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KDOL Honors Claudette Sands for Meritorious Service

TOPEKA, Kan. - The Kansas Department of Labor (KDOL) is proud to announce the winner of its December Employee Recognition and Award Program, Claudette Sands, who was honored for Meritorious Service. 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.

Sands, Communications Officer, greatly exceeded her duties this year. Her tasks include administering the agency form control system which includes 1,600 forms, keeping them updated or reviewed as assigned.

Because of an employee retirement, Sands took on the large task of designing the documents for the Industrial Safety and Health annual conference. She has also converted several large reports from an older version of word to InDesign, so that the reports can be updated yearly. InDesign is challenging and Sands took the initiative to teach herself the software. She went above and beyond what was expected of her in learning this software and preparing these reports on a timely basis. Sands has also become the lead editor for proofing all documents sent out by the agency.

Sands leadership skills are exceptional and she has shown that she is ready to tackle any task and will work to further her knowledge if needed. She is a great model for all state employees and deserves the award of employee of the month for Meritorious Service.

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