

## September 2023 Sioux Empire Volunteer of the Month Susan Benson & Jean McHale

(Left to Right: Dawn Stephens, Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield of SD; Susan Benson, Honoree; Julie Becker, St. Francis House; Jean McHale, Honoree; Jennie Marks, Helpline Center)

The Helpline Center congratulates Susan Benson and Jean McHale on being named the Sioux Empire September 2023 Volunteers of the Month, an area-wide award program sponsored by Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield of SD.

Susan and Jean are registered nurses who volunteer at the St. Francis House. They come to St. Francis House twice a week to meet with the guests and to help direct them through the medical system. Some of the guests just need someone to talk to about their health concerns, while others need to be directed to a clinic and a few times to the emergency room. The guest's needs range from diabetes and high blood pressure to sleep apnea and medication management. Sue and Jean are amazing volunteers giving of their time and sharing their medical care to guide the guests at the St. Francis House through the medical system.

The Helpline Center is pleased to present Susan & Jean framed certificates and letters of appreciation from Mayor Paul Ten Haken.



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