

Final Report

FS [OBSERV]



Jennifer Sproull

Incident ID: JS

Injury: 2 year old minor son, Ethan Sproull, opened what appeared to be a closed and locked safety gate in the child safety fence installed in the back yard of his home. Ethan then entered the pool/hot tub area of the back yard, entered the hot tub, and drowned. Ethan was resuscitated after approximately 19 minutes and survived the drowning incident but as a result, suffered anoxic brain injury and damages.

Date of Injury: Sep 07, 2022

Created Date: 05/01/2025

Requested By

Deirdre Dineson

ddineson@menekshelaw.com

Background

Method Of Discovery

Name, Location, Associates, Incident

Summary of findings

Background and Family:

Subject, Jennifer Sproull also known as Jenny, is a 50-year-old residing in Roseville, CA. Subject does not appear to be in a relationship. Subject has twin sons, Aiden and Ethan. It is known that Ethan suffered a non-fatal drowning. Through social media, Subject's family was identified as mother Nancy Sproull, father Russ Sproull, sister Karen Sproull Deal, and cousin Eric Sproull. It was also found that Subject had an au pair/nanny who started working for her approximately four weeks before the incident, named Míša "Misa" Kratochvílová. Additionally, two of Subject's friends were identified as Sarina Stva and Janet Nabring-Stager.

Employment:

Subject's LinkedIn profile indicates that she currently works as the Director of Commercial Program Management at Omada Health. The listing on her LinkedIn indicates she started this remote position in January 2023.

Social Media:

Subject has Facebook, Instagram, Threads, X, Venmo, LinkedIn, and Amazon accounts. Subject has two Facebook profiles, one being her personal Facebook that she hasn't been publicly active on since 2022. The second was created to share updates about Ethan, which is named "Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery." Additionally, a GoFundMe page created by Subject and GoFundMe and MealTrain pages created with Subject as the beneficiary have been included in the report.

Prior to DOI:

- 12/04/2013: Post from Subject about her dog
- 02/09/2018: Photo of a dog
- 02/16/2019: Photo of Subject and a dog

After DOI:

- 09/09/2022:
 - GoFundMe page created by Subject's friend Sarina, Subject listed as the beneficiary. The page appears to be active with \$69,616 raised. Within the page, there are updates from right after the incident to the most recent on 03/05/2025.
 - Subject shared the incident that occurred, indicating in the caption she got to him, "...as he went under unconscious..." and indicating that he was, "...without a heartbeat for 19 minutes..."
- 09/10/2022: Subject gave an update on Ethan's condition within the caption, indicating that, "...The damage is located in the 'cpu' or highest functioning area of the brain..."
- 09/20/2022: Multiple posts shared, including an update post in which Subject indicates, "...the boys tried the pool gate. It malfunctioned. It was closed and the red dot indicated it was locked, but the gate had shifted, whether over time or with the heat, and the locking mechanism had not caught."
- 09/28/2022: Post from Subject sharing an update on Ethan, with the video being of Ethan before the incident.

- 10/10/2022: Post from Subject with an update about Ethan, indicating he had been breathing by himself, needed a bite guard, and was still unconscious.
- 10/22/2022: Post from Subject updating on Ethan, discussing options for travel to New Orleans for Ethan's further treatments, including looking for a private jet donation or an RV
- 11/16/2022: Post from Subject indicating Ethan was home
- 12/07/2022: Post from Subject sharing an update about their journey and what it has been like caring for Ethan at home
- 12/19/2022: Post from Subject about getting home and settled in, with an update about Ethan and indicating that he started "CranialSacral therapy."
- 01/05/2023: Post about a flight to New Orleans from AeroAngel that was donated to them
- 01/06-13/2023: Multiple posts about relocating to New Orleans for Ethan's treatments for two months, the private jet taken there, and settling into their house.
- 01/25/2023: Post about Subject and Ethan being in the hyperbaric chamber
- 01/31/2023: Post from Subject sharing their journey and that they were looking for a private jet to transport Ethan from New Orleans, Phoenix, and Sacramento, where his treatments were.
- 02/2023: Multiple posts from Subject about Ethan's "dives" in the hyperbaric chamber
- 03/01/2023: Post from Subject giving an update on Ethan, indicating he moved on his own
- 03/08-09/2023: Posts about a private jet taking Subject and family from New Orleans to Phoenix for treatments
- 06/01/2023: Video of Ethan at physical therapy
- 06/30/2023: Update on Ethan indicating he was off Dantrolene and was only on two medications
- 07/16-26/2023: Multiple posts about Ethan and family being sick, and Ethan needed to be admitted to the hospital
- 08/04/2023: GoFundMe page created by Subject, within the page, it indicates the donations are for treatments for Ethan in Mexico and a wheelchair-accessible van. The page appears to be active with the current donations total being \$19,291, and the last update from Subject shared on 03/05/2025.
- 09/07/2023: Subject indicated that Ethan was back in the PICU for a virus in his lungs
- 09/15/2023: Post about Ethan being on "dive number 60..." in their "at-home mild hyperbaric chamber..."
- 11/13/2023: Post about Subject and family arriving in Mexico for Ethan's treatments that lasted 28 days
- 11/15/2023: Video of photos of Ethan and Aiden prior to the incident
- 12/30/2023: Post about Ethan and his " ...first ABM intensive!"
- 01/15/2024: Subject shared the MRIs of Ethan's brain before and post treatment.
- 01/28/2024: Post from Subject about traveling to Phoenix for Ethan's "stem cell" treatments
- 04/03/2024: Post about Subject getting a mobility van
- 04/05/2024: Post indicating Ethan is no longer on "...any neuro or tone medication!"
- 06/20/2024: Post about their time in Mexico for Ethan's treatment. Note, this is the second round of treatment in Mexico.
- 08/04/2024: Post about Ethan swimming
- 08/12/2024: Post about Ethan indicating he knew his colors.
- 08/26/2024: Photo of Subject and Ethan on a plane indicating they were on their way to Phoenix
- 09/26/2024: Post about Subject having to go to the emergency room with Ethan
- 11/15/2024: Video of Ethan driving a toy car at physical therapy
- 12/04/2024: Post includes photos of Ethan at physical therapy, of the family at Disneyland, and at the beach
- 12/10/2024: Photos of Ethan in the hospital with an update indicating that he had a procedure to scope his lungs and was given "the green light to downsize his trach one size and try capping."

- 01/11/2025: Subject shared that her family was traveling to see a doctor in Phoenix, that Ethan received "...stem cell booster and his second Enbrel shot..." and Ethan and Aiden's 5th birthday party
- 02/06/2025: Post about Ethan Subject shared that discusses his trach tube, a potential surgery for fixing the partial collapse of his trachea, being in contact with an orthopedic surgeon in regards to correcting his feet, and weekend nursing coverage as Subject's mother needs hip surgery
- 03/15-17/2025: Post about Ethan needing to be admitted to the hospital for pneumonia
- 04/29/2025: Photos of Subject and Ethan within the caption Subject indicates Ethan is getting SPML surgery in early summer.

Property and Court Records:

Public property records for the Requestor-provided and current address listed on the background check, 1214 Donahue Way, Roseville, CA 95661, do not disclose ownership information. However, the photo of the parcel provided from Google Maps street view appears to be the same residence that is pictured on Subject's social media. The photo on Subject's social media was shared on December 16th, 2022. One public court record was found that mentions Subject's court record, State National Ins. Co. v. Tormey, et al. The mention of Subject's case, "Ethan Sproull vs. D&D Technologies (USA), INC., et al." was found on a document filed on April 19th, 2024.

File notes (other)**Indicators**

Bankruptcies: None Found

Liens: None Found

Judgments: None Found

Subject Information	
Name :	Jennifer Sproull
Social Security Number :	300-78-0062
Last Known Addresses:	Oct 31, 2009 - Apr 25, 2025 1214 Donahue Way, Roseville, California 95661, United States Jun 27, 1997 - Jan 10, 2025 517 South Cuyler Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois 60304, United States
Phone(s) :	(630) 886-3529 (CT) (Mobile) (100%) (815) 592-8558 (CT) (Mobile) (70%) (312) 753-5178 (CT) (VoIP) (66%) (312) 753-5340 (CT) (VoIP) (66%) (440) 394-8307 (ET) (VoIP) (66%) (916) 786-5506 (PT) (VoIP) (66%) (708) 358-1506 (CT) (LandLine) (66%) (330) 562-8069 (ET) (LandLine) (66%) (330) 562-9005 (ET) (LandLine) (66%) (312) 218-6041 (CT) (Mobile) (40%) (440) 753-5340 (ET) (LandLine) (40%) (480) 988-3168 (MT) (LandLine) (40%) (916) 474-5585 (PT) (VoIP) (40%) (617) 765-8182 (ET) (VoIP) (39%)
Alias(es) :	JENNIFER ANN SPROULL (09/02/1995 to 03/05/2025) JENNIFER KAREN SPROULL (02/14/2013 to 03/10/2021) JENNIFER A SPROULL (12/31/1997 to 12/08/2018) jennifer.sproull.18 jsproull777 JenSproull Jenny-Sproull
Email Address(es) :	jsproull@bellsouth.net (100%) jsproull999@gmail.com (100%) k_sproull@yahoo.com (100%) u7jsproull@bellsouth.net (100%) byjsproull96@bellsouth.net (100%) jsproull999@yahoo.com (100%) jasonbrown_81@ecoutlook.com (79%) jsproull@brighthorizons.com (62%) jsproull@aattbi.com (62%) ktinabeena@gmail.com (41%)
DOB :	09/28/1974
Marital Status :	Single
Employment :	Director Commercial Program Management at Omada Health (2023-present)
Alleged Injury :	2 year old minor son, Ethan Sproull, opened what appeared to be a closed and locked safety gate in the child safety fence installed in the back yard of his home. Ethan then entered the pool/hot tub area of the back yard, entered the hot tub, and drowned. Ethan was resuscitated after approximately 19 minutes and survived the drowning incident but as a result, suffered anoxic brain injury and damages.
Date of Loss :	09/07/2022
Education :	MBA, Analytical Consulting, Economics, International Business, Strategy, and Organization Behavior from Northwestern University - Kellogg School of Management B.S., Honors Business from Indiana University Bloomington
Hobbies :	Spending time with family
Additional Info :	N/A

Associates

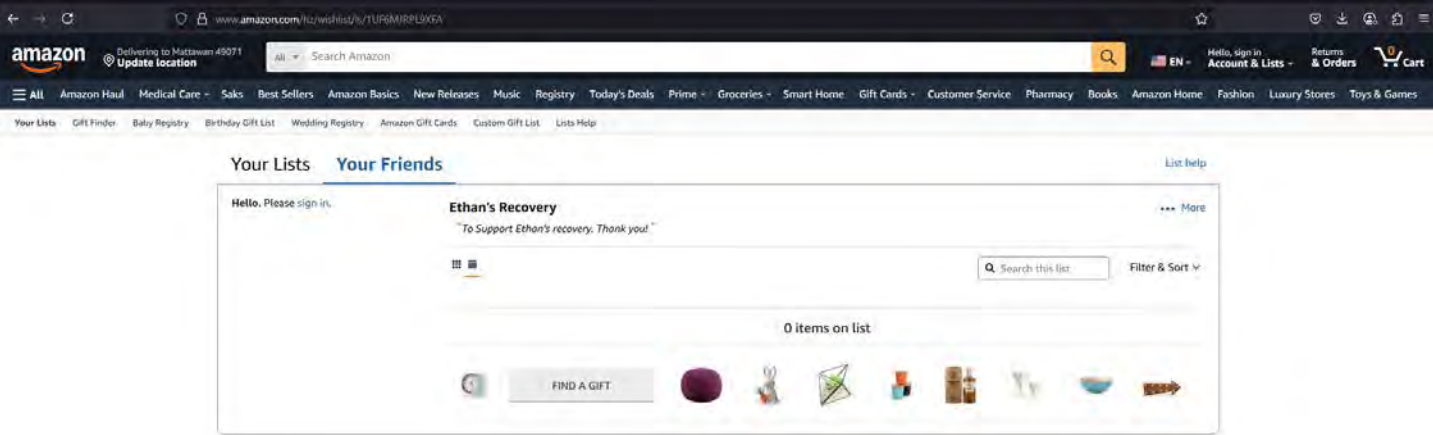
Name	Relationship	Account
Nancy Sproull	Parent	https://www.facebook.com/nancy.sproull https://www.linkedin.com/in/nancy-sproull-rn-ccm-83318327/
Russ Sproull	Parent	https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100008184692295 https://www.pinterest.com/russproull/
Hylee Sproull	Relative	https://www.facebook.com/hylee.sproull https://www.instagram.com/hylee84/ https://www.pinterest.com/hs1984/
Janet Nabring-Stager	Friend	https://www.facebook.com/janet.nabringstager https://www.instagram.com/jnabring/ https://www.linkedin.com/in/janetnabringstager/ https://www.pinterest.com/jnabring/
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Sarina Stva	Friend	https://www.facebook.com/sarinabee
Míša Kratochvílová (Au Pair/Nanny)	Friend	https://www.facebook.com/kratochvilovam

Profile Pages

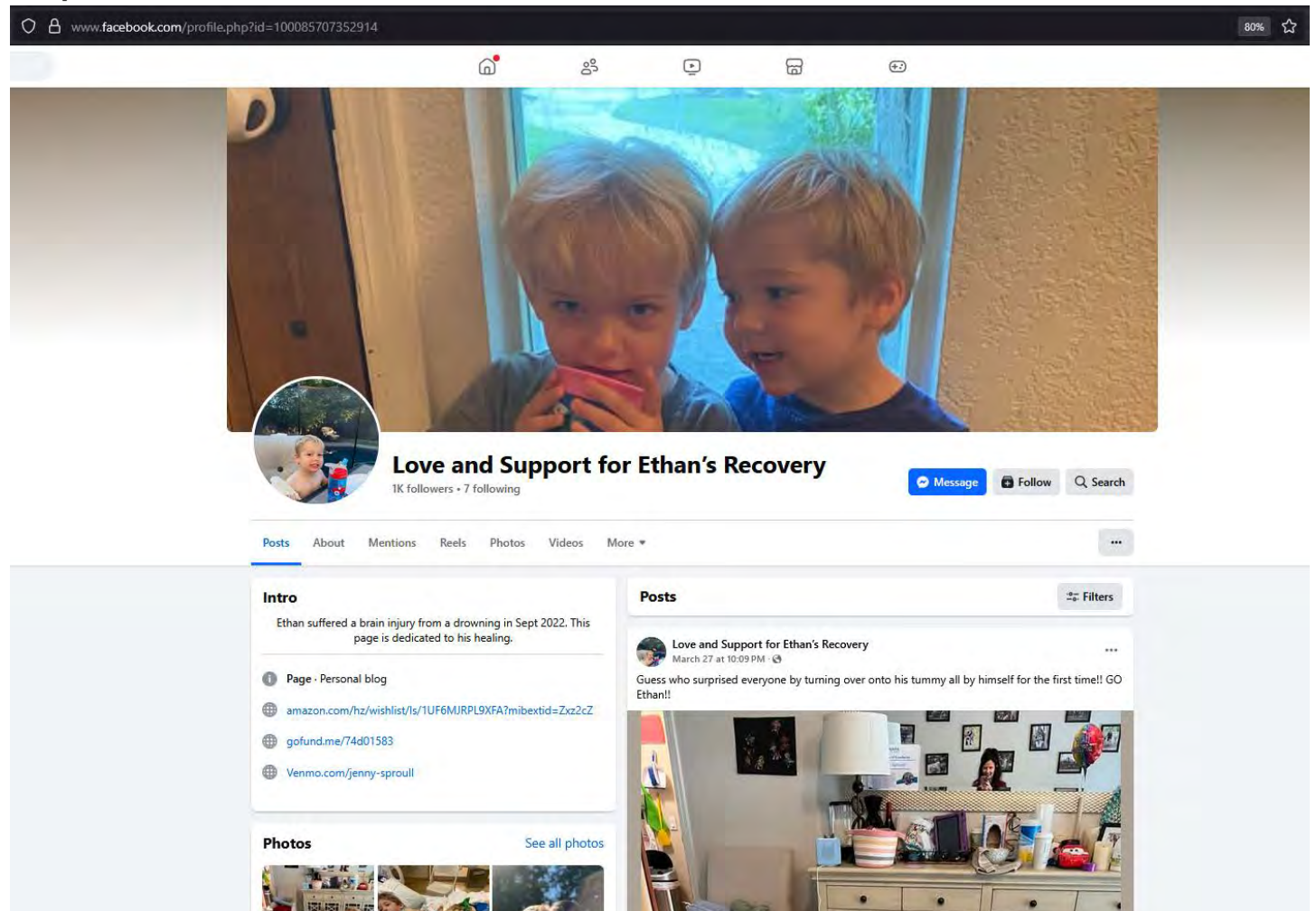
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Social Media Link: <https://www.facebook.com/jennifer.sproull.18>


Date Captured: Apr 25, 2025

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Jennifer Sproull (Jenny)

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Intro

Joined April 2008

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Jennifer Sproull

September 24, 2022 · 🌐

Hi everyone,

I added a post on the 'Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery' page my friend Sarina started (sorry, going quickly as PT showed up so I know she posted the link! I will find it post later), (It is later - here is the link). ... See more

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Ethan suffered a brain injury from a drowning in Sept 2022. This page is dedicated to his heal...

