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BrickStreet Foundation Donated \$700 thousand to BridgeValley Community and Technical College Foundation to Create Endowed Scholarships

South Charleston, W.Va. – The BrickStreet Foundation contributed \$700 thousand to the BridgeValley Community and Technical College Foundation for the creation of 14 endowed scholarships. Greg Burton, Chief Executive Officer of BrickStreet Mutual Insurance Company, presented this charitable gift to the BridgeValley Foundation Board of Directors.

“With this endowment, we are helping local students fulfill their dreams of attending and graduating from college,” said Burton. “Helping families of injured workers in West Virginia is something our board feels very strongly about, and we want to give back to the communities in which we live and work. This is a fundamental part of our core values at BrickStreet.”

The BrickStreet Scholars Scholarship Fund will benefit children of parents from West Virginia who have either a permanent total disability or have passed away from a work-related injury, and other deserving West Virginia students chosen by a Scholarship Committee comprised of BrickStreet employees and representatives of BridgeValley.

“This major endowment gift is unprecedented in the history of our college. We look forward to implementing the BrickStreet Scholars program, a program that will impact so many deserving students each year,” said Jo Harris, BridgeValley President. “Many of our students are the first in their family to attend college, and the scholarships created through BrickStreet Foundation’s generosity will open doors to many who thought college attendance was not possible.”

Applicants may pursue any degree program; however, preference shall be given to students majoring in nursing, information technology, business and finance, education, or technology programs that emphasize safety. While at BridgeValley, BrickStreet Scholars must take at least 12 semester hours and maintain at least a 2.5 GPA.

BridgeValley Community and Technical College serves a six-county region including Fayette, Raleigh, Nicholas, Clay, Putnam and Kanawha counties. The college operates two campuses in Montgomery and South Charleston. BridgeValley awards one-year certificates and two-year associate degrees in many fields including engineering technology, business and health management, nursing, dental hygiene, diesel technology, information technology, and welding.

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