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The Foundation for Rural Service offers scholarships in 2019

(Clovis, N.M.)...The Foundation for Rural Service (FRS) will award scholarships to qualified rural students in late spring 2019, one per geographic region of NTCA—The Rural Broadband Association (NTCA), and one to a student sponsored by an NTCA associate member. The awards will be distributed proportionate to the number of applications received from each NTCA region. The FRS will fund \$2,000 of each scholarship, with the sponsoring organization of each winning student providing a \$500 match. Once again, Plateau is honored to join the FRS to offer this opportunity to the rural students of eastern New Mexico and the Texas Panhandle.

The FRS will also award the Staurulakis Family Scholarships, TMS Scholarships, the Everett Kneece Scholarship and Roger Alan Cox Memorial Scholarships.

Applications must be completed and postmarked by February 1, 2019 to qualify. Applications have been distributed to local high school guidance offices and Plateau retail stores. An electronic version is available at <http://www.plateautel.com/company/scholarships/>, or by contacting Plateau, FRS Scholarship Program, P.O. Box 1947, Clovis, NM 88102-1947, phone 1.575.389.4241, toll free 1.800.432.2369, or email jrj@plateautel.com.

Those wishing to apply for the scholarship must be a graduating high school senior, United States citizen, dependent of an active Cooperative member (as defined in the application) and accepted by an accredited two- or four-year college, university or vocational-technical school. Applicants must also have at least a "C" grade point average and express an interest to return to a rural community following graduation.

The FRS, in cooperation with NTCA, seeks to sustain and enhance the quality of life in America by advancing an understanding of rural issues. Through its various programs and initiatives, the FRS strongly supports the continuing education of rural youth. NTCA is the premier non-profit association representing more than 800 rural telecom companies. Plateau is an active member of NTCA.

Formed in 1949 as Eastern New Mexico Rural Telephone Cooperative, Plateau provides advanced telecommunications services including voice, internet and video to residents in all or parts of 19 eastern New Mexico counties and three in the Texas Panhandle.

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