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Message : If SCAG's goal is to drive young professionals out of Southern California, congratulations, you are accomplishing it. By refusing to allocate housing goals proportionate to the jobs available in affluent areas such as Santa Monica and Century City, you have effectively locked most young people out of ever living in those areas, while guaranteeing that the homes of already wealthy, soon-to-be retirees, continue to appreciate. I was born in San Diego and currently live and work in downtown LA, but it is increasingly clear to me that Southern California has no bright future. I refuse to live in a place where only the most well off (which includes myself), can live, while the majority are forced to drive 1-2 hours for the privilege of working a low wage job in downtown LA or the westside. This is a disaster on several levels: economically, ecologically, and basic fairness. My wife and I are some of the few who can afford to buy a house in South Pasadena, Santa Monica, or Sherman Oaks, but that no longer seems like a worthy goal.