

## Heart of the Community Award

is presented to

### MOMMAS House

Mission: MOMMAS House is a home for young mothers aged 18 to 24 years and their babies. For approximately two years, the young mothers at MOMMAS House continue education or vocational experience which is often interrupted by pregnancy. With guidance and direction, the young mothers can learn to support themselves and their children independently.

Pat Shea started MOMMAS House 35 years ago by taking young homeless pregnant and parenting women into her own home. However, the need was great, and the local resources were limited. MOMMAS has now grown to four homes and has cared for over 1000 people.

Simone Freeman has worked with MOMMAS House over the years in connection with the Nassau County Women's Bar Association in furtherance of its mission to support and advance young women and children in the Long Island community. Sabina Anselmo dedicates her time to MOMMAS House by sharing her passion for photography and volunteering to take photos at MOMMAS House fundraising events.



Left to Right: Sabina Anselmo, Jaspian Schlesinger LLP,  
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