



2026 Sponsorship Program

Enriching Communities Today + Educating Architects for Tomorrow

Mission

The California Architectural Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to promoting excellence in architecture through scholarships, grants, and educational programs—bridging the gap between the academic and professional worlds. CAF exists to provide a mechanism for members of the AIA and the general public to contribute to an organization with a great benefit to society.

Leadership

The Foundation is led by a dedicated Board of Regents and staff team who are deeply passionate about developing relevant educational programs, initiatives and scholarships that will have a lasting influence on the profession and our communities. Together, we work to enrich lives, shape our communities and be a force for positive change.

Visit calarchfoundation.org/who-we-are/board-of-regents-staff/ to meet our leaders.



Why Support CAF?

In 2023, the California Architectural Foundation (CAF) embarked on an ambitious revitalization, introducing programs that engage architects, students, and the public while celebrating the transformative power of design. As a sponsor, you and your firm or company will be part of this pivotal moment, helping us sustain and expand our momentum to inspire, educate, and connect the architectural community with communities in California and beyond.

Empowering Tomorrow's Architects

CAF prepares the next generation of architects to thrive on their academic and professional journeys. Through scholarships, internships, and job shadowing opportunities offered by the California Architectural Practice Experience Program (capX), we serve as a vital bridge between students, academia, and firms, ensuring a strong pipeline of talent into the profession.



Igniting a Passion for Architecture

CAF's K-12 education programs: *Architecture by the Book* and Kids Draw Architecture ignite an interest in architecture and design and the important role architects serve in solving critical challenges facing our communities, our state and our planet. Our Built Environment Education programs (BEEP) is led by architect volunteers who introduce students of all ages to architecture and showcase the diversity and remarkable skills within the profession-- a message also shared with educators, parents and communities.



Architects in Action

Architects are uniquely equipped to serve their communities, from disaster response and safety assessments to designing resilient, sustainable solutions. During disasters, CAF supports AIA CA by acting as a donation and disbursement portal, providing critical assistance to AIA CA members and firms during times of need.



Investing in the Future

CAF is dedicated to ensuring the longevity and impact of its scholarships and programs through the establishment of endowed funds. By creating a lasting foundation of support, we can continue to evolve our initiatives to meet the needs of the profession and inspire future generations of architects. Our Legacy Giving Program invites individuals and firms to leave a meaningful mark on the future of architecture.



Sponsorship Levels & Benefits

Level	Donation	Description	Benefits*
			* Benefits are cumulative for each level.
Friend	Up to \$500	<i>Supporting the Foundation's architectural education and outreach.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognition in CAF's Annual Report & Giving Guide.
Spark	\$500 - \$2,499	<i>Igniting curiosity and opportunity for future architects.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name recognition on CAF's website. • Acknowledgment at AIA CA Board of Directors Meeting.
Advocate	\$2,500 - \$4,999	<i>Advocating CAF's mission by creating an immediate impact and ensuring program sustainability.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Logo recognition on website • Recognition in CAF Corner Newsletter & AIA California Relevance weekly newsletter to 11K members across California. • Special acknowledgment at annual AIA CA Awards Programs held at architecture schools.
Visionary	\$5,000 - \$9,999	<i>Strengthening the Foundation and ensuring CAF's long-term impact.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personalized updates on CAF's programs and initiatives. • Lunch invitation to the annual CAF Retreat.
Legacy	\$25,000+ Examples: Securities, whole life insurance policy, percentage of an estate, firm/business entity gift, transfer of required minimum distribution, <u>other</u> revocable donation, etc.	<i>Shaping the future of architecture with a lasting and profound legacy.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One-on-one consultation with CAF leadership to define your lasting legacy. • Perpetual named recognition on CAF's endowment page, legacy campaigns, and select materials. • Opportunity to create a long-term, named endowment or scholarship fund.

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