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**DENISE NAUDE**  
School of Medicine

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

I would like to extend my utmost gratitude for your tremendous donation. I want you to know that without these generous gifts, my profession as a doctor would not be something I could even dream about. I was born prematurely and have suffered many health problems and financial burdens. We came to the United States with nothing for health care and a better life. I am beyond thankful for the opportunity and disadvantaged background give back help provide care that made my life possible. Daily I am humbled that I get to pursue my passion is a tremendous privilege.

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

This scholarship will lessen the financial burden of mainly just tuition at the TTUHSC SOM. It will mean that I am able to quit working and focus on my profession with the attention that it needs. Additionally, this scholarship will help me create a foundation for managing my finances after medical school.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

TTUHSC has been my top choice school since I had the opportunity to work hands-on with faculty in Nicaragua. I was not only inspired by their passion to seek excellence academically but also care for their patients with the utmost compassion and respect. The moment that I set foot on the TTUHSC for my SOM interview, I could feel that the environment was collaborative, kind, supportive and one of a kind. I wanted to go to a professional school where I would become the best version of myself not just walk out with a title and diploma.



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**TAVIEN MAPP**  
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I would like to thank you from the bottom of my heart for providing me with the opportunity to receive this scholarship. The extent to which this scholarship will help me on my path towards becoming a physician is unimaginable and I am truly inspired even more so to provide similar opportunities for others in the future. I am so thankful for this scholarship and it warms my heart to know that there are such strong efforts aimed at helping aspiring physicians.

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I believe that this scholarship will be considerably helpful on my journey as an aspiring physician. Given that my family and I have struggled with financial stability from as early as I can remember, I am certain that this scholarship will relieve much of the stress associated with covering the costs of medical school. Not only will this scholarship relieve some of the financial burden brought on by the cost of higher education, but it has also strengthened my desire to give back to those in similar positions as myself.

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Initially, I was only interested in the quality education that is offered at TTUHSC as I was unaware of the culture that is present at this institution. However, after visiting and conversing with the staff and students, I was astonished by how friendly and welcoming these individuals were. Furthermore, I was given even more information on how successful the university is at preparing students for a career in medicine. Therefore, after learning more about the curriculum and meeting with the individuals that make TTUHSC so wonderful, I have become even more excited to become a part of this environment.

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**JON BRUCE**  
School of Medicine

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Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity. As my wife and I prepare to welcome a baby boy this summer, and thousands of dollars in bills along with him, your investment in my education is like manna from heaven. I promise I will continue to work my hardest to earn your investment, and pledge I will pay it forward as I progress on the path toward becoming a plastic/reconstructive surgeon.

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As an out-of-state resident, these scholarship funds are crucial for me and my family. My parents simply don't have the means to help my wife and I out; and while my wife works as an elementary school teacher, her salary doesn't do much more than cover our living expenses. On top of all that, we are expecting a baby this summer, so money is going to be even more tight. With this aid, my wife and I will be able to avoid the stresses of excessive debt, and grant us greater peace of mind as our little family grows.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

There were two things that really stood out to me about TTUHSC when I first visited. The first was how much the faculty/administration cares about their students, reflected by the resources they offer students, the more affordable tuition, etc. The second aspect of TTUHSC that I loved was how family-friendly they are. As my wife and I were hoping to have a baby while in school, this was a particularly tenant for me. Needless to say, TTUHSC is both of these and more - I have loved my time here and wouldn't rather be anywhere else.



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