



**Public Service Announcement**

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

RAPID CITY - The Helpline Center and Black Hills Urgent Care are pleased to announce that Michelle Pope has been named the August 2017 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.

Pope was nominated by Maryann Leanna of Cornerstone Rescue Mission Apartments.

Leanna says that when Pope lived at the Cornerstone Apartments, she went out of her way to volunteer for any tasks needed. Leanna wrote, "She is always quick to volunteer, never asking for anything in return and takes great pride in anything she does. She is so motivated and a great tenant and friend."

Helpline Center and Black Hills Urgent Care presented Pope 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 Pope at the Spirit of Volunteerism Awards banquet on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, at the Best Western Ramkota/Minervas.

For information on volunteer opportunities, please call the Helpline Center at 211 or visit [www.helplinecenter.org](http://www.helplinecenter.org)



**Pictured are Kathy Lees of Black Hills Surgical Hospital; Michelle Pope, the August Volunteer of the Month; Maryann Leanna of Cornerstone Rescue Mission Apartments; and Lynn Taylor Rick of the Helpline Center.**