

January 2021 Sioux Empire Volunteer of the Month Andrea Dick



L to R: Susie Ryks, Helpline Center; Casey Christensen, Wellmark; Andrea Dick, January Volunteer of the Month; Lori Clausen, Wellmark; and Erica Miller; Alpha Center

The Helpline Center congratulates Andrea Dick on being named the Sioux Empire January 2021 Volunteer of the Month, an area-wide award program sponsored by Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield of SD.

Since October 2015, Andrea Dick has faithfully volunteered at Alpha Center. Her passion for sharing hope with men and women and inspiring them to pursue virtue was made evident through her volunteer service as a Client Advocate. As an advocate, Andrea saw how clients benefited from Alpha Center's Earn While You Learn (EWYL) incentive program. She currently volunteers to help with special events throughout the year, including Alpha Center's annual fundraising dinner.

In addition to volunteering, Andrea has chosen to use AMaVo Boutique, her family-owned business, to partner with Alpha Center on numerous occasions. The store annually designates merchandise space on their sales floor to host a drop-off site during the Sioux Empire's Largest Baby Shower, showcasing Alpha Center programs and services. This allows more members of the community to learn about the work of Alpha Center. The gesture also greatly benefits Alpha Center's clients who participate in EWYL and use their incentive points in Alpha's Baby Boutique.

An Alpha Center staff commented, "Andrea and the AMaVo team are always seeking innovative, new ideas to further the success of Alpha Center. Whether it be boosting the morale of Alpha Center's staff or serving Alpha Center clients with respect and dignity, we are grateful to Andrea for choosing to be a source of encouragement."

The Helpline Center are pleased to present Andrea with a framed certificate and a letter of appreciation from Mayor Paul TenHaken.

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