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11 comments


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 Amy Komara Reichert

Social Media Link: <https://www.instagram.com/jsproull777/>



Date Captured: Apr 25, 2025

Snapshot:



jsproull777

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109 followers


58 following

Jennifer Sroull

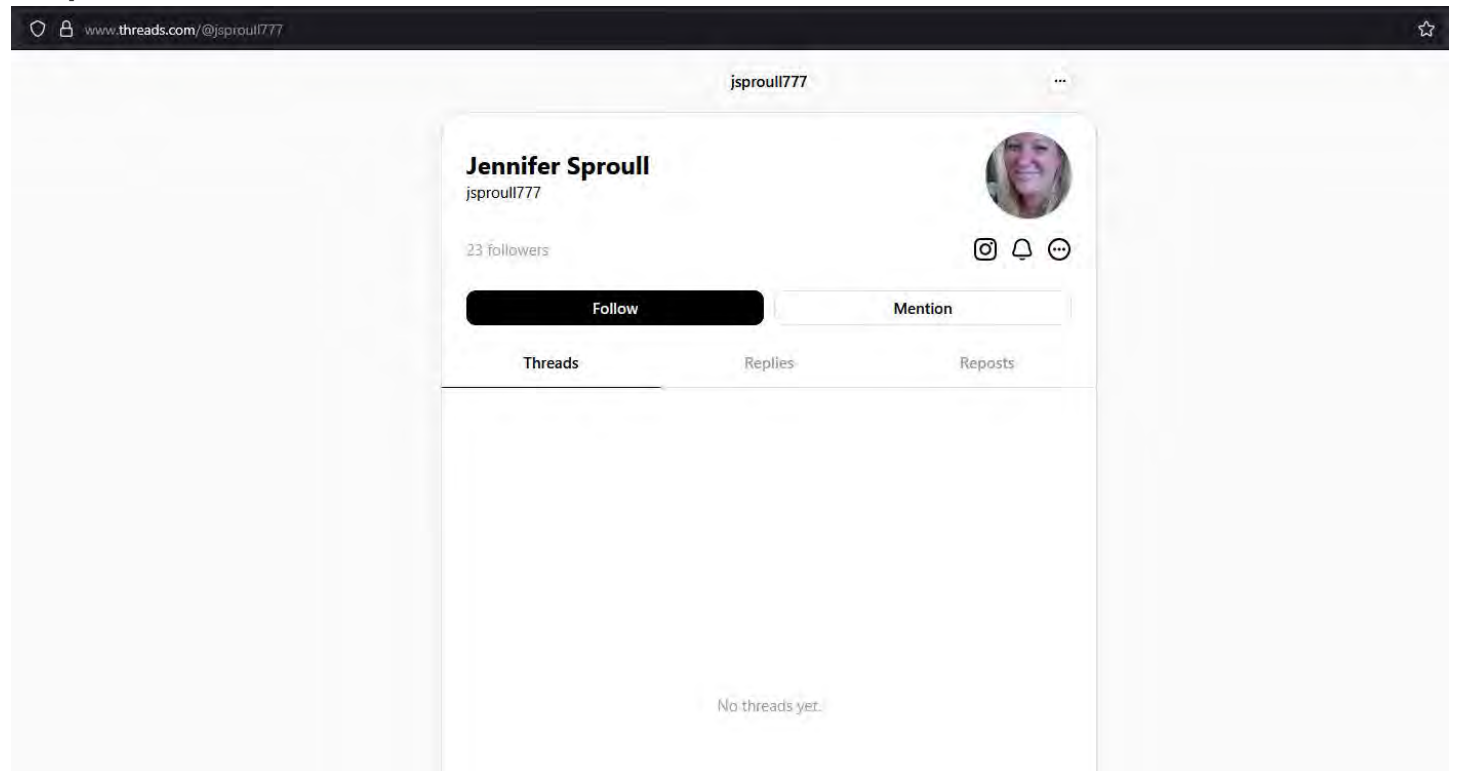


POSTS

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Jenny Sproull (She/Her)

Strategy | Operations | Business Transformation | Kellogg MBA | Drive clarity and alignment, solve problems, grow businesses, and enhance culture


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About

I am passionate about growing mission-driven organizations while helping to create workplaces where people are engaged, energized, and understand how they are contributing to their organization's success. I enjoy tackling complex problems and creating order out of chaos.


...see more


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 Jenny Sproull reposted this

 Omada Health


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According to recent research from the [Pew Research Center](#), 53% of Americans familiar with GLP-1s think they are a good option to lose weight for ...more

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 Jenny Sproull • 3rd+

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2yr •

I'm happy to share that I'm starting a new position as Director Commercial Program Management at [Omada Health](#)! ...more



Omada Health's committed health coaches and clinicians help people believe in their ability to maintain healthy habits.

Starting a New Position



16 • 2 reposts

124 • 18 comments • 1 repost



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Experience



Omada Health

Full-time • 2 yrs 10 mos

Director Commercial Program Management

Jan 2023 - Present • 2 yrs 4 mos

United States • Remote

- Lead the Commercial project management team
- Led 2023 GTM strategy development and execution, utilizing customer insights and internal LTV/CAI ...see more

Director Commercial Effectiveness

Jul 2022 - Dec 2022 • 6 mos

Sacramento, California, United States



Director, Planning & Alignment

Sutter Health • Full-time

Aug 2016 - Jul 2022 • 6 yrs

Sacramento, California, United States



Director, Strategic Operations

MGM Resorts International • Full-time

Mar 2015 - Jul 2016 • 1 yr 5 mos

Las Vegas, Nevada, United States



Bright Horizons

Full-time • 11 yrs 1 mo

Sr. Client Relations Director

Jul 2012 - Mar 2015 • 2 yrs 9 mos

Boston, MA / Cleveland, OH

Sr. Account Manager

Jan 2011 - Jul 2012 • 1 yr 7 mos

London, England, United Kingdom

Sr. Director Marketing Analytics

Education



Northwestern University - Kellogg School of Management

MBA, Analytical Consulting, Economics, International Business, Strategy, and Organizational Behavior

Activities and societies: Global Initiatives in Management (GIM) Ireland leader; GIM China, Led research projects focused on talent management within each country, culminating with in-country research visits.



Indiana University Bloomington

B.S., Honors Business; Marketing and Management

Activities and societies: General Honors Student; Business School Honors Program; ...see more

Licenses & certifications



Accelerated Change Excellence (ACE)

Sutter Health

Issued Nov 2018



RONA LEAN Certified Workshop Leader Training

Rona Consulting Group

Issued Nov 2017

Volunteering



NICU Volunteer

Sutter Health Medical Center Sacramento

Jan 2018 - Jan 2019 ~1 yr

Children

Provided comfort to NICU patients on a weekly basis, contributing over 130 hours in support of Sutter Health's smallest patients.

Skills

Strategic Planning



Endorsed by 3 colleagues at Sutter Health



6 endorsements

Global Growth Strategies



3 endorsements

Show all 34 skills →

Social Media Link: https://x.com/JenSproull

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Joined December 2011

6 Following 7 Followers

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Posts

Replies

Media

@JenSproull hasn't posted

When they do, their posts will show up here.

Social Media Link: https://account.venmo.com/u/Jenny-Sproull

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Jenny Sproull

@Jenny-Sproull • 76 friends

Pay or Request

Add friend

All stories

Between you

JS

Jenny Sproull paid IMC LANDSCAPE

Mar 26

Landscaping svc

JS

Jenny Sproull paid Kelci Lyon

Mar 26

to Kelci Lyon

JS

Jenny Sproull paid Vanessa Rodrigues-Horta

Mar 3

Trach supplies - thank you!

JS

Jenny Sproull paid IMC LANDSCAPE

Feb 27

Landscaping services



 [jennifer.sproull.18](#)



Posted: Dec 04, 2013

 System ID: [577546](#)



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Before DOI

Post from Subject about her dog

Jennifer Sroull's Post



Jennifer Sroull

December 4, 2013 · 🌐

STUEY IS HOME AND DOING WELL!

THANK YOU to everyone who helped us look for Stuey, whether on the ground or in the virtual world. The show of support was amazing! The effort was described by someone as more coordinated than a military rescue 😊

Stuey was found curled up on the porch of a house off of Music Lane (he picked a very nice house at that). A lovely gentleman had come by to do some work on the house (owners weren't there today) and he saw Stuey. He recognized Stuey from the signs and gave us a call. Naturally, we had just left the area after hiking there for the last 4 hours, so he sat with him until we could turn around and get there (hopefully there are no speed cameras in S Russell).

Stuey is in very good shape. We just got back from the vet and they proclaimed him in great condition, given his little adventure. He needs a few days of r&r and to go easy on his paws (all that chasing deer hurt his pads a bit), but he will be just fine.

We (Stuey and I) have only lived in Chagrin for 3 months, so the outpouring of support feels truly amazing. In our short time here, I think Stuey may be more well known (or notorious?) than most now! What a way to make an introduction... Please come up and say hi if you see us walking around (and we do walk a lot). Stuey and I would love to thank you personally for your help.

A few people I would like to particularly thank - [Marcy Bemiller](#) and Ann [Ann-Margaret Donato](#) who coordinated facebook strategy from other states, [Binnie Kurtzner](#), a new neighbor with social media savy who gave great advice (and can repost with the best of them), [Chris Norton](#) and Dora Norton and Dora Lee McGregor for on the ground support, providing HQ for 'Stuey Search 2013', and ultimately making the signs that led to Stuey being found; Carey Norton for endless driving, hiking, and sign posting, [Nancy Sroull](#) and Russ Sroull (my parents) for tirelessly hiking and driving and worrying for 4 days straight (what a way to kick off their new retirement), and Martha Masich, [Hylee Sroull](#), and [Janet Nabring-Stager](#) for taking time to come out to Chagrin and hike, and hike, and hike. You are the best!

Thank you again from the bottom of my heart.

Jenny (and Stuey)

p.s. I just heard from Santa - Stuey is getting a GPS tracker for Christmas.



48

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Marcy Bemiller

Love it! I think he may get a piece of cool from me LOL. Soooooooo, so happy for you!

👍



Larry Ahrens

So glad he's home so that he can hog your bed again. 😊 I would be beside myself if this ever happened with my Oliver.

👍



Laura Hill

This is amazing news!!!

👍

Instagram



[jsproull777](#)



Posted: Feb 09, 2018



System ID: [577491](#)



Captured: Apr 25, 2025



[Jennifer Sproull](#)



<https://www.instagram.com/jsproull777/p/Be97PDFF4DC/>

Before DOI

Photo of a dog Caption: Me walking the dog before bed. My parents' dog. Mine wouldn't get out of bed.
#dogsofinstagram



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


Photo of Subject and a dog




Posted: Feb 16, 2019






Captured: Apr 25, 2025



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Jennifer Sproull's Post


 **Jennifer Sproull** added a temporary profile picture.
February 16, 2019 · 🌐





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 **Kim Buskirk Callaway**
And a new chapter begins! 🐾

 **Janet B. Deal**
Aww...so sweet!

 **Amy Wimmer Schwarb**
You look so good. Happy puppy, too. 😊

Other



GoFundMe



Posted: Sep 09, 2022



System ID: [579151](#)



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[Jennifer Sproull](#)



<https://www.gofundme.com/f/please-donate-to-help-jenny-and-ethan>

After DOI

GoFundMe page created by Subject's friend Sarina on 09/09/2022 with Subject listed as the beneficiary. The page appears to be active as of 04/30/2025 with \$69,616 raised. Within the page there are updates from right after the incident to the most recent on 03/05/2025.

Please Donate to Help Jenny and Ethan



Sarina Le Sieur is organizing this fundraiser on behalf of Jennifer Sproull.

Donation protected

Hi, my name is Sarina, and I am a close friend of Jenny's. She shared with me the night before last about a tragic accident involving her son Ethan. Below is what happened in her words. Please consider helping Jenny with mounting medical bills, help taking care of Ethan's twin, Aiden, and other unexpected bills. In addition, Jenny just started a new role at a new company, and I am sure she is also feeling added stress there.

From Jenny:

Ethan needs your help. Our family needs your help. Ethan drowned last night in our backyard pool. He is alive. I got him as he went under unconscious and immediately started cpr. 911 was there in minutes. But he was without a heartbeat for 19 minutes. I expected to have lost him when I got to the ED. But he lived. Our first miracle.

\$69,616 raised

\$75K goal - 584 donations

93%

Share

Donate now

Janet Nabring-Stager
\$1,000 - 2 mos
Diane Oberle
\$100 - 2 mos

Ed Weaver
\$1,000 - 2 mos

Erica Mosca
\$35 - 2 yrs

Anonymous
\$10 - 2 yrs

Robert Sischka

See all

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He was transported via critical care to a PICU and they started presenting me with a palliative care plan - he had no indications of positive brain function. At 1am, while telling him his favorite story, he started reacting to my voice. Our second miracle. The doctor gave me a choice - Ethan clearly has cognitive trauma. Do we continue with end of life care or do we take a chance and fight? But fighting may mean his quality of life is severely diminished.

If Ethan is fighting, then so are we. The care team went into action to save his brain. He was put under sedation and minimal stimulation - quiet that brain to give it a chance to heal. By this morning, his lungs and organs were looking significantly better. A third miracle as they can get worse for days after this kind of trauma. That being said, the nurses continue to recalibrate an ever-changing Ethan - being Ethan, he likes to keep them on their toes occasionally.

We won't know for days any early indication of neurological recovery. And the best possible outcome is me walking out of here with him and months and months of intensive therapy. But I would have my Ethan. He would have a chance. He is a fighter. I am greedy, I want that fourth miracle for him and us.

My ask - please pray for us, whatever religion or universal energy you subscribe to. As I have been telling friends of our trauma, prayer circles and goddess circles have engaged - sending us so much positive healing - and the miracles are happening. Ethan is fighting, his care team is fighting, please help them by sending all the spiritual energy and goodwill their way. We have had miracles in the past 24 hours, but I won't lie - we need more.

And please keep Aiden in your thought and prayers. He witnessed it all and is processing the trauma and loss of his brother by his side. This is the first time they have ever been separated.

I will send updates as I can.

Thank you.

 Show your support for this GoFundMe

Updates (22)

March 5th, 2025 by Jennifer Sproull, Beneficiary

Hi - I know it has been so long since I have updated here. I am much better at updating his FB site. But for those who may not follow him there, I want to thank you again for all of your support and post an update [here](#) on how he is doing.

There are always ups and very scary downs on this journey. We had a little bump last week, but now he is showing us again what he can do when he feels good. He is my heart, and I am so in awe of his will to keep moving forward (or rolling down a mat, as the case may be)!

Latest FB update copied below. Thank you again for all of your support these past two years.

