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Pasadena, CA – August 25, 2017 – The National Organization of Gay and Lesbian Scientists and Technical Professionals, a professional society that educates and advocates for LGBTQ people in STEM, today announced it has received a grant for \$10,000 USD from the Motorola Solutions Foundation, the charitable arm of Motorola Solutions, Inc. Through the grant, NOGLSTP will provide undergraduate and graduate scholarships to LGBTQ+ students of merit to enable their career aspirations. This will provide needed funding for the 2018 academic year and the 8th consecutive year that the Out to Innovate Scholarships will be offered.

The Motorola Solutions Foundation awards grants each year to organizations, such as NOGLSTP, which support and advance technology & engineering education initiatives and public safety programs. This year, programs that served underrepresented populations, including females, people with disabilities and veterans were prioritized.

“This grant is vital to our scholarship program. We are grateful to Motorola Solutions Foundation for its continuing support of “Motivating for Achievement- Scholarships and Mentoring Opportunities for LGBTQ+ Students in STEM” which bolsters LGBTQ+ students pursuing STEM careers. Many of the recipients have gone on to make significant contributions in their fields and in society. This will be the fifth year that Motorola Solutions Foundation has had a positive impact not only on the students who receive these scholarships, but on the students who apply for them as they receive opportunities for mentoring and a free one year NOGLSTP membership.”, said Rochelle Diamond, Chair of the NOGLSTP Board of Directors.

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This year, Motorola Solutions Foundation grants will support programs that help over 2 million students, teachers, first responders, and community members across the United States. Each participant will receive an average of 186 programming hours from its partner non-profit organizations and institutions. Programs will support special populations including: females, underrepresented minorities, the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community, people with disabilities, and veterans.

“Motorola Solutions Foundation is proud to support the work of NOGLSTP. As a leading technology company that supports the safety of communities worldwide, we know how important it is to educate tomorrow’s technology professionals as well as enlighten civilians and first responders on today’s safety needs,” said Matt Blakely, executive director of the Motorola Solutions Foundation.

For additional information on the Motorola Solutions Foundation grants program, visit: [motorolasolutions.com/foundation](http://motorolasolutions.com/foundation) and for more information on NOGLSTP visit: [noglstp.org](http://noglstp.org)