KU at Work: Cowley County

The following profile highlights the services and support that KU provides to Cowley County

Educating Leaders

Students

KU has 69 students from Cowley County: 40 undergraduate, 19 graduate, and 10 students at KU Medical Center.

KU students from Cowley County have significant support in the form of grants, scholarships, and fellowships. As of the fall census, $153,306 in federal, state, institutional, and outside/private grants, scholarships, and fellowships have been awarded on all campuses to 35 Cowley County students for FY 2015.

Of the Fall 2014 KU students, 228 have transfer credit from Cowley County postsecondary institutions including 186 from Cowley County Community College.

KU has 463 alumni from Cowley County.

Building Healthy Communities

Business

KU partners with one Cowley County business for career services.

Public Safety

KU provides public safety training to the state for law enforcement, fire and rescue response. In FY 2014, 136 law enforcement officers and 144 firefighters and first responders from Cowley County were trained at KU.

Healthcare – KU Medical Center

Enhancing Student Education

- 3 Cowley County physicians serve as volunteer KU Medical Center faculty, providing students with hands-on training in rural and underserved communities as part of KU’s Rural Preceptorship Program.

Strengthening the Health Care Workforce

- 50 KU Medical Center graduates live and/or practice in Cowley County.
• 3 health care providers have been placed in Cowley County since 2004 through the Kansas Recruitment and Retention Center, which provides placement assistance to rural health organizations and seeks to enhance the quality and quantity of health care professionals in rural Kansas.

• 2 Cowley County physicians received funding through the Kansas Bridging Plan, a loan-forgiveness program offered since 1991 to primary care medical residents who agree to practice in rural Kansas.

• 1 enrollment in KU Medical Center continuing education courses and conferences by a Cowley County health care professional in Fiscal Year 2014.

Advancing Health Care Access

• Cowley County residents saw KU Medical Center health care providers 6 times via telemedicine in FY14. An interactive video technology that connects providers and patients when distance separates the two, telemedicine services are provided through the University of Kansas Center for Telemedicine and Telehealth.