

***News Release***  
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### **Diana and Mary Bunce Presented Live Better Community Service Award**

**[Ellsworth, WI]** – Sisters-in-law Diana and Mary Bunce were the spring recipients of the Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services’ Live Better Community Service Award. They each received a certificate and a \$100 Visa® gift card on April 11 for their selfless volunteer work on behalf of the Pierce County community.

Diana and Mary make and donate blankets for children in need through the Pierce County Food Pantry. To date, they have made approximately 320 blankets, using fleece in different patterns and colors. Often, they choose patterns that appear to children like dolls, trains, airplanes and sports teams. They generally bring a new supply of blankets to the food pantry each fall and then help distribute them.

“The work done by Diana and Mary really helps give comfort to families in need,” said Rick Sweig, Operations Administrator at Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services. “If families are having difficulty affording food, they also may have challenges heating their homes. These blankets add needed warmth, especially for children.”

Congratulations, Diana and Mary! We thank you for truly making a difference!

### **Nominate a Volunteer for the Live Better Community Service Award**

Nominate a volunteer from the communities within our service area by completing the nomination form available at [www.piercepepin.coop](http://www.piercepepin.coop) under *Community*, or contact the office at 800-924-2133. The deadline for the July award is June 15, 2017.



*Diana and Mary Bunce are presented the Live Better Community Service Award by Chris Tackmann, Pierce Pepin’s vice president of member and administrative services, for their volunteer work on behalf of the Pierce County community.*