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TG Public Benefit Program Now Accepting Proposals for 2009-2010

Round Rock, TX — TG’s [Public Benefit Grant Program](#) has begun accepting proposals from educational and nonprofit organizations seeking funds for projects focused on improving student access to, and participation in, higher education. TG has designated grant awards for the 2009-10 academic year to be given in three public benefit areas: need-based financial aid, education research, and direct services to students and families.

The Public Benefit Program, which began in 2005, is a part of TG’s philanthropic initiative and has awarded more than \$16 million in competitive grants to projects and initiatives that directly benefit families and students who aspire to pursue a postsecondary education.

“The Public Benefit Program is the actualization of TG’s vow to support services and strategies that help students achieve their higher education dreams,” said Sue McMillin, TG President and CEO. “The program aligns our goal with those projects reflecting similar interests in improving opportunities and removing barriers facing individuals wishing to receive a higher education degree or certification.”

Last year, grant funding was particularly targeted to help, either directly or indirectly, students from low- to moderate-income families. Priority also was given to proposals which addressed the needs of first-generation college students, and/or students who are under-represented in higher education. A complete list of the [2008-09 grant recipients](#) and [geographical](#) distributions is available online.

Applications will be due by March 5, 2009. TG's Public Benefit Grant Program is administered based solely on merit and need, and without regard to the business of TG or any form of *quid pro quo* consideration. For more information on the program, please call (800) 252-9743, ext. 4518, or e-mail to public.benefit@tgslc.org.