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## Wheelhouse Credit Union Awards 2024 Sustainability Scholarships To Five San Diego County Students

\*\* Annual Scholarships Given to Local Environmental Stewards \*\*

San Diego, CA – September 17, 2024 – Wheelhouse Credit Union (Wheelhouse) is supporting the next generation of environmental stewards by awarding five scholarships of \$1,000 each to local college-bound students through its annual Sustainability College Scholarship Program.

A leader in eco-friendly lending and community sustainability initiatives, Wheelhouse recognized five recently graduated high school seniors in San Diego County who demonstrated exceptional leadership, public service, and a desire to make a sustainable difference in their schools and communities.

"Our sustainability mission extends to supporting our next generation of environmental champions who share our passion to protect our natural resources and help our beautiful city thrive," said Wheelhouse President/CEO Lisa Paul-Hill. "We are honored to support these local trailblazers who are leading the way in their mission to promote sustainability in their communities. We congratulate each of these scholarship recipients and look forward to seeing the results of their great work in the years ahead."

Scholarship Recipient	School	City	College Attending
Brooke Amos	Santana High School	Santee	San Diego State University
Piper Brenthall	Scripps Ranch High School	San Diego	Scripps College
Bea Colobong	Hilltop High School	Chula Vista	University of California, San Diego
Reed Ganzer	Poway High School	Poway	University of Massachusetts Amherst
Rylan William	Eastlake High School	Chula Vista	San Diego State University

The 2024 Wheelhouse Sustainability Scholarship recipients are:



Wheelhouse Credit Union President/CEO Lisa Paul-Hill (3<sup>rd</sup> from right) presents scholarships to 2024 Sustainability Scholarship Recipients (I-r) Reed Ganzer, Brooke Amos, Bea Colobong, Rylan Williams and Piper Brenthall.

Wheelhouse's Sustainability College Scholarship Program was created in 2005 to recognize conscientious high school leaders in San Diego County who share the Credit Union's passion to positively impact the community through eco-friendly initiatives, helping sustain the environment and resources for generations to come. Since the creation of the program, Wheelhouse has awarded \$126,000 in scholarships.

Founded in 1934, Wheelhouse is one of the oldest credit unions in San Diego, celebrating 90 years of service this past August. A central aspect of its community commitment is supporting San Diego's move to 100% clean energy by 2035. The Credit Union's award-winning Solar and Energy Efficiency Loans have made Wheelhouse the leading solar loan provider in San Diego, working with over 100 installers to help homeowners significantly reduce their electric bill, increase the value of their home, and help the environment. More information about the Wheelhouse Commitment to Sustainability is available <u>here</u>.

## About Wheelhouse Credit Union

Wheelhouse Credit Union (formerly San Diego Metropolitan Credit Union) is a federally insured, state-chartered credit union founded in 1934 serving more than 32,000 community members in the greater San Diego area. Wheelhouse is "San Diego Made and Proud," providing a full suite of consumer banking services and a comprehensive set of Energy-Efficient and Solar Loan products for the conscientious San Diegan. The Credit Union is committed to helping its Members succeed while supporting initiatives that help San Diego thrive. Please visit <u>wheelhousecu.com</u> for more information, or follow the Credit Union on Instagram<sup>®</sup>, Facebook<sup>®</sup> and X<sup>®</sup>.

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