

A limited number of gift cards will be available for attendees!*

Questions can be directed to livelellyouth@sdcounty.ca.gov

NOURISH TO FLOURISH

*Current County of San Diego employees and their immediate relatives are ineligible for the incentives.

LIVE WELL SAN DIEGO

Greater Logan Heights **LOGAN HEIGHTS**

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@loganheightsdc.org
(619) 858-0563

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



Partner Announcements

The Community Health & Resource Fair
1st Wednesday of Every Month
November 5th, 2025
10:00 am - 3:00 pm

November is... Diabetes Awareness Month

HbA1c CHART
Between 5.7% and 6.4%
Below 5.7% 6.5% or higher

Diabetes Complications
Heart Disease, Kidney Disease, Eye Disease, Nerve Damage, Foot Problems, Stroke, Complications during pregnancy

Jackie Robinson YMCA
151 YMCA Way ~ San Diego, CA 92102

Free Resources

- Diabetes Screening
- Blood Pressure Check
- Cholesterol Screening
- HIV & HEP-C Screening
- Mammogram Mobile
- Breast Exams
- Eye exams & glasses
- Medi-Cal / CalFresh
- Vaccines
- Health Insurance
- Food Distribution
- Raffle Prizes & More

FREE SHUTTLE RIDES: to and from
~ Asia Wok - 255 Marketplace Ave (next to the Dollar Tree store) ~
~ Educational Cultural Complex - 4343 Ocean View Blvd and the Health Fair ~

Dr. Suzanne Affalo
Info@healthierme@gmail.com
Wendy Shurelds
Info@ymcasd.org
Healthfairsw@gmail.com

the Y, CONCORDE, SDC, FEEDING SAN DIEGO, Scripps, CHANDLER CENTER

the Y YMCA OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY
COMMUNITY WELL-BEING & BELONGING

YMCA YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES

Free Financial Assistance Program For Young Adults

The YMCA's Direct Cash Transfer Program is a 12-month financial assistance program offering financial literacy workshops that equip young adults with the tools, money, and education they need to achieve their personal goals.

Application Deadline:
Monday September 15 at 12:00PM NOON.
Applicants must be between ages 18-21 and at risk of homelessness in San Diego County. Selected applicants will be notified after the review process.

QUESTIONS? Contact:
dctprogram@ymcasd.org
(858)837-3091

CLICK OR SCAN QR CODE TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION

PROUDLY NEW! PLEASE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR A...

DAY OF OUTDOOR WELLNESS ACTIVITIES

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 15TH

STARTING AT... 9AM TO 11AM
ENDING AT... 12PM TO DUEX

COMMUNITY WORK DAY
MT. HOPE COMMUNITY GARDEN
(HARD-MARKET ST. 92103)

OUTDOOR WELLNESS EXPO
MARKET CREEK AMPHITHEATRE
(1715 EUCALYPTUS AVE. 92108)

Illustration of people running, cycling, and stretching in a park setting.

The Community Health & Resource Fair
1st Wednesday of Every Month

Focus On Your Overall Health

Jackie Robinson YMCA
151 YMCA Way
San Diego, CA 92102
10am - 3pm

Free Resources

- Diabetes Screening
- Blood Pressure Check
- Cholesterol Screening
- HIV & HEP-C Screening
- San Diego Humane Society
- Mammograms & Sign Up
- Breast Exams
- Vaccines Available
- Health Insurance
- Food Distribution
- Raffle Prizes

2026 Event Dates

- February 4th
- March 4th
- April 1st
- May 6th
- June 3rd
- July 1st
- August 5th
- September 2nd
- October 7th
- November 4th
- December 2nd

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Partner Announcements



SDCCE Insider Session

Join our monthly Insider Sessions to explore free opportunities at SDCCE
Thursday November 6, 2025 at 3:00 PM



Tuition-Free & Accessible Learning
Tuition-free, accessible programs for skill building, career growth, and workforce readiness.



Multiple Pathways & Support Services
Explore programs in Healthcare, IT, ESL, Hospitality & more — with support services like counseling, career help, and financial aid.



Mission-Driven, Community-Centered Institution
SDCCE empowers San Diegans through lifelong learning, career training, and inclusive, community-focused education.



(619) 388-SDCE (7323)
sdceoutreach@sdccd.edu
sociatap.com/sdce/

Join monthly sessions using the following link or scan the QR Code to Connect
bit.ly/4mzjclE





HOUSING OUR YOUTH

YMCA YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES

The Housing Our Youth (HOY) program offers specialized support for youth and young adults ages 16–24 in San Diego County who are at-risk of, or currently experiencing, homelessness. Participants enrolled in the program may receive services such as housing assistance and connection, resource navigation, employment and education support, and other wraparound services tailored to help them achieve stable housing and work toward self-sufficiency. For more information or to explore enrollment in the program, scan the QR code below to complete an inquiry form.

WHO DO WE SERVE?
Young adults up to and including the age of 24, who are facing homelessness throughout San Diego County.



WHAT SERVICES DO WE OFFER?
Our goal is to interrupt poverty and provide youth with the skills and tools to lead a financially independent and successful life. Our services include the following:



MENTORING & CASE MANAGEMENT



HOUSING ASSISTANCE & PLACEMENT



PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS



WORK READINESS TRAINING



EMPLOYMENT & EDUCATIONAL COORDINATION



FINANCIAL LITERACY



PARENTING SUPPORT



BASIC NEEDS SUPPORT

Youth & Family Services is the lead organization for this project. We are working in collaboration with youth-serving organizations across the entire San Diego County. Members of the Housing Our Youth Collaborative include:

- Home Start
- North County Lifeline
- San Diego LGBT Community Center
- San Diego Youth Services
- SBES
- Urban Street Angels
- YMCA Youth & Family Services



Housing Our Youth is funded by the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency.



FOR MORE INFORMATION:
SCAN our QR code to view our HOY Inquiry (Interest) Form or Contact David Baker at (760) 908-9126. Questions can be sent to hoy@ymcasd.org



BUSINESS RESOURCE CENTER

The Business Resource Center is a dedicated community space for entrepreneurs at any stage to gain access to resources.



