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**RRM Design Group Pledges \$65,000 Toward Cal Poly Scholarships  
and Launches Employee Matching Donation Program**

SAN LUIS OBISPO -- RRM Design Group of San Luis Obispo has pledged \$65,000 to create the RRM Design Group Scholarship Endowment for students in Cal Poly's College of Architecture and Environmental Design (CAED).

The firm began an employee matching donation program in May that could substantially increase scholarship funding for Cal Poly CAED students the over the next five years. This year's RRM scholarship recipient is architecture student Vivian Ngo. Ngo was awarded \$1,000 at the college's awards ceremony May 16.

Founded in 1974, RRM has grown to nearly 150 employees working in offices in San Luis Obispo, Oakdale, Healdsburg, San Juan Capistrano and San Jose. Half of the design group's employees are Cal Poly grads, and 11 are currently enrolled at the university.

"Our greatest asset is our people -- who help us fulfill our mission to create environments people enjoy," said Victor Montgomery, president and CEO of RRM Design Group and a 1975 Cal Poly architecture graduate. "The majority of our employees are Cal Poly grads and together we've created this endowment to benefit students from all five of the CAED departments.

CAED Dean R. Thomas Jones thanked the firm for its ongoing support. "For the past 25 years the CAED has enjoyed a partnership with RRM Design Group that has included internships, field trips, financial support and numerous on-campus visiting lecturers."

RRM's award-winning team has been recognized for high-profile projects across the state including the renovation and preservation of the Venice Beach Boardwalk and historic pavilions, and for planning the new town of 12 Bridges near Lincoln, California. The town will grow to over 20,000 people and encompass parks, a village center and a golf course that is

home to the Northern California LPGA Tournament.

In San Luis Obispo County the firm has been recognized for creating the Avila Beach Front Street Enhancement Plan, the Pismo Beach Promenade, the Cloisters in Morro Bay, the Paso Robles Public Safety Facility that houses that city's fire and police departments, San Luis Obispo's Fire Station Headquarters No. 1, and Cal Poly's Campus Master Plan.

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