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**ASHLEY CYRIAC**  
School of Nursing

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

I am a first generation American Indian. My parents struggled to raise me and always taught me that education was the most valuable gift in the world. I became very mature and grew up very fast because I was first generation. I never had anyone to guide me but I made it. I became a BSN RN. I always knew I wanted to go to grad school but I never knew it would be possible this soon. These scholarships that I have been receiving are a huge contributor in my journey. Thank you!

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

This scholarship will be used to purchase my books and supplies for this semester. I will save the amount that is left over. It will be used to cover some of my tuition for next semester. I am still working part time, therefore I will hopefully be able to cover the rest of my tuition with my own savings.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I attended TTUHSC for my BSN from 2015 to 2016. The faculty left a great impression on me. They were always so humble and passionate about teaching. They dedicated so much time to ensuring our success in the program. I knew that if I was going to attend grad school that it would be at TTUHSC.

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**JESSICA KENNEDY**  
School of Nursing

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you for creating this scholarship for people in need like myself. I did not want to get any additional loans to get my Bachelor's degree, so I put it all on my credit card and used some of my savings. I will use this scholarship to positively impact others to encourage those who think that going back to school will cause a financial burden for them.

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

This scholarship will help pay for the credit cards that I had to use to pay for school expenses. The scholarship will also help with purchasing books in the classes that I have left. I will now be able to spend more time with my family rather than picking up extra hours at work to make up for the additional expenses that being in school has put on us.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I choose TTUHSC because I knew this school would ensure that I would complete my allotted time frame. While working on my Associate degree in Nursing, I saw an early admission notice with the school I attended, and I knew it was the right decision. Three semesters later and I only have a few more classes until I earn my Bachelor's degree.



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**JOY OKORO**  
School of Nursing

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

I will be eternally grateful to the donor as well as Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center for the love and kindness that they have shown me through this scholarship. This generous gift has not just relieved me of my financial distress but has also inspired me to remain kind all the days of my life. I will extend this act of kindness towards every patient that I will come in contact with, throughout my career as a nurse.

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

This scholarship goes directly to my spring, 2021 tuition. I was able to pay only part of the tuition and was seriously worried about how to complete it. However, this generous gift has greatly reduced it to the amount that I can handle. I am honored and will forever remain grateful.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center is a great institution. The most attractive behavior is their endless efforts to provide competent healthcare providers to numerous rural communities and this is my major reason for deciding to be part of their team. I promise to represent their values, anywhere, anytime, throughout my career as a nurse.



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**TRISTAN BROWN**  
School of Nursing

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

I cannot express enough gratitude for making this scholarship opportunity possible. I hope that I can impact another person the way that you have impacted me with your generosity. My family is incredibly excited for me to become everything that they know I am capable of, and I am appreciative to have something to show for my hard work. I promise that I will use this scholarship to maximize my potential and continue to strive for academic excellence.

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

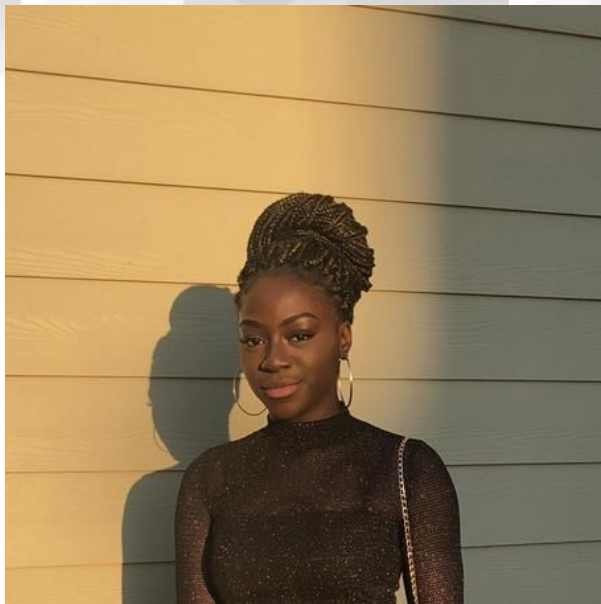
The funds from this scholarship will be applied to the cost of textbooks for the duration of my enrollment at the school of nursing. This is the largest scholarship that I have received in recognition of my dedication to academic excellence and will relieve some of the financial burden placed upon my parents while I am unable to work. The capability to repay some of the cost to my parents is the best use I can think of for these scholarship funds.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I first decided to attend Texas A&M University to pursue a degree in kinesiology with hopes of joining a physical therapy program upon my graduation. After completing my freshman year, I chose to withdraw to reassess what direction I wanted to go in life because I had never felt at home in College Station. I met a couple of nurses that had graduated from TTUHSC who convinced me this would be the best place to pursue my dream of helping people. I learned about the prestige of this program and decided that I should do everything to earn admission.



