



WINNERS

SAN DIEGO'S BEST U-T READERS POLL 2025

AUTO

Auto Dealer – Domestic	Mission Bay Chevrolet
Auto Dealer – Import	Toyota of El Cajon
Auto Manufacturer – Domestic	Tesla
Auto Manufacturer – Import	Audi San Diego
Auto Parts Store	AutoZone Auto Parts
Auto Service / Repair	Mission Hills Automotive
Car Wash	Soapy Joe's Car Wash
Motorcycle or Off-Road Vehicle Dealer	San Diego Harley-Davidson
RV Dealer	San Diego RV Sales
Tire Store	Discount Tire

BARS & NIGHTLIFE

Bartender	Jesse Serrano at Tony Gwynn's Sports Bar at Jamul Casino Resort
Beach Bar	Northside Tavern
Craft Brewery	Karl Strauss Brewing Company
Day Club / Pool Party	Lafayette Hotel & Suites in San Diego
Dive Bar	Northside Tavern
Downtown / Gaslamp Bar	Onyx Room Nightclub
Happy Hour	Karl Strauss Brewing Company
Irish Bar	Hooleys Public House
LGBTQ+ Bar	Gossip Grill
Local Winery	Bernardo Winery
Nightclub	Onyx Room Nightclub
North County Bar	Oggi's Sports Brewhouse Pizza
Sports Bar	Tony Gwynn's Sports Pub at Jamul Casino Resort
Wine Bar	Rustic Ridge Vineyards

ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainment Venue	JIVE Lounge at Jamul Casino Resort
Live Music Venue (Under 3,000 People)	Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay
Live Theater Group	Off Broadway Live
Local Casino	Barona Resort & Casino
Loosest Slots	Barona Resort & Casino
Movie Theater	Angelika Film Center & Cafe – Carmel Mountain
Museum	San Diego Automotive Museum
Out of Town Day Trip	Julian
Professional Sports Team	San Diego Padres
San Diego Attraction/ Theme Park	San Diego Zoo

FINANCE

Accounting Firm	Abbo Tax CPA
Auto Loan Provider	San Diego County Credit Union
Bank	California Bank & Trust
Commercial Bank	California Bank & Trust
Financial Planning	San Diego County Credit Union
Insurance Provider – Nonmedical	USAA
Local Credit Union	San Diego County Credit Union
Mortgage / Home Loan Provider	San Diego County Credit Union

FOOD & RESTAURANT

24-Hour Restaurant	Sage Cafe at Barona Resort & Casino
Bakery	D Z Akin's
Barbecue	Phil's BBQ
Boba Place	Ding Tea Balboa

Breakfast	Broken Yolk Cafe
Brunch	Troy's Greek Restaurant
Burritos	Lolita's Mexican Food
Business Lunch	The Café at Valley View Casino & Hotel
Casino Dining	Italian Cucina at Barona Resort Casino
Chef	Lincoln Williams at Marketplace at Jamul Casino Resort
Chicken Wings	Epic Wings
Chinese Cuisine	Ho Wan Noodle Shop at Barona Resort & Casino
Coffee Truck	Seven Seas Roasting Co. South Park
Coffeehouse	Barona Coffee Company
Deli	D Z Akin's
Desserts	Extraordinary Desserts
Dog Friendly Restaurant	Troy's Greek Restaurant
Family Restaurant	Oggi's Sports Brewhouse Pizza
Filipino Cuisine	Tita's Kitchen
Fish Tacos	Rubio's Coastal Grill
French Cuisine	The French Gourmet
Greek Cuisine	Troy's Greek Restaurant
Grilled Cheese	The Melt
Hamburger	Tony Gwynn's Sports Pub at Jamul Casino Resort
Hawaiian BBQ	L&L Hawaiian Barbecue
Indian Cuisine	Royal India – San Diego
Italian Cuisine	Filippi's Pizza Grotto
Japanese Cuisine	Stix at Valley View Casino & Hotel
Mediterranean Cuisine	Troy's Greek Restaurant
Mexican Cuisine	Casa De Pico
Micro Brew Pub	Karl Strauss Brewing Company
Persian Cuisine	BANDAR RESTAURANT
Pho / Noodle House	Loft 94 Yakitori Noodle Craft at Jamul Casino Resort
Pizza (North of Route 56)	Pizza Port
Pizza (South of Route 56)	Filippi's Pizza Grotto
Restaurant Server	Laura Donathan at Tony Gwynn's Jamul Casino Resort
Romantic Restaurant	Prime Cut Steak & Seafood at Jamul Casino Resort
Seafood Cuisine	Brigantine Seafood & Oyster Bar
Spanish Cuisine	Cafe Sevilla of San Diego
Steakhouse	Barona Oaks Steakhouse at Barona Resort & Casino
Sub Shop	Jersey Mike's Subs
Sushi	Loft 94 Yakitori Noodle Craft at Jamul Casino Resort
Taco	Tacos El Gordo
Thai Cuisine	Thai Time
Vegan Cuisine	Plumeria Vegetarian Restaurant
Vegetarian Restaurant	Plumeria Vegetarian Restaurant
Vietnamese Cuisine	Stix at Valley View Casino & Hotel

