

The Association of Catholic Student Councils Continues to Grow

Santa Monica, CA (August 2013): The William H. Hannon Foundation has made a multi-year pledge of \$160,000 to The Association of Catholic Student Councils (TACSC) in order to help the organization recruit an experienced Development Director and set a course for continued growth through increasing volunteer support and strategic partnerships.

"We have made tremendous strides over the last three years, thanks to the support of the William H. Hannon Foundation. During this period, more than 1,000 young people, primarily in the Los Angeles area, have fueled their passion for leadership through their involvement in TACSC programs and activities," said Gene Detre, TACSC's Executive Director.

TACSC was founded in 1982 in Southern California with the goal of supporting and encouraging development of student councils and student leadership programs at the junior high school level. Over the years, TACSC continued to expand and offers student leadership development programs not only in Southern California, but also in Northern California and on the East Coast. TACSC works to expand student involvement in Catholic schools so that young people will be inspired to be active leaders outside of school and within their communities.

Kathleen Hannon Aikenhead, President of the William H. Hannon Foundation, noted, "They have proved to us that their plans are solid and they continue to make an incredible difference in the lives of Catholic school students—our future Catholic leaders. We believe that our current grant will help them ensure stability and growth over the next several years."