

Our Programs

Scenic Rivers Area Health Education Center partners with schools, businesses, and healthcare organizations to create and facilitate hands-on learning opportunities for high school and higher education students, professionals, and communities.

High School Students

- Health careers curriculum presentations
- Hands on Health career exploration days
- Job shadow resources
- Multi-day health careers camps
- AHEConnect mentoring program

Higher Education Students

- Community health projects for 3rd and 4th year medical students
- Interprofessional activities
- Rural healthcare tours
- WI Express Program (cultural immersion)

Professionals

- Cultural competency resources
- Nurse Educator Summit
- Emergency Preparedness/Trauma Simulations
- Informed Caring Website

Community Members

- Health Literacy for English Language Learners
- Community Health Internship Program (CHIP)
- Coalitions, collaborations, and committees to enhance community health

Contact Us

Discuss partnership opportunities and learn more about our current programs.

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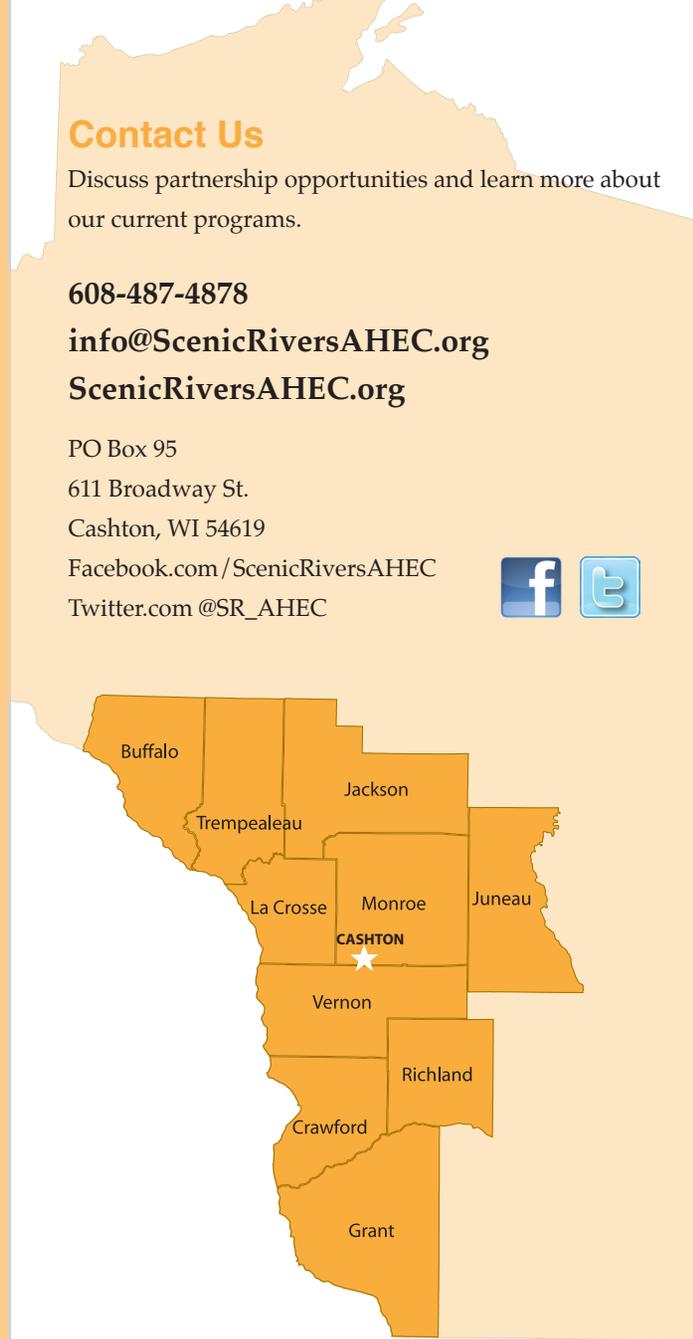
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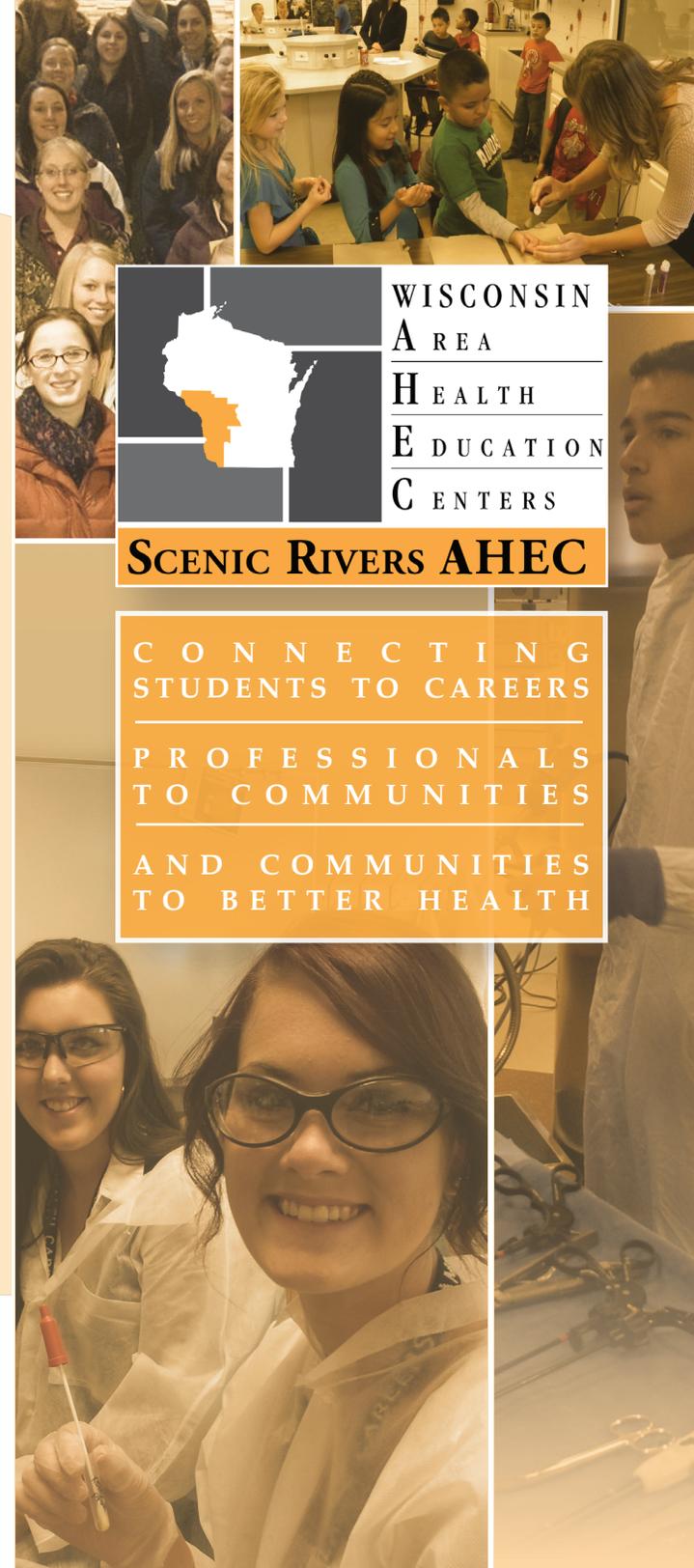
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SRAHEC serves a ten county region including Buffalo, Crawford, Grant, Jackson, Juneau, La Crosse, Monroe, Richland, Trempealeau, and Vernon counties.





