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NCSEA Awards Eight Grants to Member Organizations

Chicago, IL – For the second year, the National Council of Structural Engineers Associations (NCSEA) has awarded grants to its Member Organizations through the NCSEA Grant Program. The program was developed in 2014 to assist NCSEA Member Organizations in growing and promoting their organizations and the structural engineering field. In 2015, five grants were presented in the inaugural year. In 2016, eight grants totaling \$20,670 will be disbursed, nearly double the amount of the previous year. Any NCSEA Member Organization or member(s) of a Member Organization are eligible to apply. Requests can be submitted for any program or endeavor that is consistent with, and supportive of, NCSEA’s Mission Statement. All applications must be approved by the appropriate Member Organization.

“The NCSEA Grant Program is a great way for us to advance our mission,” stated NCSEA President Brian Dekker. “We’re excited to help strengthen our MOs through this program.”

The projects receiving the 2016 Grants are:

- **Structural Engineers Association of Kansas & Missouri (SEAKM)**—Awarded grant funding for the Kansas State University chapter of SEAKM to send students to structural conferences throughout the U.S.
- **Structural Engineers Association of Illinois (SEAOI)**—Awarded grant funding for a technology improvement package to improve the quality and quantity of online programming.
- **Structural Engineers of New Hampshire (SEANH)**—Awarded grant funding for the Young Members Group to host an S.E. Exam Review, participate in student outreach programs, and work with the local Habitat for Humanity.

- **Minnesota Structural Engineers Association (MNSEA)** — Awarded grant funding for a Structural Engineering Breakfast Forum with presentations and panel discussions for University of Minnesota engineering students.
- **Structural Engineers Association of Metropolitan Washington (SEAMW)**—Awarded grant funding for a Pecha Kucha Dinner Event and Presentation developed and organized by the SEAMW Young Members Group.
- **Structural Engineers Association of Colorado (SEAC)**—Awarded grant funding for an expansion of educational programming, such as project presentations, job site tours, and Plant Tours.
- **Structural Engineers Association of Texas (SEAOT)** —Awarded grant funding for setting up an Engineers Alliance for the Arts and Student Impact Project at a Houston high school.
- **Structural Engineers Association of Utah (SEAU)** — Awarded grant funding for an update to the 25-year-old Snow Load Study, utilizing new data and new nationally recognized statistical modeling techniques. This project is a grant pledge based on Member Organization fundraising.

Information and the application for the 2017 Grant Program is available on the Member Organization page of www.ncsea.com. The 2017 grant recipients will be announced at the 2017 Structural Engineering Summit in Washington, DC.

For more information on NCSEA and the Grant Program, contact NCSEA Executive Director Al Spada at aspada@ncsea.com or 312.649.4600, ext. 201.

Headquartered in Chicago, Illinois, NCSEA is a not-for-profit professional association representing the structural engineering field, whose mission is to advance the practice of structural engineering by representing and strengthening its Member Organizations.

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