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PRESS RELEASE

HOMELESS SERVICE PROVIDER'S NETWORK PRESENTS DANIELLE BROWN WITH ITS ANNUAL SISTER ROSE AWARD

NEW BEDFORD MA – The City's Homeless Service Provider's Network presented Danielle Brown, Program Director with Steppingstone, with its 2020 Sister Rose Award.

Named in honor of Sister Rosellen Gallogly who served as the Executive Director of Market Ministries in the City for years and was a founding member of the City's Homeless Service Provider's Network, the Sister Rose Award was presented to Ms. Brown by Joshua Amaral, Chair of the Homeless Service Provider's Network, at the HSPN's final meeting of 2020 on Thursday, December 17, 2020 through a virtual zoom platform.

Mr. Amaral noted, "Danielle has long been an advocate for those in need within the City of New Bedford, giving of her time and passion for decades. She's done so not only in her professional work with Steppingstone in many capacities—including her leadership and work with the City's Street Outreach efforts, Cold Weather Overflow Shelter and the City's annual Point In Time Count—but also in her personal life, as a volunteer and member of this community whose very life models the compassion and support of those in need that was the hallmark of Sister Rose's own life." In particular, Ms. Brown's tenacious advocacy and common-sense approach in helping others was cited as being central to her ongoing commitment to ending homelessness in the City.

The Sister Rose Award is given annually to an individual from within the Continuum of Care in recognition of long-term achievement, dedication and compassion in one's personal and professional life in living out the mission of the HSPN that is rooted in the belief that every person is entitled to live in dignity.