FREE RESOURCES & WORKSPACE

TAKE YOUR BUSINESS TO THE NEXT LEVEL!



Workshops
Free workshops focused on business needs for new and seasoned entrepreneurs.

1-on-1 Business Coaching
High impact coaching sessions with experts focused on the direct needs of individual business owners.

Business Needs Assessment
Free business needs assessments and referrals to community business resources that are free and low-cost.

Podcasting Equipment
Reserve space and professional recording equipment to create content that reaches new customers and engages your returning customers.

Visit Us
César E. Chávez Campus
Room 107
1901 Main St
San Diego, CA 92113

Mon: CLOSED
Tues - Thurs: 10am - 6pm
Fri: By Appointment Only

www.theprogramlabs.org/businessresourcecenter



BUSINESS ACCELERATOR

4-month free program with workshops and mentoring designed to help you build your network, increase your confidence and scale your business.

Scan for More Info



WE HELP WITH



BUSINESS FINANCIALS
Hands-on assistance from experts to craft a solid financial plan and budget.



FINDING MORE CUSTOMERS
Working sessions to build a marketing plan, brand, and outreach strategy that delivers more paying customers.



SELLING WITH CONFIDENCE
Development of a sales skills and processes that help you close more sales by understanding your sales pitch and customer needs.



PERSONAL BUSINESS COACHING
Get matched with an individual mentor and receive 1-on-1 business coaching to help you develop solid business structure and connections.

CONNECT WITH US

César E. Chávez Campus
Room 107
1901 Main St
San Diego, CA 92113

www.theprogramlabs.org/businessaccelerator

Alex@theprogramlabs.org

Partner Announcements



SAN YSIDRO HEALTH | **MOBILE HEALTH SERVICES**

San Ysidro Health operates Mobile Health Services Units, providing healthcare services to children aged 2 months to 17 years in San Diego County.

OUR SERVICES:

- Well Child Visits (2 months - 17 years)
- Immunizations (bring your child's shot record)
- Minor Sick Visits
- Sports Physicals
- TB Testing (All ages)
- WIC Hemoglobin Test

For more information scan the QR Code or visit <https://www.syhealth.org/services/mobile-health-services>

Office Hours are **Monday-Friday from 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM**
To schedule an appointment or more information please call **(619) 662-4199**
Medi-Cal and Uninsured accepted

www.syhealth.org | Follow us @sanysidrohealth

IRC Career Programs
Learn. Grow. Succeed.

START A CAREER IN HEALTHCARE

Certified Medical Assistant
Certified Nurse Assistant
Dental Assistant and more

Career help for ages 18-26, get started now

WE OFFER

- One-on-One Career Coaching
- Network of training partners
- Financial Coaching
- Job Placement Assistance
- Mentorship

Eligibility

- Youth 18-26
- Immigrant Background
- Authorized to work in the US
- Speak, read, and write English
- Other Eligibility Criteria May Apply

Apply

Contact Us

Google # (619) 663-9182
Reem.Faraj@rescue.org

FREE ENGLISH & CITIZENSHIP CLASSES

TUESDAY MARTES | **ESL/CLASES DE INGLÉS** 5PM A 7:15PM

WEDNESDAY MIERCOLES | **CITIZENSHIP CLASSES/CLASES DE CIUDADANÍA** 5PM A 6PM

WEDNESDAY MIERCOLES | **ESL/CLASES DE INGLÉS** 6PM A 7:15PM

¡OFRECEMOS CLASES NIVEL BÁSICO Y INTERMEDIO!

¿Preguntas? (619) 232-5181

2258 Island Avenue
San Diego, CA 92102

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Beginning July 23, 2025! | **I AM HERE: Vital Document Legal Hotline for Youth**

A free, dedicated state-specific legal assistance hotline for youth experiencing homelessness.

1-800-870-DOCS

I AM HERE: Vital Document Legal Hotline for Youth | 1-800-870-DOCS

We are excited to announce a new hotline for youth experiencing homelessness! The [I Am Here: Vital Document Legal Hotline for Youth](#) is a partnership between the National Network for Youth and Baker McKenzie.

- **Phone Number:** 1-800-870-DOCS (1-800-870-3627)
- **Start Date:** Wednesday, July 23, 2025
- **Hours:** Every Wednesday from 12 to 8 PM Eastern | 11 AM to 7 PM Central | 10 AM to 6 PM Mountain | 9 AM to 5 PM Pacific
- **Voicemails:** Outside of working hours, callers can leave voicemails that will be returned.
- **Callers:** Young people experiencing homelessness.
- **Phone Operators:** Legal professionals from Baker McKenzie and pro bono lawyers from other corporations.
- **Goal:** Provide state-specific guidance on obtaining vital documents.

Partner Announcements

NOVEMBER 2025 TECHON 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

Our classes can help teach you how to be confident with your device. Our structure is as follows:

HOOR 1:
Class discussion on monthly topic tech questions

HOOR 2:
Q&A for basic on monthly topic tech questions

Scan this QR code for more information

Valencia Park/Malcolm X Library 5148 Market St.	Park de la Cruz Recreation Center 3901 Landis St.
Thursdays 10 am - 12 pm <i>Google Apps for Everyday</i>	Mondays 9:30 am - 11:30 am <i>Smartphone basics</i>
11/6 Gmail and Google Contacts	11/3 App I - All about Apps
11/13 Google Drive and Google Files	11/10 App II - Online Banking & Shopping
11/20 Google Photos and Google Maps	11/17 App III - Utility Apps
11/27 Holiday	11/24 App IV - Social Media

Skyline Hills Library 7900 Paradise Valley Rd.	Sherman Heights Community Center* 2258 Island Ave.
Saturdays 10 am - 12 pm <i>Google Apps for Everyday</i>	Tuesdays 10 am - 12 pm <i>All About Apps</i>
11/1 Gmail and Google Contacts	11/4 App I - Online Banking & Shopping
11/8 Google Drive and Google Files	11/11 Holiday
11/15 Google Photos and Google Maps	11/18 App III - Utility Apps
11/22 Google Docs and Google Sheets	11/25 App IV - Social Media
11/29 Open Office Hours	