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**IFEANYICHUKWU CHUKWUMA**  
School of Nursing

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Getting accepted into nursing school is such a blessing, and I was unsure how of I would be able to pay for my education. This scholarship will allow me to continue to achieve outstanding grades and achieve this dream of mine to become a CRNA. Thank you for this scholarship and believing in me.

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

The funds from this scholarship are going towards my Nursing School Level 4 tuition. This aid will financially assist me in buying the necessary resources i need to continue my studies. I will also be able to afford my accommodation while in nursing school. With this scholarship, I do not need to pick up extra shifts during the semester to make ends meet. I am very grateful for this opportunity.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I chose to pursue my career goals at TTUHSC because, in two years of being an undergraduate at TTU, I felt like I belonged here. I was part of the big red raider family and I intended to continue being part of this great family. TTUHSC is also a highly accredited school with an NCLEX pass rate of 95% and it showed me that it is a school that is committed to my success. I graduate in May and nursing school continues to be an extraordinary experience. My faculty is always supportive and encouraging.

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**EVELIN AREVALO**  
School of Nursing

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

This scholarship really means a lot to me. Lately, my family has been having financial issues due to the pandemic. Sometimes I feel guilty about going to school instead of working and helping my family. I'm truly grateful and I plan on becoming the best nurse I can be. My plan after graduation is going on a mission trip and help the most vulnerable.

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

I'm not from Lubbock, therefore I have to rent an apartment. My parents are not doing well financially, so I have to work and pay for my own rent. Sometimes working and going to nursing school at the same time can be overwhelming. This scholarship will help me pay the rent. Being able to pay the rent will definitely help me focus more in school and not stress about any financial issues.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

The reason I chose TTUHSC is because I did my pre-requisite courses at TTU. Being a student at TTU allowed me to be part of a family and I wanted to have the same experience while in nursing school. I have many friends that are attending a different nursing school and based on their experience, TTUHSC has by far the best professors and quality in terms of education.



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**MARTINA FLORES-GUZMAN**  
School of Nursing

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you. I am sincerely honored to be a beneficiary of this scholarship as I continue my education at TTUHSC. I hope to one day be able to make a difference in people's lives while doing something that I love and that would not be possible without your generous contribution. After graduating from the nursing program, I plan to major in a foreign language and ultimately use my skills as a nurse to help create an inclusive environment while advocating for underserved populations.

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

Coming from a less privileged community, I face many financial challenges. I am a first-generation college student whose parents (my dad is pictured with me) only received a middle school education, now pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. I am eternally grateful to have received these scholarships as they will help towards paying off my tuition. It allows some financial relief and allows me to further focus on my studies.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

As a student at Impact Early College High School, we have an event where alumni return to the school to talk about universities/colleges and tell students about their experiences. It is there that I first learned about Texas Tech and its nursing program. I began researching, went to visit the campus, and soon thereafter I decided that it is where I am meant to be. I worked really hard and am thankful I received the opportunity to attend such an amazing school. I am able to pursue a career that is not only fulfilling, but a dream come true.



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**KYLEE SANDERSON**  
School of Nursing

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

By awarding me this scholarship, it will help me to continue my pursuit in becoming a nurse practitioner. There are a lot of obstacles to overcome being an out of state student from Palmer, Alaska. This scholarship relieves a lot of the financial burden on me and my family and I guarantee I will work hard, and I will not take this opportunity for granted. Your generosity is appreciated more than I can express. I have every intention that I too can one day help others in the way that you have helped me.

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

By receiving this scholarship, it relieves some of the financial hardship from being an out of state student in hopes of receiving in state tuition. I am planning on using these funds solely for tuition and fees from TTUHSC. This scholarship allows me to focus on my studies by decreasing some of the financial burden as I pursue my degree in nursing.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I had the opportunity to tour a few different schools prior to touring Texas Tech University/TTUHSC. There were so many things that stood out to me from the campus, to the community, to the desire to receive the best education and I found that here. Being 1000's of miles from home I had to weigh all my options and make the decision that would allow me to be successful in completing my education. I knew immediately that this was the right fit and I have not regretted that decision for a minute.



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**CHRISTIE HODARI**  
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## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you very much for this opportunity. As a person who came here as a refugee i didn't have any financial resource except myself. This means that i will do what it take to give back by doing volunteer work just i can contribute to the community that cares enough to help me. I greatly appreciate you. God bless you!

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

This scholarship will help me cover additional tuition as well as a few of my bills. it will help me to purchase school materials like books and pay some of the money i borrowed to cover some expenses. Being a nurse is dream come true so this help will take me a long way.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I chose TTUHSC because it is one of the nursing school in Texas. what stood out for me was that they all work together, instructors and student in order for student to succeed with enough knowledge. I plan to proceed my career once i am done with RN and you help is making it possible.

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**CLAIRE GOLDER**  
School of Nursing

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

I am very grateful for being selected for this scholarship. With the help of you and your generosity, I will be able to pursue my dreams of further education to become a Women's Health Nurse Practitioner with a focus on underserved communities. I am so inspired by your benevolence and I hope one day I will be able to help others in the way you have helped me.

