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SAN DIEGO AMONG AMERICA'S GREENEST CITIES ***Travel + Leisure ranks San Diego 8th most eco-friendly city in nation***

San Diego is among the top ten most eco-friendly cities in the United States, and the greenest city in California, according to *Travel + Leisure* magazine. Based on guidelines such as cleanliness, pedestrian-friendliness and public transit, and great public parks that offset urban asphalt and improve air quality, San Diego ranked 8th on the magazine's list of greenest cities.

"Every San Diegan knows our city has been blessed with a natural beauty unlike anywhere else in the country, and we've been proud to work with our local innovators to keep our environment clean and green," said San Diego Mayor Jerry Sanders. "I'm happy to invite anyone looking for an eco-friendly destination to pay us a visit."

Travel + Leisure dubbed the San Diego region a "locavore's delight," with more farms per capita than any other county in the nation. The magazine also pointed to the city's easy access to sand and surf, as well as the electrical car rental service Car2Go as reasons for its high ranking.

The San Diego region is also home to more than 700 clean technology companies, and gets more power from the sun than anywhere else in the country, according to a recent article in *Forbes Magazine*. San Diego beat out California neighbor San Francisco (9th on the list) and other sunny spots like Santa Fe (10) and Honolulu (12).

Read more here: <http://www.travelandleisure.com/articles/americas-greenest-cities/2>

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