



## *Rosa Padilla*

My name is Rosa Padilla. I grew up in New York in the Bronx. I come from tri-lingual family. I went to the New York School for the Deaf. I transferred to Model Secondary School for the Deaf in Washington D.C. After 6 months, I transferred back to New York School for the Deaf until I graduated in June 2014. I graduated with a high school diploma. I moved to Michigan 2 years ago and became a resident to further my education and I am learning to drive!

I assisted in teaching sign language in NY. Now I am preparing for college at Oakland Community College. I believe that I can be successful in college. My goal is to become a Social Worker with a major in Mental Health. I have volunteered with the Lion's Clubs of Michigan on several occasions and became a member of Greater Metro Detroit Lions Club in October 2016. I want to thank the Lions Hearing Center for the scholarship that will help me with my needs for school. I am truly grateful for this scholarship.

## *Eboní Latifah Love-Peel*

I have always wanted to be independent and successful. I attended DPS schools through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. I attended Model Secondary School for the Deaf in Washington DC for High School and graduated in 2011.

Through elementary and high school I have played a variety of sports. Soccer, swimming, basketball in Junior and High School and my aunt, Gold Medal Olympian, Lynnette Love inspired my beginning in Taekwondo at age 5 and I competed nationally from age 10 until 20 winning many gold, silver and bronze medals. I was MVP and captain of the basketball team at MSSD in Washington DC. I decided that college was important and I look forward to continuing community college at OCC.

I am thankful to my family for the support they give in all the things I do. I have worked at a number of camps for deaf children as a counselor and volunteered at a DPS school in the woodshop class helping student and assisting the teacher. I am a Charter member in the Greater Metro Detroit Lions Club. I would like to thank the Lions Hearing Center for helping me with continuing my goals. I have a lot on my mind about what I want for my future. Deaf people need help to get fair treatment and equal rights. My goal is to become part of the Criminal Justice field as a detective.



## *Diane Danielle Bass*

I have benefited having received the love peel scholarship to accomplish my goals so far I graduated from Schoolcraft where I received an associate of health science. I also received the bachelor of health science and bachelor of psychology from Marygrove College along with a child welfare certification.

I am very appreciative of the funding as I am currently attending the University of Detroit Mercy. I am enrolled in the nursing program and also the leadership program to complete 250 hours of community service for medallion. This is my second semester out of the sixth semesters left to complete the nursing program by December 2018.

The next step is to take the NCLEX exam to order to become a licensed RN officially. Afterward, I want to become a pediatric or psychiatric nurse. I will not let my deafness stop me or any person to lower or limit my potential. It takes a strong desire and determination to continue to pursue forward in spite of all barriers.

During my little free time, I am volunteering to tutor and mentor deaf children. I am also volunteering at a nursing home as well as school activities. I am currently in 1st Gen Network for first generation of the family who graduated from a four year of college. I love camping, love to cook, and take road trips. Lastly, I love to spend time with my baby puppy, Carmela. She is full of energy keeping me busy.