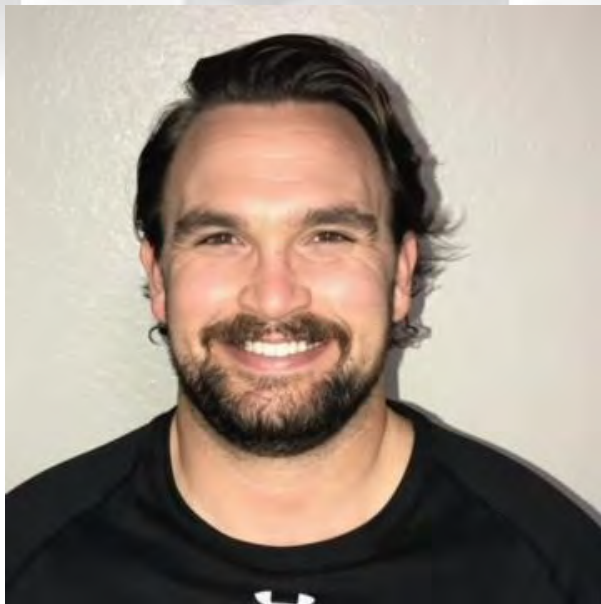




**JESSE FUNK**  
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#### **BECAUSE YOU GAVE...**

I recently left a career after 7 years to pursue my dream of becoming a nurse. I was depressed and completely burnt out working in college athletics. I know that I was put on this earth to help and be an advocate for people. A career in nursing and your financial contribution will help me achieve this purpose in a meaningful way. In this program, I hope that the Lord makes his purpose for me so obvious that even I can see it. I began this journey knowing that I want to help people and that goal won't change.

#### **WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...**

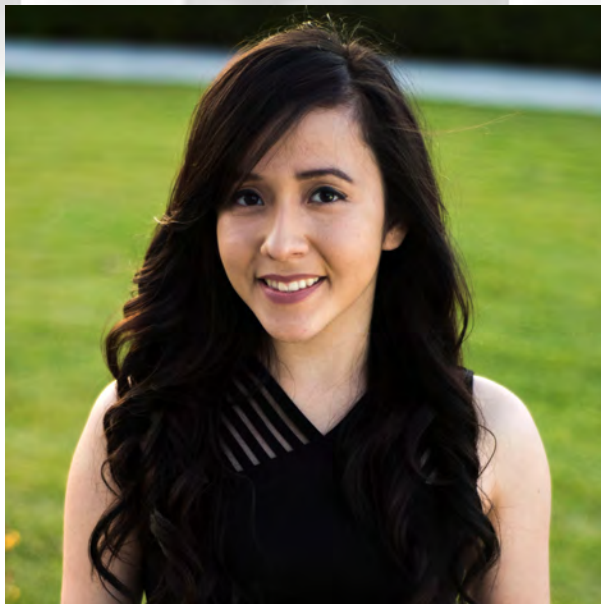
This scholarship will ease the financial burden for my wife and me. We have both (more so my wife) made many sacrifices for me to pursue my dream of becoming a nurse. This money will provide the much-needed wiggle room in our budget to provide some comforts after I have discontinued my previous career to pursue my dream of helping people as a nurse.

#### **WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...**

I chose TTUHSC because after living in Lubbock and working at the Texas Tech University main campus for the past 7 years, my wife and I have fallen in love with this community. Coming from the Dallas area West Texas has been such a blessing in our lives. We have made lifelong friends within the community and the university, and TTUHSC was the only place I could see myself pursuing a career in nursing. The fact that TTUHSC SON is a nationally recognized program that prepares students to enter into the field of nursing was just an amazing bonus.



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**BEVERLY MORENO**  
School of Nursing

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

My biggest goal is to help people in my community. Within the nursing field I know that I have the ability to help people both physically and emotionally, by providing compassionate care. Whether the health issue is stable or critical, first or final stages, nurses are at the forefront of my communities and medical care. I chose nursing as I want to be knowledgeable and readily accessible in any situation to tend to others' medical needs no matter where I may be.

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

As a first-generation college student, I have had financial and academic challenges, but these challenges have allowed me to see the true value in a college education. With this scholarship I plan to use the money to pay for my tuition and textbooks for my courses. With this scholarship, you have allowed me to focus on my studies by decreasing my financial hardship. Thanks to you I am able to follow my dreams.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I decided to attend Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center has always had a fantastic reputation. In addition to this, the TTUHSC Nursing School had above 95% passing rate on the state licensure examination. I knew that this university would equip me with the necessary tools to succeed in my future career of becoming a registered nurse.



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**CIARRA MELENDEZ**  
School of Nursing

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you so much again for this scholarship. I have never had much financial help from my parents, we grew up on the poorer side and thought college was out of the question, let alone a big university as TTU and TTUHSC. I was scared not knowing how it would even be possible to do on my own but with the help of generous donors such as yourself, things like nursing school is possible. This means so much to me, I am now one more step closer to my dream job. Thank you.

## WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

This scholarship will pay the remaining balance I owe for my summer semester tuition, a long with allowing me to get a head start at buying my fall semester books. This scholarship will also allow me to cut back on work in order to fully focus on school and stay ahead in order to get the most out of nursing school.

## WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I grew up in a TTU loving home, once I graduated high school I was able to look more into what TTU had to offer and ended up falling in love. I received my first degree at TTU and it was only necessary to attend nursing school at TTUHSC right after. I enjoy the diversity tech has to offer and I have only met great and above-average professors thus far. Always a Red Raider. Go Tech!