FOR THE HOME

Artificial Turf	US Turf San Diego
Building Contractor	Shugarman's Bath
Carpet Cleaning	White Diamond Carpet Cleaners
Door & Window Replacement	Cabana Concepts
Flooring / Carpet Store – Local	West Coast Flooring Center Vista
Flooring / Carpet Store – National	Costco Wholesale
Furniture Store	Jerome's Furniture Mattress & Patio Superstore
Heating & Air Conditioning Company	Hamel's Air Conditioning & Heating Inc.
Home Security	Smart Shield Systems
Housekeeping	Radiant Residences
Kitchen & Bath Remodeler	Shugarman's Bath
Local Construction Company	Shugarman's Bath
Local Skylight Company	Solatube Home
Mattress Store	Jerome's Furniture Mattress & Patio Superstore
Nursery / Garden Center	Armstrong Garden Centers
Patio Furniture	IKEA
Pest Control	Joshua's Pest Control
Plumber	Bill Howe Plumbing, Heating & Air, Restoration & Flood Services
Pool Service	Mission Pools
Solar Power Company	Sunrun Solar

**SAN DIEGO ATTRACTION/
THEME PARK**

Balboa Park, Belmont Park, San Diego Zoo Safari Park, SeaWorld San Diego

FINANCE

ACCOUNTING FIRM

Considine & Considine, Ibarra Carrillo Soto CPAs + Advisors, Lang & Brown, CPAs, Mission Tax

AUTO LOAN PROVIDER

Mission Federal Credit Union, North Island Credit Union

BANK

Bank of America, Chase Bank, Mission Federal Credit Union, Wells Fargo Bank

COMMERCIAL BANK

Chase Bank, Poppy Bank

FINANCIAL PLANNING

Chase Bank, North Island Credit Union, Stratos Private Wealth, Wilsey Asset Management

**INSURANCE PROVIDER –
NONMEDICAL**

BCIS Insurance Services, a Division of World, Bridlewood Medicare Insurance

LOCAL CREDIT UNION

Mission Federal Credit Union, MyPoint Credit Union, Navy Federal Credit Union, North Island Credit Union

**MORTGAGE / HOME LOAN
PROVIDER**

Mission Federal Credit Union, North Island Credit Union, Point Mortgage Corporation, Scott Morse – RWM Home Loans

FOOD & RESTAURANT

24-HOUR RESTAURANT

Denny's, Rudford's Restaurant, Snax at Valley View Casino & Hotel

BAKERY

Arely's French Bakery Cafe, IZOLA, Paris Baguette, Sweets at Valley



EDUARDO CONTRERAS / U-T

San Diego's iconic Balboa Park was named a Favorite San Diego Attraction in this year's San Diego's Best Union-Tribune Readers Poll. See the 'Best' winner on Page 8.

