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**FAMILY RESIDENCES AND ESSENTIAL ENTERPRISES RECOGNIZE
SEPTEMBER AS DIRECT SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS MONTH**



FREE's Appreciation Squad Visited the DSP's and Residents of the Richbourne Residence to Honor and Thank the DSP's for Their Service

Old Bethpage, NY – Family Residences and Essential Enterprises, Inc. (FREE) recognized the month of September as Direct Support Professionals (DSP) Recognition Month. DSP Recognition Week is celebrated annually during the second week of September, however, FREE decided to honor these important people throughout the entire month of September. DSPs, ensure people with disabilities have the necessary supports

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that enable them to live, work, and enjoy life as independently as possible in their community.

“DSP’s are vital to FREE and deserve to be recognized for their dedication and accomplishments,” said Robert Budd, CEO, FREE.

FREE’s “Appreciation Squad” is stopping into residential program homes all month to Meet the DSP’s and thank them for their invaluable service.

Family Residences and Essential Enterprises, Inc. (FREE)

Family Residences and Essential Enterprises, Inc. (FREE), founded in 1977, benefits and proudly supports more than 4,000 individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities, mental illness and traumatic brain injury. It is the mission of FREE to assist individuals of all abilities realize their full potential. FREE provides a diverse array of supports and services including: housing; recovery services; transition to work; employment; day, community and family services; respite; crisis services; education and after school support; specialty health services; and advocacy.

FREE also collaborates with a variety of diverse 501(c)(3) nonprofit partners on educational, vocational, rehabilitative and a myriad of other creative initiatives to enhance the local communities and the lives of more than 25,000 people that reside within them. Each of the valued partners of the FREE Network has a unique mission, vision and strategic goals that are aligned in purpose, and embody the spirit of the meaningful work we do every day. For more information, please call 516-870-7000 or visit www.familyres.org.

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