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SMITHSON VALLEY, (January 14, 2014) — The GVTC Foundation raised almost a quarter million dollars during its annual company pledge drive, which is a record setting amount. GVTC's employees pledged more than \$70,000 in payroll contributions for 2014. The GVTC board of directors also committed more than \$16,000. Another \$10,500 was generated through individual donations.

All these amounts were once again generously matched by GVTC at 150 percent bringing the grand total to over \$242,750.

This year's pledge drive brought in participation from 89 percent of employees, which is also an all-time high. The GVTC board of directors once again had 100 percent participation.

“Thanks to our team members The GVTC Foundation is one of the leading philanthropic organizations in our area,” CEO Ritchie Sorrells, said. “The success of the Foundation is so important to our community and strategic to our company's long term viability.”

The money will be used to support The GVTC Foundation's philanthropic giving. In 2013, the Foundation donated more than \$243,600 to 82 organizations in GVTC's service area, which is also the most ever. The Foundation will also award the Ola Armstrong and newly created Ritchie Sorrells scholarships in 2014, which are worth \$10,000 each. www.gvtfoundation.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