



Distinguished Service Award: **Shannon Simon**

Nomination Testimonial:

Shannon has contributed in so many positive ways to our profession over the years that I'm not sure where to start! She has influenced the professional lives of countless interpreters over the years with her involvement and leadership roles with the Educational Interpreter Project and FRID. Her guidance, encouragement, and compassion for her colleagues has influenced numerous improvements to our profession in a variety of settings. Shannon ensures interpreters have access to the most recent information related to our profession, as well as on-goings in the Deaf community. She has been responsible for orchestrating professional development opportunities, certification preparation and testing, mentoring, and serving as the CEU guru-to name a few of her activities. Her commitment to our profession has been crucial to our successes, and will have lasting impacts on both interpreters and members of the Deaf community.