Otay Mesa-Nestor Library* 3003 Coronado Ave.	Metro Career Center 4389 Imperial Ave.
Fridays 10 am - 12 pm <i>Smartphone Part 2</i>	Thursdays 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm <i>Office Computer Skills</i>
11/7 Organizing your Smartphone	11/6 Professional Email Conduct
11/14 Find My Device	11/13 Microsoft Word and File Management
11/21 Smartphone Emergency Essential	11/20 Microsoft Excel
11/28 Holiday	11/27 Holiday

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

NOVEMBER 2025 DIGITAL NAVIGATOR SCHEDULE

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

Central Library 330 Park Blvd.	Park de la Cruz Recreation Center 3911 Landis St.
English/Arabic Monday: 11:30 am - 3:15 pm English/Arabic/French/Tagalog *Tuesday: 11:30 am - 3:15 pm	English/Arabic/Chaldean/Spanish *Tuesday: 9:00 am - 11:45 am English *Thursday: 9:00 am - 11:45 am
City Heights Library 3795 Fairmount Ave.	Valencia Park/Malcolm X Library 5148 Market St.
English/Arabic/Chaldean/Spanish/French Monday: 1:00 pm - 4:45 pm English/Tagalog/Spanish Wednesday: 11:30 am - 3:15 pm	English/Spanish/Tagalog *Thursday: 11:30 am - 3:15 pm English Saturday: 11:30 am - 3:15 pm
Cathy Hopper Rec Center 4425 Bannock Ave.	Skyline Hills Library 7900 Paradise Valley Rd.
English/Arabic/French Wednesday: 9:00 am - 11:45 am	English/Arabic Monday: 11:30 am - 3:15 pm
Logan Heights Library 567 S. 28th St.	Otay Mesa - Nestor Library 3003 Coronado Ave.
English/Spanish *Tuesday: 11:30 am - 3:15 pm	English/Spanish/Arabic/Chaldean Wednesday: 11:30 am - 3:15 pm
San Ysidro Library 4235 Beyer Blvd. English/Arabic/French *Thursday: 11:30 am - 3:15 pm	

*Libraries and Rec Centers will be closed on Tuesday, November 11, 2025 in observance of Veterans Day and Thursday, November 27, 2025 in observance of Thanksgiving day.

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://qrco.de/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 th - Escondido	March 1 st - San Diego	June 7 th - El Cajon	April - Chula Vista (east)
September 6 th - San Marcos	July - National City	December 6 th - La Mesa/Spring Valley	May 3 rd - Chula Vista (west)
November 1 st - Ramona	October 4 th - Linda Vista		August 2 nd - Chula Vista

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 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 techsupport@c2k.org or call (858) 200-9788.

Need technical support? Contact us at 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

THE GREAT ESCAPE

Reading Challenge

September 1, 2025 - May 31, 2026

For Kindergarten - 12th Grade readers

Del 1 de septiembre de 2025 al 31 de mayo de 2026
Para lectores de jardín de infantes a 12º grado

Calling all students! Get ready for The Great Escape through reading! Dive into new worlds, spark your imagination, and read **1000 minutes** to complete your incredible journey.*

¡Llamamos a todos los estudiantes! ¡Prepárense para la Gran Escapada a través de la lectura! Sumérjanse en nuevos mundos, despierten su imaginación y lean 1000 minutos para completar su increíble viaje.

Scan the QR code or sign-up online at:
sandiego.beanstack.com

*This challenge is for self-enrichment, no physical prizes will be awarded.
*Este desafío es de enriquecimiento personal, no se otorgarán premios.

Partner Announcements



CHOLLAS CREEKSIDE PARK STEWARDSHIP FRIDAYS

Location:
Chollas Creekside Park
5050 Guymon St, San Diego, CA 92102

Date & Time:
November 7th 3:30PM - 6:00PM

Help clean, plant, and restore this vital waterway while building a healthier home for wildlife and our community.

Presented by:



SCAN QR CODE TO VOLUNTEER



bit.ly/CCP_SF



READY, SET, GROW SAN DIEGO

Become a tree steward for the City of San Diego!

This four-part series teaches you how to care for our urban forest. Participants are encouraged to attend all sessions to graduate and receive exclusive Urban Forestry Tree Stewardship swag.





Funding for this project is provided by the USDA Forest Service, Urban and Community Forestry Program, USDA, City of San Diego, and all of its partners below are equal opportunity providers and employers.

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

TREE STEWARD SERIES

1. **TREE STEWARDSHIP** (Online Attendance)
SEPTEMBER 6, 2025 AT 10 AM
Online class covering:
...Existing Urban Forestry Programs
Expanding Our Urban Forest
Tree Planting & Care
Benefits of Trees

2. **TREE TREK** (Colina Del Sol Park)
SEPTEMBER 20, 2025 AT 10 AM
An interactive community walk led by ISA-certified Arborists, featuring:
...Tree species identification
Local planting goals in the neighborhood
Tree assessment and review of Arbor Day 2025 planted trees

3. **HANDS-ON TREE PLANTING** (Bay Terraces)
OCTOBER 11, 2025 AT 10 AM
A planting day in a Ready, Set, Grow San Diego project area:
...Use of tools and safety best practices in the field
Overview of post-planting care and early tree monitoring
Best way to plant a tree

4. **GRADUATION & TREE TREK** (Balboa Park)
NOVEMBER 8, 2025 AT 10 AM
A celebration and second Tree Trek where participants will:
...Be recognized for completing the program
Share experiences to inspire next cohort
Explore trees of Balboa Park with ISA certified arborist



SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP TODAY!

