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SHARP  
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Dear Sirs:

I had to drop you a note to let you know what a valuable volunteer you have in Karin Stahl.

Karin came to my house to clean up a huge pile of old leaves and weeds and small branches that had accumulated around my home and looked very unsightly. I thought the job was too much for one small woman, but she assured me she could do it and she did. And she didn't stop there but continued to weed out my flower bed at the front of my house.

I felt bad about asking for the help but Karin assured me she was more than happy to do this job for me and that she "really liked the exercise" she got from outdoor work.

I think Karin exemplifies what a volunteer is all about. She was upbeat, positive, kind, and reassuring. She spent 3 weekends giving of her time until all the work was done. She filled 16 big lawn bags with debris and cut branches down into 8 piles that could be set out at the curb. Then she went above and beyond the job and said she would come back on garbage day to take everything out to the curb. How fantastic is that!!

Now, when I look out at my yard, I feel proud of it, and I no longer have the stress of worrying about how I am going to get it all done?

I also am very happy that I found the SHARP program. I can't say enough good things about what you do for us seniors and, more particularly, did for me. This program offers me peace of mind and a sense of security knowing if there is something that I cannot do, I can make a phone call, and help will come.

Sincerely,



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