

PEN Mission Statement

Our Mission

The *Planner Emeritus Network (PEN)*, an affiliate organization of the American Planning Association California Chapter (APA California), is composed of experienced and longstanding APA members who are committed to supporting APA California and the planning profession by recognizing exemplary planners, highlighting planning history, and providing planning leadership, training, support, and mentoring.

Supporting Goals

- **A.** We will actively engage with APA California to provide a forum and voice for executive-level planners and to support the next generation of planning leaders.
- **B.** We value recognizing and honoring accomplished California planners and other individuals whose career achievements and contributions to the profession demonstrate excellence in planning and offer aspirational role models for planners.
- **C.** We embrace our support role in documenting and preserving California's diverse planning history and resources in order to learn from the past and further the growth and evolution of the planning profession.
- D. We commit to sharing our leadership expertise and planning knowledge through professional development events, partnership activities, and mentoring opportunities.
- E. We seek to offer planning and management assistance to communities in need, such as through APA California's Community Planning Assistance Team (CPAT) program.