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The transitional living students at Uta Halee Academy have committed themselves to giving back to the community. LifeTracks students volunteer at the Florence Nursing Home on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 2-3pm each day. The ladies will spend time talking with the residents, painting their fingernails, participating in health and wellness activities and helping in the garden. While volunteering, one of students (Chantal) made a wonderful connection with a resident named Beatrice. Chantal was asked to sit with Beatrice who'd been at the facility for about 2 months without significant interaction with staff or other residents.

It was discovered Beatrice had a stroke which prevented her to verbally communicate, and Spanish is her first language. During their visit, Chantal learned Beatrice has 2 children and a husband who reside outside of Nebraska. Beatrice was happy to have someone visit who speaks and understands Spanish as evidenced by Beatrice clutching Chantal's hand when the hour visit expired.

Chantal now spends her entire hour with Beatrice each day and they're both fortunate to have established a friendship. We at Uta Halee Academy are proud of all of our Life Tracks students who are committed to giving back and showing empathy, caring spirits and soft hearts.