

# here & there



## San Diego, California

Part of the charm of any urban area is its diverse ethnic make-up, where a variety of peoples converge on one area, creating a wealth of cultural options, colorful ethnic eateries and a variety of perspectives, and San Diego is no exception.

Gaslamp Quarter is Southern California's premier dining, shopping and entertainment district where you'll find an eclectic blend of cultures in San Diego's historic areas.

Most of San Diego's privately-owned major attractions are well-known around the world, including the San Diego Zoo and Sea World. Swimmers and sun-lovers are drawn to the excellent surf conditions and soft sand on San Diego beaches, and golf is a favorite pastime.

With a population over 1.25 million and hundreds of thousands of visitors each year, San Diego is faced with significant urban challenges. Faced with a severe water crisis, the City of San Diego implemented Level 2 mandatory water restrictions in June of this year. Managing traffic congestion and long commute times is a constant challenge for city officials.

In the years following declines in defense-related income, some industries in San Diego have remained stable with steady growth, while others, such as high technology, medical technology and business services have come onto the forefront as major areas of potential economic growth.

The cost of living index in San Diego is 145, high, compared to Decatur's index of 75 and the national average of 100. The median home value in San Diego is \$558,100 compared to Decatur's affordable \$78,000, and the average monthly rent in San Diego is \$1209 compared to \$585 in Decatur.

### HERE Decatur, IL



2215 Western Drive  
**Price: \$249,900**

Square Footage	3960
Bedrooms	4
Baths	4
Garage	2-car
Year Built	1975

Two story on .5 acre with master suite, family room, bonus room, exercise room, backyard porch and patio.

### THERE San Diego, CA



4503 32nd Street  
**Price: \$249,900**

Square Footage	762
Bedrooms	2
Baths	1
Garage	1-car detached
Year Built	1925

Single story bungalow on corner lot with fireplace. Partial fence, dog run in backyard.

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