

Jeanne Snyder 2024 Outstanding Department Volunteer for the Marion County Community Services

We're honored to celebrate Jeanne today. Over the past year, Jeanne has given her time and heart to nearly every part of the dog shelter — from the spay/neuter clinic and dog walking to laundry, dishes, and playgroups.

Jeanne's commitment goes far beyond what's expected. She donated over 500 hours in 2024, even coming in during snow emergencies to make sure the dogs received proper care.

Her creativity and thoughtfulness shine through, whether she's mentoring new volunteers, making cheerful bandanas for adoptable dogs, or helping to improve a process at the shelter. Jeanne approaches every task with humility, empathy, and a deep respect for both people and animals.

What stands out most is not just how much Jeanne does, but the way she does it. Jeanne is always seeking to improve the care we provide, she fiercely supports her fellow volunteers, and steps in whenever and wherever she's needed.

Perhaps what makes Jeanne truly special is her spirit of collaboration and her willingness to learn and teach at the same time. In playgroups, she asks insightful questions, quickly building her skills while guiding and encouraging new volunteers. Jeanne's generosity, warmth, and dedication embody the very best of volunteerism.

Please join me in thanking and congratulating Shawn for her remarkable service.