What We Do

Healthcare is a major concern for our nation as we struggle to find a balance between affordability, access, and quality.

Gaining access to quality healthcare is even more difficult for individuals living in rural or underserved areas—due in large part to a shortage of healthcare providers.

Area Health Education Centers work diligently to decrease that gap, by educating students about healthcare careers, and in particular about the benefits, and challenges, of working in rural and other underserved settings. Through hands-on educational opportunities, we seek to encourage more students to pursue healthcare careers and ultimately practice in those areas that need them the most, helping fill the need for healthcare providers in rural and underserved communities.



Area Health Education Centers

Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) were created as community-based, not-for-profit organizations as a national initiative in 1971. Area Health Education Centers are funded by a federal grant and appropriation from the state legislature.

Scenic Rivers Area Health Education Center is one of seven AHECs in operation throughout the state of Wisconsin, which are connected by a state program office located in Madison, Wisconsin.

1971: The Area Health Education Center (AHEC) national initiative begins

1990: Wisconsin's AHEC program was founded with a small state grant

2010: Scenic Rivers AHEC became an independent 501(c)(3) organization



Benefits

In our first years of operation, Scenic Rivers Area Health Education Center has:

- Educated over 2,200 high school students about healthcare related careers
- Engaged over 100 3rd year medical school students in community outreach projects, enhancing their educational experiences and local communities' health
- Collaborated with six partner organizations to deliver the nurse educator summit, focusing on innovative approaches to nursing education and reaching over 100 participants
- Introduced over 400 nursing students to public and rural health opportunities, helping them develop an interest in working in rural and underserved communities



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