

LAI San Diego Accepting Applications for 2024 Scholarship

San Diego, CA, **January 10, 2024** – The San Diego chapter of Lambda Alpha International (LAI) is now accepting applications for its 2024 scholarship program. Each year, LAI San Diego selects one student studying land use economics to receive a \$2,500 scholarship. Additionally, the individual is invited to offer a research presentation to LAI. The student receives valuable experience while their research advances the meaningful exchange of ideas regarding development issues among LAI members.

Jon Schmid, LAI San Diego’s 2023 President, states, “The LAI scholarship recipient is provided a one-of-a-kind opportunity to help shape the conversation around land use in San Diego. They are invited to present their research and ideas to key stakeholders, influencers, and decision-makers. Having that kind of platform often takes decades to earn.”

Nick Baldwin: 2023 Scholarship Recipient

LAI’s past scholarship recipients have been talented individuals with highly promising futures. LAI’s 2023 recipient, Nick Baldwin, is pursuing his Master of Science in Real Estate from the University of San Diego. He is currently a Program Coordinator with the City of San Diego’s Department of Real Estate and Airport Management. For LAI, Nick presented his research on California’s housing legislation and its impact on San Diego. His report covered housing opportunities on land zoned residential (SB 9 and SB 10) and commercial (SB 6 and AB 2011).

Nick Baldwin states, “There is a perception that California isn’t doing much to address its housing affordability crisis. We *are* addressing the issue; it’s just that we’re so far behind. California ranks 48th out of 50 states for housing units per capita.” He continues, “San Diego, in particular, is doing the right things. It has the lowest net migration of all California’s major cities, and second lowest on the West Coast.” His full report can be found online [here](#).

LAI San Diego’s 2024 Scholarship Program

LAI San Diego will be accepting applications for its 2024 scholarship program through February, 2024. The recipient will receive \$2,500, and an audience with the region’s foremost leaders in land use economics, an invaluable opportunity as the student prepares to launch their career. Applicants must meet the following qualifications:

- Be a college student currently enrolled in a San Diego academic institution
- Be studying land use economics or related field
- Reside in the San Diego region

Interested individuals may submit their resume and cover letter to Kimberly Moore, LAI San Diego’s Chapter Administrator, at lambdaalphasd@gmail.com.

About Lambda Alpha International

Lambda Alpha International is an honorary society for professionals in the field of Land Economics. Celebrating more than 90 years, LAI has nearly 30 chapters including Toronto, London, Madrid and Tokyo. The San Diego chapter was founded in 1979. Since then, the chapter has continued to expand and now has more than 100 members. For more information, visit www.lai.org/chapters/san-diego.