

# DIRECTORS' MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP 2025-2026



#### THE FOUNDERS



Connie Gupton Bailey County



James T. Hull Deaf Smith



Dwight Hutchison North Plains

# THE MEMORIAL

Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Golden Spread) of Amarillo, Texas, a generation and transmission cooperative owned by 15 Texas and one Oklahoma electric distribution cooperatives, founded the scholarship in 1991 with an initial contribution in memory of Connie Gupton, James T. Hull and Dwight Hutchinson. Continuing contributions by Golden Spread and various individuals provide additional capital for the scholarship fund.

The Founders intended that the names of other Golden Spread Directors who have been faithful stewards of the Golden Spread family be included in those remembered. Formed in memory of individuals who were dedicated to the development and advancement of rural electrification for the benefit of their Member-Consumers, the scholarship provides financial assistance for qualified electric cooperative family members seeking higher education.

#### ELIGIBILITY =

The scholarship is available to graduating high school students attending a college, university, or technical/trade school in Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, or Texas in the following fall semester. The student must be a Member-Consumer of one of the 16 rural electric cooperatives which Golden Spread serves.

The scholarship is \$2,000, payable \$500 for each of four semesters through the sophomore year. Satisfactory scholastic performance and appropriate personal standards must be maintained for continuing eligibility. The deadline to submit an application is March 1st. Selected recipients will be notified in May and photos will be posted on the Golden Spread website: www.gsec.coop.

Students must possess the qualities of honor, integrity, thrift, good moral character and a sincere desire to achieve their educational goals. Grades are not the sole criteria in awarding the scholarship; however, grades may determine the final award if all other things are found equal by the Scholarship Selection Committee. Students must maintain a 2.5 GPA (or equivalent), be enrolled full-time as defined by the college, university, or technical/trade school and maintain appropriate personal standards for continuing eligibility.

# SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION COMMITTEE

The Scholarship Selection Committee is the Executive Committee of Opportunity Plan, Inc., along with one individual designated by the Board of Directors of Golden Spread.

# APPLICATIONS =

Applications open January 1st. To apply for the scholarship, students may access the application located at www.gsec.coop/directors-memorial-scholarship. You may also contact your local Cooperative or Golden Spread Electric Cooperative. Deadline to submit applications is March 1 of every calendar year.

# THOSE REMEMBERED ——



**Duane Lloyd** Bailey County



Guy F. Kelley **Bailey County** 



James Beaver Big Country



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