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### **TRIBE GIVES AWAY \$5,000 TO MARTHA'S VILLAGE & KITCHEN**

Funding helps support medical services for the needy

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. — The Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians has given Martha's Village & Kitchen a \$5,000 donation to help pay for medical services and operating expenses at its clinic in Indio.

Martha's Medical Clinic serves some 4,700 uninsured and homeless patients annually. The organization provides diabetic care, medication, and eye exams to its clients.

"This kind of basic medical care is out of reach to so many people, and the problem is only getting worse," said Tribal Chairman Richard M. Milanovich. "The Tribe wanted to do something to support Martha's Village & Kitchen because the shelter continues to fill a void in our society."

The organization was begun by Gloria Gomez and Claudia Castorena in 1990 as a modern-day soup kitchen. Today, they serve more than 300,000 meals every year to the needy, as well as provide short term housing for the homeless.

The Tribe has been an ongoing supporter of the shelter, giving more than \$170,000 since 2000.

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About the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians

*The Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians is a federally-recognized Indian Tribe located in Palm Springs, Calif., with 32,000 acres of reservation lands that spread across Palm Springs, Cathedral City, Rancho Mirage, and into the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto mountains. The Tribe's developments include two Palm Springs golf courses, the Spa Resort Casino and Hotel in downtown Palm Springs, and the Agua Caliente Casino Resort Spa in Rancho Mirage, which includes the 2,000 seat concert venue, The Show. It also operates the Indian Canyons preserve, an environmental paradise open to the public.*