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## **DENSO Foundation Awards Over \$1 Million in STEM Education Grants to 26 North American Colleges and Universities**

**– Grants will foster STEM learning programs to help develop future automotive, manufacturing workforce –**

**SOUTHFIELD, Mich. (June 28, 2019)** – [DENSO](#), the world's second largest mobility supplier, announced today it awarded more than \$1 million in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) education grants to 26 colleges and universities across North America. The grants are made possible by DENSO's philanthropic division, [DENSO North America Foundation \(DNAF\)](#), and support the company's mission to help cultivate tomorrow's workforce. These donations deliver critical funds to programs that will help expose students to the rewarding careers available in automotive and manufacturing and prepare them to lead in fast-evolving fields.

"To achieve our [2030 goal](#) of creating and inspiring new value for the future of mobility, we need to be inspiring our next generation of employees," said Jack Helmboldt, president of DNAF. "By awarding grants to these educational institutions, we're equipping students – and possible future DENSO employees – with opportunities, skills, and knowledge that will help create a generation of innovators poised to transform the mobility industry."

Grants will be used towards programs focused on design, materials management, mechanical and electrical engineering principles, thermodynamics, robotics and more. DENSO hopes these funds will help cultivate and encourage a new generation of engineers and skilled workers. Recipients of this year's grants include:

- Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical University
- Arkansas State University
- Auburn University
- California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
- Cleveland State Community College
- Conestoga College
- FIME
- Jackson State University
- Kennesaw State University
- Kettering University
- Lawrence Technological University

- Michigan State University
- Michigan Technological University
- North Carolina State University
- Oakland University
- Pellissippi State Community College
- Southeast Missouri State University
- TecMilenio University
- Tennessee Technological University
- University of Michigan-Dearborn
- University of Alabama
- University of Alabama-Huntsville
- University of Tennessee
- University of Tennessee-Chattanooga
- Wayne State University
- Western Michigan University

“DENSO is highly focused on developing software and products that not only enhance safety but reduce environmental impact,” said Bill Foy, senior vice president of Engineering at DENSO and a DENSO North American Foundation board member. “To do this, we will equip potential future employees with the skills to create these kinds of products. By investing in tomorrow’s workforce, we’re investing in DENSO’s future.”

DNAF has supported STEM education through grants at colleges and universities since 2001, enabling students to access tools, technology and experiences that better prepare them for technical careers after graduation. DENSO education grant proposals are invite-only and evaluated based on technical merit, student experience and alignment with industry needs.

DENSO is looking to hire new talent across North America as it continues its pursuit to shape and improve future mobility solutions for all. Positions are available in a variety of roles, business units and locations. Those interested can apply at [www.densocareers.com](http://www.densocareers.com).

## **About DENSO Corporation**

DENSO is a \$48.3 billion global mobility supplier that develops advanced technology and components for nearly every vehicle make and model on the road today. With manufacturing at its core, DENSO invests in its 221 facilities in 35 countries to produce thermal, powertrain, mobility, electrification, & electronic systems, to create jobs that directly change how the world moves. The company's 170,000+ employees are paving the way to a mobility future that improves lives, eliminates traffic accidents, and preserves the environment. Globally headquartered in Kariya, Japan, DENSO spent 9.3 percent of its global consolidated sales on research and development in

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In North America, DENSO employs 27,000+ engineers, researchers and skilled workers across 31 sites in the U.S, Canada and Mexico. In the United States alone, DENSO employs 17,000+ employees across 13 states and 25 sites. Headquartered in Southfield, Michigan, in fiscal year ending March 31, 2019, DENSO in North America generated \$10.9 billion in consolidated sales. Join us, and craft not only how the world moves, but also your career. For more information, go to <https://www.denso.com/us-ca/en/>.

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