

San Diego Region

CivicSpark is a Governor's Initiative AmeriCorps program offering capacity building support for local governments to address climate change. Our team of 48 AmeriCorps members serves in 9 regions across California creating lasting local impact.



San Diego Projects Region Projects

South Bay San Diego EV Readiness

- Implement recommendations from the recent San Diego Regional EV Readiness Plan. Specifically, provide critical support to two South Bay cities, by (1) tailoring state & regional EVSE permitting guidance to each jurisdiction's, (2) organizing a South Bay training session for planners, building inspectors, and contractors, and (3) coordinating "EV Ride & Drive" opportunities.
- *Beneficiaries: City of Chula Vista, National City*

City of Oceanside GHG Emissions Update with Reduction Targets

- Update the GHG emission inventory prepared in 2011 in order to establish a thorough and defensible basis for GHG emissions forecasts and reduction targets.
- *Beneficiary: City of Oceanside*

iCommute San Diego

- Promote the existing SANDAG iCommute program, which is a regional, County-wide program promoting ridesharing, public transit, and bicycling resources, within the North County coastal communities of Del Mar, Solana Beach, and Encinitas, targeting small to mid-size employers and residents.
- *Beneficiary: City of Del Mar, Encinitas, Solana Beach*

San Diego Climate Plan Analysis

- To assist the Port of San Diego and by extension, the full set of San Diego Climate Collaborative partners with climate action planning and preparing for climate change impacts.
- *Beneficiary: Port of San Diego*

Regional Partner

San Diego Regional Climate Collaborative The San Diego Regional Climate Collaborative is a network for public agencies that serve the San Diego region by sharing expertise, leveraging resources, and advancing comprehensive solutions to facilitate climate change planning. By partnering with academia, non-profit organizations, and business and community leaders, the Climate Collaborative also works to raise the profile of regional leadership.



Meet Our Team



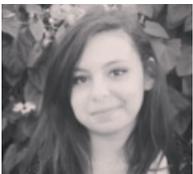
Laura Engeman, Regional Supervisor Laura Engeman, Manager of the SD Climate Collaborative, brings over 6 years of experience in building coastal resiliency, including addressing climate change, renewable energy policy and project management. Laura supports the CivicSpark team and implementation of CivicSpark projects.



Megan Slack, Regional Supervisor Megan Slack is the Regional Supervisor for the San Diego region's CivicSpark members. Under Laura Engeman of the San Diego Climate Collaborative. Megan got involved with the program as a Graduate Assistant at the University of San Diego, the home office of the San Diego Climate Collaborative.



Stephen Bafummi Originally from Meriden, CT, Stephen Bafumi received his B.A. in Psychology from the State University of New York at New Paltz, and was a member of the university's men's soccer team. He completed a year-long AmeriCorps service in Washington, DC with the National Park Service.



Basma Gaber Basma Gaber studied International Relations as an undergraduate and recently completed a Masters degree in Urban Development and Planning She is interested in sustainable urban development, specifically municipal climate action and adaptation plans.



Laurel Oolie Laurel Oolie recently graduated from San Diego State University with Bachelor's degrees in Public Health and Spanish. In the last year of her program, Laurel conducted an air quality research project in conjunction with Engineers Without Borders in a rural village in Honduras.

"It has been really interesting to be behind the scenes and observe professionals getting together to brainstorm about what advancements could be made to propel the mitigation and adaptation efforts."

- Laurel Oolie, San Diego CivicSpark Member