



8:30 a.m. Check-in & networking

9:00 a.m. Opening

Movement BE, an organization that helps students turn their narratives into solutions for change by helping them tell their story before others do.

9:10 a.m. Welcome

Peter Callstrom, President & CEO, San Diego Workforce Partnership (SDWP)

Reginald Jones, President & CEO, Jacobs Center for Neighborhood Innovation

Honorable Scott Sherman, Councilmember, City of San Diego, District 7; Chair, SDWP Consortium Policy Board

Honorable David Alvarez, Councilmember, City of San Diego, District 8

9:25 a.m. Understanding the Story, Flipping the Script

Andy Hall, VP and Chief Program Officer of SDWP shares results from the San Diego opportunity youth research report and unveils a regional "BHAG" (big, hairy, audacious goal) for reducing and preventing youth disconnection in San Diego County by the end of 2020.

9:45 a.m. 10-minute break

9:55 a.m. Stories, Systems and Solutions

Young adults tell their stories. Leaders of some of San Diego's largest public systems respond.

Moderators: Naomi Moore, Senior Peer Job Coach, CONNECT2Careers (C2C)

Karmin Noar, Director, C2C

Jacinto Carrera, Doors for Change

Mia Fletcher, Job Corps

Jessica Rivera, Youth Voice

Nick Macchione, Director & Deputy CAO, County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency

Cindy Marten, Superintendent, San Diego Unified School District

Carlos O. Turner Cortez, Ph.D., President, San Diego Continuing Education

11:05 a.m. **Investing in Opportunity – Keynote Address and Employer Panel**

Don Howard, President and CEO of The James Irvine Foundation, shares how Irvine's strategic investments are creating opportunity across California, followed by a panel of employers leading solutions to connect youth and young adults in successful career paths.

Employers:

Alex Castellanos, HR Manager, SeaWorld San Diego

Susie Harborth, Co-Founder, General Partner & CFO, BioLabs

Mitch Mitchell, VP of State Governmental Affairs and External Affairs, San Diego Gas & Electric

11:50 a.m. **Lunch**

Plated lunch from **Kitchens for Good**, whose mission is to break the cycles of food waste, poverty and hunger through innovative programs in workforce training, healthy food production and social enterprise.

12:35 p.m. **Local Action, National Context**

Andrew O. Moore, the Director of Youth & Young Adult Connections of National League of Cities' Institute for Youth, Education, and Families, and **Ian Gordon**, Director of the San Diego Youth Development Office, share what other cities and counties are doing to reduce youth disconnection and promising practices already happening in San Diego. This session will inform the action planning as the summit shifts toward strategies to accomplish the "BHAG."

12:55 p.m. **Putting Youth Voice at the Center of the Solution**

This interactive session will be led by **Juan Carlos Rivas**, Assistant Director for the Changemaker Hub at the University of San Diego, using human-centered design to engage all conference attendees in a solutions-oriented planning session. The result of these discussions will be used to inform a regional action plan that will be released after the conference.

2:35 p.m. **My Path Out of Poverty**

Lashon Amado, TEDx speaker, YouthBuild graduate and National Coordinator of Community Action Teams for YouthBuild USA's Opportunity Youth United in Massachusetts shares his story, perspective and ideas to inspire action.

2:50 p.m. **Closing Remarks | The Story Doesn't End Today**

Keynote speaker



Don Howard

President & CEO
The James Irvine
Foundation

Don Howard is President and Chief Executive Officer of The James Irvine Foundation, leading the recent transition to a focus on expanding economic and political opportunity for Californians who are working but struggling with poverty. Before becoming CEO in 2014, he was Irvine's Executive Vice President, directing program and grantmaking activities.

Previously, Don was a partner at The Bridgespan Group, leading their San Francisco office and advising nonprofit leaders. He also helped corporate leaders with strategy and organizational effectiveness as a Principal at Booz Allen Hamilton and as a Managing Director at the Scient Corporation.

As a volunteer, Don has been an activist around HIV and health issues, and he held a USAID posting to advise private enterprises in Central Europe. He has written, spoken, and taught classes on philanthropic strategy, nonprofit management, and social entrepreneurship.

Don earned a bachelor's degree in industrial engineering and an MBA from Stanford University.

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A two-year grant of \$1 million to expand the impact of the San Diego Workforce Partnership's CONNECT2Careers with the goal of expanding an innovative, tech-based platform to match 16- to 24-year-old young people with jobs in high-growth sectors in San Diego, this investment will also support the launch of SDWP's pay-for-performance project to serve young adults coming out of the juvenile justice system with matching funds from The San Diego Foundation and federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) funds. With this investment, SDWP will be able to serve thousands more opportunity youth, support other youth-serving organizations and lead a county-wide initiative to reduce the rate of youth disconnection by 2020.



A two-year grant of \$700,000 to create a replicable, scalable training model that results in new and expanded pathways for opportunity youth in creative technology careers, this includes preparing graduates for employment opportunities that can sustain a family while improving collaboration on a systems level.

This industry-driven strategy will be part of the larger San Diego "Tech Hire" initiative to transform young adults' creative talent into earnings potential, and to close the San Diego skills gap in the technology-based creative industries.

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