View Casino & Hotel

BARBECUE

Grand Ole BBQ Y Asado, I QUE BBQ, Kujo Eats, Up in Smoke BBQ

BOBA PLACE

It's Boba Time, Kung Fu Tea, SD Boba Tea – San Diego Boba Tea Cafe, Up2You Cafe

BREAKFAST

Breakfast Republic, Farmer Boys, Hob Nob Hill, The Café at Valley View Casino & Hotel

BRUNCH

Breakfast Republic, The Café at Valley View Casino & Hotel, The Duck Dive, Viewpoint Neighborhood Kitchen

BURRITOS

Farmer Boys, Hasta Mañana Cantina, Humberto's Taco Shop, Sayulitas Mexican Food

BUSINESS LUNCH

City Tacos, Oggi's Sports | Brewhouse | Pizza, Parc Bistro-Brasserie, Swaddee Thai Restaurant of Coronado

CASINO DINING

Bull & Bourbon at Sycuan Casino Resort, Prime Cut Steak & Seafood at Jamul Casino Resort, Valley View Casino & Hotel, Viewpoint Neighborhood Kitchen

CHEF

Greg Coyle at Prime Cut at Jamul

Casino Resort, Kevin Templeton at barley mash

CHICKEN WINGS

Liberty Wing Co, Oggi's Sports | Brewhouse | Pizza, Stoney's Bar & Grill, The Smoking Gun SD

CHINESE CUISINE

Chin's Szechwan, Emerald Chinese Cuisine at Jamul Casino Resort, Golden Chopsticks, The Café at Valley View Casino & Hotel

COFFEE TRUCK

California Bean, The Coop Coffee Co

COFFEEHOUSE

Cafe Bella, Espresso Mio, OX Coffee, Talitha Coffee Roasters at Liberty Public Market

DELI

Antonelli's Deli, Milton's, Siesel's Meats, The Market Place

DESSERTS

Arely's French Bakery Cafe, Coco & Jules Cookies, Kujo Eats, Sweets at Valley View Casino & Hotel

DOG FRIENDLY RESTAURANT

Lazy Dog Restaurant & Bar, Mavericks Beach Club, Oggi's Sports | Brewhouse | Pizza, The Duck Dive

FAMILY RESTAURANT

Farmer Boys, Kujo Eats, Lido's Italian Foods, Novo Brazil Brewing Mission Valley

FILIPINO CUISINE

Jochi Resto Grill, Kababayan Bakery, Pansang's Filipino Cuisine, R & B Filipino Cuisine

FISH TACOS

Blue Water Seafood Market & Grill, Brigantine Seafood & Oyster Bar, Oggi's Sports | Brewhouse | Pizza, Stoney's Bar & Grill

FRENCH CUISINE

Bleu Bohème, Et Voilà! French Bistro, Parc Bistro-Brasserie, The Smoking Goat Restaurant

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GREEK CUISINE

Cafe Athena, Greek Chicken, Luna Grill, Olympic Cafe

GRILLED CHEESE

Grater Grilled Cheese, Jordan's Cafe, Mister A's

HAMBURGER

Farmer Boys, Oggi's Sports | Brewhouse | Pizza, Patties & Pints at Valley View Casino & Hotel, Stoney's Bar & Grill

HAWAIIAN BBQ

Chris' Ono Grinds Island Grill – North Park, Homestyle Hawaiian Pub & Eatery, Island Style Cafe, Kalei's Kitchenette

INDIAN CUISINE

Himalayan Grill, Himalayan Yak & Yeti & Catering Service, India Palace, Punjabi Tandoor (San Diego)

ITALIAN CUISINE

Lido's Italian Foods, Oggi's Sports | Brewhouse | Pizza, Osteria Romantica, RustiCucina

JAPANESE CUISINE

Cloak and Petal Little Italy, Karami Ramen, Menya Ultra, Sushi Gaga

MEDITERRANEAN CUISINE

Alforon Mediterranean / Lebanese Cuisine, Kebab Craft, Luna Grill, Mediterraneo

MEXICAN CUISINE

Hacienda Casa Blanca Mexican Restaurant & Cantina, Lolita's Mexican Food, Murrieta's Mexican Restaurant, Tony's Jacal

