



Photo L to R: Susie Ryks, Helpline Center; Erica Miller, Alpha Center; Dorene Cink, September Volunteer of the Month; and Kyle Rokeh, MetaBank.

September Volunteer of the Month Celebrated

The Helpline Center congratulates Dorene Cink on being named the September 2016 Volunteer of the Month, an area-wide award program sponsored by the Helpline Center and MetaBank.

Dorene has been volunteering at the Alpha Center since 2012. She comes in weekly to do a variety of volunteer projects, but her main role is to sort and organize the items that are donated to the Baby Closet and put together gift packets for new and expecting mothers. She spends a lot of time making sure that the Baby Closet is well-organized and stocked with the items that clients need the most. Since all the items in the Baby Closet are donated, she lets staff members know when there is an item that we are running low on so we can request donations of that item. She also helps with whatever other volunteer projects need to be done such as cleaning, putting together packets, addressing envelopes and assembling items to hand out at various booths and events. Dorene also volunteers at the Alpha Center's annual dinner event.

Alpha Center staff said, "Dorene plays such a huge part in our organization through her volunteer service in our baby closet and other various things. We appreciate her attention to detail when handling donations and clerical duties. It is so helpful for us to know that we can count on Dorene to be here every week and take care of those donations. Dorene is an

invaluable asset to the Alpha Center's work in the Sioux Falls community, and we cannot express enough how appreciative we are of her."

The Helpline Center and MetaBank are pleased to present Dorene with a framed certificate, a gift from MetaBank and a letter of appreciation from Mayor Huether. We will also honor Dorene again at the Spirit of Volunteerism Awards banquet on May 11, 2017.

For information on volunteer opportunities please call the Helpline Center at 211 or visit www.helplinecenter.org.