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**Human Services Honors Badlands Human Service Center Employees with
Years of Service Awards**

BISMARCK, N.D. – The N.D. Department of Human Services presented 11 employees of the Badlands Human Service Center with years of service awards to recognize their work and continued commitment to serving people in the Dickinson region. Awards are presented annually to staff who reach certain milestones of service.

Employees honored included: **35 Years of Service Award** - Lois Wenko; **25 Years of Service Award** - Chris Hertler and Geralyn Linseth; **20 Years of Service Award** - Annette Branson, Russell Fast, Denelle Hibl and Linda Waller; **15 Years of Service Award** - Helen Privratsky; and **3 Years of Service Award** - Sandra Herr, Katie Lefor and Cheryl Nasset.

The center also recognized these recent retirees: Sheila Murphy and Elaine Wanner.

The Dickinson human service center employs 74 people and serves residents of Adams, Billings, Bowman, Dunn, Golden Valley, Hettinger, Slope, and Stark counties. Services include community-based mental health and substance abuse treatment services, program management for people with developmental disabilities, administration and monitoring of Older Americans Act programs, adult protective services, county social service program supervision, vocational rehabilitation services, and other human services.

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