



Make March Social Work Month

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People become social workers because they have a strong desire to create a better society by helping others. They are dedicated to meeting the basic needs and improving the well-being of others—especially the most vulnerable among us.

Becoming a social worker requires high-level education, practical training, and completion of a certification exam to earn a state license. It is a profession dedicated to the highest ethical standards and evidence-based best practices to respect the equity, dignity and worth of all people.

**SOCIAL WORK
BREAKS BARRIERS**

Social workers are the largest group of mental and behavioral health service providers in the United States. They play an integral role throughout our society—in government, schools, universities, social service agencies, health care organizations, and the military.

Social workers are committed to ensuring equal rights for all people, regardless of race, ethnicity, culture, class, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, disability, or religion. They bring together communities to help solve issues like accessible health and mental health care, improving social determinants of health, immigration reform, institutional and structural racism, and environmental justice.

Gov. Kate Brown signed a proclamation declaring March 2018 National Social Work Month. To celebrate and honor social workers and their contributions to our society on an ongoing basis, we have the opportunity to declare March as Social Work Month in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join the annual observance.

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