

## TACSC Receives \$110,000 in Continued Support

**Santa Monica, CA (January, 2012)**—The Association of Catholic Student Councils (TACSC) has received a \$110,000 grant from the William H. Hannon Foundation, bringing the Foundation's support of TACSC to more than \$300,000 over the last three years. Founded in 1982, TACSC (<a href="www.tacsc.org">www.tacsc.org</a>) is a California non-profit leadership training corporation that serves Catholic elementary and junior high schools across the country.

"Through the past support of the William H. Hannon Foundation, TACSC has been able to expand the programs it offers, reach additional schools and develop leadership skills in a greater population of students," said Jim Oswald, President of TACSC's Board of Directors.

TACSC encourages the development of student councils or similar leader programs; supports existing student government and leadership programs within schools; and provides in-service and educational materials for student leaders, their advisors and the school administration.

Recently, TACSC established a strategic partnership with the Loyola Marymount University's School of Education and Center for Catholic Education to develop and offer jointly sponsored programs and activities for student leaders, as well as elementary school principals, teachers, moderators and parents. The first Student Leadership Day of 2012 will be hosted at Loyola Marymount. TACSC is also expanding to the East Coast. At the request of the Archdiocese of Washington, DC TACSC hosted a Student Leadership Day in Maryland for 71 students from 14 elementary schools. In addition, Cabrini College of Pennsylvania will host a TACSC Summer Leadership Conference. This marquee five day residential conference also will come to the west coast, at Loyola Marymount University and Claremont-McKenna College.

"I know firsthand the difference that TACSC makes in the lives of students as it made a difference in my life. The high impact leadership training I received from TACSC set me on a positive course at an early age," said Jim Hannon, Treasurer of the William H. Hannon Foundation, who participated in TACSC programs while in elementary school, and continued as a staff member during high school and college and serves as a board member today.