This event is approved for Continuing Education Units for ISA Certified Arborists



Partner Announcements



Urban League
San Diego County



Register Today for Open Enrollment for New & Continuing Students

ULSDC PROJECT READY LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

In-person - Free

This program focuses on:

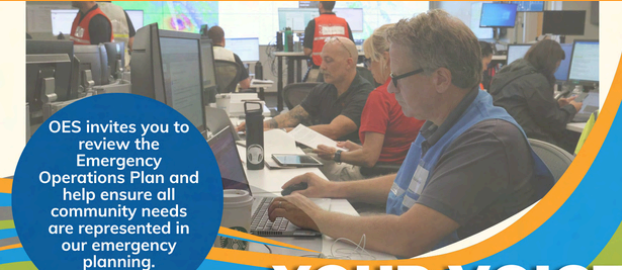
- Mentorship,
- Leadership Development,
- Historical and Cultural Literacy,
- Scholarships and Money for College,
- College Tours,
- National Urban League Youth Summit (Travel out of Town & Stay on a college campus with 300 plus students)
- National Case Competitions, and
- Career Preparation & Exploration
- Social Justice & Public Speaking
- Incentives, Swag, Gift Cards, and Money for College

Contact Kea Hagan at:
619.266.6265; kea@sduul.org

REGISTER TODAY USING QR CODE



<https://form.jotform.com/251430870925154>



OES invites you to review the Emergency Operations Plan and help ensure all community needs are represented in our emergency planning.

YOUR VOICE MATTERS!

About This Opportunity


The County of San Diego Office of Emergency Services (OES) invites residents, businesses, and community organizations to review and share feedback on the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) — the County's framework for how we respond to major disasters such as wildfires, earthquakes, and floods.

Your feedback ensures community needs and local knowledge are included in every stage of emergency planning. The plan is updated every four years to reflect new risks, tools, and lessons learned from past emergencies.

Your feedback helps us:

- ▶ Identify gaps and community needs
- ▶ Use local knowledge and lived experience
- ▶ Strengthen partnerships and coordination
- ▶ Ensure all voices are represented in emergency plans

SCAN ME



The EOP Survey will be open until:
NOVEMBER 21, 2025

Website: engage.sandiegocounty.gov/emergency-operations-plan

PROJECT READY 2.5

PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS

ENROLLMENT OPEN NOW

Education Youth Advocacy Program
The Urban League of San Diego County and Doors of Change are partnering to support youth who face multiple barriers, including housing and learning challenges.

Ages 14-24

Free!
Incentives!
Gift Cards!
Mobile Devices!

- Safe Shelter & Housing Assistance
- Access to Basic Needs (i.e. Food, Clothing...)
- College & Career Readiness
- Life Skills, Social Justice, Leadership Skills & Mentorship

SCAN HERE



Register Now! 

<https://sduul.org/csi-pr-2-5-pathways-to-success/>

Urban League San Diego County
kea@sduul.org
(619) 266-6287
www.sduul.org

DOORS OF CHANGE
CaseManager@doorsofchange.org
(760) 415-0009
www.doorsofchange.org

Urban League of San Diego County & Doors of Change

PROJECT READY 6 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@sduul.org
- (619) 266-6265
- sduul.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

HIGHER EDUCATION NAVIGATION WORKSHOPS



SERVICES

- Assistance with application for FAFSA/CADAA
- Assistance with application for community college, university or vocational training
- Individualized information sessions on higher education
- Workshop on higher education
- Workshop on FAFSA/CADAA



SCAN ME!



ELIGIBILITY

- Ages 17+
- English Language Learners
- San Diego County Residents

HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?



ZEYNAB.JASIM@RESCUE.ORG



(619) 663-5348

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

El Cajon

131 E. Main St., Suite 201
El Cajon, CA 92020
IRCSBDC@rescue.org



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

Loans made or arranged pursuant to CA Finance Law License

POWERED BY



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

SANDAG

Via
San Diego
Southeastern Connect

Drive and earn up to \$24/hr!

Via operates a new on-demand service
in Southeastern San Diego.

- \$23/hr for non-wheelchair accessible vehicles.
- \$24/hr for wheelchair accessible vehicles.

Two limited time perks*:

- New Driver Partners can earn \$300 after 30 hours of driving.
- Earn \$300 when you refer a Driver Partner who drives for 30 hours.

Sign up today!



*Terms & conditions: To be eligible for the new driver promotion, you must complete at least 30 hours of driving on the Via platform within 30 days of completing your driver onboarding session. Promotions may be revoked or altered at any time at Via's sole discretion.

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

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

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

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.





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.

CONTACT US

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pedro@maacproject.org

Elisabetta Barati
GRID Alternatives Workforce Development Workforce Coordinator
(619) 529-3289
elbarati@gridalternatives.org

ELIGIBILITY

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




MAAC Next Level Internship Photo GRID Alternatives Solar Farm

CONTACT US:  **NEXT LEVEL** 

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

"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."
Racheal Matheny, Outreach Fellow

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

Partner Announcements

LOW COST

COUNSELING SERVICES

SDSU CENTER FOR COMMUNITY COUNSELING AND ENGAGEMENT

We offer online and in-person appointments. Come and talk with our counselors about life stress, political worries, work anxiety, coming out, relationship challenges, parenting stress, or ANY other issue.

- ✓ INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING
- ✓ COUPLES COUNSELING
- ✓ FAMILY THERAPY
- ✓ \$15 PER SESSION

CONTACT US

Web: www.ccce.sdsu.edu Phone Number: 619-594-4918 Location: 4283 El Cajon Blvd, #215 San Diego, CA 92105

LOGAN HEIGHTS Legal Services

SDVLP SAN DIEGO VOLUNTEER LAWYER PROGRAM

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 (Zoom Platform):

09:00am - 10:00am (0-6 months)
Tuesday (Zoom Platform):
01:00pm - 02:00pm (0-6 months)
Wednesday:
11:00am - 12:00pm (0-6 months)
Thursday:
09:00am - 10:00am (0-6 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 HEALTH CENTERS OF SAN DIEGO

AAP-CAS American Academy of Pediatrics
San Diego & Imperial Counties
DEDICATED TO THE HEALTH OF ALL CHILDREN

First 5 San Diego

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)

Apply Now for San Diego Arts and Culture Funding

The City of San Diego's arts and culture online applications are currently being accepted for two categories: the [Organizational Support Program](#) and [Creative Communities San Diego](#).



