

The California Jaycee Foundation Announces Jose Gutierrez, a 2024 Vocational Scholarship Winner

The California Jaycee Foundation announced Mr. Jose Gutierrez of San Pasqual Valley High School located in Winterhaven, California is one of eight graduating high school seniors receiving a \$1,000 Scholarship resulting from the annual competition completed in January 2024.

“The pool of candidates statewide that submitted applications was very strong this year making our choices very difficult,” said Mary Alessandra-Cook, Chairperson of the Scholarship Committee at The California Jaycee Foundation. *“We are pleased to award Jose a \$1,000.00 scholarship from California and recognize his success in our competition.”* Further, we are delighted to forward his application to the United States Jaycees national competition where, if selected, he would be awarded an additional \$1,000.00 in Vocational Scholarship funds.”

Jose is a dedicated, hard working, ambitious, and focused student athlete who has won several High Honor Roll awards. He participated as an active athlete on the Football, Soccer, and Wrestling teams. Jose was also awarded a Future Farmers of America (FFA) Greenhand Degree from the San Pasqual Valley local FFA chapter part of the National FFA Organization. Jose contributed to the community, volunteering over 30 hours in various food drives with the Family Resource Center. While in high school, he has already completed several college courses aspiring to obtain an Associate degree in automotive mechanics from Arizona Western College.

Potential for Future Impact

Every candidate packet demonstrated exceptional work in academics, community involvement and personal leadership. The submitted packets were reviewed by a team of business, professional leaders, and educators for these criteria plus each student’s grade point average (GPA), a personal statement, references offered, honors and awards conferred and personal effort to learn and prepare to invest in themselves through further education.

“The 2024 applicant cadre is an exceptionally skilled collective that portends an exciting future for California or wherever they chose to work in the world” said Jim McMahon, President of the California Jaycee Foundation. *“We believe Jose’s interest in service to humanity demonstrates the potential for a fulfilling life helping others. “*

The California Jaycee Foundation

Formed in 1964, The California Jaycee Foundation is a 501 (c)(3) tax exempt entity focused on leadership, education, and community service. The Foundation Board of Trustees is composed of business, education and community leaders that supports young people making a difference in their community through service organizations like the Jaycees. Persons wishing to become involved, donate to the scholarship funds, or other projects are invited to check our web page at: <https://www.cajcifoundation.org> Young men and women ages 21-40 interested in community service, management training and networking are encouraged to review the Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/jcicalifornia/> to learn about active participation in the JCI California organization.

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