

UCSD tops record-setting fund drive goal

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UCSD TOPS RECORD-SETTING FUND DRIVE GOAL

It will be announced today by the University of California, San Diego that the largest capital fund drive ever attempted in San Diego history has not only met but also exceeded its goal.

In September of 1985 the university launched a campaign to raise \$30.4 million needed for building construction and to establish new endowments. It will be announced at a banquet for major donors this evening that a total of \$32,588,628 has been collected.

Through individual gifts totaling over \$12.4 million, San Diegans contributed the largest percentage of the campaign total. Among those gifts are \$2 million from Sol Price and his family for a new University Center; \$1.6 million from Florence Riford for endowed chairs in Alzheimer's Disease research and AIDS research, and a library collection on the Pacific Rim; \$1.1 million bequest from Helen Hillyer for medical school scholarships, and \$1 million from Ida and Cecil Green for a Faculty Club.

Foundations contributed approximately \$9 million, including \$6 million from the Stephen and Mary Birch Foundation (headed by San Diegans Patrick and Rose Patek) for a new aquarium and ocean science center at Scripps Institution of Oceanography. Local corporations gave \$1.5 million; UCSD faculty and staff contributed \$2.6 million; alumni, students and parents gave \$2.3 million, and a variety of other private sources accounted for close to \$4 million.

Although the record-setting drive exceeded its goal, the campus will continue to seek funds for several projects that require more support than targeted in the campaign.

"We are deeply gratified at the community's response to our appeal," said UCSD Chancellor Richard C. Atkinson. "The targeted projects were critically needed but could not be financed with state funding. With such generous support from the community, UCSD will be in a much better position to sustain the excellence of our programs and facilities and to accommodate the rapid growth we're experiencing."

Over \$20 million of the campaign total is earmarked for new campus facilities that are ineligible for state funding, such as a university center and bookstore, a building for the Institute for Research on Aging, a cancer facility, a faculty club, and an aquarium museum.

The remainder will create endowments which will enable the university to recruit outstanding faculty and graduate students, build special library collections needed for research, create a major campus/community lecture program, and enhance visiting scholar and artist programs.

"Such endowments are essential to the very mission of the university," Atkinson said. "They directly support our teaching, research and clinical programs and enable us to provide for the community the resources of a leading research university."

The community-led fund drive was chaired by Kim Fletcher, Malin Burnham and Patterson Hyndman. Committee members were William Beamer, John Carson, M.D., Lawrence Cox, Leo R.B. Henrikson, Frank L. Hope, Jr., Jerome Katzin, Marianne McDonald, Ph.D., Harry Todd, Ray Watt, James West, R.B. "Buzz" Wooley and Walter Zable.

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