

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Nursing Clinicals

Subsidizing nursing clinicals for senior nursing students at TTUHSC



A Partnership Between TTUHSC and Workforce Solutions Borderplex

Supporting the next generation of nurses in the borderland, Workforce Solutions (WSB) Borderplex partnered with the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) to subsidize nursing clinicals for senior nursing students. WSB provided a \$60,000 commitment to offer \$15 per hour wages for seniors completing their clinicals as part of their nursing degrees – a requirement for all students in TTUHSC's nursing programs.

Divided into two tracks, Senior 1 and Senior 2, students completed 120 hours and 90 hours respectively. Funds from WSB subsidized salaries for WIOA Adult and WIOA Dislocated Worker students, providing access to opportunities that might otherwise not be available. A collaborative effort, nursing directors at local hospitals and TTUHSC provided referrals while the WSB team completed the onboarding process for participants.

About TTUHSC's Nursing Program

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center's nursing program, housed within the Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing, offers an accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing as well as a master's degree in nursing. The curriculum prepares students for nursing careers in a wide variety of health fields and hospital units and requires students to complete clinical rotations to gain hands-on, real-world experience in the field.

About the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Program

The WIOA program offers job assistance and workforce development opportunities to jobseekers and to organizations supporting jobseekers in finding training, education, and support in their job search. Through WIOA, individuals and organizations can find financial aid, education and training, and employment resources to aid in job search efforts.

Defining WIOA Adult and WIOA Dislocated Worker

Through the WIOA Act Program, adult workers are supported through six core programs, including the WIOA Adult and WIOA Dislocated Worker program. The Dislocated Worker program is designed to support individuals who are out of work due to "job loss, mass layoffs, global trade dynamics, or transitions in economic sectors" in obtaining employment as quickly as possible through education, training opportunities, and employment programs.

Successes & Outcomes



Through this initiative, WSB successfully provided wages for 34 students, including 32 under WIOA Adult and two under WIOA Dislocated Worker between TTUHSC's Spring 2025 and Summer 2025 clinical rotations.