

March 2023

Individual Advocates Honor

**Alisha LaRochelle**



The Lackawanna-Susquehanna BH/ ID/ EI Program congratulates Alisha LaRochelle, as the Individual Advocates Honor recipient for the month of March 2023. Alisha presently resides in a community group home with Beacon Keystone, a provider whose mission is to provide people with Intellectual and Developmental disabilities and Autism high-quality, gentle, compassionate, evidence-based care to help people reach goals and live rich lives.

Alisha began her journey with Beacon Keystone a few years ago, when she moved into her current home, with several roommates, that she grew to care immensely for. At that time, she was not aware, that the bond she created with her peers, would eventually cause her to take action to protect her peer. During an incident in her home, Alisha witnessed inappropriate behavior towards her roommate and immediately reported the allegation. This action, was a brave response on behalf of Alisha, preventing ongoing harm from occurring to her roommate and potentially others.

We would like to express our gratitude and appreciation for having the courage to make the right choice, in a possibly difficult situation, to protect the health and safety of yourself and your peers.

Thank you for making a difference!



***"From caring comes  
courage." –***

***Lao-Tzu***



***Together we can make a  
difference***

