

## January 2025 Sioux Empire Volunteer of the Month Ron Lietzow

The Helpline Center congratulates Ron on being named the Sioux Empire January 2025 Volunteer of the Month. Volunteer of the Month is an area-wide award program sponsored by Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield of SD. Ron is nominated by Sanford Health.

His nomination states, Ron is a Wayfinder Volunteer at Sanford Health. He provides a warm welcome to our patients and visitors and helps them find their way to their appointment. Ron also delivers items to patients, like flowers, balloons, word find books, coloring pages, and more. He is open to helping with anything we need.

Ron has volunteered for almost 8 years. We are excited to see him each Tuesday at 10am. Ron has dedicated over 1,378 hours of service at our organization.

Ron is such a friendly person who does a lot of small tasks that make a big impact! In our large hospital, where patients are typically already anxious for their appointment, Ron puts them at ease by walking with them to their appointment. He is very accommodating of patients in wheelchairs, people who might need to walk a little slower, people who are hard of hearing, and more. He always makes everyone feel welcomed. We are grateful for all the ways Ron helps our patients, visitors, and staff in this place of healing.

The Helpline Center is pleased to present Ron 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 <u>volunteer.helplinecenter.org</u>.