Need Help with Your Application?

During the Technical Assistance period, you can access:

- On-demand tutorials on the [Cultural Affairs website](#)
- [Schedule one-on-one virtual office hours](#) via Microsoft Teams

Technical assistance dates:

- Part 1: Oct. 8 – Nov. 10, 2025



Recruiting artists, cultural practitioners and arts field professionals from all disciplines and backgrounds throughout North America and Baja California.



GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Lunch at the Library Summer 2026



Funds and support are available for all California public libraries that help to provide USDA summer meals for children and youth. The Lunch at the Library program helps California public libraries to establish library locations as U.S Department of Agriculture (USDA) summer meal sites and take pop-up libraries to other USDA community meal sites while providing learning and enrichment opportunities. Applications are non-competitive. All libraries participating in Lunch at the Library and submitting approved applications will receive funds.

Award Amount: Not stated

Deadline: Nov. 5, 2025



NCPDP Foundation



The foundation invites applications for research grants or white papers that demonstrate the value of industry standards and/or research gaps where standards can play a role in improving the healthcare ecosystem.

Award Amount: Not stated

Deadline: Nov. 7, 2025



Max and Victoria Dreyfus Foundation Spring 2025

Award Round



The Max and Victoria Dreyfus Foundation will consider grants for IRS-qualified non-profit organizations located within the United States. The Foundation aims to support organizations and programs for which a relatively small amount of funding might make a large difference. The Foundation will consider requests to support museums, cultural and performing arts programs; schools and hospitals; educational, skills-training and other programs for youth, seniors, and persons with disabilities; environmental and wildlife protection activities; and other community-based organizations and programs. Awards typically range from \$1,000 to \$20,000. The Foundation cannot make grants to individuals.

Award Amount: \$1,000 to \$20,000

Deadline: Nov. 10, 2025





INSIDER TIP!



The Promise Zone can support the Partner grant applications by providing a Letter of Support! Reach out to Chris at ChSanchez@sandiego.gov for more information.

Entrepreneurship and Private Sector Development Program

A global research and policy nonprofit, Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA) is committed to reducing global poverty. With support from the Wellspring Philanthropic Fund, the Entrepreneurship and Private Sector Development (EPSD) program at IPA has issued a request for proposals at the intersection of soft skills and economic empowerment in low- and middle-income populations. IPA seeks proposals that address key evidence gaps, generate actionable insights for implementers and policymakers, and align with a shared framework for measuring soft skills and economic outcomes to generate comparable evidence.

Award Amount: Not stated

Deadline: Nov. 14, 2025



Distinguished Investigator Innovation Grants

Established in 1987, the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) is a voluntary health organization that gives those affected by suicide a nationwide community empowered by research, education, and advocacy to take action against this leading cause of death. The foundation invites applications for its Distinguished Investigator Innovation Grants program. Grants of up to \$150,000 over two years will be awarded to investigators at the level of associate professor or higher with an established record of research and publication.

Award Amount: Up to \$150,000

Deadline: Nov. 15, 2025



BioLEAP Classroom Grants

The BioLEAP Classroom Grant is designed to help educators fund the use of humane anatomy models in their classrooms to replace animal dissection. Through this grant, teachers will be reimbursed up to \$1,000 for the purchase of advanced learning tools such as 3D digital models, synthetic specimens, and other innovative products.

Award Amount: Up to \$1,000

Deadline: Nov. 19, 2025





National Geographic Society

Through the RFP, National Geographic Society (NGS) aims to support projects or research that enacts the future today and aims to support projects that cultivate in learners of any age the knowledge, attitudes, and skills needed to take action in ways that benefit the planet and its people. Projects will be supported that advance knowledge about how to spark curiosity and inspire learners of all ages to care for and protect our world; pilot new, or scale proven, educational solutions; enable learners to acquire new knowledge, skills, behaviors, and attitudes that help them care for and protect our world; and use interdisciplinary approaches.

Award Amount: Up to \$20,000 - \$100,000

Deadline: Nov. 19, 2025



CareQuest Institute for Oral Health: Emergent & Relief Fund

The health care system, including oral health, is not built to meet the needs of historically underserved communities. To this end, we have created the Emergent & Relief Fund to respond to pervasive and intersectional issues that impact underserved communities disproportionately across the country. Through this grantmaking fund, CareQuest Institute seeks to support one or more of the following three strategic outcomes:

1. The development of innovative approaches to support the ongoing response by the oral health field to transform and meet the needs of consumers within, and beyond, the pandemic.
2. The ability of communities and partner organizations to provide immediate relief due to unforeseen circumstances (i.e. community displacement due to a natural disaster).
3. The response to urgent and unexpected clinical issues that impact the direct access to care, particularly for historically marginalized communities

Award Amount: Not stated

Deadline: Nov. 20, 2025





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The Promise Zone can support the Partner grant applications by providing a Letter of Support! Reach out to Chris at ChSanchez@sandiego.gov for more information.

Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery Multifamily Housing Program (DR-MHP) 2023/2024



The CDBG-DR MHP 2023/2024 NOFA provides low-interest loans to eligible entities seeking to develop new construction of affordable multifamily rental housing in the counties of Tuolumne, Tulare, San Benito, Monterey, San Diego and Santa Cruz to aid in their recovery from the fire flood that occurred in California in 2023-2024.

Award Amount: Not stated

Deadline: Nov. 21, 2025



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Representative Precision Medicine Research Through Partnerships



This funding opportunity aims to support precision medicine and representative research that leverage partnerships within California, include underrepresented populations, who have been underrecognized or historically excluded, as research participants, and reduce health disparities, so that research benefits all people within California and promotes health innovation for all California communities.

