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TB Vets Offers Bursaries To TRU Respiratory Therapy Students

Burnaby, B.C. – TB Vets Charitable Foundation will award \$12,000 in bursaries to eight qualifying students in the Respiratory Therapy program at Thompson Rivers University (TRU), TB Vets General Manager Ron Goyette announced today.

“TB Vets recognizes the important role played by TRU in developing more Registered Respiratory Therapists for facilities in British Columbia,” said Goyette. “It is the only educational institution in British Columbia to offer this program and we are pleased to be able to provide assistance in the form of these bursaries to eight TRU students.”

The eight \$1500 bursaries, up from seven in 2005, will be awarded to students with a minimum grade point average of 2.5 with preference given to students who demonstrate financial need. The grants will be awarded on November 23rd at the Thompson Rivers University Foundation annual awards ceremony.

TB Vets receives no government funding. Donations to their annual Keytag Campaign and other initiatives allow TB Vets to help children and adults across B.C. with respiratory ailments. Since 1946 TB Vets has provided grants in excess of \$10 million to purchase vital respiratory equipment in B.C. hospitals, fund local respiratory research and education, support the training of future Respiratory Therapists, and offer the comfort of a therapeutic Spinoza teddy bear to B.C. children suffering from respiratory illnesses. For more information on TB Vets or to find out how to donate or volunteer, please call 1-888-874-5626 or visit www.tbvets.org.

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