



## TG awards \$5.6 million in competitive grants to advance college access and student retention

Round Rock, TX —TG has awarded \$5.6 million in competitive grants to 50 institutions and nonprofit organizations to advance access to college, student retention, and educational research. This is the sixth consecutive year TG has awarded the competitive grants through its [Public Benefit Grant Program](#), the company's philanthropic initiative.

"These grants reflect our continued commitment to support programs that promote and improve access to higher education, particularly for low-income students," said Sue McMillin, TG President and CEO. "By helping these programs succeed, we believe we are making a difference for the students and communities served by these programs."

In awarding grant proposals, TG required recipients to use the funding to promote college access and retention. Grant funding was particularly targeted to help, either directly or indirectly, students from low- to moderate-income families. Priority also was given to proposals that address the needs of first-generation college students, and/or students who are underrepresented in higher education.

TG's grants will help fund need-based grants to students; student mentoring and internships; pre-college outreach to students and families; academic support and instruction; student retention; student transfer guidance and support; and education research. Last year, TG awarded \$6.2 million in grants to 55 institutions and nonprofit organizations. These grants are in addition to the \$7 million in direct grant aid for students that TG will provide for the 2010-2011 academic year through its Charley Wootan Grant Program.

Please visit [www.tgslc.org](http://www.tgslc.org) for a complete list of this year's grant recipients. 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.

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TG is a public, nonprofit corporation that promotes educational success to help millions of students and families realize their college and career dreams. TG provides critical support to schools, students, and borrowers at every stage of the federal student aid process — from providing information on how to pay for a higher education including financial aid options, to facilitating successful loan repayment after graduation.

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