

Mark Macarro, Tribal Chairman of the Pechanga Band of Indians in Southern California, was first elected to the Pechanga Tribal Council in 1992 and is currently serving in his 31st consecutive year as Tribal Chairman. Throughout his tenure, Chairman Macarro's vision for Pechanga has been to strengthen Tribal sovereignty, political and governmental self-determination, and economic self-sufficiency while maintaining the Tribes' distinct cultural identity. As a national leader, Macarro was elected in 2023 as the 24th President of the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) and re-elected for a second two-year term in 2025, continuing his service on NCAI's Executive Committee through 2027. He holds a B.A. in Political Science from the University of California, Santa Barbara. Chairman Macarro is married to Holly Cook Macarro (Red Lake Band of Ojibwe) and is the proud father of four children.