KU at Work: Crawford County
Highlighting the services and support KU provides to Crawford County

Educating Leaders

Students

KU has 137 students from Crawford County: 55 undergraduate, 54 graduate, and 28 students at the KU Medical Center.

KU students from Crawford County have significant support in the form of grants, scholarships, and fellowships. As of the fall census, $359,713 in federal, state, institutional, and outside/private grants, scholarships, and fellowships have been awarded on all campuses to 58 Crawford County students for FY 2015.

Of the fall 2014 KU students, 262 have transfer credit from Pittsburg State University.

KU has 683 alumni from Crawford County.

Building Healthy Communities

Business

KU has partnerships with a number of Crawford businesses.

- 3 businesses in Crawford County partner with KU for career services
- 1 business participated in KU continuing education programs
- 1 tech transfer and research grant partnership
- 2 businesses have provided support through KU Endowment

Public Safety

KU provides public safety training for law enforcement, fire and rescue response. In FY 2014, 123 law enforcement officers and 115 firefighters and first responders from Crawford County were trained at KU.

Healthcare – KU Medical Center

Enhancing Student Education

- 13 Crawford County doctors serve as volunteer KU Medical Center faculty, providing medical students with hands-on training in rural communities as part of KU’s Rural Preceptorship Program.
• 91 high school students in Crawford County participated in activities during the 2013-2014 school year that encouraged them to consider careers in health care, math and science. These events were hosted by the KU Area Health Education Center.

• Pittsburg High School and St. Mary's-Colgan High School in Crawford County are two of 17 schools statewide that used Mini Medical School during the 2013-2014 school year, a resource kit for upper-level high school teachers in the biological sciences. The kit is designed to supplement and enhance curriculum while introducing students to various aspects of the health field through fun and exciting projects. Mini Medical School was created by the KU Area Health Education Center and features physicians and experts from KU Medical Center and Kansas State University.

**Strengthening the Health Care Workforce**

• 105 KU Medical Center graduates live and/or practice in Crawford County.

• 5 health care providers have been placed in Crawford 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.

• 7 Crawford 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.

• 15 enrollments in KU Medical Center continuing education courses and conferences by Crawford County health care professionals in Fiscal Year 2014.

• 39 professional education and administrative visits in Crawford County occurred in Fiscal Year 2014 via telemedicine, an interactive video technology that eliminates distance as a barrier to health care, continuing education and inter-professional collaboration. The technology is operated by the University of Kansas Center for Telemedicine and Telehealth.

**Advancing Health Care Access**

• Crawford County residents saw KU Medical Center health care providers 55 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.