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

This scholarship will help me immensely as I am an out-of-state student. My father recently retired so his income was significantly lowered which has been a huge challenge for my family. I also currently do not work because I had lost both of my jobs due to COVID-19. This scholarship will help me by lessening the burden of the cost of school which in turn allows for the funds to go to other things such as rent or food.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

Upon graduating from high school in New Mexico, it was my dream to go to Texas Tech University. I did not have a major in mind yet but when I got to Lubbock, I fell in love with the University and the overall atmosphere of the campus. I had known I wanted to be in the medical field for almost all my life and after hearing about the incredible and highly-ranked School of Nursing, I knew that it was where I wanted to be.



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**AUBREE OLGUIN**  
School of Nursing

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you so much for your kind generosity. Due to COVID, all of my family members sadly lost their jobs. After quarantine things got slightly better, but financially we were still struggling. Thanks to this scholarship the financial burden has been lifted from my family and I cannot express how grateful I am to everyone involved. This has motivated me to work hard to graduate and become a nurse to show others the kindness and generosity you have shown me. Thank you so much again for helping me make my dream a reality.

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

This scholarship will help me pay off the student loans I had to take out in order to pay this semester's tuition. This is an immense blessing because some of my hometown scholarships are coming to an end this year and now the scholarship will help cover the costs of schooling and tuition as well. It will also help me purchase more school supplies such as a scrub uniform, NCLEX study guides, and pharmacology flash cards.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I chose TTUHSC due to my wonderful experience attending Texas Tech University during my pre-requisites. I fell in love with the school and the town when I was very young because my cousins and uncle have graduated from here. I was overwhelmed with excitement when I found out I was accepted into TTUHSC School of Nursing. The school spirit, message, and community makes me proud to be a red raider and honored to be a part of this amazing institution.

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**VY HONG THAO NGUYEN**  
School of Nursing

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

I am grateful and humble to receive this scholarship. It serves as a reminder to myself that hard work and determination pays off in the long run. I am touched by the generosity of the donor and strive to be the better myself everyday and become a competent and compassionate nurse for my future patients. I am also a volunteer with TNSA chapter in Abilene where I can give back to the community. I love teaching and plan to become a nurse educator in the future working in a cardiac unit.

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

With this scholarship, I am eligible to pay instate tuition. My family is able to support me with the remaining tuition, and I can afford rent and living expenses with my part-time job and graduate debt-free. Without the financial burden, i am able to focus on my study and finish the semester strong.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I graduated with my first Bachelor's degree in nutritional sciences from Texas Tech University, so I am a Red Raider at heart. When I was applying to nursing programs, I knew TTUHSC had been my top choice and was thrilled to be able to continue to be a Red Raider for my second bachelor's degree. The friendly people and faculty as well as the high ranking and reputation of the program were the top reasons I chose TTUHSC.

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**HOLLY BUCHANAN**  
School of Nursing

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

I have wanted to be a nurse for a long time now and nothing has stopped me so far. Nursing school is however costly, but my plan was to just pay off my loans after a graduate, but with this amazing scholarship, I am now able to pay off some of my tuition through this amazing scholarship. I really hope to further my nursing career as a nurse anesthetist or nurse practitioner and I am so thankful for this scholarship, as it encourages me to never give up on my dreams.

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

This scholarship will allow me to pursue my goals of furthering my education, as I have less stress due to financial concerns. I am planning on going to nurse anesthetist school, which is very expensive, but I am trying to start saving money now! I am very thankful for your contribution and I can not express enough how much it means to me.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I toured Texas Tech University when I was only a Junior in High School and I fell it love with it instantly, especially the TTUHSC and all the cool simulation components. I am originally from Austin, Texas, but ever since moving to Lubbock, It feels more like home. The TTUHSC has the best faculty, students and supporters and I am so happy I had to opportunity to attend this great school.



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**COURTNEY BARRON**  
School of Nursing

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you so much for your kind and generous gift. This gift is a sign of great support in helping me pursue my dream of becoming a nurse. Once COVID-19 has passed, my heart and desire is to go to another country to serve medically underserved populations. This gift enables me to be one step closer to that point, and for that I am extremely grateful.

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

This scholarship may assist my family and I on paying back some of the student loans I have accumulated. Nursing has been my dream since I was a sophomore in high school, and I am so excited to start this journey! The textbooks and other supplies I had to purchase for this amazing program however wracked up a price that will be made more affordable with this scholarship, and I am so thankful!

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

When looking at what college to attend as a senior in high school, one of the things I was looking for in a college was a great nursing school. I found this in Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. I really desired to finish where I started my college career, and I am so thankful that this amazing program has enabled me to do just that. I love how the nursing school is not a stand alone building but that the TTUHSC is set up in a way where many health sciences students can learn and study together.



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