



### Friends of Transit: Wulf Grote Legacy Scholarship

Wulf Grote recently retired from his position as the Director of Capital & Service Development for Valley Metro, the regional public transportation agency that provides coordinated transit services to residents of metropolitan Phoenix. On December 18, 2020, Wulf celebrated his retirement by holding a virtual auction for Valley Metro employees and close friends for the transit history pieces and memorabilia that lined his office shelves. All proceeds raised from the auction, as well as additional contributions from Wulf, the Valley Metro Leadership Team, and Friends of Transit west toward creating this one-time scholarship.

In partnership with WTS and in honor of Wulf Grote's 35 years of services as a leader in public transportation development within the Phoenix Metropolitan Area with the City of Phoenix and Valley Metro, the Friends of Transit: Wulf Grote Legacy Scholarship will be awarded on a one-time basis to an applicant (man or woman) pursuing undergraduate or graduate studies with the intention of finding a career in public transit. Recognizing that public transit and transportation systems are complex in nature and require multiple professional disciplines to effectively plan, build and operate, studies could include, but are not limited to: public administration, architecture, engineering, construction, transportation management, logistics, sustainability, etc.

This scholarship is in the amount of **\$3,500** and is offered at the local level only. The minimum criteria for selection are as follows:

- a. GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- b. Currently enrolled in a full-time undergraduate or graduate degree program in a public transit related field.
- c. Plans to pursue a career in public/mass transit.
- d. Able to demonstrate strong leadership skills as well as campus and community involvement.

Applications must be submitted through WTS Metropolitan Phoenix as typed documents. Scholarships are competitive and based on the applicant's specific transportation goals, academic record, and transportation-related activities or job skills. Local scholarship winners are strongly encouraged to attend the local awards ceremony, date TBA. Awards banquet seats for scholarship winners are complimentary.

Submit the completed application no later than **Wednesday**, **December 1**, **2021**. Submit applications to <a href="mailto:metrophoenix@wtsinternational.org">metrophoenix@wtsinternational.org</a>. Applications must include the subject line "**Grote Application – Last Name**".

Please direct any questions to Scholarship Director Ellie Volosin: <a href="mailto:ellie.volosin@gmail.com">ellie.volosin@gmail.com</a> or 602-882-0562.

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# I. Personal Information Name First Middle Last E-mail Address\_\_\_\_\_ Primary Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Current Address (Street, City, State, Zip): Permanent Address (Street, City, State, Zip): **II. Educational Background** Current College/University \_\_\_\_\_\_ City, State\_\_\_\_\_ Expected Date of Graduation\_\_\_\_\_ Degree to be Received\_\_\_\_\_ Area of Concentration Grade Point Average (Minimum GPA of 3.0 required. **Attach official copy of transcript** to application.) Previous Colleges/Universities Attended, Date Degree Earned and GPA: Professional or School Affiliations (List any school, professional or community activities you have participated in. Include offices held and awards received. Attach additional sheets, if necessary, as typed word documents.)

## Work Experience (List full-time, part-time, co-op and summer employment. Briefly describe duties and responsibilities. Attach additional sheets, if necessary, as typed word documents.) IV. Recommendation: Letter of recommendation by a professor or job supervisor must accompany your application. V. Personal Statement: A statement about your career goals and/or continuing education after graduation and why you think that you should receive the scholarship award. Please include a paragraph on your support of the goals of WTS now and in the future. Statement should not exceed 500 words. Please attach to application form as a typed word document. VI. Proof of Enrollment: Attach a copy of your tuition receipt or current registration card. VII. Demographic Information: WTS is committed to recognizing the achievements of students pursing transportation related degrees. To track our progress in reaching diverse applicants, we ask that you complete this confidential demographic information. This is not required for scholarship awards. Information will not be tied to your scholarship application. Please follow the link here to complete a survey of demographic information. This survey will not be linked to your application. Note that you only need to complete the survey once, even if you are applying for multiple scholarships. https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LXSKDLK I have completed the survey online I decline to provide this information Applicant Signature\_\_\_\_\_ Date

**III. Employment History** 

### **Application Check List**

На	ve you
	Ensured that you meet all the minimum requirements
	Included the following application materials
	Completed application form (with additional sheets as needed)
	Transcript
	1 Letter of Recommendation
	Personal Statement specific to this scholarship
	Proof of Enrollment
	Had your application materials proofread
	Completed the anonymous demographics survey to help us ensure we are reaching a diverse audience of potential applicants
	Sent all your application materials to <a href="materials-entropy">metrophoenix@wtsinternational.org</a> with the subject line "Grote Application – Last Name"