

Public Service Announcement

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May Volunteer of the Month



L to R: Major Tom Riggs, The Salvation Army; Daryl DuBois, May Volunteer of the Month; Susie Ryks, Helpline Center; Tera Finley, MetaBank

The Helpline Center congratulates Daryl DuBois on being named the May 2019 Volunteer of the Month, an area-wide award program sponsored by the Helpline Center and MetaBank.

Daryl spends part of his summer every year painting the homes of seniors and/or disabled persons through The Salvation Army's Paint a Thon program. Along with the painting of the home, garage and shed, he also does any minor repairs like chalking, replacing trim pieces or securing loose boards. Even though those tasks are not required of him, Daryl goes above and beyond to make the homes look as beautiful as he can.

Daryl started out helping with the program before The Salvation Army was asked to take it over in 2007. Going back through our history records of the program, Daryl has volunteered his services for at least 15 years. Daryl spends four or five months of the year working on Paint a Thon homes. Over the last 15 years, Daryl has transformed an average of 2 homes a year.

One of Daryl's colleague shared, "He truly cares about the homeowners and wants to help them achieve the pride they once had in the appearance of their home. He recognizes that their lack of physical ability in being able to accomplish these tasks on their own, has an effect on them mentally. His servant's heart compels him to help them with making their home shine again. He communicates with the homeowner about his volunteer services, he asks what they'd like to see done, and he builds a relationship with them over the course of the summer as he works on their home. It's not just a project for him. It's about a relationship as well. We're so grateful he chooses to continue helping people through the Paint a Thon program."

The Helpline Center and MetaBank are pleased to present Daryl with a framed certificate, a gift from MetaBank, and a letter of appreciation from Mayor Paul TenHaken. We will honor him again at the Spirit of Volunteerism Awards Luncheon on May 9, 2019.