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DO YOU KNOW A CIVIL ENGINEERING STUDENT WHO WOULD LIKE TO EARN A SCHOLARSHIP? Up to \$8,000 available for Texas civil engineering college students

PLANO, Texas – April 10, 2018 – The North Texas Tollway Authority (NTTA) is looking for future civil engineers. As part of NTTA's community engagement we are now accepting applications for the <u>Jere W.</u> <u>Thompson Jr. Scholarship</u>, awarded annually to civil engineering college students in Texas.

Administered by <u>The Dallas Foundation</u>, the Jere W. Thompson Jr. Scholarship is a needs-based program that provides recipients up to \$2,000 per semester with a maximum award of \$8,000 combined for four semesters. Recipients must be enrolled as full-time students pursuing a bachelor's degree in civil engineering at a Texas college or university. Recipients must maintain a 3.0 GPA and demonstrate financial need.

Named in honor of NTTA's first Board of Directors chairman, the scholarship was established in 2001 to ensure that high-caliber candidates continue to graduate from engineering programs at Texas colleges and universities. Over the years, the Authority and its corporate partners have awarded more than \$120,000 in scholarships.

The deadline to apply for the scholarship is May 1, 2018. To apply or to make a donation to help build the next generation of civil engineers, visit <u>The Dallas Foundation</u>.

About NTTA

<u>The North Texas Tollway Authority</u>, a political subdivision of the state of Texas, is authorized to acquire, construct, maintain, repair and operate turnpike projects across the north Texas region. The <u>nine-member board</u> is comprised of Chairman Kenneth Barr; Vice Chairman Bill Moore; and Directors William D. Elliott, Mojy Haddad, John Mahalik, Michael Nowels, George "Tex" Quesada, Carl O. Sherman and Jane Willard.

NTTA serves Collin, Dallas, Denton, Tarrant and Johnson counties and owns and operates the Dallas North Tollway, President George Bush Turnpike, Sam Rayburn Tollway, Addison Airport Toll Tunnel, Lewisville Lake Toll Bridge, Mountain Creek Lake Bridge and Chisholm Trail Parkway. NTTA raises capital for construction projects through the issuance of turnpike revenue bonds. NTTA toll projects are not a part of the state highway system and receive no direct tax funding. Tolls are collected to repay debt and to operate and maintain the roadways.

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