

RESOLUTION  
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Charmian Klyve, Director  
INITIATED BY

Human Services Board  
SUBMITTED BY



Jennifer Thompson  
DRAFTED BY

March 16, 2016  
DATE DRAFTED

TO RECOGNIZE ROCK COUNTY SOCIAL WORKERS

1 WHEREAS, March has been declared National Social Worker Recognition Month; and,

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3 WHEREAS, the Rock County Board of Supervisors, representing the citizens of Rock County, wish to  
4 recognize the Rock County Human Services Social Workers for their excellence in delivering services to  
5 the citizens of Rock County; and,

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7 WHEREAS, the Social Workers of the Rock County Department of Human Services provide services to  
8 a wide variety of Rock County citizens; and,

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10 WHEREAS, the Social Workers in the Long Term Support (LTS) Division support the frail elderly and  
11 individuals with physical disabilities in our community. LTS Social Workers recognize the unique needs  
12 of each individual—each with their own desires and preferences. Their understanding of client needs and  
13 their knowledge of local resources is evident by the individual service plans created for each client they  
14 work with. Each plan is created with their clients outcomes first, thereby respecting client decisions and  
15 upholding their dignity and independence as much as possible. In addition, they compassionately help  
16 their clients to encourage positive relationships. LTS Social Workers assist the public every day by  
17 protecting our aged and vulnerable adults and by providing them support and opportunities to be a part of  
18 their communities; and,

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20 WHEREAS, the Social Workers in the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) support frail  
21 elderly and adults with physical and/or developmental disabilities as well as their family and caregivers.  
22 ADRC Social Workers provide reassurance, guidance, and support to people who do not otherwise know  
23 where to go for help. They listen attentively and help people understand their options by offering helpful  
24 and un-bias information regarding local resources in our community. They do this in a non-judgmental  
25 manner – helping to make customers experience at the ADRC a bit easier. In the end, they provide  
26 people the encouragement and support needed to make important life decisions; and,

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28 WHEREAS, the Social Workers in the Mental Health and AODA Division area provide high quality  
29 treatment and support services to individuals and families experiencing mental illness and substance  
30 abuse challenges across a comprehensive continuum of care, thereby reducing the need for restrictive  
31 institutional care and out of home placement. They provide assertive outreach to individuals with  
32 complex needs and engage them in welcoming and empathic relationships. These social workers assist  
33 clients in improving their quality of life, as defined by the client, and provide person centered,  
34 rehabilitative services focused on hope and recovery; and,

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36 WHEREAS, the Social Workers in the Children, Youth and Families (CYF) Division provide family-  
37 centered and strength-based services to children and families involved in the children protection and  
38 juvenile justice systems. CYF Social Workers are dedicated to ensuring child safety as well as  
39 supervising youth on juvenile supervision. Daily, social workers in the CYF Division work with high-  
40 risk families in the community to inspire hope and build skills for positive change. CYF Social Workers  
41 intervene when children are alleged to be abused and neglected, and engage youth who are in violation of  
42 the law. Countless children, youth and families are positively affected by the tireless work of CYF Social  
43 Workers.

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45 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors, duly  
46 assembled this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016, does hereby recognize the Rock County Social  
47 Workers for their excellent work and diligent efforts in the delivery of services to needy Rock County  
48 citizens and their families in 2016.

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50 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk be authorized and directed to furnish a copy of  
51 this resolution to the Rock County Human Services Department.

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Respectfully submitted,

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