

July 2024 Sioux Empire Volunteer of the Month Cheryl Ulvestad



Left to Right: Brittany Kleinhesselink, Helpline Center; Paige O'Farrell, Outdoor Campus; Cheryl Ulvestad, Honoree; Dawn Stephens, Wellmark BCBS of SD

The Helpline Center congratulates Cheryl Ulvestad on being named the Sioux Empire July 2024 Volunteer of the Month. Volunteer of the Month is an area-wide award program sponsored by Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield of SD. Cheryl is nominated by the Outdoor Campus.

Her nomination states, "Throughout her years of service at the Outdoor Campus, Cheryl has volunteered with nearly everything we have to offer. These days, you can find her answering questions and directing visitors on Mondays and Saturdays while she mans the front desk."

"Cheryl has been a volunteer with us for nearly 16 years. Throughout those 16 years, she has donated over 4,000 hours of service to the Outdoor Campus. Cheryl is here at least two times a week—manning the front desk on Monday mornings and all-day Saturday. Most weeks, we are lucky to see her more than twice a week. She also serves on the Friends of the Outdoor Campus Board and is helping move the Outdoor Campus expansion plans along. In the past, Cheryl was one of our go-to archery volunteers. She also helped with our Middle Schools Days program on a weekly basis."

Cheryl is a vital member of our volunteer team. She rarely ever misses a Monday or Saturday volunteer shift. Cheryl is also here to help with nearly every special event we host. We can always count on her to offer helpful feedback and ideas regarding changes at the Outdoor Campus. She always has the good of the Outdoor Campus in her foresight. Again, Cheryl is a critical member of the Outdoor Campus team. She's known for forming strong relationships with our seasonal interns and other volunteers. Cheryl recognizes hard work when she sees it and is sure to compliment others on their efforts. We love having Cheryl with us at the Outdoor Campus. This place would not be the same without her insightful knowledge and witty humor.

The Helpline Center is pleased to present Cheryl with a framed certificate and a letter of appreciation from Mayor Paul Ten Haken.



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