



San Diego Padres Foundation
Randy Jones Scholar

Catherine Gregory
Coronado, California

Sponsor: CAPT Dale Gregory Jr

College: University of California, Los Angeles

2024-2025: Freshman

Major: Environmental Engineering

Academic & Extracurricular Highlights:

- UCSD Supercomputer Center Research Experience for High School Students/ Mentor Assistance Program
- Children's book author
- Coronado School of the Arts Dance Conservatory for Classical and Contemporary Dance/Dance Team
- United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) Club



Being awarded this scholarship is a great honor and allows me to pursue my college education. At the University of California, Los Angeles, I plan to major in Environmental Science or Climate Science, where I will study the science behind many environmental issues. Additionally, I hope to attend graduate school to further study climate change and eventually help inform officials of the environmental legislation needed to protect our planet. Without the financial assistance provided by this scholarship, it would be more difficult for me to achieve this goal. Furthermore, I am proud to be representing Wings Over America through being awarded this scholarship. My dad has been in the Navy my entire life, and it has shaped my own outlook on education and my future. I appreciate all of the work Wings Over America does to help military families and support them in their goals to further their education. Overall, this scholarship is both meaningful to me personally, and helping me pursue my educational and career goals of working in the environmental sector.