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## Helpline Center & Black Hills Urgent Care name January 2021 Volunteer of the Month



Pictured: Sally Munger, January 2021 Volunteer of the Month

RAPID CITY - The Helpline Center and Black Hills Urgent Care are pleased to announce that Sally Munger has been named the January 2021 Volunteer of the Month. Sally was nominated by The Career Learning Center of the Black Hills

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.

Sally is an exceptional mathematics teacher who retired and returned to assist Career Learning Center of the Black Hills in tutoring mathematics from very basic concepts through intermediate college algebra concepts. Sally served as an Adult Basic Education instructor for 26 years prior to her retirement and she has served off and on for the last two years in the capacity of a tutor. Sally has a gift for instilling confidence in an individual's ability to reason mathematically. She is able to help people who struggle with mathematical concepts to realize the practical implications of understanding the math for daily living. Students who do not believe that math is something they are strong in always benefit from her examples. Sally carefully explains why it is a necessity to know and understand math in today's world. She understands that students in adult education classrooms who are working to go to college or complete a high school equivalency have often struggled in the past; she is a kind and caring counselor who never judges a personal situation.

Sally Munger can recognize when students are struggling with trauma of any sort. She recognizes students struggling in the crisis of poverty, addictions, health issues, housing issues, child care issues and the wide gambit of additional issues students face. Sally has helped students gain a sponsor for AA, attend meetings or get assistance in a plethora of ways.

Stephenie Rittberger of the Career Learning Center exclaims. "The Career Learning Center of the Black Hills benefited immensely from the expertise of a master mathematics teacher tutoring in GED® preparatory classrooms or for college placement purposes. She assisted at least 320 students in this year alone and has touched thousands over the course of her teaching career."

Helpline Center and Black Hills Urgent Care presented Sally, virtually, gifts from Black Hills Urgent Care and Surgical Hospital. A Volunteer of the Month certificate, and a letter of appreciation from Mayor Allender were sent by mail.

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