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## IN THE SPOTLIGHT

**"What you feel is valid": Social media is a lifeline for many abused and neglected young people:** Coordinated by the UTA media relations team, Morgan PettyJohn (School of Social Work) coauthored an article in [The Conversation](#) about how young people who have been abused and neglected use social media as a lifeline. The article has been republished in [The Seattle Post-Intelligencer](#) and [Yahoo News](#).



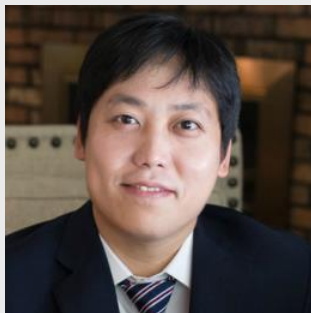
## EXPERT INTERVIEWS



**First impressions pay: Curb appeal adds 7% to home prices:** Coordinated by the UTA media relations team, Sriram Villupuram (College of Business) provided insight into how strong curb appeal can add value to your home and help you sell it in the Dallas-Fort Worth housing market, where supply currently outpaces demand in this article posted by [MSN](#). His study was published in [The Journal of Real Estate Finance and Economics](#).

**Are bridges near you safe? This MRI-like scan may prevent disaster:** Suyun Ham (College of Engineering) was featured in [The Seattle Times](#) for his research using MRI-like scanners and AI to

inspect the condition of bridges and make them more heat-resilient. This article was originally published by [Bloomberg](#).



**Inside one state's attempt to curb the physician shortage:** Coordinated by the UTA media relations team, Ogan Gurel (College of Nursing and Health Innovation) was included in an article in [Becker's Physician Leadership](#) about Texas' efforts to ease the physician shortage with the DOCTOR Act that took effect on Sept. 1. The story was originally published by [KERA](#).

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## MORE NEWS

**Researcher builds blueprint to combat human trafficking:** Maryam Rafieifar (School of Social Work) had her research cited in an [American Psychological Association](#) article on mental health and immigration.

**UTA engineer develops remote radar to detect drone failures, no sensors required:** [Dallas Innovates](#) reported on a [UTA news release](#) about Dianqi Han's (College of Engineering) research on remote radars to detect drone failure.

**Student's research earns international recognition:** [ScienceX](#) reposted a [UTA news release](#) about Maria Olds (College of Science) and her recently published research on chromatography and blood alcohol.

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