-Jenny

Ethan update! He is doing great, so much better after the antibiotic. Now that he is feeling better, he is wowing us with his hard work again. I will post a couple videos of him rolling (fast) and working on crawling - he made his farthest distance yet! It was so interesting, during his hospitalization last week, he had one of his intensivists from his original stay post accident. He commented that Ethan has already far surpassed his original prognosis. I will take that as a testament to Ethan's hard work, while in my mind I was thinking - you've barely seen what this kid can do - he is one of the most persistent, stubborn, and loving kids I have ever met. My job as his mom is to keep giving him what he needs to stay engaged and heal to whatever extent he can.

As for me, I feel like I am almost recovered from last week. It is amazing how even a brief hospital stay can throw life, sleep, and work so out of whack. And my mom is 'out' rightfully so recovering from her hip surgery last week. It has been an adjustment. We miss her, but are hanging in there with the help of his amazing nursing team and the boys' incredible au pair.

And Ethan has a lot on his plate over the next few months! He will have an ABM intensive in a couple of weeks, a trachea procedure to try to fix the partial collapse, another round of stem cells, SPML surgery out of town to help his legs and feet (with repeated casting visits), MNRI therapy, and his ongoing PT, OT, and speech therapies. That all gets us to July 4th. It's a busy first half of the year!

He is a trooper and I am so thankful. He continues to work so hard, so I am determined to give him every opportunity for healing and independence that I can. And make sure he has a lot of fun and loving along the way. Thank you for your continued ongoing love and support. It is so appreciated and so vital to his recovery journey.



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Granite Bay, CA



Jennifer Sproull

Beneficiary

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Words of support (40)

Please donate to share words of support.



Erica Mosca

\$35 · 2 yrs

I've been following Ethan's journey online & I love seeing all the amazing progress he's making



Ginger Wahlgren

\$25 · 2 yrs

I don't know these people. Just read the story while looking for another page. You can't be a mother and not want to help another mother going through this. Just give \$1 or \$5 if you can, it adds up, and they will need much more than what their goal is. Please donate. Thank you.



Sharon Baker

\$500 · 2 yrs

We are thinking and sending you positive energy.



Alyson Bettelman

\$200 · 2 yrs

Sending love to you all.



Kimberly Spinazzola

\$30 · 2 yrs

My heart and well wishes go out to you all, especially sweet little Ethan!



Edward Weaver

\$1,000 · 2 yrs

People help people



Kerri Torres

\$120 · 3 yrs

Jenny, Ethan & Aiden, Pam Carr's birthday gift wish was a donation to Ethan.
Sending love and healing thoughts! Pam, Kerri, Hilary & Arryn



Elizabeth Silva

\$150 · 3 yrs

Dear Jenny, Aiden and Ethan, Our family has "adopted" your beautiful family as special intention in our daily rosary. We pray for God's grace to support you on this journey. We hope for many, Many, MANY miracles and blessings to granted on the road ahead.



Jennifer Quady

\$200 · 3 yrs

Hope this helps. Ethan and the whole family are in our thoughts and prayers.
The Quady Family




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● **March 2nd, 2023** by Jennifer Sproull, Beneficiary

Thank you so much for helping me save Ethan! You are all so generous, I wish I could reach out personally to thank each of you directly.

I want to share exciting news. We have our flights to Phoenix next week for Ethan to receive his first stem cell treatment! A huge thanks to AeroAngel (Aeroangel.org). We are so excited. The doctors also worked it out that we can finish our NOLA treatments there, so we don't have to come back to New Orleans for a week. Then, through the amazing generosity and hard work of our neighbors, we have a flight home! It feels so special that it is our neighbors helping to bring us back. And I am intentional in saying 'bring us back'. We are bringing Ethan back, and by extension ourselves. His road is incredibly long. But, we have seen progress here in NOLA - arms extended and purposeful movements, reaching for toys, etc. His eyes are tracking so much more and he even moved his legs a couple of times while awake over the last week or so. Not much, but it is a start. We are starting to see an overall softening of the tone in his body. Again, a long way to go - but all good forward progress.

And that is where your generosity is so much appreciated. Not only making sure we could get flights to this much-needed treatment, but also helping to fund years of out-of-pocket treatments ahead of him, of us. I wish there was a magic cure. But I am so thankful that, with your help, we are able to give Ethan all the chances possible to heal and lead a life he loves.

Thank you again for your generosity.

Jenny

● **February 20th, 2023** by Jennifer Sproull, Beneficiary

Thank you everyone for your continued support and generosity. We have raised \$10,000 towards our \$25,000 goal to support flights for Ethan to get his stem cell treatment and get us home. We are still working all alternatives to make it happen (nothing finalized yet), but he will get there. Your generosity ensures we have options to make it happen.

As quick updates, Ethan continues to gain awareness and use of his arms. They are extending now and he can move them purposefully and on command (usually). The movements are not well-coordinated and you can see him thinking about it for a while before they happen, but he is doing it! His right leg is also loosening up quite a bit and bending occasionally while awake as well. His coughs are getting super productive (getting gunk up on his own) and his heart rate is starting to baseline lower (which I hope means his nervous system is starting to calm down). Small but mighty improvements. We are doing dives 25-28 this week (apparently all of New Orleans shuts down on Tuesday for Mardi Gras). This is the sweet spot in the dives when they typically see changes. We have been seeing changes steadily throughout, so not sure what to expect - but ever hopeful.

This road is so so very hard. I can't thank you enough for being there for us. Whether we connect personally or not, just knowing you are there supporting Ethan with your prayers, healing energy, and more tangible supports means everything.

Thank you so much again for helping me save my son.

● **January 30th, 2023** by Jennifer Sproull, Beneficiary

Update January 30th, 2023

Thank you so much for all of your donations and support. They mean the world to me and my family. Ethan continues to improve daily in tiny ways. The hyperbaric oxygen therapy we have been able to access in New Orleans - that you helped make possible through your donations - is helping. Today Ethan repeatedly used his hand to hit an adaptive button that makes a toy sing and later held eye contact with me for several minutes. It was amazing! I had a million things to do, but nothing could have moved me from that spot until he was ready to disengage.

These improvements are monumental, and yet the chasm that exists between where he is now and any kind of functioning life is so wide, it feels almost impossible to cross. And that is when I lean on you all, who pray, send healing energy, and help us in tangible ways, either through donations here, Venmo, Amazon gift cards, rides to the airport, networking to find a plane, and food magically showing up at our door when we are too tired to cook. Thank you. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. With you, I can keep hope alive even in the darkest hours.

And hope is why I am here. We have a new incredible opportunity to help Ethan. I learned last week that Ethan's doctor in New Orleans is connected to a leading doctor caring for kids in Ethan's condition, who does stem cell treatments as part of his practice. I was aware of him, but he has a 3-year wait list, and I had given up hope of accessing his expertise while Ethan is still so young and has the most neural-plasticity and hope of healing. It was heartbreaking to come to that conclusion.

But, we now have a chance to see this doctor and receive the stem cell treatment! It turns out these doctors informally work together and have an agreement that NOLA patients can access the stem cell therapy while receiving hyperbaric treatments, given the multiplicative effects one treatment has on the other. Here is the catch - the other doctor is in Phoenix and we have to get there in February to be seen (middle of Ethan's series of hyperbaric treatments), or we will instead be put on the 3-year-wait list. New Orleans and Phoenix are about 1300 miles (22 hour+ drive) apart. Ethan cannot tolerate a commercial flight for a number of reasons and the drive is dangerous for him - it is long and so much of it is in the middle of nowhere if there was an emergency. To bottom line it, we need a roundtrip private flight.

We were able to secure a flight with the non-profit organization AeroAngel to get from home (Sacramento) to New Orleans last month. They are amazing and are seeing if there is something they can do, but it is unlikely. We have also researched and contacted over 20 nonprofit angel flight organizations, medical flight, etc. organizations - but their planes are too small and can't go the distance. Therefore, it is likely that we will need to pay upwards of \$25,000+ for the roundtrip flight by chartering a small private jet ourselves. And here is where I am again asking for your help. This isn't just for one stem cell treatment, it is for access to this clinic now and all the stem cell treatments and other therapies he will receive over the next several years, when his brain has the best chance to heal, where we otherwise would be sitting on a wait list. We need to make this happen! I WILL find the plane one way or the other - I will not let this opportunity pass him by.

You all have been so generous. You have raised a large sum of money, for which I am so grateful. And, as thankful as I am for good health insurance, a shocking amount of the money raised has already been used to buy medical equipment not covered, fund mental health therapies for Aiden and myself, other out-of-pocket therapies for Ethan, and of course, the trip to NOLA for hyperbaric treatments (clinic, housing, etc.). Because of your generosity, I am not worried about paying for the Phoenix treatments. It is the flights from NOLA to Phoenix and back that are our current obstacle. Any amount you can donate is so appreciated. And, of

course, should you have a jet (or a connection to a jet) where we can reduce these costs, please let me know!

As a quick PSA for the jet - we do not need a medical flight. I can get him on and off the plane. He will use an FAA approved oxygen concentrator (just like is ok on a commercial flight), he needs the cabin to be pressurized and his seat to be able to recline due to his high muscle tone. He did great on the flight here, but if anyone is concerned, my mom is a licensed RN (and will be accompanying us) and we are happy to sign any legal documents waiving all liability.

Thank you for helping us. I have come to think of this amazing international community that is helping Ethan as his band of angels. Thank you for helping to save my little boy. Thank you.

● **January 6th, 2023** by Jennifer Sproull, Beneficiary

Just a quick update for those of you not on FB! Thank you so much for all of your support. We are getting to NOLA for treatment!

We have a flight!! AeroAngel came through - a private donor that wishes to remain anonymous is flying us to NOLA! We leave Tuesday. OMG! I am an excited and scared wreck. The doctor is ready to see us and scheduled our intake for a week from today.

We are working on housing, but is not easy. If anyone has any leads (we need at least one bedroom on the first floor, preferably two) near Marrero or Metairie areas. I appreciate it (3 bedrooms)!

And, everyone had even so generous already. You have given us a good war chest to use for his treatment. But, I won't lie, this is all out of pocket, including housing. Anything can help and is much appreciated. (Note - we don't have a way back yet, this is a huge leap of faith, we just need to get there!) Most important is your continued prayers, healing energy, and support. It is working! If you haven't seen it, check out the video of Ethan waving last week on his FB site (Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery). I can't get it to post here :) It was a brief moment of connection, not one

we have repeated, but I will take it as a sign of good things to come.

Thank you for all your love and prayers. And selfishly, keep them coming! If nothing else so mama survives this trip. I am going to be a nervous wreck Tuesday!

● **December 28th, 2022** by Sarina Le Sieur, Organizer

Hello all! I hope you had a wonderful holiday. Thank you all who continue to donate to Ethan's care. Jenny and her family appreciate the support. It allows them to establish a routine and figure out next steps. Regular updates are on their Facebook page.

● **November 12th, 2022** by Sarina Le Sieur, Organizer

An update- Ethan will be on his way home this week! They've worked hard to get all the equipment (and so much learning) they will need for that to happen. Her whole family is grateful for the help you've provided to get them through this.

● **October 14th, 2022** by Sarina Le Sieur, Organizer

Update 10/11/22 from Jenny

Evenings at the hospital seem to be my best times to catch up. Tonight, I am so excited to share some news - Ethan opened his eyes for about 10 minutes this morning, he blinked many times, and he even tracked my mom moving across the room for a few seconds! Not only is his brain 'waking up' a bit more, but he may be able to see better than we initially thought! And, he is tolerating being off of CPAP longer and longer. That is one solid step forward for my little tortoise! Thank you for all of your continued prayers, healing energy, love, support, and great care team. Something is working, and I will take it all (all of that, plus I am sure a dash or Ethan's strong will) :)

I really try to focus on how much progress has been made, versus how much is still needed. Just three weeks ago, I was faced with explicit end of life / quality of life decisions, not for the first time since our tragedy. Something no parent should face. I celebrate where we are today. Even his doctor commented to my dad about Ethan's positive changes over the past 10 days.

That being said, shifting lenses to think about where he is now to where he needs to be for any sense of a functioning life is, well, is daunting in the extreme. While his eyes open more, he does not intentionally interact or make eye contact with us. He does not move with purpose. Baby steps.

I am so grateful for this morning. I was not meant to be here (scheduled 'paperwork morning'), but my mom texted that PT was so happy with his low tone and lack of posturing over the past few days, that they wanted to get him in a special seat today and wheel him around in a wagon. And, to do so, they would even be disconnecting him from the vent (putting a cap on his trach that acts like a nose - keeping the air humidified and gunk out). This was too huge to miss, so I jumped in the car and came down.

Unfortunately, his brain couldn't handle the stimuli of being more awake and then the movement, etc., so he was never able to relax into the seat (they tried hard), and his heart and respiratory rates went too high for too long. I ended up holding him for a bit, but even that couldn't calm him down, so eventually he went into bed and got some meds to help.

While I am disappointed the plan for the day didn't work out, I also recognize the gift I was given - to see him more awake this morning. I would have missed that. It gave me such joy and hope. And, as I sit here tonight, he is sleeping away, his body (thankfully) loose and at ease, as he has been for much of the day. We will try again tomorrow and see.

In the meantime, the care team is pleased with his progress, and we will continue to slowly wean him off more meds, see what he does. As usual, I am greedy when it comes to my son, please keep sending prayers and healing energy - he needs it!

And, don't forget - ice cream on Wednesday evening 10/19! I can't wait to see our local friends at Leatherby's that night (20% of proceeds go to Ethan, if you mention his name). And, if you aren't local or able to make it, it would mean so much to me if you still have some ice cream for Ethan. To think that people are feeling happiness while thinking of him fills my soul with joy and gratitude. That is most important to me. And, as this was designed as a fundraiser, if you are able and so inclined, please consider 'buying an ice cream for Ethan' and donating whatever that cost would be to his Go Fund Me account. Everything goes directly to his and Aiden's care and support.

Thank you all again. I have said it before and I will say it again, I feel your hands on my back, I feel you holding me when I stumble. I cannot - we cannot - do this without your love and support. Thank you.

● **October 11th, 2022** by Sarina Le Sieur, Organizer

Hello everyone! As I'm sitting here this quiet morning, I'm watching the sun sparkle on the trees, the birds singing different sounds, and the far-away rooster crowing; I can't help but feel love and gratitude in my heart for all the kindness and support for Jenny. I hope everyone can take a peaceful moment today for themselves to reflect.

You have done so much for Jenny, Ethan, and Aiden. Thank you so much. I'm in awe of the generosity. We are almost at 40k! A few of us will put some instant pots to good use and helping to prep food for Ethan's feed tube when he comes home (unsure of the date yet). Thank you to those that immediately sent instant pots!

Keep up all the beautiful prayers and healing thoughts.

● **September 29th, 2022** by Sarina Le Sieur, Organizer

Hello all,

Jenny posted a touching update on the Facebook page. It's extremely touching. Thank you all, again, for your support.

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100085707352914>

• **September 21st, 2022** by Sarina Le Sieur, Organizer

Hello everyone! We've created a special page for updates. Jenny posted one yesterday if you'd like to read it.

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100085707352914>

• **September 20th, 2022** by Sarina Le Sieur, Organizer

Aiden surrounded by all the therapy dogs!



• **September 20th, 2022** by Sarina Le Sieur, Organizer

Hi everyone! Ethan had a visitor today! His twin brother, Aiden, came to visit as well as several therapy dogs. I hear Aiden tried to convince Jenny to take them all home. Jenny is doing all she can to advocate for Ethan so that he can try as many different treatments as needed. Ethan is continuing to fight. It'll be a long road. Right now, Jenny was able to take time off to really focus on Ethan and Aiden. She was only able to do this with all of your help and support. Thank you!

