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THE GVTC FOUNDATION ADDS THOUSANDS TO ITS ARMSTRONG SCHOLARSHIP

SMITHSON VALLEY, January 25, 2012 — To help students pay for the high cost of a college education, The GVTC Foundation is significantly increasing its Ola Armstrong Scholarship to \$10,000. The Armstrong scholarship was first awarded in May 2011, to Kate Murphy of Smithson Valley High School, in the amount of \$3,000. Ms Murphy is currently attending Tarleton State University.

A recent \$250,000 endowment from GVTC and generous support from GVTC employees, has put the Foundation in a position to considerably boost the amount of the Armstrong scholarship

“Increasing the Ola Armstrong scholarship to \$10,000 will really make a difference in a young adult’s life as they overcome many challenges earning their college degree,” Paula White, The GVTC Foundation board president, said. “Enhancing our scholarship like this further demonstrates the Foundation is committed to supporting education and fulfilling our mission of enriching the lives of those who live in our service area.”

The Armstrong scholarship is awarded to a public or private high school student who lives within the GVTC service area. The recipient is selected by The GVTC Foundation board of directors for best exemplifying characteristics of community involvement through volunteerism and similar activities. The scholarship was established in honor of Ola Armstrong, who served as a Foundation board member and president for several years. The application deadline is March 16, 2012. Compete details and a scholarship application is available at www.gvtfoundation.com.

About GVTC:

GVTC is a full-service communications provider offering high-speed Internet, digital cable TV, phone and home security monitoring across 2,000 square miles of South Central Texas. GVTC was the first company in the region to deploy fiber-to-the-home technology and through its next-generation fiber network has the fastest Internet speeds in its service area. The company was named Business of the Year by the Boerne, Bulverde/Spring Branch and Canyon Lake Chambers of Commerce, been selected the past four years as a *Broadband Communities* magazine Top 100 broadband provider, recognized by the *San Antonio Express-News* and *San Antonio Business Journal* as a top employer, given the Fiber-to-the-Home Council's Chairman's Award, received a NTCA TeleChoice Award and twice named winner of the Broadband Multimedia Marketing Association's Marketing Excellence Award.

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