



Co-Angel of the Month: Daphney Sainvilus

We are so pleased to award Daphney Sainvilus our Co-Angel(s) of the Month for April 2020. Daphney began working with Visiting Angels Newton/Canton in November of 2006. She was described as having excellent communication skills, friendly, and experienced in her initial interviews. We were excited to begin working with her from the start.

Daphney came to Massachusetts from Haiti in 1999 with her brother to join their mother and father. Her aunt and cousins remain in Haiti. Daphney makes sure to visit them every couple of years. She married her husband in 2002 and had her first child soon after. She is a loving mother of two and enjoys spending time with her children and making home-cooked meals for them on her days off.

Daphney helped with her ailing grandmother when she was a youngster in Haiti, and that experience led her to realize that she loved caring for people, especially the elderly. She became a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) in 2004 and worked for a nursing home for two years before becoming a member of Visiting Angels Newton/Canton.

Daphney had five clients with Visiting Angels Newton/Canton before she began working with her current Client in 2009. It soon became apparent that she possessed both the skills and ability to navigate some of the more intricate needs of this Client. Her professionalism and capacity for empathy give her Client a high level of confidence and trust in her capabilities.

Daphney has quickly responded to and manages her Client's health challenges with a listening ear, patience, and compassion. She requires little support from her Case Manager, because she possesses the ability to impressively manage it all, with positivity and grace.

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Daphney expressed her thankfulness for Case Manager, Susan Saris, for her understanding of the demands and challenges of the work she does. "Susan is great. She listens to me and is so supportive." Susan shared, "I am so glad that she feels supported by me but I have to say, Daphney's ability as a Caregiver is inspiring, and I am deeply grateful."

Daphney has a very special connection with her Co-Angel, Daniella. Daphney Sainvilus and Daniella Franklin have known each other for over twenty years. They were neighbors and friends back in Haiti. It was Daphney who contacted Daniella, suggesting she apply to work with Visiting Angels. Daphney is thankful to have Daniella to partner with on this case. She knows that they can rely on each other to work hard and provide support to one another as their Client's needs evolve, allowing them to make suggestions, to listen and validate one another.

We are very honored to award you Co-Angel of the Month for April 2020, Daphney. You have shown tremendous compassion and strength with each Client in your care. We thank you for your commitment and dedication and look forward to working together for many years to come.