

# San Diego County Taxpayers Association FACT SHEET

## About SDCTA

Founded in 1945, the San Diego County Taxpayers Association (SDCTA) is a watchdog organization that looks out for your tax dollars.

SDCTA takes a leadership role in fiscal oversight of local government and aggressively resists unwarranted taxes and fees, discriminatory regulations and ill-advised public expenditures.

Key to the continued success of the Association is our detailed analysis and independent approach to every issue. SDCTA has become an authority in the region on issues including: Public Pensions; Water Rates; School Bonds; Public Infrastructure; and Effective Governance.

When it comes to ballot measures, the position SDCTA takes on any given issue often makes the difference between victory and defeat at the ballot box.



*Over the past five years alone, SDCTA took a leadership role to defeat 11 local ballot measures. Cumulatively, these victories prevented over \$832 million in tax and fee increases.*

Our ongoing schedule of forums, luncheons and special events gives the public the unique opportunity to hear from industry experts and policymakers on San Diego's most pressing taxpayer issues.

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## Quick Facts

- Year Founded: 1945
- 501(c)(4) non-profit corporation
- Ballot Measures reviewed in 2010: 28
- Bond Oversight Committees SDCTA is represented on: 17
- Board of Directors: 60
- Chair of the Board: Greg Stein
- Committees:
  - Issues Committee
  - Healthcare Committee
  - Transportation, Energy, Governance and Infrastructure (TEWI) Committee
  - Annual Dinner Committee
- Awards handed out at the last Golden Watchdog & Golden Fleece Awards Dinner: 13
- Number of People who Attended the Last Awards Dinner: 800
- News Mentions in 2011: 332

### **Mission Statement:**

*To promote accountable, cost-effective and efficient government and oppose unnecessary taxes and fees.*