Award Amount: Not stated

Deadline: Nov. 21, 2025



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2026 #CaliforniansForAll College Corps Funding Opportunity



College Corps is a Governor's Initiative administered by California Volunteers and GO-Serve in partnership with California colleges and universities with a strong commitment to civic and community engagement. Successful applicants will receive state funds and an allotment of College Corps fellow slots to build the next generation of civic leaders, engaging college students from all backgrounds in meaningful paid service.



Award Amount: Not stated

Deadline: Nov. 24, 2025



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Cetene Charitable Foundation



The Cetene Foundation partners with organizations with deep community expertise and history. These partnerships focus on three distinct drivers of health: **healthcare, social services** and **education**. Because the Centene Foundation recognizes that transforming the health of our communities requires more than one-time contributions, they seek partnerships that can grow over time and position communities to thrive.

Award Amount: Not stated

Deadline: Nov. 29, 2025

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Truist Foundation – Building Career Pathways to Economic Mobility


Truist Foundation supports communities by investing in innovative nonprofits that work with adults and align with their key areas of focus: building career pathways to economic mobility and strengthening small businesses. We support needs that are sustainable and don't commit funds to recurring expenditures. Examples include funding for a new program launch, a curriculum to expand or strengthen a program, equipment to deliver a program, and capital needs.

Award Amount: Not stated

Deadline: Nov. 30, 2025

 Truist Foundation

2025 CDBG NOFA - California Grants Portal

Under the 2025 NOFA, approximately \$27 million in federal funds for Community Development Block Grant will be made available to develop viable communities provisioning decent affordable housing, expanding economic opportunities, and developing suitable infrastructure principally for the benefit of Low- and Moderate-Income (LMI) persons, families, households, and neighborhoods.

Award Amount: Not stated

Deadline: Dec. 1, 2025

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2025-26 Start-Up Subgrant – Planning, Implementation, Replication, and Expansion



States that are awarded these federal funds distribute them in subgrants to charter school developers, known as Public Charter Schools Grant Program (PCSGP) Start-Up Subgrants in the state of California, to assist in the development and initial operations of newly established or conversion charter schools as well as to assist in the expansion and replication of high-quality charter schools. PCSGP Start-Up Subgrants identify funding levels and terms into four subgrant types: Planning, Implementation, Replication, and Expansion. The actual number and type of subgrants awarded during each Request for Application (RFA) competition may vary based on demand. If all authorized awards are not approved for funding, the CDE may open additional RFA competition events for new applicants until all of the allocated funds have been awarded.

Award Amount: Not stated

Deadline: Dec. 5, 2025



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Cannabis Equity Grants Program for Local Jurisdictions



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

Award Amount: Not Stated

Deadline: Dec. 8, 2025



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The Commonwealth Fund



The mission of the Commonwealth Fund is to promote a high-performing, equitable health care system that promotes better access, improved quality, and greater efficiency in health care for everyone — regardless of income, insurance status, geography, gender, race, ethnicity, or ability status — and especially for society's most vulnerable. The Foundation only accepts full proposals upon positive response to the letter of inquiry.

Award Amount: Not stated

Deadline: Rolling



The
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Charles Stewart Mott Foundation: Civil Society, Education, and Environment Grants



U.S. Bank Foundation is accepting Letters of Interest for their Community Possible Grant Program. U.S. Bank Foundation supports organizations and programs that advance the following funding priorities:

- WORK – Workforce Education and Economic Prosperity
- HOME – Neighborhood Stability and Revitalization
- PLAY – Artistic and Cultural Enrichment, Learning Through Play and Preserving, Protecting and Enhancing Outdoor Places to Play

Award Amount: Not stated

Deadline: Rolling



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W.K. Kellogg Foundation



The W.K. Kellogg Foundation accepts applications at any time from organizations whose projects or proposals align with their three areas of focused work: thriving children, working families, and equitable communities.

Award Amount: Not stated

Deadline: Rolling



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Story of Stuff Grassroots Grants

The Story of Stuff Project established the Grassroots Grants Program in 2017 to support small organizations and groups organizing against water privatization and plastic pollution in the United States. Since they launched, they've supported over 100 grassroots groups with \$500,000 in grants. They prioritize BIPOC led and serving groups with a budget of \$300,000 or less, and focus on water privatization, plastic pollution, and other environmental justice focus areas. To apply, groups must be led by and serving black, indigenous, and communities of color AND meet one or more of the following requirements:

- Project is campaign-focused, centering grassroots organizing, public education, training and/or capacity building that develops skills, increases awareness, and/or builds alliances.
- Project centers community-driven, strategic use of non-violent direct action that demonstrate local resistance to destructive environmental activities i.e. privatization of public water sources.
- Project amplifies community voices in regional, national and international forums and provide access to decision makers, funds to go toward travel and/or other related costs.
- Project leverages field studies and original research to hold companies accountable for their on-the-ground activities.
- Project supports growth for emerging grassroots organization i.e. seed money.

Award Amount: Not stated

Deadline: Rolling



Kitchens for Good Microenterprise (ME) Program


Accepts early-stage food entrepreneurs in San Diego, focusing on those who have experienced barriers to accessing the resources and support needed to start their small business.

Award Amount: Not stated

Deadline: Rolling



The Hearst Foundation: Social Service


 The Hearst Foundations fund direct-service organizations that tackle the roots of chronic poverty by applying effective solutions to the most challenging social and economic problems. The Hearst Foundations prioritize supporting programs that have proven successful in facilitating economic independence and in strengthening families. Preference is also given to programs with the potential to scale productive practices in order to reach more people in need.

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Award Amount: \$100,000 (minimum)

Deadline: Rolling

GFO-22-902 - Cost Share for Federal Funding Opportunities Industrial Decarbonization and Improvement of Grid Operations (INDIGO) Program and Food Production Investment Program (FPIP)


 This program implements projects at industrial facilities to significantly benefit the electrical grid, reduce emissions of greenhouse gases, achieve the state's clean energy goals, and exceed compliance requirements.

