

September 2024 Sioux Empire Volunteer of the Month Jan Paulson



Left to Right: Dawn Stephens, Wellmark BCBS of SD; Paige O'Farrell, The Outdoor Campus; Jan Paulson, Honoree; Isabella Oliver, Helpline.

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

Throughout her tenure as an Outdoor Campus volunteer, Jan has helped with everything from preschool classes to special events to front desk duty. Over the last four years, Jan has dedicated her time to Wednesday morning front desk duty.

Jan has been volunteering at the Outdoor Campus-Sioux Falls since January of 2008. In her

12 years at the Outdoor Campus, she has donated over 700 hours of service to our organization. She is here every Wednesday morning volunteering at our front desk.

Jan exemplifies every quality of an outstanding volunteer. She always arrives with a smile on her face and a great attitude. Her positive and optimistic attitude is contagious to everyone around her—staff, visitors, class participants, and other volunteers. Jan is quick to greet visitors as they walk through the door and answer their questions or direct them to staff who can answer their questions. Even when Jan isn't here for her usual volunteer shift, she's always here to help. It isn't out of the ordinary to see her doing dishes, wiping down counters, or helping clean up whatever class she was participating in. Jan is always such a delight to have at the Outdoor Campus. She lights up the building the second she walks in. We absolutely love having Jan here and can't wait for many more years with her!



The Helpline Center is pleased to present Jan 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