

**The California Special Districts Association
Executive Summary
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If an intern is interested in a career in local government and how the legislative process works, than I highly recommend CSDA. They are an association that represents all Special Districts (that are members of CSDA) throughout the state of California. So what are Special Districts? Special Districts provide a large variety of public services, ranging from mosquito abatement to water services. Other services include fire, park and recreation, cemetery, and much more. This internship was very informative and provided me with firsthand experience on how local governments operate and special districts as well. In addition, I received a tremendous amount of insight on the entire legislative process and gained a lot of knowledge on specific bills that were relevant to Special Districts. The staff was very professional and friendly and always provided me with a helping hand on any ambiguous topics that I encountered. I highly recommend this internship to future scholar interns.