

Making It On My Own



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A story about love, decisions, and the results of both.

Making It On My Own tells the story of Shay, a young college woman who is struggling to make it through school while working part time and keeping up her own place. Always focused on her studies, Shay makes it through three years at Buffalo State College. Unfortunately, Shay's life would take a nasty detour after meeting the smooth talking Chico Ramos.

From the start Chico's intentions are less than honorable. Early on Shay finds out that Chico is in fact married, a fact Chico forgot to mention. Upon learning this Shay drops Chico, and continues on with her plans. Eventually Chico manages to work himself back into Shay's life. The second round with Chico results in Shay becoming pregnant twice and being abandoned by Chico. At that point Shay is forced to quit school, move to New York City, and eventually move into a homeless shelter.

Making It On My Own details an all too common story among love struck women today. The book serves as a cautionary tale about trusting ones' first instincts, and sticking to ones' plan. *Making It On My Own* is a well crafted work whose main character has a delightfully strong voice. The author also paints vivid pictures of the environments in which Shay finds herself. In addition to being inspiring, the book is also very funny. Most importantly *Making It On My Own* serves as an inspiring example of a young woman reclaiming her life after a series of unfortunate events.