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Having grown up in Los Angeles Chinatown, Carrie Gan is passionate about promoting the strengths in communities of all backgrounds. She has devoted much of her time to helping develop Asian American communities through her roles as Vice President of the National Association of Asian American Professionals (NAAAP-OC), board member of OCA-OC, and the youngest board member in the Asian Business Association (ABA-OC). With a heart for youth outreach, Carrie has taught within low income inner-city schools for the past four years and volunteered as logistics chair for APEX's 15th annual at-risk youth outreach program.

She is currently the Executive Director for Learn~Learn~Succeed, an educational software organization aimed at equipping students with strong writing skills. Integrating business and education, she has also organized and hosted a financial conference with Nobel Laureate Harry Markowitz and Forbes Magazines' renowned columnist and investor Ken Fisher. In 2007, Carrie combined her passion for business and philanthropy by partnering with Heroes' actress Hayden Panettiere to build PanettiereCloset.com, a charitable e-commerce website which leverages the generosity and fame of the TV show actress to benefit local charities. In the future, Carrie hopes to further develop her entrepreneurial skills to empower her community.

She completed a Master's Degree in Education from UCLA as a Stone Scholar, a leadership award given to less than 3% of applicants, and received a Bachelor's in Economics from UCSD. In her spare time, Carrie enjoys playing tennis, riding her motorcycle through scenic routes, and eating her mom's home-cooked food.