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

Deadline: Rolling

 **California Energy Commission**
50 YEARS OF ENERGY LEADERSHIP

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

 The Hazard Mitigation Grant Program provides funding for communities to implement mitigation activities that reduce risk to life and property from natural hazards. In California, natural hazards include wildfire, earthquake, drought, extreme weather, flooding, and other natural hazards as defined in the State Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Award Amount: Up to \$150,000

Deadline: Rolling

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Annie E. Casey Foundation

The Annie E. Casey Foundation is committed to building a brighter future for children who face significant obstacles on the road to adulthood. Their work focuses on ensuring kids have strong, supportive families; increasing economic opportunity; transforming struggling communities; and strengthening social sector leaders dedicated to improving the lives of young people. To those ends, the foundation invests in innovative ideas, practices and policies that have the potential to help millions thrive. As a result, Annie E. Casey Foundation grants are very selective.

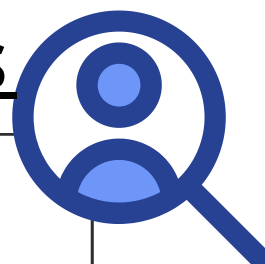
Award Amount: Not Stated

Deadline: Rolling



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.





Stormwater employees

CITY SPOTLIGHT: Stormwater Department



Stormwater
Department

The City of San Diego's Stormwater Department works to enhance water quality and protect communities from flooding. The department cleans and maintains storm drains and channels that carry rain runoff from San Diego's neighborhoods to the Pacific Ocean.

Additionally, street sweeping helps prevent pollution from getting into storm drains and protects communities against flooding. Stormwater construction crews are also working on stormwater infrastructure projects throughout the City to help prevent flooding.

The Stormwater Department meets with community members to gather feedback about stormwater revitalization projects. These projects aim to improve local stormwater systems and help prevent flooding in the area. Community engagement is an important part of this effort, ensuring that residents have the opportunity to share input on planned improvements.



The Stormwater Department partners with I Love A Clean San Diego for community cleanups throughout the year. Residents can follow [@thinkbluesandiego](https://www.instagram.com/thinkbluesandiego) or [@iloveacleansandiego](https://www.instagram.com/iloveacleansandiego) for upcoming events. In 2025, the Stormwater Think Blue Infrastructure Program was recognized as the Outstanding Stormwater Funding Initiative by the California Stormwater Quality Association (CASQA). The City also received a \$733 million federal Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) loan to fund capital projects, including the replacement of failed pipes, pump station upgrades, and green infrastructure. Learn more here: [City Stormwater Department Earns Award for Infrastructure Funding Initiative](#). To learn more about their efforts, visit the [Stormwater Department webpage](#).

Civic Engagement in the Promise Zone

1

San Diego Police Department Leads New Adventures for Youth

A new community engagement initiative from the San Diego Police Department (SDPD) aims to strengthen relationships between local youth and law enforcement.

The program, P.L.A.Y. (Police Leading Adventures for Youth), will bring officers and young community members together in a relaxed setting, helping to build trust, mutual respect and lasting connections beyond traditional policing. Please visit the SDPD [webpage](#) to see when activities will be held.



2

Launch of the City of San Diego Community Recreation Needs Assessment

The City of San Diego, in partnership with Keen Independent Research Inc., has launched its first-ever Community Recreation Needs Assessment to identify and address the recreational, communication and financial needs of residents in all nine Council Districts. Share your input by Feb. 28, 2026.

Click the link to get started: <https://sandiego.gov/parksurvey>



3

City of San Diego Pilots Program to Help Eliminate Contaminants in Green Bins

Help keep San Diego's compost clean! As part of the City's effort to reduce landfill waste and fight climate change, residents are encouraged to follow green bin guidelines by keeping out plastic bags, glass and metal to improve compost quality and support a more sustainable future for all.

For more information and a full list of what belongs in the green bin, visit sandiego.gov/organicwaste.



Civic Engagement in the Promise Zone

4

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.

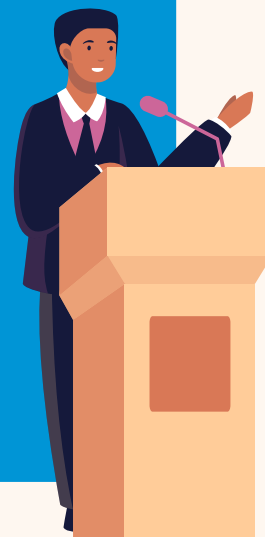
There are two **vacancies** in the Promise Zone:

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**.

For more information about the role of a CPAB member, email Nadine Hassoun, at **nhassoun@sandiego.gov**.



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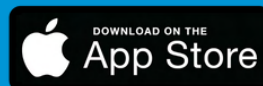
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- **Report** non-emergency problems
- **Schedule** appointments
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HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF RECREATION PROGRAMMING IN SAN DIEGO!

We want to hear from you!

Do you have programs that you would like to see at your local recreation center? Do you have a preference on how you want to receive information from the Parks and Recreation Department? Do you have barriers to participation? Join us for an in-person Town Hall meeting, as your input is vital in helping guide our efforts to improve our recreational operations to meet your needs.

UPCOMING TOWN HALLS

27 OCT.	Council District 9 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. City Heights Rec. Center 4380 Landis Street, San Diego, CA 92105	09 DEC.	Council District 2 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. South Clairemont Recreation Center 3605 Clairemont Drive, San Diego, CA 92117
13 NOV.	Council District 8 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Montgomery-Waller Rec. Center 3020 Coronado Ave, San Diego, CA 92154	11 DEC.	Council District 5 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Carmel Mountain Ranch Sabre Spring Rec. Center 10152 Rancho Carmel Drive, San Diego, CA 92128
14 NOV.	Council District 4 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Martin Luther King Rec. Center 6401 Skyline Drive, San Diego, CA 92114		
19 NOV.	Council District 3 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. North Park Rec. Center 4044 Idaho Street, San Diego, CA 92104		
21 NOV.	Council District 6 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Hourglass Field Community Park & Fieldhouse 10440 Black Mountain Rd, San Diego, 92126		
24 NOV.	Council District 7 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Allied Gardens Rec. Center 5155 Greenbrier Ave, San Diego, CA 92120		
03 DEC.	Council District 1 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Carmel Valley Rec. Center 3777 Townsgate Drive, San Diego, CA 92130		

In-person meetings will include:

- A presentation, questions and answer session and interactive tables to provide feedback.
- Chance to win a \$25 gift card for attending and participating.
- Light snacks and childcare will be provided.

