

HOMETOWN HERO:

Krystal Varney

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Krystal definitely deserves this award. She is an in-home support technician that works with our child twice to three times a week. She takes our young adult to various places within her community: Bowling, the gym, dinner, the library and many other places. She has become a great and dear friend to Kayla.

Yes, Krystal does get paid for this job, but she goes above and beyond. She often calls Kayla and talks to her on the phone on her free time. (Not long ago, Kayla would not even talk on the phone). She takes Kayla and has facials and lots of things that young girls should be doing at Kayla's age. She treats Kayla like a typically functioning teenager and expects Kayla to act like one.

Kayla's social and communication skills have improved vastly in the time Kayla has spent with Krystal. I would say one of the most important things Krystal has done with Kayla is to become her friend. Krystal has done many wonderful things since she has joined our family and we truly value her.



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