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KDOL Honors Myra Warner for Volunteerism

TOPEKA, Kan. - The Kansas Department of Labor (KDOL) is proud to announce the winner of its Employee Recognition and Award Program, Myra Warner honored for Volunteerism. The KDOL Award Program is designed to recognize individual efforts that epitomize excellence. The success as an agency depends on each and every employee providing premier service, working in a team environment, producing results with cost control in mind, creativity and innovation, while serving their community. KDOL rewards employees who embrace these ideals as their own, taking them to the highest personal level possible in job performance.

Warner fills in and helps work the Hayden Hamburger Huddle at football games. When she's not working the huddle she is watching kids so others can work it. She also helps with the local Farmers Market. She fills in when they are shorthanded at the market on Saturdays and goes out in the field and helps when they harvest sweet corn, watermelon and cantaloupe.

Warner and her husband are the lead couple for Hands of Hope. It is a ministry where they go out on the street and feed the homeless and others a hot meal once a month. They have a team that goes with them and they also distribute toilet paper, bath soap, toothpaste, tooth brushes, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner and razors. They typically hand out approximately 350 meals.

In addition to this work she also finds time to serve as an active member of her church where she is the president of the women's fellowship group. She is in charge of organizing the meetings, bringing in guest speakers, staying within the budget and reporting to the Finance Council. Myra also helps work the parish Jamboree where she donates food, helps set up, helps work the food court along with all the cleanup. Warner also donated some of her paintings that have sold for over \$600.

Warner is truly devoted to being involved with the community, reaching out to those who are not as privileged and she shares her talents with those around her in order to make a positive change in the community.

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