

## **ONE \$500 SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The Asian Youth Center will honor **one** outstanding SGV High School student with an academic scholarship of **\$500** to offset their expenses at an accredited college, university, or vocational training

institution of their choice.

Embodying the American Dream, Gay Lew made so much of so little. He came to this country from Canton, China as a teenager, with little but the clothes on his back and a language spoken by few. He knew no one and had nothing, but a determination to make a good



life for himself. He knew about hard work, and he put in many long backbreaking hours to provide for his family. By the time he passed away at the age of 84, he built a successful business which provided good college educations for his three children.

More importantly, he left many friends and admirers inspired by his life's story that hard work and faith in oneself can lead to great things. While he had little schooling, he valued education more than material goods because it was something no one could ever take away. He believed education was the key to improving one's life.

Mr. Lew's family wants to honor his memory with a series of small scholarships to help overcome the unforeseen financial hurdles to getting an education such as application fees, supplies and miscellaneous expenses. The scholarship is intended to help students with limited means and big dreams to work towards a better life with a good education.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

First generation immigrants who qualify for the free lunch program and are enrolled in a San Gabriel Valley High School with a minimum 2.0 grade point average (based on a 4.0 scale). Applicants must provide a brief written statement on why they deserve this scholarship.

- Applications must be received no later than Saturday, March 13th, 2021 by 5:00pm
- Winners will be notified by Friday April 16th, 2021
- Press Conference and Awards Ceremony on Saturday, April 24th, 2020 to receive award

## **CERTIFICATION & RELEASE**

Winners will be recognized publicly. All winners, and where appropriate, their parent or guardian, must sign a release granting AYC the right to use their information and their likeness for the purpose of promoting and publicizing the Asian Youth Center.