

## 2025 WAVE Award Update

Our committee of five are pleased to announce the 2025 WAVE award recipients. We had entries in four of the five categories this year. (There were none for Public Policy and Advocacy.) Of the eight entries received, four of the submissions were in the Community Service category. Two were in the Fundraising category, and one each were in the Community Outreach/Collaboration and In-Service categories.

All districts that submitted a volunteer program received status letters as did the CEO's of the winning programs. District chairs were informed of the status of their volunteer organizations' applications. Four entries were from the Northern District, two from the Western District, and one each from the Lakes and Southern Districts

The scoring process went smoothly with the help of Leigh Ann Larson. Kudos to Leigh Ann!

We appreciate the work that went into the application process and for all who submitted entries. We are hopeful that some who weren't selected this year will consider submitting their programs again in the future.

High Fives for the following award recipients who will be accepting their awards at the Tuesday evening dinner:

Category: Community Service Program  
WAVE Recipient: Volunteers of Prairie Ridge Health  
Program: Psychiatry Wellness Program

Category: In-Service  
WAVE Recipient: Cumberland Healthcare Volunteer Partners  
Program: Comfort Blankets

Category: Fundraising  
WAVE Recipient: Gundersen Partners  
Program: Connecting Through Books and Toys

Category: Community Outreach and/or Collaboration  
WAVE Recipient: Aspirus Volunteers - Medford  
Program: Lites of Love

WAVE Committee Members:

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| Ginger Arms       | Western District  | Crossing Rivers Health             |
| Patricia Brabazon | Southern District | Edgerton Hospital Auxiliary        |
| Julie Stellmacher | Lakes District    | Ripon Community Hospital Auxiliary |
| Leigh Ann Larson  | WHA               |                                    |

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Holdorf, Chair      Northern District      Aspirus Merrill Volunteers