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**NEBRASKA LOGISTICS COUNCIL PRESENTS FUNDS TO METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION**

Omaha, Neb. (April 26,2017) - The Nebraska Logistics Council recently presented \$4,500 to the Metropolitan Community College Foundation. These funds are the final installment of the Nebraska Logistics Council \$10,000 Endowed Scholarship for the Metropolitan Community College Transportation, Distribution, Warehousing and Logistics program.

“Through our annual golf event, we raise funds for scholarships. Through the generosity of our donors, we are pleased and honored to make the final installment of our endowed scholarship with the Metropolitan Community College Foundation,” said Pat Lodes, President of the Nebraska Logistics Council. “Two and one half years ago, the NLC announced an endowed scholarship with the MCC TDWL program. We are here today to announce that the scholarship has been fully funded almost two and a half years ahead of schedule.”

“The Metropolitan Community College Foundation is grateful to the Nebraska Logistics Council for investing in Metropolitan Community College students, said Jackie Almquist, Executive Director of the Metropolitan Community College Foundation. “Their generous scholarship and partnership advance our shared priority of workforce development.”

Established in 2014, the Nebraska Logistics Council Scholarship was created to support students pursuing supply chain or logistics careers.

A recent study from the Nebraska Department of Economic Development revealed that Nebraska’s geographic center in the U.S. gives it a great advantage for transportation, warehousing, logistics and distribution projects across the world.

Today supply chain and logistics management companies are discovering what railroads and trucking firms have long known: that Nebraska is strategically located in the center of the country. Interstate 80, one of the nation’s busiest transportation routes, stretches from one end of the state to the other, in all, 482 miles. Seven national highways run north-south across the state, making Nebraska an ideal location for companies looking for access in the NAFTA trade corridor. The state also is served by two Class 1 rail systems.

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The Nebraska Logistics Council has the following objectives and purposes:

- To promote greater knowledge of logistics among members, foster and promote cooperation among members and the exchange of information, experience and ideas,
- To foster education and practical logistical systems to the shipping public of the world on behalf of the state of Nebraska,
- To develop educational tools to get more people into logistics-related jobs and
- To form a professional educational and informative council to benefit shippers, receivers, carriers, forwarders, warehousemen and state economic development agencies.