• **September 18th, 2022** by Sarina Le Sieur, Organizer

Good evening. I wanted to share how hard little Ethan is fighting. Jenny is researching all she can, getting expert opinions, and trusting her heart. Ethan's brain (basal ganglia, thalamus, and occipital lobe, to be specific) need to start repairing their neural pathways. This takes time. I'm filled with hope. Hope can sometimes feel scary because of all the "yah, but what ifs," well, right now, it's helpful to stay present and cross those bridges when we must. This isn't going to be an easy road for the Sproull family. Please keep them in your hearts. Please share this Gofundme if you are able. My goal is to give Jenny a few months of financial relief so she

can be present.

● **September 16th, 2022** by Sarina Le Sieur, Organizer

Update 3/3

To Sutter Health, specifically the Sutter Medical Center Sacramento PICU team. Wow. They are the A+ team. If we have to be going through this, I would not want it to be with anyone else. Not only the stellar medical care, but for the nurses who pause on their way out the door to say, "nobody tells you this, but there is no wrong way" and "you are doing good, mama". For the full care team who is bending some rules for the sake of the human component of healing - because the rules don't apply to our situation. They are so in awe of all of you and the support you are giving. It is apparently rare. I can't fathom trying to get through this without you all. You are that more precious to me.

And, my new employer, Omada Health, who has shown such wonderful support to me, after being there for only 6 weeks. We have a path together, we will figure it out. I am eternally thankful for the support of the people on my team, and their thoughtfulness in thinking about Aiden. Your toys arrived just in time. He was having a tough morning, and those new cars were just the distraction we needed to get him momentarily unstuck.

Many of you have asked for guidance on intention for your prayers and healing energy. I have been asked should it be for guidance with what to do. That sounds very rational. But, no. I am a fighting mama lion right now. Let's fight. Let's have our intention on opening the pathways in Ethan's brain to allow all those tight pathways in the Basil Ganglia and Thalamus to reconnect, to allow his brain and body to effectively communicate. His body is truly healing. Much of his brain seems to be in good shape. It is the connector area that needs help. It was described to me as if your computer monitor is good and your computer is good, but the cord that connects the two is damaged. That is the primary cause of concern for us now. There are a couple other areas too - but let's focus on the biggy right now. Let's get that flow moving!

Again, I have learned very very painfully this week that I must live in the moment. Hard for someone whose training and profession is long-term planning. So, for now, I cannot share his next steps. Other than to heal from today. To rest his brain for a couple of days more. Then we will see. There is hope. He is alive.

For those who would like to help additionally, I wanted to share these links put together from friends mentioned above. And, some have asked to send something directly to my email. It is: [email redacted]

GoFundMe: <https://gofund.me/8dea2e31>

Meal Train: <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/6633ld>

Thank you again and please please continue fighting for Ethan. I am forever grateful.

• **September 16th, 2022** by Sarina Le Sieur, Organizer

Update 2/3

First, my parents - Russ Sproull and Nancy Sproull. Wow, how did I get so lucky? They have never flinched, always by my side, always by Ethan's side, always by Aiden's side. 24 x 7, one of us is there. And they are hurting so much too. They are the cornerstone of my foundation.

My sister Karen Deal and Scott Deal who have dropped everything to help Aiden, to be at my bedside, or just drive me home from the hospital after being here and up for 35 hours straight, multiple times.

Míša Kratochvílová - I can't even put it into words. This young woman arrived at our home from the Czech Republic 4 weeks to the day before our tragedy, to be our Au Pair. She came to have fun in the US for a year, while helping me care for the boys. By every right, she should have run - run from the pain, her own, Aiden's, my family's. But she has leaned in. She has said she isn't going anywhere. She has made sure the home front is ok. Not just ok, but thriving. She is a constant for Aiden. He loves her tremendously. I am convinced she is an angel sent to us to get through this horrible event. She is and will always be family. I need a stronger word than Au Pair for how she fits. I don't think we have it in English, so if it exists in another language, let me know.

Sarina Hosseini - you are a force of nature. A former colleague and good friend, Sarina is a Goddess disguised as a health care project manager. She is thinking at least three steps into the future for what we will need, including setting up a GoFundMe account, helping coordinate meal trains, and circumventing hospital security to deliver a meal and hugs to me in person. I have learned that I can't think beyond the next minute. She takes that pressure from me, she has my back - she has my future.

Lori Campbell for arranging a meal train to help us out. Thank you. It feels like magic when food shows up. And, you didn't ruin the mac & cheese. In fact, Aiden had it for lunch today. I was sent a video of him eating it - and he was laughing and giggling in a way I haven't seen since this tragedy.

Shirley and Kelvin Lee - my neighbors and honorary second grandparents to the boys. Whether it is checking in, sending love, or organizing the street to deliver food and anything else that is needed. Thank you.

Heather Morrison - I have heard you have the roomies and parents all coordinated and ready for action when we need you. It takes a weight off, thank you.

Audrey Cole O'Grady and Dora Lousie Norton (Chris Norton): for leading both Christian and more metaphysical approaches to help Ethan - and that you keep going, every day. Thank you.

Ethan update: 9/15/22 update 1/3

I know I have been quiet for the last several days. It has taken everything I have to get through each moment, both for Ethan and Aiden. I was faced for a second time since this tragedy with an end of life / quality of life decision. Ethan is still fighting, so we are still fighting. That is the cliff notes version.

I asked for a fourth miracle, and so many people around the world took up the call to help us. You have been praying, meditating, sending us your healing energy to help Ethan. I have received videos of monks in India praying and chanting specifically for Ethan, I have heard of Goddess circles and Christian prayer groups meeting daily to pray for Ethan. I have heard from Jewish and Muslim friends, and energy healers and Shaman and Raïke masters - all focused on helping Ethan. I accept it all, I beg for it all.

Ethan was not able to be extubated a second time today, he still doesn't have the ability to control his tongue and keep his airway open. However, he has started to cough and gag. This is a good sign. Ethan is fighting. So are we. I chose to have them put in a trach that will be a much better option for him moving forward. They are also putting in a g-tube to give him sustenance. That is all happening as I write (as I finish he is back and doing great). But, even with this disappointment, I realized, that I did get my fourth miracle - just not the one I asked for (they often work that way, don't they?)

My fourth miracle is you. All of you. I shatter into tiny pieces a thousand times a day, and then collect those pieces and put them back together - because to not do so is unthinkable for Ethan and Aiden. But it is hard. It is excruciating. And when I am crumbling, you bolster me. I read your notes coming in, I see the videos of prayer, I see your posts, and I and my family eat the food you send to try to keep our bodies going. Ethan will not make it through this without me. Aiden will not make it through this without me.

By giving us such love and support, whether virtually or in-person, you shore me up. I know you are helping. And make no mistake, the fact that Ethan is showing a slight improvement is a tiny miracle. Maybe not the big giant miracle I so desperately wanted, but he is here, he has a chance, he is stable and improving - even if it is infinitesimal. I will take it.

My silence here these past few days concerned me - would they forget about us, moving on with their normal lives? I am sorry I had so little faith in you - so many of you continue every day with your prayers and healing and direct support. You are solid. I know now how we are going to make it through this awful tragedy - with you.

Aiden is an amazing little boy. But he is very traumatized, and it comes out more each day. We had our first visit with the therapist at home yesterday. It helped. He has an Ethan doll now (with a trach) and he wouldn't stop talking with it last night. He fell asleep in bed, talking with Ethan. It was heart-warming and heart-breaking at the same time.

There are so many people I want to thank. I know I will forget someone who has been so crucial to us, but I have to give it a shot.

● **September 15th, 2022** by Sarina Le Sieur, Organizer

Hello everyone- we have surpassed our original goal and so I've moved it up a bit. My plan is to continue supporting Jenny for as long as we can. Given that she just started her new role at a new company, she will be without certain protections, paid time off, and her Sutter family. I want her to be able to focus on Ethan and the hurdles he faces right now. Aiden also needs his mommy. She's doing her very best to split time. She's doing her best to make hard decisions. She's doing her best to stay strong. She told me she couldn't do this without all of you. The love, the prayers, the OMs, the meditations, all of it, is palpable. Thank you from my whole heart for your support.

I'll continue to update you as I can. Feel free to share this Gofundme.

With so much gratitude,

• **September 14th, 2022** by Sarina Le Sieur, Organizer

Hi everyone, I wanted to share that Ethan, Jenny, and Aiden need all the love, prayers, energy, and mediations you can do. I also thank everyone so much for your donations. It's allowed Jenny to take time off from her new job to be present with both of her boys right now. Communities like this one are so appreciated.

• **September 12th, 2022** by Sarina Le Sieur, Organizer

Hi everyone- we all the healing energy and prayers we can get. An update from Jenny:

UPDATE 9/12 4:45pm

Please continue to help Ethan. The generosity of spirit and tangible support has been unbelievable. But I am shattering. Ethan had been making some progress - his lungs regained function and were able to work on their own. They tried to extubate him today, but found that he couldn't control his tongue and it blocked his airway. That is a bad sign. They are adding palliative care to our medical team. He needs this part of the brain to heal asap to have a chance. Please throw all the spiritual energy you have at him. His body is fighting hard. We need parts of his brain to heal fast, or they probably never will.

I know this is a dire message, but how can I be his mom if I don't ask for every ounce of possible help? Nothing can be left on the table.

Thank you thank you thank you

• **September 10th, 2022** by Sarina Le Sieur, Organizer

Hello everyone! Keep up sending the love and healing to Ethan! It is working. Here is an update from Jenny:

So, thank you again. For everything. And please, please please keep sending the love and light and healing to Ethan. It is palpable. It IS helping.

• **September 9th, 2022** by Sarina Le Sieur, Organizer

I spoke with Jenny and she is overwhelmed with gratitude for these generous acts of kindness, love, and support. Ethan is currently stable which is great news. Keep praying for those miracles. They are working!



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Subject shared the incident that occurred, indicating in the caption she got to him, "...as he went under unconscious..." and indicating that he was, "...without a heartbeat for 19 minutes..." Within the post Subject shared a photo of Ethan, and a photo of Ethan and his brother Aiden. Note, in the second photo it appears Ethan is on the right.



Jennifer Sproull's Post



Jennifer Sproull

September 9, 2020 · 🌐

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Ethan needs your help. Our family needs your help. Ethan drowned last night in our backyard pool. He is alive. I got him as he went under unconscious and immediately started cpr. 911 was there in minutes. But he was without a heartbeat for 19 minutes. I expected to have lost him when I got to the ED. But he lived. Our first miracle.

He was transported via critical care to a PICU and they started presenting me with a palliative care plan - he had no indications of positive brain function. At 1am, while telling him his favorite story, he started reacting to my voice. Our second miracle. The doctor gave me a choice - Ethan clearly has cognitive trauma. Do we continue with end of life care or do we take a chance and fight? But fighting may mean his quality of life is severely diminished.

If Ethan is fighting, then so are we. The care team went into action to save his brain. He was put under sedation and minimal stimulation - quiet that brain to give it a chance to heal. By this morning, his lungs and organs were looking significantly better. A third miracle as they can get worse for days after this kind of trauma. That being said, the nurses continue to recalibrate an ever-changing Ethan - being Ethan, he likes to keep them on their toes occasionally.

We won't know for days any early indication of neurological recovery. And the best possible outcome is me walking out of here with him and months and months of intensive therapy. But I would have my Ethan. He would have a chance. He is a fighter. I am greedy, I want that fourth miracle for him and us.

My ask - please pray for us, whatever religion or universal energy you subscribe to. As I have been telling friends of our trauma, prayer circles and goddess circles have engaged - sending us so much positive healing - and the miracles are happening. Ethan is fighting, his care team is fighting, please help them by sending all the spiritual energy and goodwill their way. We have had miracles in the past 24 hours, but I won't lie - we need more.

And please keep Aiden in your thought and prayers. He witnessed it all and is processing the trauma and loss of his brother by his side. This is the first time they have ever been separated.

I will send updates as I can.

Thank you.

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The hard news - the mri showed there is damage to his brain. But have heard multiple times from the physicians - less than they expected. The damage is located in the 'cpu' or highest functioning area of the brain. We won't know what this means for some time. The 24 hours will be indicative.

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Jennifer Sroull's Post



Jennifer Sroull

September 10, 2022 · 🌐

UPDATE 9/12 4:45pm

Please continue to help Ethan. The generosity of spirit and tangible support has been unbelievable. But I am shattering. Ethan had been making some progress - his lungs regained function and were able to work on their own. They tried to extubate him today, but found that he couldn't control his tongue and it blocked his airway. That is a bad sign. They are adding palliative care to our medical team. He needs this part of the brain to heal asap to have a chance. Please throw all the spiritual energy you have at him. His body is fighting hard. We need parts of his brain to heal fast, or they probably never will.

I know this is a dire message, but how can I be his mom if I don't ask for every ounce of possible help? Nothing can be left on the table.

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Subject shared an update on Ethan's condition, the GoFundMe page, and thanking associates who have been helping her family



Jennifer Sproull's Post



Jennifer Sproull

September 15, 2020 · 🌐

Ethan update: 9/15/22

I know I have been quiet for the last several days. It has taken everything I have to get through each moment, both for Ethan and Aiden. I was faced for a second time since this tragedy with an end of life / quality of life decision. Ethan is still fighting, so we are still fighting. That is the cliff notes version.

I asked for a fourth miracle, and so many people around the world took up the call to help us. You have been praying, meditating, sending us your healing energy to help Ethan. I have received videos of monks in India praying and chanting specifically for Ethan, I have heard of Goddess circles and Christian prayer groups meeting daily to pray for Ethan. I have heard from Jewish and Muslim friends, and energy healers and Shaman and Raiki masters - all focused on helping Ethan. I accept it all. I beg for it all.

Ethan was not able to be extubated a second time today, he still doesn't have the ability to control his tongue and keep his airway open. However, he has started to cough and gag. This is a good sign.

Ethan is fighting. So are we. I chose to have them put in a trach that will be a much better option for him moving forward. They are also putting in a g-tube to give him sustenance. That is all happening as I write (as I finish he is back and doing great). But, even with this disappointment, I realized, that I did get my fourth miracle - just not the one I asked for (they often work that way, don't they?)

My fourth miracle is you. All of you. I shatter into tiny pieces a thousand times a day, and then collect those pieces and put them back together - because to not do so is unthinkable for Ethan and Aiden. But it is hard. It is excruciating. And when I am crumbling, you bolster me. I read your notes coming in, I see the videos of prayer, I see your posts, and I and my family eat the food you send to try to keep our bodies going. Ethan will not make it through this without me. Aiden will not make it through this without me. By giving us such love and support, whether virtually or in-person, you shore me up. I know you are helping. And make no mistake, the fact that Ethan is showing a slight improvement is a tiny miracle. Maybe not the big giant miracle I so desperately wanted, but he is here, he has a chance, he is stable and improving - even if it is infinitesimal. I will take it.

My silence here these past few days concerned me - would they forget about us, moving on with their normal lives? I am sorry I had so little faith in you - so many of you continue every day with your prayers and healing and direct support. You are solid. I know now how we are going to make it through this awful tragedy - with you.

Aiden is an amazing little boy. But he is very traumatized, and it comes out more each day. We had our first visit with the therapist at home yesterday. It helped. He has an Ethan doll now (with a trach) and he wouldn't stop talking with it last night. He fell asleep in bed, talking with Ethan. It was heart-warming and heart-breaking at the same time.

There are so many people I want to thank. I know I will forget someone who has been so crucial to us, but I have to give it a shot.

First, my parents - [Russ Sproull](#) and [Nancy Sproull](#). Wow, how did I get so lucky? They have never flinched, always by my side, always by Ethan's side, always by Aiden's side. 24 x 7, one of us is there. And they are hurting so much too. They are the cornerstone of my foundation.

My sister [Karen Deal](#) and Scott Deal who have dropped everything to help Aiden, to be at my bedside, or just drive me home from the hospital after being here and up for 35 hours straight, multiple times.

Miša Kratochvílová - I can't even put it into words. This young woman arrived at our home from the Czech Republic 4 weeks to the day before our tragedy, to be our Au Pair. She came to have fun in the US for a year, while helping me care for the boys. By every right, she should have run - run from the pain, her own, Aiden's, my family's. But she has leaned in. She has said she isn't going anywhere. She has made sure the home front is ok. Not just ok, but thriving. She is a constant for Aiden. He loves her tremendously. I am convinced she is an angel sent to us to get through this horrible event. She is and will always be family. I need a stronger word than Au Pair for how she fits. I don't think we have it in English, so if it exists in another language, let me know.

