

Staff Recognition Awards



The Arc Westchester Board of Directors and Administration proudly extend their congratulations to the exceptional staff members who were honored for their years of devoted service on December 4th. Each person recognized embodies the core of the mission and vision at The Arc Westchester. Their unwavering commitment and invaluable contributions have made a meaningful difference in the lives of the people we serve. Thank you for being an essential part of our dedicated team and for your continuous efforts in positively impacting the lives within our community.

RETIREES

Viris Adejimi, Clinical Team Leader
Paul Bailey, Shift Supervisor
Eleanor A. Mendez-Brown, Medical Direct Support Professional
Eyerusalem Beyene, Assistant Residence Manager
Lenberth Henriques, Shipping and Receiving Assistant
Yvonne Petty, Residence Manager
Larry Rufo, Residential Services Director
Pauline Scott, Director Support Professional
Kristin Springer, Facilities Director
Nancy Succoso, Interim Asst. Exec. Director of Quality Outcomes and Compliance
Soosan Bushehri Tehrani, Chief Financial Officer
Sheila Thompson, Direct Support Professional
Myriam Vocke, Asst. Executive Director Human Resource

40 YEARS

Cassandra Hicks, Treatment Coordinator/Sub Driver
Robert Yoli, Clinical Team Leader

35 YEARS

Gail Barker, Person Centered Supports Director
Margaret Burton-Forrester, Treatment Coord./Sub Driver
Elyse Fowler, Director of Individual Giving/Database Admin.
Michael Markisic, Behavioral Intervention Specialist Level 1
Patricia McGuire, Director of Community Day Services
Donald Ruffin, DSP Shift Supervisor, Respite House

30 YEARS

Rawle Bowry, Direct Support Professional
Sonya Brown, Direct Support Professional
Adriana Destefano, Habilitation Instructor Primary Driver
Angela Harris, Admin Assistant/School District Coordinator
Sharisse Hunter, Program Director of Crisis
Isabel Leach, IE/Individualized Family Service Plan Coord.
Jean St. Aubin, Residence Manager

25 YEARS

Nelly Atieno Akoko, Habilitation Instructor Primary Driver
Sabrina Antenucci, Compliance Coordinator
Toni Battle, Assistant Residence Manager
Christina Brinson, Direct Support Professional
Denise Buchanan, Shift Supervisor
Margaret Edwards, Direct Support Professional
Esmerelda Jenkins, Direct Support Professional
Donnell Melvin, Direct Support Professional
Valerie Richards, Community Specialist
Terence Robinson, Habilitation Specialist/Primary Driver
Ronald Skinner, Per Diem Direct Support Professional
Camille Smith-Pow, Residence Manager
Marlene Thompson, Respite Counselor
Karen Valdez, Supervisor of Social Services
Nichola Walters, Community Specialist

20 YEARS

Vashti Amos, Residence Manager
Clive Anderson, Direct Support Professional
Kenneth Campbell, Habilitation Instructor Primary Driver
Pauline Donald, Direct Support Professional
Jeanine Melendez, Office Manager
Katrina Morris, Assistant Habilitation Instructor Prim. Driver
Carol Palmer-Harrison, Direct Support Professional
Lloyd Powell, Direct Support Professional
Diane Spence, Habilitation Instructor Primary Driver

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15 YEARS

Eric Alexis, Direct Support Professional
Marie Amany, Shift Supervisor
Mauleon E. Amos-Douglas, Direct Support Professional
Bonnie Berton, Teacher Assistant
Kingsley Chioma, Assistant Residence Manager
Andrea De Freitas, QI And Corporate Compliance Coordinator
Hollison Ferguson, Direct Support Professional
Kenneth Flowers, Assistant Residence Manager
Donald Gordon, Habilitation Instructor Primary Driver
Jean Hall, Direct Support Professional
Deborah Harris, Direct Support Professional
Floyd Parkinson, Direct Support Professional
Lauriston Phillips, Direct Support Professional
Samantha Sheffield, Habilitation Instructor Primary Driver
Toby Wallace, Direct Support Professional

10 YEARS

Nella Barisic, Community Habilitation Activities Developer
Steven Bell, QIDP Residential Program Coordinator
Natacha Bien-Aime, Community Habilitation Specialist Sub Driver
Amelia Brooks, Habilitation Instructor Primary Driver
Robin Burnett, Community Day Service Director
Susan Cannon, Special Education Teacher
Matthew Carroll, Senior Job Placement Specialist
Tiffany Charlton, Per Diem Direct Support Professional
Angela Del Vecchio, One To One Aide
Barbara Ende, Guardianship Advocate
Joanna Galeano, Special Education Teacher
Samantha Long, Dir. of Guardianship and Individual Supports
Kristin Maiorano, Special Education Teacher
Anthony Meickle, Direct Support Professional
Vennetta Ogilvie, Direct Support Professional
Mai Plath, Community Living Coordinator
Charmaine Tait, Direct Support Professional

5 YEARS

Jessica Arnemann, Human Resources Director
Michelle Barone, Quality Improvement Coordinator
Katherine Emminger, Senior School Psychologist
Emerita Ferguson, Direct Support Professional
Camara Foster, Residential Behavior Technician
Nadine Freckleton, Direct Support Professional
Cadean Fuller, Assistant Residence Manager
Deliana Gillard, Direct Support Professional
Avarita Goldson, Community Specialist
Lavern Gordon, Per Diem Direct Support Professional
Matt Hanson, Recreation and Respite Coordinator
Fiona Hughes, Substitute Classroom Aide
Amenda Isaacs, Per Diem Direct Support Professional
Cindy King, QIDP Residential Program Coordinator
Kemone McBean, Per Diem Registered Nurse
Henassi Mendoza, Human Resources Specialist
Mary Morrison, Substitute Special Education Teacher
Keshia Notice, Per Diem Direct Support Professional
Loretta Rerecich, School Psychologist
Elizabeth Sanchirico-Ulrich, Special Education Teacher
Kemela Smith, Direct Support Professional
Daniel Spieldenner, Family Teaching Professional



PROMOTING CONNECTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY AWARD

Sophia Saunders
Habilitation Instructor/Primary Driver, Yonkers Day

RISING STAR AWARD

Sonia Allen
Direct Support Professional, Avalon Residence

PROMOTING COLLABORATION IN FAMILY AND PERSONS-CENTERED EXCELLENCE GROUP AWARD

Toni Battle, Residence Manager
Morvette Kentish-Spencer, Assistant Residence Manager
Steven Bell, QIDP Residential Program Coordinator
Arnav Singh, Residential Behavior Technician