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ROBYN SMITH
School of Nursing

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you for investing in me. I was devastated that I could not afford the NCLEX due to circumstances out of my control, and this scholarship has been life changing for me. I will be beginning my career in nursing by serving the community as an Oncology nurse, and your donation has made this possible for me.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

This scholarship has enabled me to pay for my NCLEX RN examination, which I would not have been able to do without this assistance. I will also be able to purchase required review materials for my final semester. Also, this scholarship will enable me to financially support myself until I begin my career in Oncology nursing.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

When I was a CNA, I noticed that the TTUHSC nursing students were always the most respected, prepared, and professional of the schools represented at Hendrick Health. As a native of Abilene, TX, TTUHSC has a reputation that precedes itself. TTUHSC has prepared me for success in the nursing profession through the world class facilities, faculty, and community.



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ANNE NIBLO SWEETSER

School of Nursing

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

I want to work as a registered nurse in Abilene. I hope to work in a practice that cares for children or work at the Abilene State Supported Living Center caring for disabled adults. As a parent who has returned to college, there were no available funds in our family budget for college for mom.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

I will pay for a textbook, stethoscope, IV medication reference guide, oral medication reference guide and N95 mask that I charged on my credit card. It is important to have a quality stethoscope for use in our clinical student rotations at the hospital. We work each week under the supervision of an RN coach at the hospital, and each student needs to provide their own equipment.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

When my child was a toddler, he was non-verbal and could not hold himself upright. Today, my son is a high school honors student. He has grown to 150 lbs. and 76 inches. My son follows a strict medical diet, and he is well today. We have been blessed with miracles that many families with disabled children never see. As a TTUHSC RN, I want to care for children who have not had the opportunities that my child has had to regain health. I want to return the educational investment that Tech has by working as an RN in Abilene.



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CATHERINE FLETCHER

School of Nursing

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

This scholarship means everything to me. Not only because I was chosen to receive these funds, but how It has given me some piece of mind. I am my mother's primary caretaker as she is currently battling the latter stages of Huntington's disease. This is emotionally draining, and this scholarship will help me stay motivated, and driven to truly earn this gift. Thank you for your kindness and help!

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

I am a thirty-three year old student, who is completely funding myself through school. To fully dedicate myself to the TTUHSC nursing program, I am a full time student and not working. This scholarship will allow me to put money toward the loans I have taken out, and purchase a second pair of scrubs for level two. This has really given me peace of mind.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

My father and grandfather are Texas Tech University alumni, and I have "bled red" since the day I was born! I began my nursing journey after becoming a surgical technologist, which evolved into my desire to obtain my BSN. It was important to go to a respected and well rounded university for nursing, as I know this will help my future employment. From the moment I made the decision to apply for the nursing program, I never looked back! I know TTUHSC SON is where I am meant to be.

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JENNIFER RAHE
School of Nursing

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

I'm a woman who married her high school sweetheart who's never had a career, just jobs I could get while my husband was active military. I decided later in life to pursue my career. These scholarships go a long way in preventing women like me from feeling like we're taking away from our family. I will be joining an acute care team upon passing my NCLEX and am looking forward to serving the Abilene community.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

I will be using these funds to buy some new scrubs and to go toward my NCLEX testing and prep. The rest will be going into a savings. This will take a massive financial burden off my family and I am so grateful, especially so close to the holiday seasons. It will help me cover living expenses until I am able to begin working.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I chose TTUHSC because of its reputation in the town as well as their impressive NCLEX passing rate. I wanted a program that offered dedicated learning within a shorter time frame so that I could minimize the time reduced to one income and get back into the work force quickly. When I visited the campus, I was impressed by the values statements they had posted and I felt like the instructors were very approachable.



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JORDAN REITER
School of Nursing

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you so much for your generosity and commitment to supporting healthcare in Abilene. Abilene is such a special community. I have lived in Cross Plains for almost 4 years and Abilene is where we go for almost everything. We play roller hockey, go to movies, and play in the park here. It means so much to receive a scholarship from people who also care so much about Abilene. Thank you so much for this incredible honor.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

There are a lot of extra expenses in this last semester of nursing school. This scholarship will help me pay for my Nursing Jurisprudence Exam, NCLEX, and additional review and study materials that we are required to purchase. This scholarship will keep me from having to take out more loans to pay for school expenses, keeping my financial burden to a minimum after graduation.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I chose TTUHSC because I love Abilene. The campus is beautiful and the program gives me an opportunity to complete clinicals in hospitals I want to work in. The TTUHSC program has been even more amazing than I expected. I did not expect it to feel so much like a family where everyone has cared about me and my success in this program. The standards are high, but everyone here has worked to help me meet those high standards.



