

\$1 million gift from Cecil H. and Ida M. Green will provide major funding for a faculty/community club

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GREENS TO GIVE \$1 MILLION TO UCSD AS PART OF 25TH ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN

A \$1 million gift from Cecil H. and Ida M. Green of La Jolla will provide the major funding for a faculty/community club at the University of California, San Diego (UCSD).

"This generous gift and other major donations are helping make our 25th Anniversary Campaign a success," said UCSD Chancellor Richard C. Atkinson.

"There is a great need at the university for a place where faculty, staff and guests can meet informally over lunch or at other times for social exchange, intellectual stimulation or discussion of their work," he said.

According to Ray Ramseyer, director of the 25th Anniversary Campaign, "The groundbreaking will take place in early 1987. Occupancy is expected by the first of 1988."

Cecil Green, the founder of Texas Instruments, and his wife Ida, are major contributors to several UCSD programs, including the Green Scholar Program, which pays the expenses of visiting scholars to the UCSD Institute of Geophysics and Planetary Physics (IGPP). The Greens have funded equipment purchases for the IGPP Program of International Deployment of Accelerometers (IDA Program), and are responsible for UCSD's acquisition of land for the Pi on Flat Observatory, located near the San Jacinto Mountains, southwest of Palm Desert.

Other donors joining with the Greens in supporting the faculty center are: Mr. and Mrs. Farley O'Brien of La Mesa, who contributed \$300,000 for the main dining room (which will be named in their honor); Home Federal Savings and Loan Association, which contributed \$200,000 for a reception area and lounge, and the UCSD faculty and staff which have donated, to date, \$170,000 in designated gifts.

The balance for the \$2.5 million facility is expected to be reached by the end of 1986, according to Ramseyer.

The new UCSD faculty/community club facility will be named in honor of Cecil H. and Ida M. Green, Ramseyer said.