



SAGE
Students for the Advancement of Global Entrepreneurship
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Vision

- A global community of teenagers creating better futures through social enterprises, socially-responsible businesses, and community service.

Mission

- To create the next generation of entrepreneurial leaders whose innovations and social enterprises address the major unmet needs of our global community.

Key Components

- Curriculum (helps teens identify and operate real social business that solve critical problems)
- Mentoring (high school students are mentored by university students)
- Competition (SAGE recruits community leaders to serve as judges at team competitions where teens showcase their businesses with written annual reports and live presentations)

Sample Projects

- One Social Enterprise Business, Purses for Primates, was started by seventeen-year-old Allie Boyer; her company collects and sells gently-used purses, and then donates the proceeds to two-related efforts to help save orangutans from extinction caused largely due to clear-cutting trees used to make palm oil.
- Sixteen-year-old Jason Li from San Jose created iReTron, which sells and donates used electronics to schools and hospitals while preventing these devices from hitting landfills. Jason pitched his company on national TV (Shark Tank) and received \$100,000 of investment funding.
- “PowerStep”, from China, makes shoes that recharge batteries with every step.
- “Crystallites”, from Nigeria, recycles waste paper into toilet tissue and paper books.
- “Greener Globe”, from Ireland, invented and patented a shower-head that reduces water consumption.

Current Initiatives

- The SAGE CA Expo takes place at California State University, Chico on April 22, 2017; the SAGE USA Tournament takes place May 26-28, 2017 in Henderson, NV (a suburb of Las Vegas); the SAGE World Cup 2017 will take place in Odessa, Ukraine on August 10-14, 2017. Send cdeberg@csuchico.edu an email if you want more information about participating in one or more of these events.
- Since winning the [Social Venture Partners \(Sacramento\) Fast Pitch event on March 6, 2015](#), we have invested our prize money and already enlisted 5 new schools to start SAGE in Sacramento.

Local Supporters Include:

- Arata Brothers Trust of Sacramento
- Wells Fargo
- Elkes Foundation (New York)
- Enterprise Rent-a-Car
- Louis and Harold Price Foundation (Colorado)
- Umpqua Bank
- Ken Grossman/Katie Gonser Family of Chico
- Deloitte

If you are a business or community leader, you can be a SAGE adviser, a SAGE judge, or a SAGE partner/donor.

SAGE teens are changing the world in China. Nigeria. Ireland. Silicon Valley. Why not more SAGE teams in your area?