

The Friends of the Dalai Lama Foundation

The University of California San Diego, one of the top 15 research universities in the world and recognized for its contributions to the public good—in partnership with The Friends of the Dalai Lama Foundation, founded by Ven. Lama Tenzin Dhonden the Personal Emissary for Peace to His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama—is hosting the spiritual leader of Tibetan Buddhism in June 2017. His Holiness will offer a public address on campus June 16, and a keynote address at the UC San Diego All Campus Commencement on June 17.

“This shall be a very special visit. San Diego loves His Holiness. His Holiness will come to San Diego to share an authentic message of peace and human value as the students enter their professional lives. The seeds of kindness and compassion shall sprout through their future work and spread these basic values throughout the world. Parents and members of the community will be able to share the celebration of graduation while receiving this message,” said Lama Tenzin Dhonden.

Friends of the Dalai Lama is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in California, USA. Since 2000, Lama Tenzin has personally overseen the creation and planning of large-scale and elite events held at public and private venues throughout the United States for His Holiness. He has developed a specific protocol to ensure the proper arrangements for the participation of His Holiness in a variety of events. Based on his extraordinary experience and to fulfill the need for transparent organization of special events, Lama Tenzin has founded Friends of the Dalai Lama to be fully dedicated to assisting His Holiness in sharing his vision and message of peace and compassion with the world.

Efforts by the Friends of the Dalai Lama are based on Six Core Value Elements that enable each audience to gain a deeper and actionable understanding of His Holiness’ message on Human Values, Secular Ethics, Inter-Religious Harmony, and Global Peace, for the sake of humanity.

The organization’s balanced approach focuses on benefiting the organizers, the participants, the attendees and the audience at large by promoting the intellectual and actionable understanding of His Holiness’ global message. The organization’s goal is to inspire society to act in compassionate ways to create a better world. For more information, please visit: FriendsOfTheDalaiLama.org.