



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 went 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 metrophoenix@wtsinternational.org. Applications must include the subject line "**Grote Application – Last Name**".

Please direct any questions to Scholarship Director Ellie Volosin: ellie.volosin@gmail.com or 602-882-0562.

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I. Personal Information

Name _____

Last

First

Middle

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.)

Application Check List

Have 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 metrophoenix@wtsinternational.org with the subject line "Grote Application – Last Name"