

**RESOLUTION  
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Charmian Klyve, Director  
INITIATED BY

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DRAFTED BY

Human Services Board  
SUBMITTED BY



March 16, 2015  
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 Mental Health and AODA Division area provide high quality  
11 treatment and support services to individuals and families experiencing mental illness and substance  
12 abuse challenges across a comprehensive continuum of care thereby reducing the need for restrictive  
13 institutional care and out of home placement; they provide assertive outreach to individuals with complex  
14 needs and engage them in welcoming and empathic relationships. These social workers assist clients in  
15 improving their quality of life, as defined by the client, and provide person centered, rehabilitative  
16 services focused on hope and recovery; and,

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18 **WHEREAS**, the Social Workers in the Long Term Support (LTS) Division support the frail elderly and  
19 individuals with physical disabilities in our community. LTS Social Workers recognize that each client is  
20 an individual—with individual needs and individual preferences. Their understanding of client needs and  
21 knowledge of local resources is evident by the individual service plans created for each client they work  
22 with. While creating these service plans, LTS Social Workers put the wishes of their clients first, thereby  
23 upholding their dignity and independence as much as possible. In addition, the compassion with which  
24 they serve their clients provides for strong relationships. LTS Social Workers assist the public every day  
25 by protecting our aged and vulnerable adults and by providing them support and opportunities to be a part  
26 of their communities; and,

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28 **WHEREAS**, the Social Workers in the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) support frail  
29 elderly and adults with physical and/or developmental disabilities as well as their family and caregivers.  
30 ADRC Social Workers assist people who do not otherwise know where to go for help. They listen  
31 attentively to help sort out all of the issues presented and provide reassurance, guidance, and support.  
32 ADRC Social Workers offer helpful - un-bias information about local resources to their customers in a  
33 warm and friendly manner. They provide customers options in a time when they didn't even realize they  
34 had choice. In the end, they provide people the encouragement and support needed to make important life  
35 decisions; and,

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

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45 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors, duly  
46 assembled this 26 day of March, 2015, 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 2015.

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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.

Respectfully submitted,

Rock County Human Services Board

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