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HEIDI BRISENO JANUARY VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

The Brookings Area United Way congratulates Heidi Briseno on being named the January 2023 Volunteer of the Month, an area-wide award program sponsored by First Bank & Trust.

Heidi serves as the Brookings Multicultural Center Coffee Group Coordinator. In this role, she works to connect people from all cultures through coffee and conversation. Heidi coordinates the location, such as a local coffee shop, outdoor park, or host organization. She also invites and welcomes members of the community such as law enforcement or yoga teachers to engage in community conversation and activity.

Along with this, Heidi creates and shares information via social media to invite both past and new members of the group. Through Heidi's volunteerism, she has welcomed people from many different countries, connected people from all walks of life, and encouraged friendship and conversation across languages.

Thank you, Heidi, for your contributions to the Brookings Multicultural Center and the Brookings community. Congratulations!

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