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KATELYN TAYLOR
School of Nursing

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you to Willie I., Wanda and W.F. Martin for making this scholarship possible for students like myself. My goal is to start applying for jobs as soon as possible and join the work force. I have a desire to work in Labor & Delivery, so I am hoping/praying that that door will be opened for me. This scholarship will allow me to start paying back the student loans I have accumulated and ease the burden as I start my nursing journey. That means I can start working with less stress than I would, if I had not received it.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

I will be using these scholarship funds to start the process of paying back my student loans. Throughout my schooling journey the cloud of student debt has seemed to follow me and scare me for the future after graduation. This money will allow me to make the first payments after I graduate and let me focus on working and enjoying being a new nurse.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I chose TTUHSC due to their known accomplishments with preparing high quality nurses and for having great pass rates with the NCLEX. They also have a campus that was in my home town (Abilene), which made it very accessible for me. Due to TTUHSC's high academic standards I feel as though I am well prepared for not only passing my NCLEX, but for the hospitals as well.



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KATIE WILLIAMS
School of Nursing

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you so much for helping me to focus on school rather than my finances. Finals are stressful enough and your contributions have decreased my stress tremendously. I plan on working in acute care for the first few years of my career, and then applying to CRNA school. When I am successfully a nurse I plan on being as generous as you and helping another student to succeed.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

These funds will be able to help me catch up on past due rent and bills. I will also be able to purchase a parking sticker for my car. I will also use these funds to pay for the remainder of my health insurance balance. I was very overwhelmed on how I would be able to catch up and you have helped me to regain my normalcy.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I chose TTUHSC because there is such a strong reputation for TTUHSC's nursing school graduates. The NCLEX pass rate is also higher than any other nursing schools in the surrounding area. What stood out the most to me when I visited was the simulation center and how advanced it is.



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KAYLA KRACKENFELS
School of Nursing

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

I am immensely grateful for this scholarship. I have recently underwent a very hard breakup with a man I spent six years with and my financial support has changed drastically. This scholarship could not have come at a better time during my third level of nursing school. I plan to use this scholarship towards my tuition and my rent and I would love to give back to my community as I become a wonderful registered nurse in September. Thank you again for this scholarship!

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

I plan to use these scholarship funds to apply to my tuition in nursing school and for daily things like my rent and groceries. I have recently had to take a pay cut in my occupation outside of nursing school due to the amount of time I available from studying. I have also had a huge change in my living situation and am now paying for everything out of pocket. I am beyond grateful to have this scholarship awarded to me.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I chose TTUHSC because I love my community here in Abilene, TX and would love to continue serving the individuals within this community. I have previously gone to Hardin-Simmons University for my Bachelors and this has prepared me for my success with TTUHSC. Both are amazing schools and I am very appreciative to be apart of this nursing program.



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LYNDSI MIDDLETON

School of Nursing

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Since I have been in school, I have been through so much with getting pregnant in my first semester at TTUHSC and then by the end of my second semester, I went into premature labor with my son Zakkary. He spent 15 hours in the Hendrick NICU and since then I have now shifted my focus on becoming a NICU nurse. In my spare time I have organized a fundraiser for the NICU because how awesome they were and this past weekend was able to raise over \$15,000 for the Hendrick NICU. I truly believe in paying it forward.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

This scholarship will not only allow me to help pay back student loans taken, but will also allow me to acquire the tools and resources I need throughout the rest of my semesters at TTUHSC. Due to our one income household, this will help relieve my husband from financial duties for any school items purchased. Items usually purchased to help me maintain a convenient learning environment would be a new printer for all my school work, because my old one is breaking down and training tools for IV sticks, and med administration.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I chose TTUHSC because the success rate of their graduating students. TTUHSC was my number one choice and really my only choice because I was so adamant about coming to this school. I have peers that have been through the program and have only spoken great things and I couldn't let that opportunity pass. So I worked really hard to try to make it into this school and I feel so very blessed and thankful to be able to come to TTUHSC.



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MADISON PLEASANT
School of Nursing

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you for making this scholarship available for nursing students like me. Nursing school, especially during COVID-19, has been extremely hard to navigate. This scholarship helps ease the financial burden that has been brought on by COVID-19. My long-term goal is to be a clinical educator and give back to students just like the faculty of TTUHSC has given to me. This scholarship is a tremendous help and I could not be more grateful for being a recipient.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

I plan on using this scholarship to help ease my transition into the nursing field by helping me finish the semester with having hardly any income. This is a tremendous help to me and my husband right now. We are now able to pay off some credit card debt and purchase groceries. Thank you for making this scholarship possible.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

TTUHSC has always been an interest of mine because of the high percentage of NCLEX pass rates. When I interviewed for entry into the nursing program, the faculty immediately made a wonderful impression on me. From day one, they have shown nothing but compassion towards me and the student body as a whole. I have nothing but great things to say about the faculty at TTUHSC. They have all created such a healthy and welcoming learning environment.