Sarina Hosseini - you are a force of nature. A former colleague and good friend, Sarina is a Goddess disguised as a health care project manager. She is thinking at least three steps into the future for what we will need, including setting up a GoFundMe account, helping coordinate meal trains, and circumventing hospital security to deliver a meal and hugs to me in person. I have learned that I can't think beyond the next minute. She takes that pressure from me, she has my back - she has my future.

Lori Campbell for arranging a meal train to help us out. Thank you. It feels like magic when food shows up. And, you didn't ruin the mac & cheese. In fact, Aiden had it for lunch today. I was sent a video of him eating it - and he was laughing and giggling in a way I haven't seen since this tragedy.

Shirley and Kelvin Lee - my neighbors and honorary second grandparents to the boys. Whether it is checking in, sending love, or organizing the street to deliver food and anything else that is needed. Thank you.

Heather Morrison - I have heard you have the roomies and parents all coordinated and ready for action when we need you. It takes a weight off, thank you.

Audrey Cole O'Grady and Dora Lousie Norton (**Chris Norton**): for leading both Christian and more metaphysical approaches to help Ethan - and that you keep going, every day. Thank you.

To Sutter Health, specifically the Sutter Medical Center Sacramento PICU team. Wow. They are the A+ team. If we have to be going through this, I would not want it to be with anyone else. Not only the stellar medical care, but for the nurses who pause on their way out the door to say, "nobody tells you this, but there is no wrong way" and "you are doing good, mama". For the full care team who is bending some rules for the sake of the human component of healing - because the rules don't apply to our situation. They are so in awe of all of you and the support you are giving. It is apparently rare. I can't fathom trying to get through this without you all. You are that more precious to me.

And, my new employer, Omada Health, who has shown such wonderful support to me, after being there for only 6 weeks. We have a path together, we will figure it out. I am eternally thankful for the support of the people on my team, and their thoughtfulness in thinking about Aiden. Your toys arrived just in time. He was having a tough morning, and those new cars were just the distraction we needed to get him momentarily unstuck.

Many of you have asked for guidance on intention for your prayers and healing energy. I have been asked should it be for guidance with what to do. That sounds very rational. But, no. I am a fighting mama lion right now. Let's fight. Let's have our intention on opening the pathways in Ethan's brain to allow all those tight pathways in the Basil Ganglia and Thalamus to reconnect, to allow his brain and body to effectively communicate. His body is truly healing. Much of his brain seems to be in good shape. It is the connector area that needs help. It was described to me as if your computer monitor is good and your computer is good, but the cord that connects the two is damaged. That is the primary cause of concern for us now. There are a couple other areas too - but let's focus on the biggy right now. Let's get that flow moving!

Again, I have learned very very painfully this week that I must live in the moment. Hard for someone whose training and profession is long-term planning. So, for now, I cannot share his next steps. Other than to heal from today. To rest his brain for a couple of days more. Then we will see. There is hope. He is alive.

For those who would like to help additionally, I wanted to share these links put together from friends mentioned above. And, some have asked to send something directly to my email. It is: jsprull999@gmail.com

GoFundMe: <https://gofund.me/8dea2e31>

Meal Train: <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/6633ld>

Thank you again and please please continue fighting for Ethan. I am forever grateful.



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Tina Rajske

I am constantly thinking of you friend. Just praying for you and your little boys and family. One second at a time right. Sending love and hugs and prayers and have everything crossed for the miracles that you need. 🙏❤️

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Colleen Rodenburg

Please let your girls (Tara Kohanski Bultrowicz, Tara Krol, Janet Nabring-Stager) know if



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Jennifer Sroull's Post



Jennifer Sroull

September 20, 2022 · 🌐

Update 9/20/22

It was two weeks ago today that our personal tragedy happened. I miss my Ethan so much. You continue to bolster me, Aiden, my family - and most importantly, I know bolster Ethan, through your love, prayers, and healing energy. Thank you.

I am finding that posting these updates is helping me process all that is happening, as best or as much as I can. To say I am still very compartmentalized in navigating this trauma is an understatement. Even though I am not able to post often, I find myself mentally writing and editing our journey to share with you. It helps. So, I apologize to those short on time, and thank you for those who are willing to hang in there through the details of this journey.

Ethan continues to improve infinitesimally. But it is improvement. Where he has 'failed' it is because we tried to have him follow our timeline, not his. I am starting to understand that now. My mantra has moved from 'squeeze mama's hand' to 'heal baby, I am here holding you hand. You can let me know when you are ready.' And for what he is ready for, he does with flying colors. His organs are stable. His lungs nearly healed from the aspiration and negative pressure injuries. He breathes on his own, still with a little support, but much of it by himself. His pupils are normal and reactive (they were fixed and dilated). When he is able to open his eyes, they are steady, though we believe he can only see light. There is no more catheter - just diapers (that is huge)! He is tolerating his g-tube feeds now. I held him today. For the first time in 2 weeks. I held him. I held my baby. I held him for 2 hours, long after my legs had fallen asleep and the crick in my shoulder went numb. I held him. I was never letting go. He barely neuro-stormed and only at the beginning. He then settled into a sleep, his head on my shoulder.

He also pooped on me. That is so Ethan. He also tries and has successfully peed on most of his nurses. The kid came out peeing on his doctor and seems to take great pleasure in continuing this game with his mama and care team.

I need to reflect on this upward trajectory, because the chasm he still needs to close to be close to functioning is so huge. It is terrifying. He cannot yet purposefully react to his outside world. He neuro-storms due to his brain not being able to process normal stimuli. Nearly all of our treatment options are dependent on his ability to at least minimally interact. It is terrifying. Did I say terrifying already? I am terrified. I am also beginning to get small glimpses of the care support he will require at home. It is overwhelming.

But, I center again on the positive. Aiden was able to visit Ethan yesterday. He got to see that Ethan was safe, in a bed, surrounded by therapy dogs. Aiden tried to take all three therapy dogs home with us. He also helped decorate Ethan's glass door with Pixar Cars decals, touched Ethan's hand and toes, and when ready to go - gave his brother a kiss on his belly. He is processing. We all are. A few of you have sent toys to Aiden. Thank you. Thank you so much. They help. They help him move through where he is getting stuck in his routine, they help him as I leave for the hospital for another night away. Aiden continues to see a therapist to help him through this.

As for me, I don't think I can answer how I am doing yet. To answer that would mean processing this trauma to a point where I will need substantial time to pick myself up. That time is not right now. But it will come. My nervous system is shot - there is a constant hum. I will also start working with someone soon. For now, our little insular bubble is starting to fray. The real world is creeping in. I need to process paperwork for my leave from work, I need to research and advocate for treatments for Ethan, I need to deal with the mounting medical bills. And, this is where I can't thank you enough. I am beyond grateful for the meals that continue to magically appear, for knowing that thanks to the Go Fund Me account, we have a financial cushion during my leave as well as to pursue treatments likely not covered by insurance. And, the thoughtful notes, heartfelt prayers, and healing energy coming our way continue to help Ethan (I am 100% sure), replenish my soul, and fortify my family's foundation during this unthinkable time. THANK YOU.

I also want to thank both my Sutter Health family and my new Omada Health family. You both continue to take care of me and my children in ways I couldn't have dreamed. These two organizations put people first - whether having just left or just joined. I have felt so embraced, so valued and cared for. Thank you.

I realized I was remiss in my last email and didn't thank the amazing first responders who brought my Ethan back to me. The very first responders were neighbors who heard by cries for help, to call 911 - and did just that while running over. Followed in mere minutes by the Citrus Heights police officer (neighboring town) who was passing by and then the Roseville police and Fire Station #3 team. Their heroic efforts saved Ethan - gave him the chance we have today. And, thank you to Fire Captain Christopher Anaya for not only ensuring his crew responded quickly, but for letting me sob on him in the ED when he gave me a consoling hug. And for just hanging on while I broke down, until I picked myself up to get the first glimpse of my son. He told me how he had not expected Ethan to make it, that he was a miracle. I agreed. He also said that he can't wait for Ethan to come visit the fire station, he was welcome any time. His fire station is one that the boys passed at least a couple of times every day to and from school. Every time, they would shout "Fire Trucks' House" and then argue over whose side of the car it was on. I hold the vision of Ethan walking into his Fire Truck House to say hello close to my heart.

No one has asked me what specifically happened. And for that I am appreciative. But, perhaps for my own healing journey, I need to share a little. Two weeks ago was a very hot night - about 107 degrees. The boys ran out back to play in the sprinkler and stripped off their clothes (as toddler boys love to do) and we played in the cold hose water. At one point, I picked up their wet clothes and took them inside to throw in the washer and grab a drink of water. I have a pool fence around the pool - they said build a 3' fence, I built a 4' fence. We take pool safety so seriously. The boys aren't allowed inside the fenced area unless they have their water wings on - even if not going for a swim (to pick up a thrown toy, etc.) and never allowed in without an adult. While I was inside for those couple/few minutes, the boys tried the pool gate. It malfunctioned. It was closed and the red dot indicated it was locked, but the gate had shifted whether over time or with the heat, and the locking mechanism had not caught. Ethan took that moment to run inside and jump in the spa. I had left the door open to the house to keep an ear on them while I got my water, and that is when I heard something not right. It was Ethan in the water. I will stop there. While my brain understands it was a horrific accident, my heart knows that it is my job to keep him safe. I will struggle with this forever.

I said in one of my first posts, that if I am lucky, we are on a very long road to recovery. I am starting to feel lucky (and I credit both Ethan's strength and your prayers and healing energy). And I am also just starting to get glimpses of that road. And I falter. I am scared. But I will also keep fighting and putting one foot in front of the other. There is no other option for my boys. You are so crucial to our success. Your words of encouragement and prayers are making a difference. I continue to be in awe of how you show up in our lives, over and over again. I am humbled, I am grateful.

Thank you. And please continue to fight for Ethan.

I am forever grateful. We are forever grateful.

Jenny

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Judi Arcuri

prayers continue. Ethan strong 💙💙

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Laura Kimball Segura

Continued prayers for Ethan, you, the medical staff & your whole family!!! 🙏🙏 You're so brave to share all of this, you should be proud of yourself, for all you're doing for Ethan & Aiden!

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Kim Buskirk Callaway

Oh Jenny. Thank you for sharing your heart. My heart aches for you Please know that I pray for yo all many, many times a day. You are loved and not alone.

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Joan Kronick Johnson

Jenny we are all here supporting you virtually. Praying for you Ethan Aiden Your mom and dad and all of Ethan's care team 🙏🙏🙏❤️❤️

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Kendra Kett

Jenny -- We are all here for you and your beautiful family. Thank you for sharing all that is in your heart -- my own heart just aches and aches for you and all that you are challenged with at this time. Life is precious and Life is hard. I continue to pray for you and your boys and send you every good wish possible for recovery and improvement for Ethan. Sending love and hugs to help keep you strong. ❤️

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Jennifer Delaney Attig

Thank you for sharing. So glad to hear the family is healing from this experience. Thinking about you all the time ❤️❤️❤️

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Diane M Pahl

Praying for your family!

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Kenneth Lee

Hang in there! We have Ethan and you and your family in our prayers regularly. Remember, you are an awesome mommy. Positive energy continues to glow your way!

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
From Lori Campbell!!!

Well, the Roseville Fire Department (Fire Engine Company 3) has officially turned Sarina Hosseini and me into cry babies. The Captain who responded to Ethan's accident reached out to me about sharing the gofundme link with his union for wider distribution. The union IMMEDIATELY approved a very generous donation, AND the Engine Company signed up to bring meals to the family.


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Photo of Subject within the caption it indicates she was holding Ethan Caption: Jenny getting to hold her sweet baby, Ethan.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

September 21, 2022 · 🌐

Jenny getting to hold her sweet baby, Ethan.



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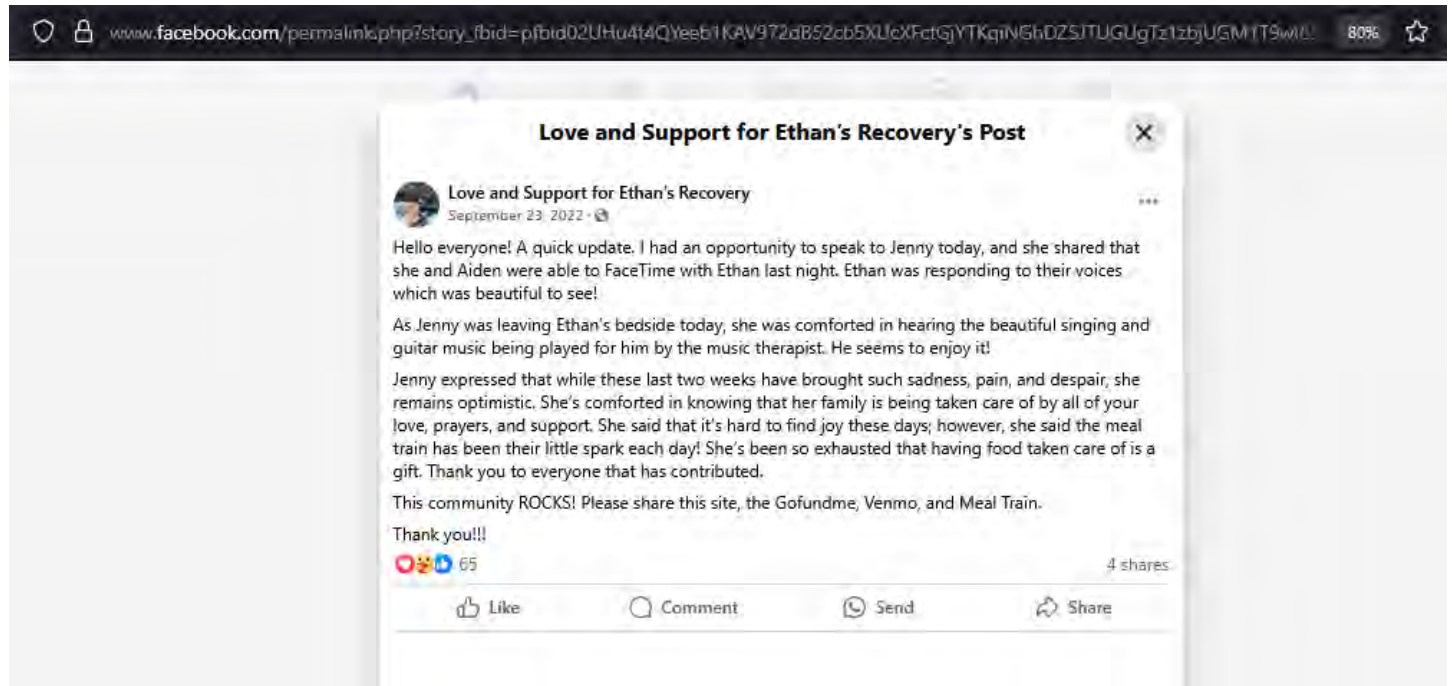
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Post from Subject with an update on Ethan with the photo within the post being of Subject and her son, Aiden.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

September 24, 2022 · 🌐

Hi everyone. Just a quick update (as I finish this post, I realize not so quick. Thank you for letting me process with you again). First, thank you Sarina for sharing yesterday, I really appreciate it.

I am currently sitting by Ethan's bed this Saturday morning after having spent the night. Lots of thoughts and emotions mulling around, I'll share more when I have a chance to reflect and try to make a bit of sense of them.

For now, this road is feeling so hard. So incredibly difficult. But he is here with me. I hold on to that. We have a chance. I need to repeat that. We have a chance. And yet, as I even start to crack the door to try to imagine our future, I feel sad, hopeful, grateful, and terrified - of what will and won't be. Again, you all are making it possible to do this the best that I can, which includes me even beginning to contemplate moving forward outside of this hospital room. I don't take you for granted.

