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2018 CHRIS WALKER EDUCATION FUND GRANTS AWARDED

April 2, 2019 – Grants for the 2018 Chris Walker Education Fund (CWEF) have been finalized and awarded. Over \$18,000 in total funds were awarded this year with seven grants going to individuals and three grants awarded to institutions including the Equipment Lease & Finance Foundation (ELFA), Certified Lease & Finance Professionals (CLFP), and the National Equipment Finance Association (NEFA).

Chris Walker was a passionate leader within the equipment finance industry. His selflessness and dedication to helping others grow in the industry made him a beloved member of NEFA. Education was always important to Chris, so when he passed away in 2011, many NEFA Members flooded the organization with donations in his honor. All of these generous contributions lead NEFA to create the Chris Walker Education Fund.

Funds available through the Chris Walker Education Fund are available to be used for any project or need that provides industry education opportunities for leasing professionals. This includes grants for industry-related education, certifications (such as the Certified Lease and Finance Professionals (CLFP) designation), educational development through NEFA conferences and other education initiatives.

Special thanks goes out to the National Equipment Finance Association for the support and opportunities they continue to provide the committee and all the NEFA members to participate.

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