

30 years is a long time – it's a lifetime for many who work in the youth services field. I began my Safe Place work on my 30th birthday and wrapped it up on my 60th! What an experience it was too. I learned so much about myself and others for whom and with whom I worked. I'm grateful for coworkers and colleagues that became friends, and for youth that became inspiration to me. I am appreciative of the experience I had and the opportunity to be an advocate for youth and families along the way. It is with humility and thankfulness that I accept this award.