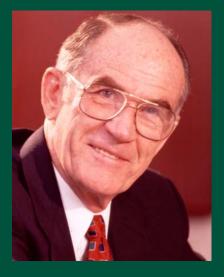
Honoring Our Nation's Past, Preparing with Confidence for the Future: The Thomas D. Larson Fund for Excellence

Our nation was founded on a vision for the future, with a fundamental commitment to serving its people. Today's transportation infrastructure can lead us into that future with confidence, if we supply it with the support and professional leadership that will be essential to address the daunting challenges that must be met and overcome. Tom Larson was a pioneer and visionary who served his country through principled, national leadership and military service, showing us that the most important question, in his day and ours, is: What can be achieved?



Larson rose from student to educator and researcher, to pioneer and motivator in state and national leadership. As a state secretary of transportation, he transformed an ailing agency into one of the nation's finest. As head of the Federal Highway Administration, he was instrumental in shaping America's post-Interstate transportation landscape. In doing so, he never lost sight of what makes any significant milestone possible. He knew that leaders are not simply born - they must also be given the key tools and guiding principles to lead - and that accomplishing great things requires collaboration.

The Thomas D. Larson Fund for Excellence is a visionary initiative that aims to tap our greatest resources - our *resolve* and our ability to *dream big* - in order to prepare our transportation leaders of tomorrow. Tom did his work with great diligence. The fund that bears his name represents an opportunity to continue his legacy in a way he would champion - and ensure a bright tomorrow for our nation.

The Larson Fund for Excellence seeks to engage undergraduate and graduate students in interdisciplinary programs, develop academic and research programs that demonstrate the importance of integrating public and private sector transportation issues, encourage undergraduate and graduate achievement through scholarships and graduate fellowship support, ensure access by students and faculty to state-of-the-art equipment and technology, and empower the dissemination of educational and research knowledge and breakthroughs. Fulfilling on the Larson Fund vision will require public and private sector collaboration and support.

For information on how to make a contribution to The Thomas D. Larson Fund for Excellence, visit the Fund's website, www.engr.psu.edu/Larson, or call 814-863-3848. For information on activities and events at the Thomas D. Larson Pennsylvania Transportation Institute, call 814-863-5621. Media inquiries, call 814-863-7922.

The Thomas D. Larson Fund for Excellence

To donate to the Thomas D. Larson Fund for Excellence, simply fill out the form below and mail with your check, made payable to "Penn State University."

Amount	Phone	
Name	E-mail	
Company Name	Tax deductible donations to the Thomas D. Larson Fund for Excellence can be mailed to:	THOMAS D. LARSON
Street	Office of Development Penn State College of Engineering	FUND FOR EXCELLENCE
City	101 Hammond Building University Park, PA 16802	
State, zip code		PENN <u>State</u>

This publication is available in alternative media on request. Penn State is committed to affirmative action, equal opportunity, and the diversity of its workforce. U.Ed. ENG 08-42