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\$50,000 To Be Awarded To Ambitious High Schoolers

Applications are being accepted until January 5, 2018 for 10-15 Southern California teenagers who have the desire, the passion, and a plan to help their community.

Now in its second year, the Dragon Kim Foundation's Fellowship Program awards up to \$5,000 to each of the winning students who can demonstrate a dedication to support under-privileged young people, through a concept of their own imagining. The winning Dragon Fellows will be selected in February and the programs are to be executed during the summer of 2018. The selected Fellows will have the opportunity to attend leadership training programs in the Spring, be paired with a professional mentor, and receive ongoing help and support.

Projects awarded in 2017 ranged from teaching art to constructing computers to creating a tutoring app. Those 2017 "graduates" learned teamwork and management skills, had the opportunity to create their own business plan, and experienced the joy of giving.

The Dragon Kim Foundation was started by Grace and Daniel Kim of Tustin, Orange County, in honor of their son Dragon who died in a tragic camping accident in 2015. Dragon was a student at Orange County School of the Arts in Santa Ana, and had his own plans and passion to help underprivileged children in his community.

Grace had this advice for potential applicants, “This fellowship is about kids helping kids. Don’t get intimidated about having to change the whole world. Just start with what you’re passionate about, whether it’s soccer, painting, or chemistry, and see how you can use that passion to help kids find and explore what they love.” Daniel Kim adds, “Dragon felt that this is what all kids deserve no matter their background or circumstances. With his passing, we are carrying on and broadening his work.”

For more information and to submit an application, please visit www.dragonkimfoundation.org. Applications are being received until the closing date of January 5th 2018.