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SAMUEL MUSONERA
School of Nursing

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you very much for your kindness and for believing in me. This means so much to me and my family. I plan to finish my BSN degree and start working as nurse while I continue with schooling part time to be a psychiatric Nurse Practitioner. I always feel like my life has meaning and a purpose when I am of service to others. My main goal is to influence other's lives for the better and holistically help the patients I encounter to turn their lives around and live a better life.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

The funds from this scholarship will help me pay for my NCLEX exam and for study review materials. I plan to purchase food and pay for home bills as I focus full time on school work and clinicals. I am very thankful for this financial assistance especially during this difficult time of a universal pandemic.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I choose TTUHSC because of its long history of excellence and high student success rate. My brother went through TTUHSC about 7 years ago to be a nurse and he always brags about how much he loved the faculty, curriculum, and clinicals at Hendricks Medical Center. At TTUHSC I am confident I will get a high level quality of education and will be well prepared and competent enough to work in any healthcare settings as a nurse. I also specifically chose the Abilene location to be closer to home to help my elderly parents as much as possible.



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UZOAMAKA OROGBU

School of Nursing

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

As I mentioned, I plan on buying a new car to help me get to and from work without the stress of worrying about my car giving out on me, but I also am hoping to sometime soon accept a job offer for a hospital in Dallas for an ICU to help make a difference in this deadly pandemic. It means so much to me that I have been chosen to receive these funds especially with all of the costs that are adding up with graduating, and preparing to take the NCLEX—this helps me a TON.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

The COVID-19 pandemic has been financially stressful for just about everyone, and being in nursing school with the limited ability to work has made it difficult for me to save money. I have a 12 year old car that has been reliable, but will more than likely give me problems when I make the move back to DFW to work with the increasing amount of traffic that's present so this scholarship helps me a great deal with saving up for a new to me car. It's going to help alleviate the stress as I start working as a registered nurse.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I previously attended ACU with the hopes of getting into their nursing program but was unable to stay there because of how expensive it is. It was a great deal of stress for me, but I knew that I was capable of going to nursing school so instead of moving back to DFW where things are more high stress and competitive, I chose to apply to TTUHSC's nursing program, and it has honestly been the absolute best decision of my life.



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BRANDY FLANNAGAN

School of Nursing

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Your investment into the future of Nursing Students like myself is such a big inspiration. By investing in my future, you are assisting me in reaching my goal of getting My BSN. I to one day plan on donating to future Nursing Students. I can only think of the future patients I will help due to your financial blessing.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

Simply put these funds will assist me in paying a couple of bills. I will pay my electric and internet bills because these are both essential during this time. The Pandemic has forced Nursing Students to adapt to doing lectures at home via zoom. That reason is why this two bills are so important at this time.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

While I worked as a Pharmacy Technician at CVS Pharmacy, I had the pleasure of working with TTUHSC School of Pharmacy students during there rotations. The students shared there experiences with TTUHSC, and this is when I made up my mind that I to one day would attend TTUHSC, but the School of Nursing.



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HAILEY NIGRO
School of Nursing

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you so much for choosing me to be a recipient of this scholarship. This money truly impacts my life by easing the stress of moving to start my nursing career. I would love to give back to nursing students in the Abilene community in the future because this makes such a difference in any college student's life.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

Since I am in my final semester, I have already paid for all of my tuition. This money will help me move to a new city to start my career as an RN. This will act as an aid in housing and food while I am waiting to pass my NCLEX and start working.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I chose TTUHSC due to its impressively high NCLEX pass rate and amazing professors. What stood out to me about this school was how great the curriculum is and how ALL staff are willing to help you grow as a student nurse. From the sim lab to clinical placements, I feel that this school has shaped me into a wonderful future RN.



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JENNIFER ASHBY
School of Nursing

BECAUSE YOU GAVE...

Thank you so much for your generous donation. I am grateful for people like yourself who make scholarships possible. Your kindness helps improve TTUHSC, health care in West Texas and beyond as students go throughout their careers. I am inspired by generous donors like yourself and hope to one day do the same for future students.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, I CAN...

This scholarship will help my family and I incur less debt as I finish my education. I knew when I was accepted to nursing school that it was going to be a rough 16 months, little did we know what COVID-19 also had in store. With a husband and two young children every dollar counts. Thanks to generous donors like yourself, I am able to complete my education without a ton of student debt.

WHY I CHOSE TTUHSC...

I chose TTUHSC because of the incredible reputation. As one of the top nursing schools in the state and the nation I am honored to have been admitted to such a prestigious program. The faculty and staff of TTUHSC are incredible and their education will be carried through to our patients wherever we may go. I love the positivity and happiness that TTUHSC staff and faculty always share, even through times of adversity.



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