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**FIRST TECH FEDERAL CREDIT UNION ANNOUNCES \$1 MILLION AWARDED
TO EDUCATION NONPROFITS**

Benefiting more than fifty nonprofit organizations across California, Oregon and Washington

Beaverton, Ore. – May 29, 2018 -- [First Tech Federal Credit Union](#) approved more than \$1 million in grants to nonprofit organizations in California, Oregon and Washington. The fifty-four organizations that received funding focus on supporting children in underserved communities with an emphasis on access, equity and inclusion, especially in the areas of math and science, technology and education.

The \$1 million awarded to education partners is part of the credit union's ongoing philanthropic work within local communities; supporting local organizations focused on impactful change. First Tech is committed to building strong relationships with organizations, helping to create an inclusive community where children have the tools they need to learn, be healthy and succeed.

OMSI is among the organizations to receive funding with a \$75,000 grant to support their \$2 Day and Outreach Education that works to change how young people think about STEM skills and science-related careers. "We believe that solutions to the complex challenges of the 21st century will be developed based on data, through iteration, collaboration, and the open exchange of ideas. OMSI is committed to equipping everyone, no matter their background, lifestyle, or income level, with the skills and confidence to keep asking questions and to question those answers," said Adam Peterson, Corporate Relations Officer at OMSI.

"As the credit union for the world's leading technology companies, access to education – especially science, technology, engineering and math – is in strong alignment with First Tech's values," said Nicole Frisch, Community Engagement Director at First Tech. "We're excited to partner with so many extraordinary education organizations to help strengthen our communities. Together, we're fueling the future for the next generation of leaders, thinkers and innovators."

In addition to those previously mentioned, grants awarded during the recent cycle include the following:

Beaverton Education Foundation, Oregon; \$70,000 to support the BSD Future Bus and STEAM 4 All, a program that supports and encourages all students to explore academic experiences in science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics.

Centro Cultural de Washington County, Oregon; \$20,000 to support Summer STEAM, a 4-week program that brings advanced STEM opportunities to underserved communities.

Computer History Museum, California; **\$35,000** to support the Fellows Awards and Design Code Build, a program that works to bridge the digital divide by providing underrepresented youth access to STEM workshops.

FIRST Washington, Washington; **\$25,000** to support Girls FIRST Initiative, a program focused on increasing the number of female participants and female mentors engaging in their after-school robotics programming.

Girls Inc. of the Pacific Northwest, Oregon; **\$40,000** to support Eureka!, a STEM-based approach to engaging and empowering 8th -12th grade girls to building confidence in STEM-related fields.

Hillsboro School Foundation, Oregon; **\$34,000** to support STEM Bridging the Years, a program designed to create accessible maker spaces in every middle school to allow teachers to incorporate STEM into lesson plans through the curriculum.

Junior Achievement of Washington, Washington; **\$35,000** to support JA BizTown, a program that provides students with the opportunity to apply in-school financial education to real life scenarios.

Washington STEM, Washington; **\$30,000** grant to support Career Connected Learning and Early Math initiatives, a program that works to improve early math learning and empower children from underrepresented communities to explore STEM careers.

In 2017, First Tech provided more than \$3 million in charitable giving and more than 31,000 employee volunteer hours to the community; directing dollars and time to nonprofit partners who provide programs and services to children and families in need. First Tech's philanthropic focus areas include support for education (STEM, early childhood literacy and financial education), research (Children's Miracle Network Hospitals and supportive health services for children) and innovation (food, shelter and safety).

Visit firsttechfed.com/community to learn more about the ways First Tech pays it forward during the holiday season and throughout the year.

About First Tech Federal Credit Union

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