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Dear Member of the Southern California Archaeological/Anthropological Academic Community:

The Archaeological Institute of America’s Orange County Society is offering a $2,000 grant available to a Southern California graduate student in the second quarter of 2020. Attached is a description of the grant requirements and application.

Our intent is to fund activity that uniquely contributes to an on-going project. That is, the project already is or is expected to be funded for its intended scope.

The purpose of the grant is to provide funds for additional effort that could be instrumental in extending the project in potentially important ways. As examples the funds could be used for underwriting specialized dating methods; they could provide access to unique research collections for extended comparative analysis; they could allow creating or using software, for example to show how complex adaptive systems theory relate to the project.

This additional funding is intended to allow an outstanding archaeology student to do possibly groundbreaking work that could advance his/her career as well as the project.

The winner will receive $2,000 and membership in the AIA. He/she will be asked to present the project results in a lecture before AIA-OC Society members and write a synopsis for the Society Newsletter.

We are asking you to recommend a student you believe to be qualified and capable of such an undertaking. Also we ask that you circulate this to colleagues who themselves might have such students.

Thank you,

AIA-OC Grant Committee

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