

SAN MARCOS: CSUSM Indian center receives grant from tribe

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The San Manuel Band of Mission Indians donated \$455,754 to Cal State San Marcos' California Indian Culture and Sovereignty Center, the university announced this week.

The grant will fund a full-time grant writer/program coordinator, a full-time research assistant and six graduate/undergraduate assistants each year for three years.

The center is an on-campus gathering place for faculty and staff, linking them to tribal members and American Indian students. It fosters research and community service among faculty, staff, students and members of local tribes, to maintain tribal sovereignty and culture.

San Manuel has pledged up to \$500,000 in additional grants for an endowment contingent if the university secures matching donations within three years.