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Jeff Gephardt (l) receives the award from Steve DiStasio, Director of VA BHHCS

Gephart Recognized as the Employee of the Month at Hot Springs VA Medical Center

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Black Hills Health Care System (BHHCS) recognized Jeff Gephart as January's Employee of the Month at the Hot Springs VA Medical Center.

Gephart was nominated for his strong willingness to help Veterans obtain their goals. As a Homeless Veteran's Supported Employment program staff member, Gephart has demonstrated professionalism in helping Veterans obtain employment in the local community. He has developed excellent rapport with local employers in creating opportunities of employment of Veterans. His co-workers say, "He is very dedicated and will go the extra mile."

Gephart also assisted in implementing the Homeless Veterans Apprenticeship Program this past fall. He helped six Veterans become the newest full-time employees at Black Hills National Cemetery, near Sturgis.

"It is very rewarding to see the motivation and pride in the Veterans," Gephart said. "It is not only an honor to be a part of this program and to serve my fellow Veterans in whatever capacity is required, it is an unbelievable pleasure."

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