2017 Directors' Memorial Scholarship Recipients



McKenzie Arrott
Coleman County Electric Cooperative



Jadeyn Arthur
South Plains Electric Cooperative



Kendall Barnett

Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative



Alex Eichelmann Greenbelt Electric Cooperative



Mattisun Hester
Bailey County Electric Cooperative



Macy Lange
Coleman County Electric Cooperative



Andi McMillin
South Plains Electric Cooperative



Kennedy Venneman
North Plains Electric Cooperative

DIRECTORS' MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

For more than 20 years, Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc., has provided financial assistance to electric cooperative family members seeking a college or university education. The Directors Memorial Scholarship was established in memory of individuals who were dedicated to the development and advancement of rural electrification.

The scholarship is designated for families who are customers — also known as Member-Consumers — of Golden Spread's 16 Member cooperatives. More specifically, eligibility is for any Member-Consumer, a spouse or child of a Member-Consumer or a child whose guardian is a Member-Consumer of one of Golden Spread's Member cooperatives.

The scholarship pays a total of \$2,000, providing \$500 for each of four semesters through the sophomore year. Starting in 2017, eight new scholarships are awarded each year to qualifying scholars enrolled as full-time students in an accredited college, university, or trade school in Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado, Kansas, or New Mexico. Seven students received scholarships in 2016. More than \$73,000 in scholarship funds have been disbursed to 66 recipients since the first scholarship was awarded in 1995.

Currently, the scholarship fund has a balance of \$157,000 and is administered by Opportunity Plan, Inc., located in Canyon, Texas. Golden Spread makes annual contributions to the fund, in addition to making contributions in memory or in honor of past Board Members. Individual contributions are welcomed and add to the endowment for the scholarship fund.