

Dear The Silver Shield Foundation,

There are not enough words to express how thankful I am for the help and support that you have provided me over the years. With the help of your organization, I have obtained my Master of Social Work from Stony Brook University. My studies there were remarkable and it is an experience I will never forget. Additionally, after obtaining my MSW, I decided to continue my learning and pursue an Advanced Forensic Social Work Certificate from Long Island University. This certificate has allowed me to combine social work and criminal justice, both fields that I am extremely interested in. At such an early start of my career, my educational opportunities have shaped me in such tremendous ways and I am unsure if it would have been feasible without the encouragement and assistance from the Silver Shield Foundation.

I am grateful for the generous donations provided by board members and individuals all throughout the country. It really means so much it is often difficult to convey, but from the bottom of my heart I thank you!

**With sincere thanks,
Christine Figoski**