I work each day to find a small positive improvement for Ethan. I hold on to it to power through the doubts and fear, and find hope for his future and ours as a family. I keep reminding myself, we are only 2.5 weeks out. This is an ultra-marathon x 10. For this morning, I am reflecting that in the last 24 hours, Ethan has become more active. Raising his arms, shifting his body, cracking his eyes every so slightly. The power or prayer, healing energy, and an amazing care team are working. Thank you (and please keep going!)

Did anyone believe me when I said I would no longer ask him to 'squeeze my finger?' Because I have realized that, while I try my best to live in the moment with him and let him lead, my mama's heart will never give up trying for that connection and giant leap forward. So yes, I can unabashedly occasionally be heard throughout the day and night asking him to squeeze my finger - including bribery for more readings of his beloved Little Blue Truck books and listening to Cars movies. Has he squeezed my finger? Yes. Was it an intentional response? Very very difficult to say.

It's only the morning, but for today, I hold onto two Ethan accomplishments. First, all the movement and just seemingly slightly higher level of awareness that is peeking through. And, secondly, he had an event this morning where he was agitated and getting very stiff, starting to neuro storm. One of the responses is to give drugs, but that can really knock him out, and I would prefer not to if we can help it. Then his nurse figured it out - he was having a bit of trouble with all the meds and bigger feeding all hitting his belly at once. As soon as she paused his feeds, he fell into a restful sleep. We are figuring you out buddy! That means the weaning of the drugs we are doing can continue - we don't have to take a step back - which means he has more chance to shine through. I am immensely grateful. One more tiny step forward.

Thank you for keeping us in your prayers, your thoughts, sending us your healing energy, your food, and financial support. I am learning of prayer groups meeting daily and weekly - people who have never met us, as well as how healers around the world continue to spend their time and energy focusing on Ethan. I am beyond humbled. And the meals (you guys can cook and/or know of some good restaurants!). As Sarina shared, not only are they so helpful, but they are bringing a lightness and joy to the end of the day, as we find out what's for dinner 😊. And, your financial generosity stuns me. I am so grateful. The more I learn, the more we will need every penny. You are helping to give me options for healing Ethan. It is a blessing beyond words. I know I am repeating myself, but you are shoring up the cracks in my foundation. I, and my family, will be tested again and again on this long road and it means the world that you continue to walk with, and sometimes carry, us.

I can't thank you enough.

And, a little picture for fun. I am still feeling a bit reticent about posting pictures of Ethan. I can't put my finger on the emotion or reason why at the moment, but trusting it for now. So, I share a joyful picture of Aiden helping to decorate his brother's room during his visit last Monday. Note - Feather the therapy dog is supervising, to Aiden's delight.

- Jenny



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Becky Bowman

Jenny, we never knew each other very well at Bright Horizons but I am here. Here in healing medical meditation every night. Here bearing witness to your honest pain and fear. And hope. Most of all hope. I read your posting with the eyes of a mother who loves our children beyond words. Sending the light of healing for all of you.

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Mary O Grady

Sending you hugs and continuing to pray every day for God's healing power Jennifer Sproull for Ethan and strength for you all to get through this difficult time. X



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Catharine Diehl

Thank you for posting these! I'm so glad Ethan is moving in the right direction! Wishing you guys all my best and thinking of you.

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Debbie Cohen

Who knows why we are tested. It's how we rise to the challenge. You are a shining light for those little guys and all of us. Thanks for sharing so openly. ❤️

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Heidi Ebbert

So much love and continued prayers being sent your way! You are raising some amazing young men who clearly have a story to tell... and they (YOU) will! Thank you for the time you take to update us!

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Thank you very much for your updates. I continue to think of you three and send healing prayers daily! ❤️🙏



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Jennifer Sproull's Post



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Brenda Calbert

Sending heartfelt thoughts every day to Ethan, Aiden and to you.

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Mumtaz Badshah

We are with you! Sending big hugs 🤗

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Post thanking the community for their support Caption: A giant THANK YOU to The Velvet Bandit, a street artist, who found out about Jenny, Ethan, and Aiden. They are going to donate a portion of their sales from September to Jenny's Gofundme. Check out their website and grab some hip art! Every single day I am blown away by the support of this community. Thank you!!!

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Post from Subject sharing an update on Ethan with the video being of Ethan prior to the incident. Caption: It's my birthday today. I don't feel like celebrating. Never in my wildest dreams did I think this is how I would be spending my birthday. On top of everything else, I am sick. I have a bad cold. I haven't seen Ethan in two days, which is killing me, but I could literally kill him. So, I stay away. Aiden is benefiting from more time together, which is good. And, my body was clearly run down and needs the rest. But I would still give anything to be holding his hand today. My saint of a mother has spent the last couple of nights and much of her recent days with Ethan - and my dad will tonight (and has spent a lot of time during the day there too). I literally can't fathom how I would be navigating this tragedy without them. They are beyond blessings, and I know hurting so much too. Ethan is stable. We continue to learn more about his new reality. He had GI issues that were causing discomfort and neuro-storming. He has been 'cleaned out' (not sorry I missed Poop Watch 2022 the other night) and is feeling much better. He is on meds to help keep things moving and will resume feeds again today. We are also switching him off of one particular drug that has created a dependency - we need to do it, but it is hard on his little body as we slowly make the change. That means other drugs have increased to help compensate so he is less able to try to be aware. And that he still neuro-storms at points throughout the day. I hate it, but I understand it. I am finding there is a Yin and a Yang in this journey - continually moving between expectations and hope. It is excruciating, and yet, the only place I can be now. My mother has her chair firmly camped out on top of hope. Not only parked there, but has built a deep foundation with chains and locks - there is no budging her. For that I am extremely grateful. She throws me a lifeline when I start to slip. When I Facetimed her and Ethan this morning, she shared that he had a great night and opened his eyes wide. While unfocused, she swears he knew she was there. Hope. The care team is starting to prepare us that Ethan will be sent home in his coma state. Likely sometime in the next month. And, given the extreme shortage of peds home health nurses, we will very likely need to take care of Ethan on our own. We can unpack that little chestnut more another day. Expectations. Excuse me - we are going from 24x7 ICU care to . . . me and mom (and dad)? That seems ridiculous in the extreme. Quite frankly, to the care team too. There is a small chance, given I have private insurance, am located in a larger city, and he is as cute as can be (ok, I added that last one), we MAY find someone. But not likely. Sliver of Hope. When I shared this news with my mom, her response was - Okay, we can do this (upbeat). Wow. My dad and I were more in the 'time to put on our big boy/girl pants' train. So, we are all slowly being trained on how to take care of Ethan. I have been asked by members of the care team at least twice this last week, in gentle ways, if I am sure of this next step in Ethan's journey - coming home in this state. I am being tested that I understand our reality- with questions like, you saw his MRI results, right? Expectations. I also know all five neurologists I spoke with said 'not good, but could be worse. He is at the prime age for neural plasticity, so likely will have some improvement'. Hope. There are parents who share with me the stories of their children, in these groups no one wants to be a member of - and yet are so thankful they are there when you need them. Children who took a year to interact with the world again after similar tragedies, others who are now getting their trach out they are doing so well, and others who are going to regular school a few years out. Hope. And, yet, there are parents who are still waiting for their children to wake up. Expectations. It is excruciating. No one knows the future, so I will keep one foot grounded in expectations - so I can start to plan for how to take care of him today and into tomorrow. But

my heart and soul (and other foot) will always be buried deep in hope - because I can't live any other way. A few people have said to me that they appreciate, but can't believe, how open I am in these posts. I don't know how to be otherwise. You have offered to be there with us, to hold us up on this most difficult journey. How can I not let you understand the weight of what you are carrying? It is only fair. And make no mistake, you are holding us up. Those of you who I know and those who we never met but are connected through our humanity - Thank you. I truly can't thank you enough. So, on my birthday, I ask that you keep going - as we are. Please keep praying for Ethan. Please keep sending your healing energy. Please keep sending us your notes that you are thinking about him. I can't thank those of you enough who are sending food and thinking about and supporting Alden. It means the world. And, thank you so much for those of you who have helped to contribute to Ethan's recovery fund. Every penny means Hope. Hope for treatments we can pursue to help him. Hope for giving him a life worth living. On that note, a little video of Ethan exuding sheer joy as he danced to music on the 4th of July, waiting for the fireworks to start. This joy is what I work towards, regardless of what his body may do. Hope. Thank you

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Post from Subject updating on Ethan within the post she indicates that they are working out his medications and trying to find a balance.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

October 4, 2022

10/3/22 Update

I am sitting by Ethan's bedside tonight, watching him sleep. He looks so peaceful. In truth, he is a tad overmedicated. We are still working it all out. He reacted very badly to the decrease in a particular medication at the end of last week and it set off days of neuro-storming (high heart rate, sweaty, and bad muscle contractions). It was not fun for anyone. In an effort to control those, meds were increased and the original drug given again. We have learned once again to go at Ethan's pace. And he said: slow it down.

There is a fine line with all this. He is comfortable, but a tad too comfortable - as in, occasionally forgetting to breathe. The vent kicks in, but it stops my heart slightly each time. We really don't believe it is neurological, just working out the med regiment. Here is hoping. Hope again. A couple of pieces of "good" news that I hold on to- when the one medication was out of his system for 24 hours, my mom swears he showed signs of recognizing her. I may have shared that already. I hold it close to my heart that he is in there and able to peak through. The doctor also believes that Ethan should be able to breathe on his own (with the trach) once we get the meds worked out. That would be huge from a quality of life perspective to not have to drag a vent around with him - and help mom and I with the level of support we need to give him. We can hopefully start working on that before he comes home. When he was a little less zonkered, he was opening his eyes more, moving his arms quite a bit. He even accidentally pulled out his breathing tube and respiratory lead a few times. Just to keep us on our toes. My mom and I both saw him blink a few times on separate occasions over the weekend. And that about sums it up - we are measuring progress on a few blinks.

This period feels like living in limbo. He is alive, but I don't yet know what his life will be like. I know he is impacted, certainly. But what will shine through, what will function, and what absolutely won't? I was hit with waves of grief this weekend and today. Mourning the loss of my little boy, my family, the future I had dreamed for us. We are living in the in-between; my little boy is gone, but he is also here. As excruciating as that is, it also allows for so much hope - because I don't know yet for certain what won't be. As much as I want to move forward, I also want to stay put, in a place where I can hold all that hope. In truth, I would give anything to go back, anything to change those two minutes that altered our life course so drastically.

Aiden and I continue to get help, to learn how to keep moving forward. But it is so damn hard. You keep me buoyed when I start to sink. Your letters, cards, FB messages, texts, I see them all - even though I usually can't respond, please know I see them. The continued prayer and healing circles - it means the world to me. I've said that before, and I will continue to say it, because it is the truth. And, I believe it is helping. Ethan's journey is slow. It is one breathe, one blink at a time. But he is moving forward. As the tortoise wins the race, I can hang in there, I will hang in there. I thank you for hanging in there too.

So many people have asked what they can do to help us. Again, I can't thank those of you enough who continue to send us nightly meals and keep us in your thoughts as you continue praying and sending your healing energy day after day. And, for those who have contributed to the fund to support Ethan and Aiden in their recovery, thank you. That fund signifies hope to me - to have the resources to keep helping my boys. The more I learn, the more I consider this my 'war chest' to go to in battle for Ethan with all the therapies and supports he will need post-discharge. Many of which are not covered by insurance. Any support is so appreciated. And all of it goes directly to their care.

As I finish, Ethan is starting to move his arms and head, maybe some meds are starting to wear off slightly - that is my cue to sign off and love on my little boy!

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Continuing to pray for you all as a POMs member who now lives far away. I prayed for and followed a toddler twin boy (PrayforGriffin on fb) who was in the same situation as your sweet boy. I read recently Griffin is doing really well. Live in hope. Miracles happen.

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Kim Buskirk Callaway

Thank you for the update. I pray often, each day, for you, your sweet boys, and your entire family.

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
 October 5, 2022

Update 10/5/22

It has been 4 weeks to the day since our family tragedy. It still doesn't seem real, and yet I sit here looking at my little son in his big hospital bed. Time is marching on, and that feels hardest right now. The world should stop and wait for my Ethan, it is only fair. But that's not how it works, is it? Aiden has a new (and much needed haircut), family birthdays have been (somewhat) celebrated, my knees are healed from where the concrete tore into them while giving Ethan CPR that awful night. Time ticks on, yet my boy still lies here.

With the grief hitting deeply over this past week, my ability to hold on to hope has been tested. I have not always succeeded. But tonight, tonight Ethan gave me a gift - hope is reignited. I swear to you, there was connection and recognition in his eyes. It was only for a short moment, minutes maybe. But there was more 'more' there. It was something in the way his eyes focused, his eyelids moved, and even his head occasionally shifted. I swear there was more.

The thing is, I don't think it was just me sensing this. I think my dad did earlier today too. He shared that Ethan opened his eyes, so he talked with him - just talked non-stop. Ethan has opened his eyes many times. My dad has not felt the need to talk non-stop to Ethan. Something is different. It is almost imperceptible. But to the people who have sat bedside with Ethan for the last 4 weeks, looking at little but the slightest movements of this little boy - there seems to be more there. Time will tell, but for now, I hold on to this. Hope strengthened. As I always ask, nay beg, please keep praying and sending your healing energy. He has to feel it. We feel it.

As for the rest of our reality, Ethan is doing ok - there are positives and concerns. He continues to posture - contract his muscles to the point of hyper-extending his legs and arching his back. His brain is not able to process the signals it is getting and his body takes the toll for now. We need to break this, to keep his body in-tact. It may be happening because of the slow withdrawal of the drug his body had become dependent on, it may be happening because his brain is waking up a bit more but not yet able to process the information it is receiving, it may be happening because his GI tract is bothering him (but he had a giant poop while sitting on mama's lap this morning, so I think we are at least temporarily good there)! It may be happening because of all of the above. It is hard to know. But what we do know, is that his brain and body need some more rest to heal, which means more drugs. At least for a little bit.

The good news is, even with all these drugs, he seems to be doing really well with his breathing. He is on CPAP 24/7 - meaning he is doing the work. The vent will kick in if we accidentally zonker him too much, but so far so good. I will take that any day!

As for me and Aiden, we continue doing what we are doing and trying to heal together. He has come to love his every-other-night sleepovers with his Ama. Telling me last night he was mad I was there, that he wanted his Ama 🥰 That makes me happy. He also said this while contently snuggled deep in my arms, so think he was more trying to tease me than anything else.

I continue to work through the trauma, grief, and foster the healing journeys of both my boys. My privileged bedside cocoon - where expectations are only that I hold my son's hand - has officially unraveled. Time keeps on ticking and life needs to move on. It still doesn't seem right that it should. But, it is time to take the helm again and actively be the CEO of this little family operation. Tomorrow morning alone, I need to meet with the nutritionist, hospital case manager, social worker, as well as round with his physician and care team, hunt down some imaging records, talk with my health insurance case manager, and get my company short-term disability squared away (then file for the state short term disability). That's in addition to learning how to change out his trach tonight, and most importantly throughout the night and tomorrow, holding his hand and reassuring him that his mama is right here.

Let's go back to that trach change for a minute. We've been waiting for Ethan to settle down to do it. It needs to be done weekly. I get to do this when he goes home, not to mention needing to be prepared should the thing just pop out. Excuse me? yikes. Thank goodness he really can breathe on his own. As for tonight, I think we are about there, but now I am ready for bed 😊 We need to get it done. I need to learn how to do it. I am not overly excited about this prospect, but it has to be done. Putting on my big girl pants. But if this doesn't get moving soon, they are going to be jammy pants.

Speaking of the nutritionist, I will be blending Ethan's food to feed through his g-tube. This will be so much better for him overall. He is almost to the point that we can do this. It even sounds like the hospital is open to giving him the food I make, versus the canned formula (which, given the shortage, they don't have the preferred formula they want to give him anyway). But, given his slow GI tract, more fiber and healthier real foods should help. Shoot, I made my former dog's food for years given his GI issues, I certainly think I can figure this out for my own son (hence the nutritionist visit tomorrow and already connected with some other great resources to learn how to do this).

