



**2022 Recipient ~ Angela Durinda
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Mamaroneck EMS has shaped me into my own person and has taught me so much about medicine and helping people. I came into EMS thinking that I would just be another worker doing a 6 hour shift but instead I became part of another family. I met great people with so much wisdom to spread and have gone through thrilling moments no one would ever get to experience in their lives. This is one of my greatest accomplishments because it helped and taught me how to be myself. It also taught me how to work and cope under pressure and high stress and is still teaching me how to do so. I have met some of the kindest, smartest, and most helpful people and I am so grateful that they all stand by my side and have showed me how to do what I do. Because of them I am learning to become an EMT so I can have the ability to help more people. The people who have taught me and have welcomed me, motivated me to want to do the same thing for other people. Whenever I am out on a call I try to help as best as I can by assisting the medic and the most important thing: making the patients feel comfortable. At the end of the day no matter who these patients are they deserve respect and the right to receive the best medical attention that they need. We need to put in all of our effort to provide care for these patients in their time of need and that's why I have decided to do this. I hold this place close to my heart and am so happy I get to a part of it and feeling like I am changing and helping the world. I have always wanted to help people no matter what their situation was and I always have had a passion and strong interest for medicine. I am honored to be acknowledged for my work and service and intend to do keep this up for as long as I can. Thank you MEMs for everything you have done for me.