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ND Department of Human Services' Vocational Rehabilitation Program Honors Employees

MANDAN, ND – The North Dakota Department of Human Services' Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) program recently honored two Williston employees for their outstanding work in assisting North Dakotans with disabilities to obtain employment. The awards were presented at the department's annual Vocational Rehabilitation awards banquet and training conference.

- **Jackie Teskey** was honored as the *Rookie of the Year*. This award honors a VR employee with less than two years of service who exceeds performance goals and displays a high level of community service and involvement.
- **Frank Strom** was the recipient of the *Exemplary Service* award. This award recognizes an individual for outstanding case service to VR clients by showing creative thinking, direct work with multiple agencies, and consistent client follow-up.
- **Frank Strom** was also honored as an outgoing member of the *Success in Leadership* program. The purpose of the *Success in Leadership* program is to challenge individuals by expanding their knowledge, skills and abilities to become a positive force of change in the field of Vocational Rehabilitation in North Dakota.

North Dakota Vocational Rehabilitation is a division of the North Department of Human Services. Its mission is to assist individuals with disabilities to maximize their employment opportunities and to assist businesses owners and employers in finding solutions to disability-related issues.

Information about Vocational Rehabilitation services is on the Web at www.nd.gov/dhs/rcs/index.html and is also available by calling 701-328-8950, toll free 800-755-2745, or TTY 701-328-8968.

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