KU at Work: Osage County

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

Educating Leaders

Students

KU has 98 students from Osage County: 63 undergraduate, 24 graduate and 11 students are studying at the KU Medical Center.

KU students from Osage County have significant support in the form of grants, scholarships, and fellowships. As of the fall census, $268,930 in federal, state, institutional, and outside/private grants, scholarships, and fellowships have been awarded on all campuses to 50 Osage County students for FY 2015.

KU has 502 alumni from Osage County.

Building Healthy Communities

Business

KU has partnerships with two businesses in Osage County:

- 1 business participated in KU continuing education programs
- 1 business provided research grants or research grant proposals

Public Safety

KU provides public safety training to the state for law enforcement, fire and rescue response. In FY 2014, 59 law enforcement officers and 96 fire and rescue officials from Osage County were trained at KU.

Healthcare – KU Medical Center

Enhancing Student Education

- 1 Osage County physician serves as volunteer KU Medical Center faculty, providing medical students with hands-on training in rural communities as part of the Rural Preceptorship Program.
- 9 high school students in Osage 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 the KU Area Health Education Center.
Strengthening the Health Care Workforce

- 35 KU Medical Center graduates live and/or practice in Osage County.
- 1 Osage County physician 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.
- 2 Osage County health care employers 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.
- 1 enrollment in KU Medical Center continuing education courses and conferences by an Osage County health care professional in Fiscal Year 2014.

Advancing Health Care Access

- Osage County residents saw KU Medical Center health care providers 18 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.