

KIIKA' BULLETIN

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See Something, Say Something with the "GORequest" App

For many years, the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians have contracted with the San Bernardino Police Department (SBPD) to bring added safety through increased patrols to neighborhoods surrounding the Reservation. While the Tribe maintains its own Department of Public Safety, the surrounding neighborhoods fall under the jurisdiction of the City, and the Tribe coordinates and supports SBPD in its public safety mission. To better help the SBPD with situational awareness of issues in your area, we recommend that our Kiiika' neighbors use the GORequest app. It's simple and enables residents to report any concerns they might see (e.g. "if you see something, say something").

"Through the app we are able to better direct our non-emergency response. Thanks to our partnership with San Manuel, SBPD has more resources to address the concerns of area residents," said Sgt. Sherry Vasilis, San Bernardino Police Department. "Remember in cases of emergency always dial 9-1-1."

Questions about neighborhood patrols, please call Sgt. Vasilis at 909-388-4897.

Help keep your neighborhoods safe by downloading this app to report traffic, potholes, graffiti, neighborhood disturbances and more. Here's how it works:

1. Download app from Apple or Google Play
2. **GORequest** homepage, select "City of San Bernardino"
3. Click "Police"
4. Click "Contact Eastern District Commander"
5. Report Issue



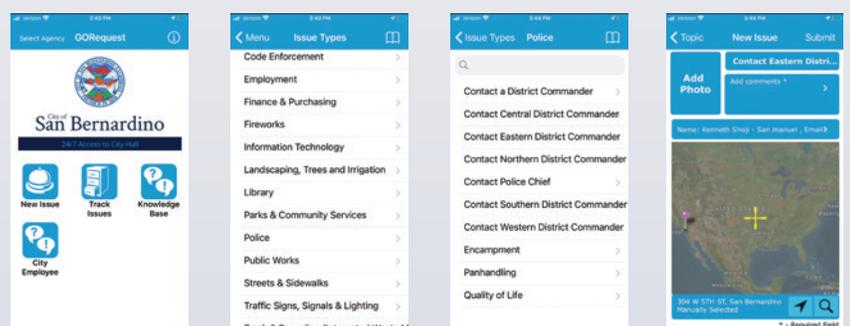
SMFD Adds New Fire Station to the East Reservation

The San Manuel Fire Department is expanding its services with the addition of a new 7,500-square-foot fire station to be built on the east side of Reservation.

This is the second firehouse on the tribal land to serve new homes built on the east Reservation. In addition to providing emergency services to our tribal community, the new facility will also serve the surrounding neighborhoods through mutual aid with the city and county.

"Expanding San Manuel's emergency services provides protection for our tribal community and enhances coverage for our neighbors. As a broader community primarily in the foothills, fire safety is always top of mind and we value the opportunity to increase safety across our ancestral homeland," said San Manuel Chairman Ken Ramirez.

The new facility is expected to be completed in early 2022 and will staff 12 full-time firefighters and house three equipment bays.



Keeping Local Small Businesses Open with \$1 Million Relief Fund

Nearly half of small businesses in our Inland Empire region have been impacted by the pandemic resulting in employee layoffs, difficulty covering operational costs and permanent closures. To help serve the needs in the neighboring community, the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians surprised 50 small businesses with \$20,000 each.



In collaboration with the Inland Empire Economic Partnership (IEEP), the Tribe announced the San Manuel Cares \$1 Million Small Business Relief Fund. San Manuel was inspired to support small businesses based in their ancestral territory that have been hardest hit by the impact of COVID-19.

Confetti cannons popped as representatives of Jovi's Diner, Mi Cocina Restaurant, and Trendsetters who attended in person, and others who joined virtually, celebrated the great news.

"Our San Manuel Cares team contacted each of these 50 businesses to learn more about their hardships and find the best way to provide assistance," said Ken Ramirez, chairman of the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians. "I hope that what we do here today prompts others to do the same: support your local small businesses, give as much as you can, and do your part to keep our communities and economy thriving."

The financial grants will provide business owners with assistance in paycheck protection to fund their current workforce, and cash flow assistance to cover operational expenses, debt relief and business improvements.



Many of these small businesses have been part of the community for generations. The Tribe was honored to give a hand up to some businesses in need, including restaurants, salons, and retail shops right here in the local community.

Supporting SBCUSD with Supplies for Continued Distance Learning

The San Manuel Band of Mission Indians recently donated 9,700 school supplies to the San Bernardino Unified School District (SBCUSD) Community Day School for the Access to Learning for All Students (A.T.L.A.S.) program.



Just as the school district announced plans to continue distance learning for the remainder of the school year for all grade levels, the Tribe collected items to support students most in need. The A.T.L.A.S. program seeks to remove barriers and provides support services for approximately 1,000 SBCUSD students who are in foster care or facing homelessness. To help make students successful academically, the A.T.L.A.S. program relies on the support of community partnerships.

In an effort to ensure these students would have a successful remote learning experience, San Manuel team members stuffed 1,000 backpacks full of supplies for each student in the program.

Additionally, the Tribe called on their employees and leveraged their partners, School Specialty and Mark-it Smart, to donate pencils, notepads, paper, earbuds with microphones, hand sanitizer and other essential items.

"We saw an opportunity to serve local students and reached out to our partners to provide necessary supplies that will help make online learning for the remainder of the year a success," said Alberto Jasso, manager of strategic philanthropy for San Manuel.

We value your comments and questions.

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