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## CTF Transportation Education Symposium

The 23rd Annual CTF Transportation Education Symposium brought smiles to all this November in Lake Arrowhead. The program brought together 42 undergrads from California universities studying transportation-related majors with a like number of noted pros in the field. Pros shared their experiences with issues critical to forwarding a career, examples included surviving your first big mistake, finding a mentor, and the benefits of public sector versus private sector.

Breaking into teams and responding to a mock RFP was the highlight of the 2-day event. A Selection Committee made up of professionals playing roles like Flora N. Fauna of the Environmental Justice League and Owen Cash of the Co. Transportation Commission, played by **Tilly Chang**, SFCTA, and **Kris Balaji**, San Joaquin Co. Public Works Dept., respectively. Pros enjoyed

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**RFP Contest Winning Team** from left to right: **Mareia Wisa Wasef**, CSU Northridge; **Sarah Brandenburg**, Fehr & Peers; **Jose Morales**, San Francisco State; **Briyana Jacobo**, CSU Long Beach; **Thania Bejerano**, UC San Diego; **Joseph Kaylor**, UC Davis; **Carmen Sutherland**, San Diego State; **Jack Boda**, Kimley-Horn and Associates; **Karin Komshian**, Santa Clara University; **Khalid Nasim**, Co. of Riverside Transportation Department and **Will Kempton** (not pictured and retired)

## Legacy Sponsors Make it Happen at CTF



“HNTB is a CTF Legacy Sponsor for a simple reason – it means giving back to an industry that we are passionate about. Through CTF’s efforts, our industry gains critical support in attracting the best and the brightest talent to our industry, educating ourselves, recognizing our best accomplishments, and most importantly, supporting families of fallen workers in their time of need.”

**Jeff Watson**  
Vice President  
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**CTF Legacy Sponsors have made a major commitment to the Foundation and to all its programs with an annual \$15,000 donation.**

# CTF Scholarship Winners

## Best and Brightest Transportation Students

CTF sponsors 40 scholarships and has awarded more than \$1 million in scholarships since its founding in 1988. Here are a few recent winners.

*“Receiving the Tim Fleming Memorial Scholarship has reassured me that my leadership efforts in transportation have a positive impact on many communities. I am honored and thankful to have been professionally recognized by the CTF for these efforts.”*

**Morgan Wilson**

Civil Engineering

UC Davis

\$1,500

**CTF Tim Fleming Memorial Scholarship**



**Adriana Lopez**

California State University at Northridge

\$2,000

**CTF Children of Fallen Workers Memorial Scholarship**

*This scholarship is reserved for students whose parents were killed on a transportation job. Adriana’s father, Jorge Lopez, was killed on the job in September, 2016.*



*“I feel honored and blessed to be recognized by CTF and hope to represent Caroline Rodman’s memory well throughout my career. I’m excited about the future, and am genuinely grateful to CTF for their investment in me and our California community.”*

**Matthew Schauer**

Public Administration

USC

\$1,000

**CTF Caroline Alain Rodman Memorial Scholarship**



# CTF Transportation Education Symposium

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hamming it up as the characters with which they work in the real world.

The Education Symposium garnered great evaluations from pros and students alike. Here are a couple samples from the pros:

*"It is simply amazing to first learn about the aspirations of the students, their various motivations for engaging in their respective fields of study, and then to see them coalesce as a team tackling a foreign project successfully."*  
**Ray Wolfe, San Bernardino County T.A.**

*"The entire symposium is well-organized. Professional mentors are passionate about their career choice and willing to share their experiences with students. Students also show their enthusiasm and curiosity throughout the event. Each year after the symposium, I feel a sense of renewed commitment in transportation as a profession."*  
**Eric Shen, US DOT**

The Education Symposium is free to students, including their hotel room, so the support of our Legacy (listed on the front page) and Education Symposium sponsors is absolutely critical to the event. The following are the generous 2017 Education Symposium sponsors:

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## 2017 Nor Cal Charity Golf Tournament

*Raising Money for a Good Cause while Having a Great Time!*



### 1st Place

*Granite Construction Team!  
Congratulations CJ Boone,  
Mark Shafer, Marc Almassy  
and Tony Alegre.  
Pictured from left to right.*

This year's Nor Cal Charity Golf Tournament took place in July at the Yocha Dehe Golf Club at the Cache Creek Casino. 116 golfers enjoyed a gorgeous course and a great time with colleagues while **raising \$45,683** for CTF's Injured and Fallen Worker, Scholarship and other programs!



### 2nd Place

*Teichert Team!  
Congratulations Eric  
Stannard, Mary Rotelli,  
Rachel Falsetti and  
Tom Griffith.  
Pictured from left to right.*

Save the Date for the 2018 CTF So Cal Tournament on April 16 at the Dove Canyon Golf Club! And look for the 2018 Nor Cal Tournament date to follow!



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## Caltrans Fire Victims

Eight Caltrans employees lost their homes in the devastating October fires. CTF established a fund to help them get back on their feet and Caltrans employees and retirees stepped to the plate and donated more than \$26,500 to the Fund. Due to the nonprofit CTF establishing the Fund, donations are tax deductible.



Remains of **Dave Winthal's** (Caltrans D3) property.

# CTF Supports Injured and Fallen Workers

CTF helps injured and fallen transportation workers. Here are the stories of two recent recipients.

**Si Si Han**, 46, was hit and killed by an errant truck while doing her job as a toll taker on the Bay Bridge on December 2, 2017. Han was a 10-year veteran of Caltrans and had just come on shift ten minutes before the accident. She is survived by her husband Ryan Saw and her 10-year-old daughter. The truck's driver was arrested for suspicion of driving under the influence. **CTF has established a memorial fund in her name and**



**is matching donations to the fund dollar for dollar up to \$5,000. CTF also sent a \$2,500 Fallen Worker grant .**

While working to clear a mudslide on Highway 17 in Scotts Valley, **Stephen Whitmire**, of Granite Rock Company, was run over and pinned by a dump truck and severely injured. CTF established an injured worker fund in his



name to help with the costs of his recovery. CTF matched donations dollar for dollar up to \$5,000.

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