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**TERWILLIGER PLAZA, INC PROVIDES BENSON HIGH SCHOOL  
STUDENTS WITH SCHOLARSHIPS**

**Portland, Oregon – January 29, 2009 – Terwilliger Plaza, Inc.** ("TPI"), a continuing care retirement community, is offering Benson High School Seniors in the Nursing Assistant Program with scholarships ranging from \$100 to \$500 to use while still in high school.

“We currently offer these students on-site training in our downtown retirement community,” said CEO/President Dee Sellner. “We wish to support future caregivers, CMA’s, LPN’s, RN’s, CNA’s and other healthcare professionals in their early education toward that goal, because the need for quality healthcare providers is vital to everyone.”

Students must complete an application along with an essay that outlines why they are pursuing a career in health services, along with the amount of the request and to what purpose it will be utilized. Students are encouraged to include their volunteer or community activities with the application. This application is reviewed by their Health Services teacher, Sally Niedermeyer, along with staff and select members, who live at Terwilliger Plaza.

Scholarship funds can be used for supporting their studies related to the health industry, including, but not limited to, purchasing books, tools or equipment, scrubs (uniforms), tuition for other classes specific to health studies or registration fees to attend statewide health conferences.

“These students are already dedicated to the field of healthcare,” said Sally Niedermeyer, RN. “The opportunity for them to interact with the seniors living at Terwilliger Plaza gives them a new perspective on aging and the opportunities to pursue careers working with this population.

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And these scholarships will help so many of them offset additional costs that many can't afford to incur while studying in high school.”

Terwilliger Plaza also donated \$1,662 to Benson High School for the purchase of a Monitor Spot Vital Signs machine that students can use for training purposes.

Terwilliger Plaza was incorporated in 1958 by a group of retired educators and is a self-governed, not-for-profit retirement community with over 300 member residents living in independent apartments, enhanced Assisted Living apartments, and a residential health center.

For additional information about Terwilliger Plaza's community visit our website:

[www.terwilligerplaza.com](http://www.terwilligerplaza.com)

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