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SMITHSON VALLEY, (December 19, 2013) — The GVTC Foundation is adding another college scholarship to help local students pursue higher education.

The Ritchie T. Sorrells Scholarship was created to recognize the achievements of GVTC's president and CEO. Sorrells established The GVTC Foundation in 2006 and has led GVTC to unprecedented success. During his 10 years, GVTC introduced fiber-to-the-home technology to the majority of its service area, while greatly expanding the company's residential and business product offerings. During that time, the company doubled gross retail revenues, to more than \$85 million.

The \$10,000 Sorrells Scholarship recognizes students who exhibit outstanding leadership qualities and have used innovation or technology to make a positive change in our community.

"I'm extremely honored that The GVTC Foundation board of directors created this new scholarship to support the young leaders in our area seeking a college degree," Ritchie Sorrells, GVTC president and CEO, said. "It's another fine example of our Foundation fulfilling its mission of enhancing the quality of life in the communities GVTC serves."

Through the Sorrells Scholarship and the \$10,000 Ola Armstrong Scholarship, the GVTC Foundation offers a combined \$20,000 to help students pay for college.

Applications for the Sorrells and Armstrong scholarships will be accepted through March 3, 2014. For complete details, please visit GVTCFoundation.com.

About GVTC:

GVTC is a full-service communications provider offering high-speed Internet, digital cable TV, phone and interactive home security monitoring to residential and business customers. GVTC serves a 2,000 square mile region in select areas of North San Antonio, the Texas Hill Country and South Central Texas. More than two-thirds of GVTC's customers are connected to its state-of-the-art fiber optics network, which enables the company to deliver the fastest Internet speeds in its service area. The company has received numerous awards for business excellence. Among the honors is being selected a *Broadband Communities Magazine*, Top 100 Broadband Provider, six consecutive years. The *San Antonio Express-News* and *San Antonio Business Journal* have also recognized GVTC as an exemplary employer, on multiple occasions. The company's charitable arm, The GVTC Foundation, has donated more than \$1,000,000 to worthy causes, since its establishment in 2006. Learn more at GVTC.com