

March 2021
Sioux Empire Volunteers of the Month
Julia Price Lee and Marisa Morris



Julia Price Lee and Marisa Morris, March Volunteers of the Month, snapped this picture while volunteering at EmBe's Dress for Success Sioux Falls program.

The Helpline Center congratulates Julia Price Lee and Marisa Morris on being named the Sioux Empire March 2021 Volunteer of the Month, an area-wide award program sponsored by Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield of SD.

In July of 2020, as the pandemic continued to rage, Julia Price Lee and Marisa Morris stepped up day after day for EmBe's Dress for Success Sioux Falls program each dedicating more than 35 hours of work to the program in the month of July alone. Many of Dress for Success's generous donors have spent these months of social distancing and quarantining tidying their closets and preparing donations to our program. The result has been record donations arriving at Dress for Success Sioux Falls. Julia and Marisa have been there to receive donations, sort donations, answer phones, schedule donations, prepare for our Boutique by Appointment sale, and even use their creativity and enthusiasm to style outfits for donors who have made contributions through the "Boutique Bag" program.

A staff from EmBe commented, "Julia and Marisa have selflessly contributed to EmBe's empowering mission at Dress for Success Sioux Falls in ways that exceed every expectation, especially in these pandemic times. They have not just done the job, but played an active role in making improvements to meet clients' and donors' needs and offer top-notch customer service. Their dedication to the mission, their positive, can-do attitudes, and their creativity and innovation when its most needed make them a worthy duo to receive this recognition. Further,

their Julia and Marisa clearly demonstrate that whether you're a volunteer with a long history or a volunteer just beginning your relationship with an organization and its mission, every volunteer and every hour dedicated to advancing the mission matters. They've made an impact on the people we serve, the staff at EmBe and other volunteers who are a part of advancing the mission and empowering women in the community. And best of all, Julia and Marisa have become fast friends, bonding over the common purpose they find as volunteers at EmBe's Dress for Success Sioux Falls program.”

The Helpline Center are pleased to present Julia Price Lee and Marisa Morris with a 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.

