

# Laura Warner, AIA

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## What is your role within CityWorks?

As a founding partner, I lead the design side of urban planning projects. My role is to always inspire our team to strive for excellence by creating solutions that incorporate our technical and design expertise with the knowledge that our clients and the community bring to our projects.

## Can you briefly summarize the projects that you are currently involved in?

Currently, I am working on five of SANDAG's early action projects for improving transportation options in San Diego County. Recently, I completed work on the Downtown El Cajon Specific Plan and Design Guidelines for the City of El Cajon.

## What motivates you and keeps you engaged in your work?

I am motivated by the goal of making cities and regions better places for people to carry out their civic and private lives. To accomplish this, cities need to be well planned and have great architecture and public space. This is where our team can step in to help.

## What have been your most significant professional and personal accomplishments?

The fact that the firm is known for quality and integrity is my most significant professional accomplishment. My personal achievement is being able to stay excited and interested in the world.

## What makes you laugh?

I laugh at adversity because life is too short. Of course, I have been lucky enough to do that.

**"Failure is impossible."**

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### Education:

Bachelor of Architecture, 1985  
University of California, Berkeley, California