Scan to Take Survey

Scan the QR code to take the Community Recreation Needs Survey. Submit feedback by Feb. 28, 2026. Survey Link: sandiego.gov/parksurvey





JOB BOARD



AQUATICS RECREATIONAL SPECIALIST

This position oversees aquatic and volunteer programs, supervises staff and ensures safe, quality activities. Requires a bachelor's degree (or equivalent experience), one year of aquatic program experience and a driver's license.



SMALL BUSINESS ADVISOR



The Small Business Advisor supports underserved entrepreneurs with counseling, workshops and access to capital. The role focuses on helping businesses plan, grow and achieve long-term sustainability.



CAREER AND TRANSFER CONNECTIONS COORDINATOR

This role helps students prepare for careers and transfer to four-year colleges by coordinating resources and opportunities. It also connects students with employers, faculty and partners to support their success.

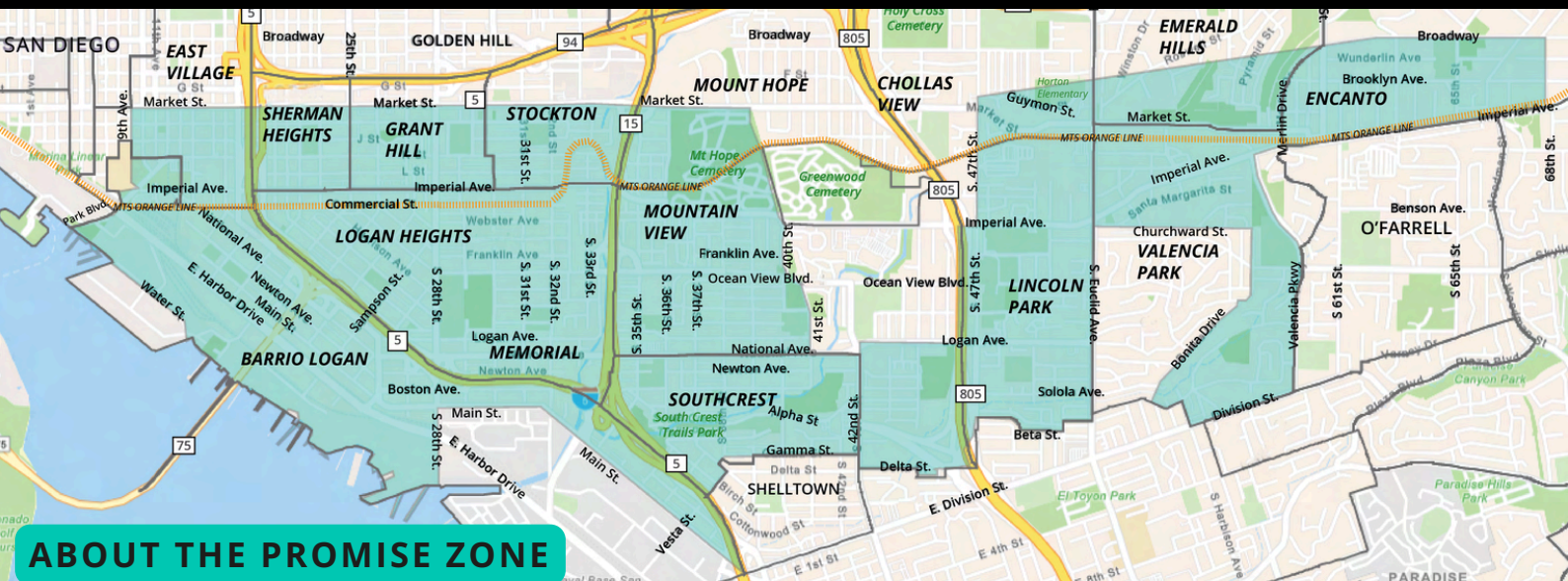


Looking for more roles? Check out additional job boards:

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

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

San Diego Clean Energy Career Map - [Career Map](#)



ABOUT THE PROMISE ZONE

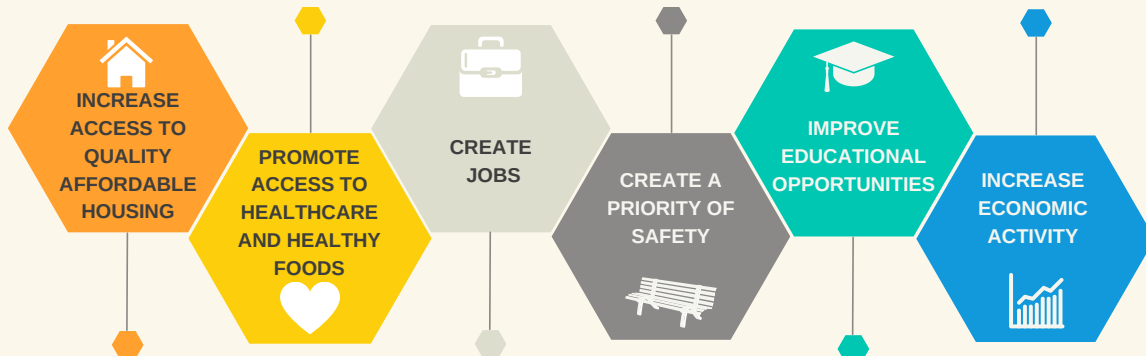
In 2016, the San Diego Promise Zone became one of 22 federally designated Promise Zones in the United States and one of only four in California. The San Diego Promise Zone covers a 6.4-square-mile targeted area with more than 80,000 residents that spans East Village and Barrio Logan east to Encanto.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



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