

# SAN DIEGO UNION-TRIBUNE

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## \$2 million donation given to genocide Web site

**SAN DIEGO:** The Viterbi Family Foundation of the Jewish Community Foundation has contributed \$2 million to the University of Southern California's Shoah Foundation Institute Web site, which documents genocide survivors.

Andrew and Erna Viterbi of La Jolla are the founders of the family foundation.

The Shoah Foundation Institute was founded by film director Steven Spiel-

berg in 1994 to collect and preserve the testimonies of Holocaust survivors and witnesses. It maintains one of the largest digital video libraries in the world, including nearly 52,000 testimonies in 32 languages from 56 countries.

Through the educational use of testimonies, the institute's mission is to

overcome prejudice, intolerance and bigotry and the suffering they cause.

The Viterbi contribution will endow the institute's Web site — college.usc.edu/vhi/ — and permit the institute to deliver state-of-the-art, online resources that meet the needs of educators and students around the world.

Andrew Viterbi is co-founder of Qualcomm. Previously, the Viterbis have donated \$52 million to USC. —S.S.