

## **William H. Hannon Foundation Continues Support of Catholic High Schools & TACSC**

**February 2017/Santa Monica, CA** -- The William H. Hannon Foundation has renewed its financial support of five Catholic high schools in the Southland and The Association of Catholic Student Councils (TACSC) with grants totaling over \$200,000.

The Foundation has provided scholarship and tuition assistance support to:

- Cantwell-Sacred Heart of Mary High School in Montebello
- Louisville High School in Woodland Hills
- St. Monica Catholic High School in Santa Monica
- St. Pius X St. Matthias Academy in Downey
- Verbum Dei High School in Los Angeles

“Each of these high schools does an outstanding job educating our next generation of Catholic leaders,” said Kathleen Hannon Aikenhead, president of the William H. Hannon Foundation, adding, “By providing scholarships and tuition assistance, we are able to help realize the goal of our foundation’s founder, my late uncle, who believed that a Catholic education for all children, no matter of financial means, was important.”

The Foundation’s support of TACSC goes back to 2001. Since then, the organization has grown dramatically. During 2016 TACSC served 2,720 students from 6<sup>th</sup> grade through high school, a nearly 35% increase over the prior year. Volunteers put in over 13,000 hours of service in 2016. TACSC offers summer leadership conferences, student leadership days and leadership team training programs.

“TACSC’s mission of developing moral leaders, anchored in faith to positively impact our world, is worthy of support. Each of our board members knows students who have participated in TACSC’s programs and everyone has only good things to report. We are pleased to be among their strongest supporters,” said Aikenhead.