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## TEXAS TENNIS AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION OFFERS SCHOLARSHIPS TO SUPPORT ACADEMIC GOALS

**AUSTIN, Texas** – The Texas Tennis and Education Foundation is currently accepting scholarship applications for the Ben Ball, Harold Green, Marti Rodriguez Memorial and for its education foundation scholarships. A total of 15 recipients will be selected and awarded \$1,000 grants towards their college education for the 2016-2017 school year.

Funds collected through charitable donations and tennis events are under the supervision and control of the Texas Tennis and Education Foundation. The purpose of the funds is to provide scholarships for ambitious and worthy students who reside in the USTA Texas footprint. They must have an interest in tennis and have a desire to obtain a higher education degree but show a need for financial assistance.

"We are delighted for the opportunity each year to provide assistance to exceptional young people across Texas and allow them the chance to fulfill their educational ambitions," said **Van Barry**, executive director of USTA Texas and the Texas Tennis and Education Foundation.

To apply for one of these scholarships, an application form must be completed and submitted, along with additional biographical and academic information to the Awards Committee of the Texas Tennis and Education Foundation, 8105 Exchange Drive, Austin, TX 78754 by **April 15, 2016**. Application forms can be found at **www.texastennisfoundation.com**.

All scholarship recipients will be chosen from the students who submit the application before the deadline. Scholarship recipients will be selected according to a competitive merit basis and with regard to financial need.

Eligibility is limited to high school students who will be entering college and college students who are in good academic standing at their respective school. Must be a U.S citizens and live in the USTA Texas section. The scholarship committee will select the recipients by evaluating each eligible student's academic record throughout high school and or college, qualities of leadership, and extra curricular accomplishments including tennis activities, the student's self description, test scores and financial need.

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## **USTA Texas**

Located in Austin, USTA Texas is a not-for-profit volunteer organization with over 52,500 individual members and over 600 organizational members. Since 1895, USTA Texas have been one of the 17 sections of the United States Tennis Association, the governing body of tennis in America. USTA Texas is the third largest of the sections and features a Pathway of tennis programs for beginning, recreational and competitive juniors, adults and seniors. With hundreds of volunteers, USTA Texas is devoted to promoting and developing the growth of tennis in Texas. For more information about USTA Texas go to <a href="https://www.texas.usta.com">www.texas.usta.com</a>, "like" the official USTA Texas Facebook page at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/ustatexas">www.facebook.com/ustatexas</a> or follow us on Twitter @USTATexas.

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