

## LGBT Resource Center Director Recognized for Community Service

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Shaun Travers, director of UCSD's LGBT Resource Center, will receive a community service award during this year's San Diego LGBT Pride event. Travers will be recognized on July 28 during a rally in Balboa Park and will get to ride a vintage convertible on July 29 during the 2006 San Diego LGBT Pride Parade, with UCSD's float right behind him. Everyone in the UCSD community is invited to join the celebration. Travers said he was incredibly honored and surprised when he found out about the award.

"It felt really humbling to be highlighted as one of many who do really good work," he said.

Travers received the Spirit of Stonewall community service award for his leadership on the UCSD campus and his role on the San Diego LGBT Community Leadership Council, said Ron deHarte, executive director of San Diego Pride. The award goes to up-and-coming leaders within the LGBT community, deHarte said.

"We're just pleased to see that Shaun was recognized," deHarte said. "We appreciate his service not only to students on campus, but to the community overall."

The award takes its name from the 1969 Stonewall gay rights riots in New York City.

Travers became the director of UCSD's LGBT Resource Center in May 2001. He also serves as secretary of the San Diego LGBT Community Center and is a member of the San Diego LGBT Community Leadership Council. The center provides programs, activities and services to improve the well-being of San Diego's LGBT community. The council aims to help bring together the many organizations serving San Diego's LGBT community.

Travers also is a former member of the Board of Directors of Planned Parenthood San Diego/Riverside Counties and of the American Red Cross local chapter in Brazos County, Texas. Before coming to UCSD, he coordinated the Student Judicial and Gender Issues Education Services programs at Texas A&M University. He graduated in 1994 from California Lutheran University and earned a master's in education from Indiana University in 1996.

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