

STUDENTS FOR ECONOMIC JUSTICE

SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

At the Center on Policy Initiatives (CPI), we know that the foundation of social change is organized and informed people. For this reason, the Students for Economic Justice (SEJ) internship program, is critical.

The Students for Economic Justice (SEJ) summer internship is a full-time, intensive 6-week program that empowers students through leadership and professional development. SEJ gives undergraduate college students organizing experience in a current San Diego campaign for economic justice. Interns receive trainings from community and labor leaders throughout San Diego to develop an intersectional approach to economic and social justice. SEJ interns are placed at sites (e.g. community organizations, advocacy groups, labor unions) to gain hands-on organizing experience, while earning a wage of \$20/hour.

SEJ is made possible by the generous support of our community. By sponsoring the SEJ program, you are helping to build the next generation of social justice leaders. Thank you!

LEVELS OF SUPPORT:

\$7,000 Support program costs & one intern's wages

\$5,000 Support one intern's wages

\$2,500 Support program costs for one intern

For more ways to support CPI and the SEJ program, please contact:

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2018 SEJ Cohort

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SEJ ALUMNI

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

The SEJ program has changed the landscape of the San Diego region.

SEJ alumni are serving as elected officials, working in local government, sitting on boards and commissions, and organizing with our community to advance social change and economic justice in San Diego County. [Our communities deserve more leaders like this.](#)



SEJ further opened my eyes to the inequities of our county. The Fight for 15 and the right to a union were the sparks that lead me in my fight to correct the injustices that San Diego has tolerated for too long!

Bernadette Butkiewicz
Political Organizer
United Association 230
2014 SEJ Cohort



SEJ helped me understand the political landscape of San Diego and has opened opportunities for me to network with people that are making positive change.

Matt Yagyagan
Deputy Director of Policy
City of San Diego, Office of the Mayor
2011 SEJ Cohort



This program supports young leaders with an existing intuition and vision to create a livable and inclusive San Diego.

Eric Henson
Policy Advisor
City of San Diego, District 4
2013 SEJ Cohort



SEJ opened my eyes to the labor movement and the greater social justice movement for racial, gender, & economic equity. If it wasn't for SEJ, I wouldn't be in this role today.

Abdul Sayid
Executive Director
San Diego Education Association
2001 SEJ Cohort



"SEJ helped me steer me in the right direction to be a more effective advocate for working families. I'm proud to be an SEJ alum and that they program is providing opportunities for many others to fulfill their calling."

Jose Rodriguez,
Vice Mayor, National City
2011 SEJ Cohort



I knew organizing was something I wanted to do for the rest of my life because of SEJ. I learned tools that I have used throughout my career and I appreciate the opportunity to have been part of SEJ.

Juan Perez
Organizer, IATSE 122
2017 SEJ Cohort



SEJ introduced and gave me my first opportunity at organizing. It is one of the best and most fulfilling experiences of my life, especially because it shaped me into the organizer I am today.

Laura Baeza
Organizer, ACLU
2014 SEJ Cohort



I learned a lot about labor organizing in San Diego. Doing this program allowed me to see and practice the discipline you get when working full-time as an organizer.

Daniel Juarez
Organizer, SEIU-USWW
2016 SEJ Cohort

SUPPORT THE NEXT GENERATION OF SAN DIEGO ORGANIZERS AND LEADERS.

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