

# Hearts of Our Heroes



by **B4 staff**



## **Amanda Kirkley**

serves as an APEX therapist in Dodge and Wilcox Counties.

Through the COVID-19 pandemic Amanda has been a cornerstone for her consumers and their families.

She has assisted families with connecting to community resources and faith-based organizations when they presented with no food, loss of job, or about to lose housing. Amanda has gone out of her way to personally deliver food, contact local resources and make meaningful relationships with her families. Amanda has done an excellent job of connecting the pieces and recognizing the importance of pairing therapy and CSI as a combo to wrap the family. She has made an effort to take a team approach on difficult cases. Amanda is always positive and has excelled in these difficult times.

**The Den Peer Support Program Staff** have gone above and beyond to ensure our Emerging Adults were safe, healthy, and continuing toward their goals during COVID-19. The Emerging Adult staff quickly switched from providing Peer Support Program services face to face to providing all PSR-I services via telehealth. Claire Philips and Pam Williams exceed their productivity goals daily to ensure that all Emerging Adults were having the constant contact they were used to having 5 days weekly. When Emerging Adults reported not having food, struggling to pay bills, or struggling being at home the staff quickly responded by connecting them to community resources, meals, and ensuring they stayed safe. Emerging Adult staff provided Zoom Peer Support programs with CPS-Y's which allowed the Emerging Adults to see each other as well as allowed the CPS-Y's the opportunity to make money during this difficult time. The Emerging Adult Program staff also worked on starting an additional Emerging Adult Program called the H.U.B. Due to their diligent work during COVID-19 the H.U.B is now being used to provide Peer Support Program as well. Emerging Adult staff include Jahmal Blash, Claire Philips, Pam Williams, Michelle Braswell, and Joany Evans.

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