



***The UNT Office of Alumni Relations/UNT Alumni Association respectfully submits the following proposal to the Diamond Eagles organization to expand the Alumni Pavilion at Apogee Stadium and support alumni and student engagement programming.***

***The Project Includes:***

- Excavation of land adjacent to the Alumni Pavilion
- Construction of retaining wall and permanent staging for live music
- Wrought iron fencing
- Power supply
- Proper drainage system
- Signage
- Additional seating

***Project Purpose:***

The expansion of the Alumni Pavilion will support the UNT Office of Alumni Relations/UNT Alumni Association's mission to engage the University of North Texas' 241,000+ alumni in the life of the university.

The Alumni Pavilion is an inviting facility located adjacent to Apogee Stadium which serves as a memorable gathering place for alumni and friends. It has become a vital asset for alumni engagement programming. Attendance for the Association's Game Day

Grille tailgate before home football games has steadily grown with the expansion of offerings. Live music by UNT alumni bands, catered food, a cash bar, face painting, lawn games, seating, televised football games and more have attracted maximum-capacity attendance. The space limitations of the current facility cannot accommodate the growing demand of UNT alumni.



***Large crowds at the Alumni Pavilion for the UNT vs. Lamar Game Day Grille.***

Expanding the UNT Alumni Pavilion at Apogee Stadium will serve UNT Alumni by providing a comfortable space to network and reconnect. The expansion of the pavilion will impact students by providing a venue for UNT's Student Alumni Association, a leadership organization that creates awareness and affinity to the UNT Alumni Association among current students. An expanded Alumni Pavilion will benefit the university at large through the cultivation of alumni and donors, helping to fill the pipeline for institutional giving.





*Rendering of the proposed Alumni Pavilion expansion*

### ***Budget/Funding Request:***

The UNT Office of Alumni Relations/UNT Alumni Association is requesting \$85,000 to fund the balance of the project. To demonstrate our profound gratitude for this funding support, we propose designating/naming the patio the “Diamond Eagles Family Patio” with appropriate signage.

### ***Outcomes and Impact:***

The expansion of the Alumni Pavilion will provide additional capacity, shade and seating options which will expand the university’s ability to positively engage with alumni in an exciting and welcoming atmosphere.

The project will provide a permanent stage and power for live music and will include a much needed drainage system to eliminate flooding in the facility after rainstorms. This will reduce the ongoing costs for the UNT Office of Alumni Relations related to water damage/cleaning and the rental of power generators for musicians/performers.

By expanding into the existing hill to create a large patio space, the Alumni Pavilion will nearly double the usable square footage, enhance the offerings for tailgating, and provide a more usable event space for future engagement opportunities.

