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

Educating Leaders

Students

KU has 27 students from Ottawa County: 17 undergraduate, 6 graduate, and 4 at the KU Medical Center.

KU students from Ottawa County have significant support in the form of grants, scholarships, and fellowships. As of the fall census, $87,776 in federal, state, institutional, and outside/private grants, scholarships, and fellowships have been awarded on all campuses to 14 Ottawa County students for FY 2015.

KU has 116 alumni from Ottawa County.

Building Healthy Communities

Public Safety

KU provides public safety training to the state for law enforcement, fire and rescue response. In FY 2014, 12 law enforcement officers and 48 fire and rescue officials from Ottawa County were trained at KU.

Healthcare – KU Medical Center

Enhancing Student Education

- 1 Ottawa County doctor serves as volunteer KU Medical Center faculty, providing medical students with hands-on training in rural communities as part of the Rural Preceptorship Program.

Strengthening the Health Care Workforce

- 21 KU Medical Center graduates live and/or practice in Ottawa County.
- 2 Ottawa 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 an Ottawa County health care professional in Fiscal Year 2014.
- 3 professional education and administrative visits in Ottawa County occurred in FY14 via telemedicine, an interactive video technology that eliminates distance as a barrier to health care, continuing education and interprofessional collaboration. The technology is operated by the University of Kansas Center for Telemedicine and Telehealth.
Advancing Health Care Access

- Ottawa 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.

- Ottawa County residents made 15 visits to KU Medical Center health care providers in outreach clinics held outside of Kansas City in FY14.