



Davidson Institute  
**Fellows Scholarship**

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## **LA JOLLA TEEN AWARDED \$25,000 SCHOLARSHIP FOR DEVELOPING TINY HOME PROTOTYPE TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS Renee Wang Named 2023 Davidson Fellows Scholarship Winner**

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San Diego – The Davidson Fellows Scholarship Program has announced the 2023 scholarship winners. Among the honorees is 16-year-old Renee Wang of La Jolla. Wang won a \$25,000 scholarship for her project, *Rubix Living - Deconstructable Prefabricated Tiny Homes for Homelessness*. She is one of only 21 students across the country to be recognized as a 2023 scholarship winner.

“I am very honored and humbled to be selected as a 2023 Davidson Fellow Scholar,” said Wang. “Becoming a Davidson Fellows Scholar validates my work on RUBIX, and this approval from experts in the field motivate me to continue developing it in the future.”

Prompted by the growing homelessness crisis worsened by the pandemic, Wang envisioned RUBIX, an innovative, efficient, and eco-friendly tiny home prototype. This modular housing solution is designed to offer the unhoused independence and dignity, and stands as a better alternative to current sheltering solutions. Her project combines sustainable materials and energy technologies in a way that is unprecedented in the market.

Wang is a rising senior attending The Bishop’s School in San Diego. She is involved in organizations advocating for homelessness outreach and environmental justice. Wang completed a year-long independent study in architecture during her junior year, a testament to her passion for design and innovation. In her free time, she plays competitive golf, indulges in creating art, reading, and is known as one of the 25 most remarkable teens in San Diego. Her dedication to social issues, combined with her design prowess, promises a future filled with impactful contributions.

“We are proud to announce this year’s class of Davidson Fellows Scholarship recipients who have completed significant projects with the potential to benefit society in the fields of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, literature, and music,” said Bob Davidson, founder of the Davidson Institute. “The innovations and new thinking added by each class of Fellows serve as an inspiration for future scholars to apply novel technologies and groundbreaking ideas to solve the world’s most difficult problems.”

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The 2023 Davidson Fellows will be honored during a reception at the Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C. and with a virtual project presentation ceremony in September 2023.

The Davidson Fellows Scholarship program offers \$50,000, \$25,000 and \$10,000 college scholarships to students 18 or younger, who have completed significant projects that have the potential to benefit society in the fields of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, literature and music. The Davidson Fellows Scholarship has provided more than \$9.4 million in scholarship funds to 428 students since its inception in 2001, and has been named one of the most prestigious undergraduate scholarships by [U.S. News & World Report](#). It is a program of the Davidson Institute, a national nonprofit organization headquartered in Reno, Nev. that supports profoundly gifted youth.

### **About the Davidson Institute**

Founded by Bob Davidson in 1999, the Davidson Institute recognizes, nurtures and supports profoundly intelligent young people, and provides opportunities for them to develop their talents to make a positive difference. The Institute offers support through a number of programs and services, including the Davidson Fellows Scholarship and the [Davidson Academy of Nevada](#). For more information about the 2023 Davidson Fellows, please visit: [DavidsonFellows.org](#).

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