FUNDING PROPOSAL 2014
Dear Prospective Sponsor,

The Earthquake Engineering Research Institute San José State University Student Chapter (EERI-SJSU) is looking for sponsors to help fund our trip to the 2014 Seismic Design Competition (SDC) in Anchorage, Alaska. Your tax-deductible contribution will allow our chapter to represent the Silicon Valley in a competition of engineering design and ingenuity.

EERI-SJSU was founded in 2009 with one mission: to promote the knowledge of earthquake engineering to our university. Since then, we have hosted guest lectures with industry professionals, attended symposiums at neighboring campuses, and conducted several field trips. We hope to continue to host more of these events this semester and in the future. In addition, we hope to apply the knowledge we've gained by competing in the SDC.

The SDC is an international undergraduate competition held annually in conjunction with the U.S. National Conference on Earthquake Engineering. Students are tasked with the design and construction of a scale-model tower that will be tested for seismic stability. This year's competition will be held July 21st to July 25th in Anchorage, Alaska.

Your sponsorship will help our design team showcase their hard work and ingenuity, as well as represent San José in an international competition. Attached is a packet that explains and breaks down what we are trying to accomplish and what we have to offer this semester. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact President, Tim Hendrickson. We hope to develop a partnership with you this semester and into the future.

Sincerely,

Tim Hendrickson
President
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CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Presentations

Our “Lunch and Learn” sessions help expand students’ engineering knowledge and give them insight into the professional workplace. Industry professionals and experts are invited to speak to students about a variety of topics pertaining to earthquake and structural engineering.

In addition to hosting lectures, EERI-SJSU also encourages our members to attend symposiums held by chapters at campuses within Northern California, in order to enhance their engineering knowledge even further.

Field Trips

EERI-SJSU also conducts field trips to sites related to earthquake engineering. Members have the opportunity to tour companies, construction sites, and research facilities. Our most recent field trip to the 49er's Stadium construction site provided members with the rare chance to see the structural components required for such large, complex projects.

Competitions

To gain design experience in earthquake engineering, EERI-SJSU also participates in regional and national competitions. These design competitions help members develop teamwork, ethics, and leadership, in addition to challenging our engineering knowledge and creativity. We are currently working on our structural design for this year’s SDC, and will begin the construction phase soon.
Background

The objective of the SDC is to design and construct a scale model, multi-story building out of balsa wood that can perform effectively under simulated earthquake ground motions. The competition provides engineering students a project that enhances not only their understanding of seismic design, but also their ability to design a cost-effective structure, work in a multi-disciplinary team, create project posters, and perform technical presentations.

Past Performance and Future Goals

In the past, EERI-SJSU has performed very well at the annual competition. In 2010, we were awarded the Egor Popov Structural Innovation award, and in 2011, we were awarded the Fazlur Khan Award for Architectural Design.

We hope to continue this trend at the 2014 competition. Currently, we are working diligently to design a winning structure, and will begin construction by the end of April. With your help, we can accomplish a high standing once again. Although San José State will cover a portion of the costs, this year’s venue of Anchorage, Alaska presents our team with a significant financial challenge.

Budget Breakdown

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Thank you for taking the time to read about our organization and our proposed plans. We deeply appreciate your consideration in sponsoring us for the SDC. Sponsorship of EERI-SJSU has been broken down into three levels, as follows:

**Kobe Level – $1,000+**

**Benefits:**
Large logo displayed on club website.
Logo displayed on Seismic Design Competition poster.
Logo displayed on Seismic Design Competition building.
Logo on team t-shirt in large print.

**Northridge Level – $500-999**

**Benefits:**
Regular Size logo displayed on club website.
Logo displayed on Seismic Design Competition poster.
Logo on team t-shirt in regular print.

**El Centro Level – $300-499**

**Benefits:**
Small logo displayed on club website.
Logo displayed on Seismic Design Competition poster.

Please make your contributions to:

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**THANK YOU!**