KU at Work: Neosho County
The following profile highlights the services and support that KU provides to Neosho County

Educating Leaders

Students

KU has 61 students from Neosho County: 49 undergraduate, 7 graduate, and 5 at the KU Medical Center.

KU students from Neosho County have support in the form of grants, scholarships, and fellowships. As of the fall census, $247,674 in federal, state, institutional, and outside/private grants, scholarships, and fellowships have been awarded on all campuses to 35 Neosho County students for FY 2015.

Of the fall 2014 KU students, 575 have transfer credit from Neosho County Community College in Chanute.

KU has 385 alumni from Neosho County.

Building Healthy Communities

Business

KU has partnerships with three businesses in Neosho County for continuing education programs.

Public Safety

KU provides public safety training to the state for law enforcement, fire and rescue response. In FY 2014, 53 law enforcement officers and 31 fire and rescue officials from Neosho County were trained at KU.

Healthcare – KU Medical Center

Enhancing Student Education

- 6 Neosho County physicians serve as volunteer KU Medical Center faculty, providing medical students with hands-on training in rural communities as part of the Rural Preceptorship Program.
- Medical students spent six weeks working with primary care physicians and conducting a community-based research project in 26 counties, including Neosho County, as part of KU Medical Center's summer 2014 Rural Primary Care Practice and Research Program, one of several programs designed to encourage students to consider practicing medicine in a rural Kansas community.

“KU is one of the most respected academic research institutions in the country. I will be forever grateful to the University of Kansas for providing me, and so many other leaders, an educational experience that prepared me to succeed in life and business. The opportunity to receive an education from KU is a critical component in creating future leaders for our state and around the world.”

- Steve Sloan, j’83,
  CEO of Midwest Minerals,
  Pittsburg, KS

61
KU students from Neosho County

84
Neosho County law enforcement officers, firefighters and first responders trained at KU

34
KU Medical Center graduates who live or practice in Neosho County
46 high school students in Neosho County participated in activities during the 2013-14 school year that encouraged them to consider careers in health care, math and science. These events were hosted by University of Kansas Area Health Education Center.

Nurses across Kansas can now advance their careers from home, thanks to an innovative agreement between the KU School of Nursing and 18 regional community colleges, including Neosho County Community College. The agreement provides nurses who have an associate’s degree in nursing from a participating college an easier transition to earning their bachelor of science in nursing through KU’s online RN-to-BSN program.

Strengthening the Health Care Workforce

- 34 KU Medical Center graduates live and/or practice in Neosho County.
- 4 health care providers have been placed in Neosho 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.
- 3 Neosho County physicians received funding through the Kansas Bridging Plan, a loan-forgiveness program offered to primary care medical residents who agree to practice in rural Kansas.
- 1 Neosho County health care employer exhibited with 2014 Kansas Career Opportunities, which is designed to introduce medical students, residents and other health care professionals to rural communities looking to hire.
- 2 health care professionals from Neosho County participated in KU Medical Center continuing education courses and conferences in FY14.

Advancing Health Care Access

- Neosho County residents saw KU Medical Center health care providers 8 times via telemedicine in FY14.
- Neosho County residents made 1 visit to KU Medical Center health care providers in outreach clinics held outside of Kansas City in FY14.