

Mark Altmar: A leader and difference-maker

Colleagues past and present turned out this week to salute Mark Altmar (center in photo), a long-time trainer and member development specialist in NEWESD 101's AmeriCorps program.

Altmar is wrapping up a distinguished career at NEWESD 101 after 15 years of dedicated service. From day one, he has been known as an engaged community advocate, renowned for his positive outlook and energy.

He shared his heart for service with more than 750 AmeriCorps members and provided a leadership role with Rebuilding Together Spokane, Construction Career Day and many other community initiatives.



At a going-away ceremony Wednesday, former students recounted the profound impact Altmar had in turning around their lives, offering wise counsel and encouraging them to always set a high bar.

A surprise visitor at the ceremony also included Altmar's first supervisor at NEWESD 101, Anne Millane (right in photo), who is now retired and living in Wisconsin. Millane shared the history of NEWESD 101's youth employment/training program, which began years before AmeriCorps and continues to provide low-income housing resources and leadership development for young adults.

At left is Mandy Edwards, who manages the AmeriCorps program, YouthBuild and the Spokane Service Team. She expressed gratitude for Altmar's dedicated service, noting that he lived the AmeriCorps mission: Getting Things Done and Making a Difference.

Thank you, Mark. You will be missed.



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