



Katie Young **2022 Doris & Victor Day Foundation Scholarship Recipient**



Katie Young is a first-generation college student and student nurse raised by a single mother. As a Quad Cities native, Katie is enthusiastic about providing high-quality healthcare in her home community. Katie's passion for healthcare came at an early age as she helped care for her grandmother who was bedridden in her final years and for her mother who struggles with a chronic illness.

"What I want most is to help others who are in a similar situation as I have been. I want to diligently listen to the patient and empathize with what they are going through. I want my patients to feel welcomed with a sense of relief when they step into my care. I want them to feel heard and understood when expressing their concerns. I want to do whatever it takes to provide them with answers and guide them on their path to healing."

While Katie has a variety of hobbies, including hiking in nature, traveling, cooking, gardening, yoga, and being with her family and friends, her greatest joy is helping others. Katie works full time as a nanny to five children, and she knows this experience will only strengthen her nursing abilities.

"I absolutely love children and have always been a natural caretaker, so working in pediatrics is something that I have always dreamed of. I also have a passion for women's health, so something in that direction could be for me. I try not to put a limit on what I can do, but the beauty in nursing is that I can do almost anything with my degree!"

THANK YOU for your support in making Katie's dream of becoming a nurse possible.