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## Helpline Center & Black Hills Urgent Care name August Volunteer of the Month



Left to Right: Heidi Bell Gease with Helpline Center, August Volunteer of Month Adrian Romeyn, and Wendy Barrett from WellFully.

RAPID CITY - The Helpline Center and Black Hills Urgent Care are pleased to announce that Adrian Romeyn has been named the August 2018 Volunteer of the Month.

The Volunteer of the Month program is sponsored by the Helpline Center and Black Hills Urgent Care, a division of Black Hills Surgical Hospital. Volunteer of the Month recognizes outstanding individuals who make the community stronger through volunteerism.

Romeyn was nominated by Wellfully where he has volunteered as a tutor for over a year.

Adrian is a School of Mines student who takes time out of his busy schedule to tutor the youth at WellFully. He tutors at least twice a week through the school year, helping Wellfully youth complete their homework assignments. Adrian is a friend and a great example to the youth at WellFully. He often sticks around after homework time to just "hang out" with the youth.

Besides helping with Homework, Adrian has helped with many other large activities and events at WellFully. He pitched in to help at the We Believe in Kids dinner, organizing the raffle prizes. He also helped at the

WellFully Stampede, helping to ensure that all of our runners completed the race safely. You can count on Adrian to help other volunteers feel comfortable, and to go out of his way to make sure the WellFully youth feel included and involved.

The youth, staff, and other volunteers at WellFully really appreciate Adrian and look forward to seeing him each week. Adrian is an incredible person who is friendly and welcoming to everyone. The time he spends tutoring youth, doesn't just help them in school, it helps them to know that they matter and that someone truly cares about them. Spending time with kids and helping with homework doesn't sound like a very big deal, but it makes a huge difference in the lives of the at-risk teens at WellFully.

Helpline Center and Black Hills Urgent Care presented Romeyn with a framed certificate and Helpline Center T-shirt, gifts from Black Hills Urgent Care and a letter of appreciation from Rapid City Mayor Steve Allender. The Helpline Center will also recognize Romeyn at the Spirit of Volunteerism Awards banquet on Tuesday, May 21, 2019, at the Best Western Ramkota Hotel and Convention Center.

For information on volunteer opportunities, please call the Helpline Center at 211 or visit <u>www.helplinecenter.org</u>