Given I will need to make large amounts of food at once and freeze it, I need some supplies. I either have or can fairly easily get a number of things. But, one thing that would make this easier is an Instapot or two. If anyone local has one that they no longer need/want and would be willing to donate it to helping Ethan, please let me know! I hope to get educated and prepped enough to start making food for him in another week or so.

Thank you all so much again for all that you are doing for us. You are helping to keep our spirits and bodies fed and hope alive. I keep all of the cards and notes that you have sent and pull them out when I need a boost. And, I swear, something is changing with Ethan. Something good. There are so many things that contribute to that, including his amazing care team, his own strong spirit, and I have no doubt at all - your prayers and healing energy. Thank you again. Time will tell if what I shared is just mama's wishful thinking, but for now, my Hope candle is burning bright.

[quick update, I woke up to 3 people reaching out to send an Instapot. Two through Lori and one to me directly. You all are so amazing. If ok, I will take all three. I will have limited time to make food, so parallel processing cooking to get it all done quickly will be a true gift!].

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Post from Subject with an update about Ethan indicating he had been breathing by himself, needed a bite guard, and was still unconscious.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

October 10, 2022 · 🌐

Update 10/9/22

I am sitting by Ethan's bed again, after spending the last 24 hours with Aiden - and the 24 hours before that with Ethan. Weekends tend to be longer stints with each boys.

Ethan has been spending time off of CPAP much of the time during the day, meaning he just gets oxygen, but no pressure. He has to breathe all by himself. Good news - overall, he has been doing great! But, nothing is ever a straight line in this journey. He is getting thick secretions in his lungs that are difficult to clear, meaning his respiratory rate gets high as they build up and he has to work too hard, eventually going back on CPAP. It may be because without the CPAP pressure, the secretions can't get loosened (and he doesn't have a cough unless triggered). It also may be that with the Lasix he started to recently get, the secretions are getting too thick, and/or he has a little infection. They are doing more treatments to break it up. The labs for all the scary infections came back negative, so that is good at least. They don't seem overly concerned, but as my dream and hope is to get him off of CPAP, it concerns me. He also has a UTI, so starting antibiotics. I so hope there is a day in the future that he says to me 'mooommmmm, did you really have to share everything?' 🤔

The good news in all this is that he does, overall, tolerate breathing on his own very well. And, he is staying calmer and calmer now - less storming and posturing. That means we can keep taking down the drugs. I am now often giving him his meds through his g-tube when I am here, ever practicing for when he comes home. There were 14 at one time alone the other evening - and that isn't all of them. Granted, I think four or five are to keep his GI track moving (which it is doing much better!)

I even saw him move his left leg a bit and bend his knee somewhat over the weekend! He hasn't moved his legs in weeks, other than to hyper-extend them when storming. And, that knee is typically hard to get bent - it is very stiff from the posturing.

We got to see his face unencumbered by tape and tubes for a few days after he was extubated a couple of weeks ago, but his tongue is sticking out between his teeth and as his teeth rest on it, which was cutting off blood flow to the tip. When he stormed, he clamped down so hard, we were afraid he may lose his tongue if not resolved quickly. So, he now has a big foam block on a stick in his mouth to protect his tongue, with tape on his face to hold it in place (this is number 7 or 8 of things we tried). We call it his popsicle stick. It is not elegant, but it does the trick. It is better than the first try, which we called 'The Walrus', which entailed two plastic tubes being stuck between his molars and then hanging off his face. I really wish I had gotten a picture. It didn't work well, so quickly went by the wayside. We are hoping longer term to get a custom bite guard made, but that will take getting out of here and time.

Of course, the bad news, he is still unconscious 4.5 weeks after the event. It scares me to no end. I can't leave it on that note, though. I just took a couple hour break after drafting this, because Ethan opened his eyes and moved his head a bit as he was getting care this evening, and I am not one to miss an opportunity to get close and make sure he knows his mama is here. I then crawled into bed with him and snuggled for a couple of hours. He slept, I snuggled. And, I have to amend something I wrote just earlier above - he coughed when we repositioned him! That is huge, he has so far only coughed when his lungs are getting suctioned. If he can start coughing on his own, that will really help the secretion issue. Again, we are moving at one blink, one tiny cough at a time. My little tortoise took one tiny step - or at least shifted his weight to a front foot 🐢 I will take it.

Before I get into how the rest of us are doing, I wanted to share big news about an upcoming fundraiser the boys' school - Granite Bay Montessori - is throwing. It was such a wonderful surprise! First, let me say how amazing they have been to us through this, in so many ways. I truly can't thank them enough. For the fundraiser, they saw the post about the boys and I having ice cream for dinner this summer at our local Leatherby's. So, they contacted the ice cream shop and now, from 3-9pm on Wednesday, October 19th, 20% of proceeds will go to Ethan's recovery! The catch is you have to mention Ethan by name (and I am not allowed to sit out in the parking lot letting everyone know). This is at the Leatherby's in Citrus Heights at 7910 Antelope Road - this location only. I will plan to be there around 5ish with Aiden, should anyone wish to say hi (I can confirm time when it gets a little closer). I am not completely crazy - I still have a 2.5 year old boy who will have ice cream for dinner. We need some time to run it off before bed.

For those of you who are remote and wish to participate, I had an idea. What do you think about this? Have an ice cream on the 19th for Ethan - and as you do, consider 'buying one for him too' and contributing whatever the cost of that cone or sundae would have been to his Go Fund Me account. I would be so grateful. Everything goes directly to his and Aiden's care. And, really - great excuse to have some ice cream 😊

As for me, I feel like I don't even know how I feel at the moment. I think I am moving slightly into 'acceptance' that this has happened, and yet I rail against that thought with every fiber of my being. How could I ever accept this? It is unthinkable. And, maybe the distinction is that I am slowly starting to accept that this tragedy happened, and it is a tragedy that will continue to affect our lives forever, but I will never accept his current medical condition and will always fight for more for him. At least at this point, that's the mental gymnastics I play with. We miss Ethan so much, it is so hard. And yet life is getting into a routine without him there. And I hate it. I hate it. But, my energy can also only go so far. And to help him and Aiden (and me) heal, I have to let that go a little bit, so I can put my energy in places to help. It is so hard to do, but must be done. I wouldn't say I am overly successful yet, it is a work in progress.

I really can't thank you all enough. You show up for us every day. You are our biggest blessings. I can never repay you. I know you are not keeping a tally, but I can promise to do my absolute best for these boys, to use the healing prayers you are sending our way to lift him up further, to use the funds you are contributing to make sure he gets the best treatments to have the best chance, and to eat the food you continue to send, so that I have the energy to advocate and show up every day for my boys. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

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Looking forward to seeing you at Leatherby's!

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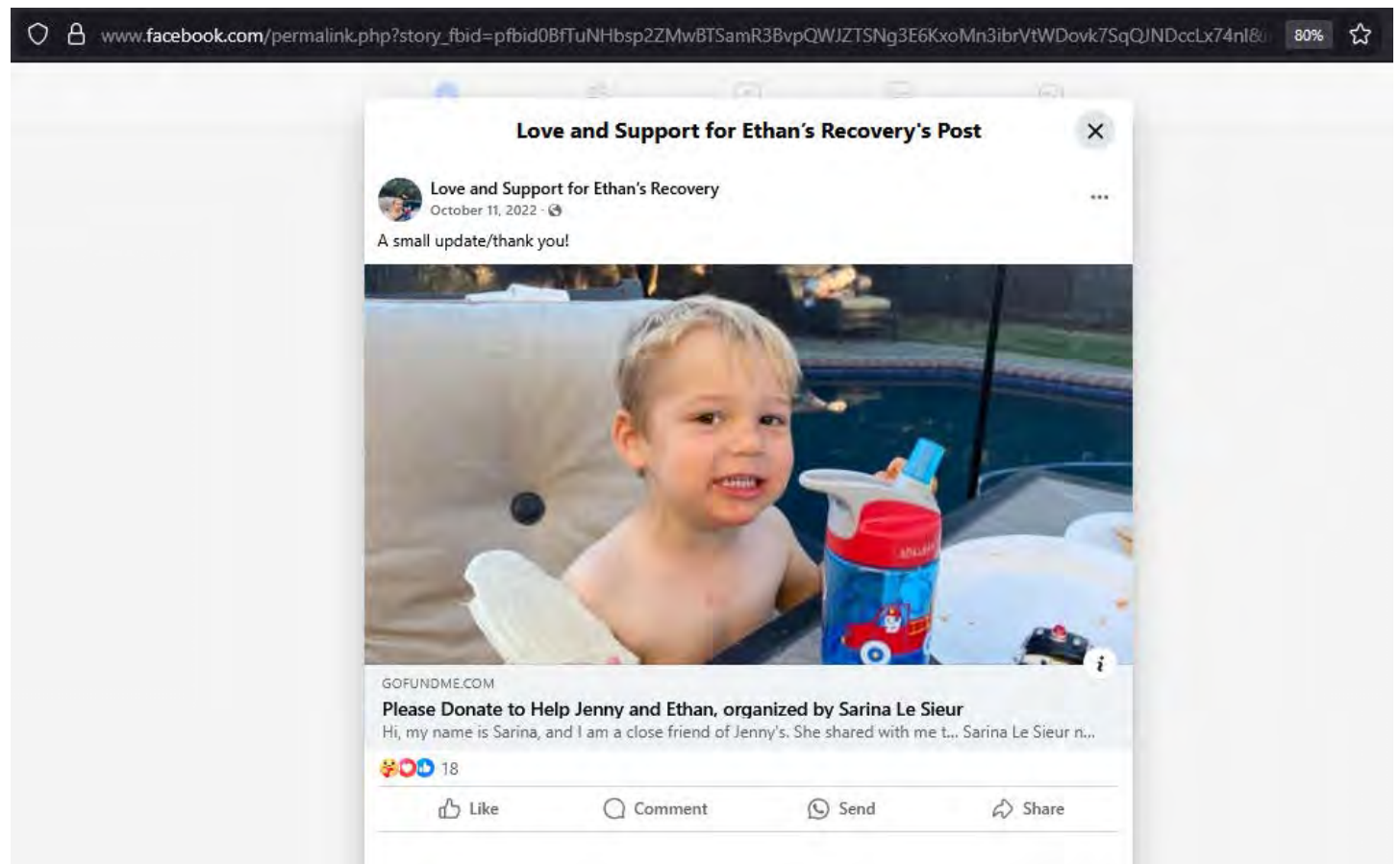
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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
October 12, 2022 · 🌐

Update 10/11/22

Evenings at the hospital seem to be my best times to catch up. Tonight, I am so excited to share some news - Ethan opened his eyes for about 10 minutes this morning, he blinked many times, and he even tracked my mom moving across the room for a few seconds! Not only is his brain 'waking up' a bit more, but he may be able to see better than we initially thought! And, he is tolerating being off of CPAP longer and longer. That is one solid step forward for my little tortoise! Thank you for all of your continued prayers, healing energy, love, support, and great care team. Something is working, and I will take it all (all of that, plus I am sure a dash of Ethan's strong will) 🙏

I really try to focus on how much progress has been made, versus how much is still needed. Just three weeks ago, I was faced with explicit end of life / quality of life decisions, not for the first time since our tragedy. Something no parent should face. I celebrate where we are today. Even his doctor commented to my dad about Ethan's positive changes over the past 10 days.

That being said, shifting lenses to think about where he is now to where he needs to be for any sense of a functioning life is, well, is daunting in the extreme. While his eyes open more, he does not intentionally interact or make eye contact with us. He does not move with purpose. Baby steps.

I am so grateful for this morning. I was not meant to be here (scheduled 'paperwork morning'), but my mom texted that PT was so happy with his low tone and lack of posturing over the past few days, that they wanted to get him in a special seat today and wheel him around in a wagon. And, to do so, they would even be disconnecting him from the vent (putting a cap on his trach that acts like a nose - keeping the air humidified and gunk out). This was too huge to miss, so I jumped in the car and came down.


Unfortunately, his brain couldn't handle the stimuli of being more awake and then the movement, etc., so he was never able to relax into the seat (they tried hard), and his heart and respiratory rates went too high for too long. I ended up holding him for a bit, but even that couldn't calm him down, so eventually he went into bed and got some meds to help.

While I am disappointed the plan for the day didn't work out, I also recognize the gift I was given - to see him more awake this morning. I would have missed that. It gave me such joy and hope. And, as I sit here tonight, he is sleeping away, his body (thankfully) loose and at ease, as he has been for much of the day. We will try again tomorrow and see.

In the meantime, the care team is pleased with his progress, and we will continue to slowly wean him off more meds, see what he does. As usual, I am greedy when it comes to my son, please keep sending prayers and healing energy - he needs it!

And, don't forget - ice cream on Wednesday evening 10/19! I can't wait to see our local friends at Leatherby's that night (20% of proceeds go to Ethan, if you mention his name). And, if you aren't local or able to make it, it would mean so much to me if you still have some ice cream for Ethan. To think that people are feeling happiness while thinking of him fills my soul with joy and gratitude. That is most important to me. And, as this was designed as a fundraiser, if you are able and so inclined, please consider 'buying an ice cream for Ethan' and donating whatever that cost would be to his Go Fund Me account. Everything goes directly to his and Aiden's care and support.

Thank you all again. I have said it before and I will say it again, I feel your hands on my back, I feel you holding me when I stumble. I cannot - we cannot - do this without your love and support. Thank you.


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Post from Subject thanking the first responders that helped after the incident and providing an update on Ethan



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October 16, 2022 · 🌐

Update 10/16/22

First, I want to share what a wonderful experience we had with Roseville Fire Engine 3 Shift B (and some of Engine 7) on Friday night! These guys are amazing. The Engine 3 Shift B are the crew that saved my Ethan. And for that, I will be forever grateful. No matter the hardships and tough roads ahead, I have my Ethan because of them. For those of you who don't know my family's story - I am a solo parent. It took many years and many different paths before I got my boys. I signed on to be a mom, not for easy. Because of this amazing team, I still get to be his mom. It is a debt of gratitude I can never repay. What makes them even more special, is I have since learned through the community grapevine what an emotional toll our call took (and still takes) on these men. It is not something I wish on anyone, and yet to hear how deeply they were impacted - but were still able to respond that night with the utmost professionalism and dedication to save Ethan - is a miracle. Maybe that was really my first miracle - being sent the best to help us in our most dire moment.

Our shared experience has created a bond. They want to stay connected to us, to see how Ethan is doing, and have offered their ongoing support. Don't think I didn't try to finagle weekly trash changes from the paramedics 😊 They have invited us to be part of their firefighting family. I will always consider them family. Thank you again, from the bottom of my heart.

And, I don't want to forget the Citrus Heights police officer who was first on scene, taking over CPR from me. I don't know his name, but if anyone does, please feel free to message me. I would like to thank him personally as well.

As you can see in the pictures from Friday night, Aiden had quite a fun time! I should explain that a member of the crew who helped us has since transferred to Roseville E7. He and his new crew drove the big ladder truck to join us. And, btw, these guys can cook some lasagna (they had signed up on the meal train and delivered dinner in style)! You can also see Aiden having the time of his life in the fire truck. It was so cute, they invited him into the driver's seat, but he refused. He went to the backseat (his normal side of the car) and kept insisting we needed to put in 'his seat' and mommy had to get in the driver's seat (I did). Took me a minute to figure it out - he wanted his car seat! Kid knows his safety. Eventually he started exploring with the firefighters, ultimately deciding that steering the back of the ladder truck was a great place to be!

As for Ethan, it feels like not much has changed since my last update, yet at the same time, so much has happened. Last Wednesday, Ethan went from being 'awake' for many 10 minutes to suddenly being awake for 8 hours - including breathing with no supports for much of that time. His tone and heart rate were high as he took in the stimuli, but otherwise ok. Or so I thought. Then, Thursday, he suddenly decided not to breathe on his own. It turns out he tired himself out so much, he just couldn't do it anymore. It took until yesterday afternoon (Saturday) before he started to wake up and consistently breathe on his own again. To go from that 'high' on Wednesday to that crash on Thursday was devastating for me. Because his progress is measured in such tiny steps, it feels like every step forward and backward is amplified.

