





# Baylor College of Medicine Receives \$162,000 Donation from Ferrovial and Webber Amid COVID-19 Crisis

**HOUSTON - June 17, 2020 -** Ferrovial and its US subsidiaries, Cintra, Ferrovial Construction and Webber, announced that they have donated \$162,000 to Baylor College of Medicine to assist in its COVID-19 research.

"We are all united in finding a treatment and vaccine for COVID-19," said Jose Carlos Esteban, President & CEO of Webber. "This donation is in addition to more than \$400,000 of food bank donations being made in Texas by Ferrovial and its US subsidiaries."

One of Baylor's most critical research priorities in fighting this pandemic and preventing future outbreaks is developing a COVID-19 vaccine. World-renowned vaccine and infectious disease experts Dr. Peter Hotez and Dr. Maria Elena Bottazzi are leading trailblazing work to develop new vaccines to tackle COVID-19.

This effort requires investment in cutting-edge equipment and technology that will empower the Baylor scientists working in the Texas Children's Center for Vaccine Development and support their groundbreaking work.

"We applaud Ferrovial's innovative approach in supporting those in need during this pandemic," said Dr. Peter Hotez, dean of the National School of Tropical Medicine at Baylor College of Medicine, who co-directs the Texas Children's Center for Vaccine Development along with Bottazzi. "Not only do they understand that it is essential to ensure food security and support vulnerable families in need, but they also appreciate that supporting research to develop new technologies will help us now and prepare us for future pandemics."

The donation is part of a larger fundraising campaign, "Ferrovial Together COVID-19," created by Ferrovial, to support vulnerable groups and those at risk of exclusion as a result of the current health crisis. The company has made an initial contribution of 5 million euros and will match donations up to an additional 5 million euros for a total of 10 million euros.

"To conquer the COVID-19 global pandemic will require development of an effective vaccine," said Angel Luis Sanchez, Managing Director for Ferrovial Construction. "As a global company, we feel it is both a privilege and an obligation to invest in those scientists, researchers and healthcare workers who are working tirelessly to better understand this virus and develop both treatments and vaccines that will save lives."

The fund will also be used to make donations to the health administration, hospitals, universities, research and development centers, and NGOs in a series of specific projects. These projects will focus on the acquisition of medical supplies and medical equipment and the investigation of pharmacological solutions or vaccines to combat the effects of the pandemic caused by the COVID-19 virus.

In Houston, the company has also donated \$67,000 to the Houston Food Bank to assist the organization with increased needs from the community and \$100,000 to the OneStar Foundation's Texas COVID Relief Fund. In the United States, the company has is committing \$1.2 million to pandemic recovery efforts and medical research across. These donations are a part of the initial distribution from

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the fund, amounting to €3.47 million, to institutions fighting the pandemic in the social, healthcare and research fields in the United States, Spain and the United Kingdom.

For more information about the "Ferrovial Together COVID-19" fund, please visit <a href="https://www.ferrovial.com/en/how-can-you-collaborate-with-ferrovial-juntos-covid-19-fund/">https://www.ferrovial.com/en/how-can-you-collaborate-with-ferrovial-juntos-covid-19-fund/</a>.

Webber's corporate headquarters is located in The Woodlands, TX and it has been part of the Houston community for more than 40 years. Ferrovial and Webber are also partners building the SH 99 Grand Parkway Segments H & I construction project in Northeast Houston.

## About Baylor College of Medicine

Baylor College of Medicine in Houston is recognized as health sciences university and is known for excellence in education, research and patient care. It is the only private medical school in the greater southwest and is ranked 22nd among medical schools for research and 4th for primary care by U.S. News & World Report. Baylor is listed 20th among all U.S. medical schools for National Institutes of Health funding and No. 1 in Texas. The Baylor pediatrics program ranked 8th among all pediatric programs, reflecting the strong affiliation with Texas Children's Hospital where our faculty care for pediatric patients and our students and residents train. Nationally our physician assistant program was ranked 3rd in the health disciplines category and our nurse anesthesia program ranked 2nd. Located in the Texas Medical Center, Baylor has affiliations with seven teaching hospitals and jointly owns and operates Baylor St. Luke's Medical Center, part of CHI St. Luke's Health. Currently, Baylor has more than 3,000 trainees in medical, graduate, nurse anesthesia, physician assistant, orthotics and genetic counseling as well as residents and postdoctoral fellows. Follow Baylor College of Medicine on Facebook and Twitter.

#### About Ferrovial

Ferrovial is one of the world's leading infrastructure operators and municipal services companies, committed to developing sustainable solutions. The company has 96,000 employees and operates in over 20 countries. Its main business areas are: Services, Toll Roads, Construction and Airports. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.ferrovial.com">www.ferrovial.com</a>.

## About Cintra

With U.S. headquarters in Austin, Texas, Cintra is recognized as a global leader in private transportation infrastructure development, with experience spanning more than 50 years on four continents. Today, its portfolio includes 25 concession projects in nine countries totaling nearly 1,000 miles of managed highways worldwide, representing a total global investment in roadway improvements of over \$24 billion. Cintra manages nearly \$11 billion of infrastructure assets in the United States and nearly \$5 billion of infrastructure assets in Canada. It is a subsidiary of Madrid-based Ferrovial.

### About Ferrovial Construction

Ferrovial Construction is the Ferrovial subsidiary that carries out civil engineering, construction and industrial projects, boasting more than 80 years of international activity in more than 50 countries on five continents. Ferrovial Construction US is headquartered in Austin, Texas and has managed some of the country's largest, most complex transportation projects including the SH 99 Grand Parkway H&I project in Houston. For more information, please visit www.ferrovial.com.

# About Webber, LLC

Founded in 1963, Webber is a leading heavy civil and waterworks construction company and material producer dedicated to safely providing intelligent solutions to its clients and community. As a wholly owned subsidiary of Ferrovial S.A., an international company based in Madrid, Spain, Webber has access to a global network of skilled engineers, best-in-class technology and vast resources. Webber is headquartered in Houston, Texas, with regional offices in South, North and Central Texas, as well as

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