MICRO BREW PUB

Ketch Brewing Brew Pub, Oggi's Sports | Brewhouse | Pizza, San Diego Brewing Company, Stone Brewing World Bistro & Gardens – Liberty Station

PHO / NOODLE HOUSE

BESHOCK Ramen East Village, Pho Ca Dao Restaurant, Pho Cow Cali, Stix at Valley View Casino & Hotel



ADOBE STOCK

Several San Diego sushi restaurants were recognized as ‘Favorites’ in this year’s San Diego’s Best Union-Tribune Readers Poll. See the ‘Best’ winner on Page 8.

PIZZA (NORTH OF ROUTE 56)

Patties & Pints at Valley View Casino & Hotel, Oggi's Sports | Brewhouse | Pizza, Del Lusso Pizza

PIZZA (SOUTH OF ROUTE 56)

Bronx Pizza, Lido's Italian Foods, Pizzeria Luigi, Tribute Pizza

RESTAURANT SERVER

Catherine Evans at JIve Lounge at Jamul Casino Resort, Paris

Thammavong at Prime Cut at Jamul Casino Resort

ROMANTIC RESTAURANT

Black&Blue Steakhouse at Valley View Casino & Hotel, Bleu Bohème, Georges at the Cove, Swaddee Thai Restaurant of Coronado

SEAFOOD CUISINE

Ironside Fish & Oyster, Sandpiper Wood Fired Grill & Oysters,

Swaddee Thai Restaurant of Coronado, The Fish Market, Costa Brava

STEAKHOUSE

Black&Blue Steakhouse at Valley View Casino & Hotel, Bull & Bourbon at Sycuan Casino Resort, Prime Cut Steak & Seafood at Jamul Casino Resort, Texas Roadhouse

SUB SHOP

Antonelli's Deli, Jordan's Cafe, Submarina

SUSHI

Banbu Sushi Bar & Grill, Ototo Sushi Co., Stix at Valley View Casino & Hotel, Sushi Deli 3

TACO

Bad Hombres Good Mexican Food, City Tacos, Rubio's Coastal Grill,

Sombrero Mexican Food, The Taco Stand

THAI CUISINE

Bahn Thai, Signature Thai Cuisine, Swaddee Thai Restaurant of Coronado, The Orient Thai

VEGAN CUISINE

Donna Jean, KINDRED, The Purple Mint Vegan Bistro

VEGETARIAN RESTAURANT

Jordan's Cafe, KINDRED, Swaddee Thai Restaurant of Coronado, The Purple Mint Vegan Bistro

VIETNAMESE CUISINE

Pho Cow Cali, Pho Duyên Mai, Pho Hung Cali, Phuong Trang

FOR THE HOME

ARTIFICIAL TURF

Big Bully Turf, Green Turf Pro Inc., Sunny Builders Group Design & Remodel

BUILDING CONTRACTOR

GDC Construction Inc., Kaminskiy Design & Remodeling, Mission Pools, Preman Roofing-Solar

CARPET CLEANING

Cleanology Housekeeping Personnel Service, Imperial Carpet Cleaning San Diego, Pure Light Cleaning, Zerorez San Diego

DOOR & WINDOW REPLACEMENT

360 Windows and Doors, Action Window and Door, Kaminskiy Care and Repair Handyman Services, Window World of San Diego

FLOORING / CARPET STORE – LOCAL

America's Best Flooring, Metro Flooring, Mitchell's Floor Coverings

FURNITURE STORE

IKEA, Living Spaces, Mor Furniture for Less, Vignettes-Antiques & Collectibles

HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING COMPANY

Action Air Conditioning, Heating & Solar, Bill Howe Plumbing, Heating & Air, Restoration & Flood Services, Mauzy Cooling, Heating, Plumbing and Electrical, Same Day Heating, Cooling, Plumbing