And, so now, I sit here again looking at my little boy in his big hospital bed. Today he has been awake for about 10 hours straight. While that would be exciting (and kind of is), I am scared of this roller coaster ride again. I've actually been working with the nurse to try to get him to sleep through meds (already tried holding him, cuddling in bed, leaving him alone, etc. etc.). Still not much luck.

And, when I say 'awake', I mean his eyes are open, his heart rate up, and he occasionally tracks movements or locates to noise (moving his eyes/head towards the sound). It is not consistent, but it is happening.

Other than that, I survived changing his trach on Wednesday, the care duty I dread most (give me a blow out diaper any day). I had a moment of panic when it didn't go right back in (and may have started inelegantly screaming at the poor Respiratory Therapist to help me), but then I got it in. And, I didn't pass out. Win - win. Can't believe we have to do this weekly.

On that note, Wednesday is the next trach change day. I will plan to have a post-trach-change giant ice cream sundae at Leatherby's that night. I look forward to seeing our local friends and neighbors. Please no judgment on the size of my sundae 😊

Thank you again for your continued support, prayers, and healing energy. The community you have created to surround us and support Ethan is the most amazing thing I have ever experienced. I can't thank you enough.











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Subject shared a fundraiser for Ethan at "Leatherby's Family Creamery."


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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

October 18, 2022 · 🌐

A few positive updates to come later this week about potential next steps for Ethan! In the meantime, our kiddo is hanging in there, being 'awake' 10+ hours a day now and doing great with his own breathing. Getting aligned across the care team to help keep him moving towards our goal of no breathing support during the day.



In the meantime - ice cream for (with) dinner tomorrow night at Leatherby's in Citrus Heights! We will be there 5:15ish (toddler time, so you know - around then). Please come up and say hi. And don't forget to tell them you are there for Ethan, so he will benefit from 20% of the proceeds.

And for anyone who can't join us in person, please know it would mean the world to me if you had some ice cream tomorrow night and thought of Ethan. What a wonderful tribute to the joy that is Ethan! I would love to hear about it (and see any pictures). And, if you should feel so inclined, please consider 'buying an ice cream' for Ethan and donating the cost of the ice cream scoop (or giant sundae) to his go fund me account or Venmo if you are not a fan of GFM. Every penny means hope for Ethan. And, it is looking more likely that we will have an opportunity for some exciting - but very expensive - out of pocket treatments soon (more to come)!

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Looking forward to seeing you at Leatherby's!

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Ann Marie Garofalo

I'm looking forward to Ice cream for dinner tomorrow night .. with my three guys. So excited to hear about the positive updates and thank you for being you.. you are an amazing woman and mom!! 💕

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Lou Na

We will be having ice cream here in Germany for Ethan! Sending all our love ❤️

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We will take our girls there tomorrow night 😊

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Michelle Foster

We will be there and hoping that some of the XC team comes too!

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Got my work thread involved and the manager even let one of them participate by doing a pick up order for tomorrow 🍕



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Post from Subject updating on Ethan, discussing options for travel to New Orleans for Ethan's further treatments including looking for a private jet donation or an RV.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

October 22, 2022

Update: Friday 11/21/22

So much to share!! It has been a busy week. First, I want to thank everyone who came to Leatherby's for Ethan's fundraiser on Wednesday night. It was so good to see so many people in person, supporting our Ethan. And, honestly, to get so many hugs. Our family had a blast. Aiden even going so far as to eat his half of the banana split he shared with his Grandma, and then pulled my sundae across the table to where he was sitting so he could more easily eat it. Then, when I dared to take a few bites, he told me 'Mama - stop eating my ice cream!' Kid is definitely part of this family. 🥰 So much thanks to everyone who remotely had ice cream to celebrate Ethan as well. I LOVED seeing the pictures of smiling happy kids and families. It made my day. And, for those of you who went a little further and 'bought one for Ethan', it is so appreciated.

Ok, I'll share an Ethan update next (because I know that's what you really want to know), but hang in there - I have a BHAA (big hairy audacious ask) coming up right after . . .

Ethan continues to amaze us with some small improvement each day. He is now often 'awake' 8-12 hours a day. Two days ago, he got his gag reflex back. I found that out as I was putting in his bite block. Then I tested it two more times - which I am sure he really appreciated. Then, yesterday, he breathed completely on his own for 9 hours (no mist, CPAP, vent, etc.) and was just fine. Go Ethan! And, today, he started making some noises and even cried. Ok, don't love why he cried (his g-tube accidentally got pulled out of his tummy while transferring from a chair to the bed. It doesn't feel good, but now we know it does happen just as they told us it would and is an easy fix). Anyway, it happened when my mom was with him, and he cried, like with noise - that is huge! And, I got a little piece of the miracle. I just happened to call my mom right then to ask a quick question, and I heard crying in the background. I honestly thought she had left his room and was wandering somewhere. Again, don't love why he cried, but super excited he did (appropriate response to pain and he vocalized it). With the trach, he can't exactly talk - even if his brain was ready to. But, there is definitely some vocal cord action happening occasionally now. We get the occasional squeak that is more than air just moving around the trach cuff.

And, he has been able to be bendy enough to get into a seat each of the last three days. That is huge for him! He still has a long way to go to get spasticity under control, but it is a step in the right direction. Also, he is moving a bit more and he definitely has more moments of focus throughout the day. We have taken his bite guard out. We are talking with a couple of dentists on a path forward to protect his tongue, but as he has been more relaxed, we are able to take it out for the moment (but ready if needed). And, he has weaned off another drug (hopefully successfully - another day or two will tell) and are almost ready to move to the next! There are a lot, so I am hoping his med list simplifies greatly soon - for so many reasons (mostly wanting him off them). Nurses and doctors who don't see him every day are commenting on the difference in him. All this led up to a conference today with all his care team and our family to align on timing for Ethan to come home. We are likely looking at about 2.5 weeks - but so much will depend on how he continues to do as well as when we can get all the needed equipment, supplies, etc.

And while I am thrilled with this progress, I can't even begin to tell you how far we have to go. He is still in a coma - just a lighter coma. If you move your finger in front of his eyes while open, his eyes don't move. He cannot purposefully move or respond to any commands (blink, squeeze my finger, etc.). The vast chasm remains. But, he has built a couple more pieces of the bridge to cross it this week. I have to focus on how far he has come, not how far he has to go. I choose where to put my focus so that I can show up for him and Aiden to the best of my abilities. That doesn't mean I don't see it or feel it. I am still literally brought to my knees on many days with the grief and pain and fear for what has happened and what is yet to come. And then I pick myself up and focus on what I can control, what I can do. And I lean on you all, either individually or as a collective. One foot in front of the other.

One of the things I have been doing these past couple of weeks is researching various therapies to help Ethan. We will keep PT, meds, etc. at the core of what we do, but neither of these heal the brain. In fact, many meds de-activate the brain we are trying to activate. It is something needed for the moment, but hopefully not for long. What we need is something to try to heal the brain. I have been spending the last several weeks researching different options and am focusing now on hyperbaric oxygen therapy (HBOT) and cellular therapies (think stem cells). HBOT will be our first step, more to come later on cellular therapy. I am thrilled to share that THE doctor, who literally wrote the book on HBOT and HBOT for kids with anoxic brain injuries like Ethan, has agreed to take Ethan as a patient! He has seen Ethan's MRI and his medical records. To say I was terrified of him saying he couldn't help us is an understatement - it would have felt like an indictment of Ethan's future. This doctor's experience/research has found that about 85% of kids with Ethan's injury respond positively to treatments. All in different magnitudes and ways - as each brain injury is so unique. There is no guarantee, but there is hope it will help him.

Here is the kicker - the BIG HAIRY AUDACIOUS ASK! You guys came through with Instapots like nobody's business - how hard can this one be, right? 😊 Well, here goes - the HBOT therapy works best the closer you are to the trauma, in other words - the longer you wait, the less effective it becomes. This doctor is in New Orleans. We are in Sacramento. The doctor will take us any time we show up on his doorstep - he will make room. We just have to get Ethan safely there. SAFELY there. The treatments last for two months, give or take slightly. I would be relocating my whole family there during this time period. The safest way to transport Ethan would be by plane (jet). Honestly, private jet. He needs to be on oxygen due to how aircraft are pressurized and he will need to lay flat most of the trip due to his spasticity. In addition, any cold or lung virus will likely send him right back into the PICU, so avoiding germs at all cost is a must.

So, here is my BHAA - anyone have any friends with private jets and/or connections to a corporation or non-profit who would be willing to donate a round trip flight? I know it sounds crazy, but the two people I already mentioned this to this week actually have leads. No promises, but leads. It just takes one. If you know of anyone who might be able to help, please message me. I would so appreciate it. I should add that I looked into chartering a flight and it is just not financially feasible (like, not even near the ballpark we are playing in). I also looked into angel flights, where pilots donate their time and personal planes to help - but these are usually small unpressurized prop planes with no ability for Ethan to lay down. And we would have to hop on multiple planes across the country. It just isn't feasible for him in his condition.

As another option, we are looking at taking an RV and going on a road trip. I may be able to rent one, but if anyone has one they would be willing to talk with us about using for a few months, I would love to connect (again, please message me). My worry with this option is that if anything happens along the way, we have large stretches of near desolation - where we are far from a hospital for Ethan. And it is just a longer trip to endure. It makes me nervous.

So, that about sums up our week - it was such a week! I am so excited that Ethan will be coming home soon. I know I shared at first how overwhelming that felt; near impossible. But now, I feel stronger, I can see the path to be ready. I can't wait to get my baby home and have the family back together. The miracles just keep coming, and I attribute that to your healing prayers and energy, our great care team, and Ethan's strong spirit. Thank you so much for being there for Ethan and for us. I am forever grateful. I am also so thankful for your financial generosity. Our ability to get these treatments in NOLA is only possible because of your donations. All of the HBOT therapies and relocation, housing, etc. is out of pocket. This will take much of the GoFundMe account. I've said before that every dollar is hope - this is what I meant. We can do this because of your generosity, you have made the hope I feel for this next step, and Ethan's future, possible. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.



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Post from Subject giving an update on Ethan indicating he was able to be wheeled around the hospital for the first time, Subject also indicated looking for a new vehicle in order to transport Ethan home.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

October 30, 2022 · 🌐

Update 10/30/22

I am so frustrated. I wrote a long and heartfelt update late last night when I finally had a moment. I finished at 1:30am – and just as I was making my final edits, my computer ran out of power and shut down. I lost it all. I could have cried, but I was too tired. This has been a hard week. For me.

Thankfully, Ethan is having a pretty good week. He continues to wean off meds, he has very defined awake and sleep times, no real neuro-storming, so we have been able to remove the bite block and remove meds (yay!), his GI tract is doing better (I am starting to bring in one or two blended meals a day to feed him – I think the natural fiber is helping). He started to vocalize occasionally around his trach and likes to 'sing' during breathing treatments that pump air into his lungs to help break up secretions (a fun side-effect of having a trach). And, we went for his first wagon ride today! So huge as he got into a special chair and handled the short ride ok!

And, I swear on everything sacred – he said 'mama!' two mornings ago! I went into the bathroom in the morning to change, so was in there for a few minutes, when I heard him yell it. My heart dropped and I came running out, to be met with a somewhat blank stare in my direction. I also realized the first time I heard him vocalize, I had disappeared into the bathroom a few days prior. I didn't know what it was at the time and thought the machines had made a weird noise. But it was Ethan. Today, he got to sit in a special seat and cruised down the hallway in a wagon. First time and so great. He needs to get out of bed. Downside is, he may be getting a cold. He has been gunky today. We will see. And, with all of this great news, he still can't make purposeful movements, he can't interact with his world (except maybe yelling for me that one time, if that is what it was). But, every day we see some tiny improvement. They are all tiny miracles. But, man, I so want the big giant -makes-the-headline-news miracle. In lieu of that, I will gladly take the tiny ones. And I thank all of you who continue to hold him in your prayers, meditations, and healing spaces. I know it is making a difference.

Why such a tough week for me? Because we are preparing to bring him home. Which I am so excited about. I am ready. Well, will be ready, once we get the home equipment into the hospital and learn it all. But so so ready to have my baby home and back with his family. Worried about caring for him, of course, but looking forward to it. In the journey to bring him home, though, the physical manifestations of our changed life – his changed life – are showing up at the house. The home I created based on my dreams for my family. And now the boys' toddler room will change to a home hospital room, special equipment is starting to show up – which I am very thankful for – but it all screams 'my son is severely disabled' to me. I have lived in two very separate worlds these past almost two months – hospital and home. As home stayed constant, I could better compartmentalize what was happening as acute, transient. Now we are preparing for the long haul and our new normal. It is shattering all over again.

On top of everything else, my car won't work to transport Ethan. I came to that conclusion Thursday, and have been crying often, including at four different car dealerships since as I tried to find a solution. I love my car. I bought it this past spring with the dreams of what my family needed as the boys are growing older and getting more active. It's not that I am so much a car person (my previous 'new' car was seven years old when I bought this one), it is the symbolism again of my changing life. It is grief manifested. Ethan now has a special car seat where the back can recline all the way to a flat position (and everything in-between), if the seat it is sitting on in the car will. My second and third row seats barely recline. Ethan's tone is still very tight and he can't bend much at the hips, sometimes even planking straight and stiff as a board. In addition, he will need a wheelchair accessible mini-van eventually. But, we won't have his wheel chair / stroller for at least another three months as it has to be customized. So, I need a seat in the car that reclines as far as possible. I have found a couple of mini-vans that get us to maybe 35-40 degrees that could later be converted. I hope it can work. I am doing more research. We are working on a discharge date in about a week and a half, so need something by then.

In all this, as hard as it is, I am so thankful for so much – and you all are top of the list. My health insurance case manager has a young adult child who was born with a chronic genetic illness. She understands better than almost anyone that path I am starting to walk. She told me this past week, that while no one would ever wish this path on anyone, it is only when you are on it that you are able to experience such beauty. Specifically, in how a community forms around you, to care for your family and help. I was so proud to tell her that I have experienced this 100-fold already with all of you. And it is beautiful. It is beautiful in how you continue with your daily and weekly prayer groups, give us your time and energy, and send tangible gifts, food, and financial contributions to help Ethan and us. I was stunned by your responses to my ask about a private jet – which felt crazy to even ask. Some of you reached out to people you know who have planes, others reached out to people in the industry to ask for ways forward, and still others did research and sent it my way. Some of you whom I have never met. Seriously, stunned. And so grateful. We don't yet have anything secured, but a couple of possibilities potentially in the works.

I should also share, in case helpful as we continue this search, Ethan doesn't actually need medical transportation. Don't get me wrong, my traumatized mama brain wants nothing more than an entire fleet of medical professionals and all available medical equipment on a plane. But, in actuality, he is pretty stable. He does not have an IV. I can carry him on and off the plane (so no stretcher/wheel chair access needed), and he does not need a vent. He does need supplemental oxygen given the lighter cabin pressurization, but I would have a portable oxygen concentrator (which is allowed on commercial flights). He does need a direct flight (low stamina), minimization of germ risk, and ability to lay down after take off / landing due to his high muscle tone / spasticity (can get him in a seat for take off and landing). And, my mom is an RN, so we will technically have a medical professional with us – bonus!

You all have done so much, and yet some of you have asked me still if there is anything specific you can help us with. So, it is with no expectation, but only in response to these asks, that I share the below:

- Please keep praying for Ethan and Aiden's healing, it means so much.
- The Chrysler Pacifica seems like it might be a viable option for us. However, I can't get my hands on a 2022 or 2023 to check for sure (a sales rep and I did some skulking around their service department to look at owned cars to check out the seat recline – but they were older models). There is a waitlist for these minivans. If anyone has an 'in' in the Sacramento area to help, please let me know. I need to physically see (and drive it) before purchase, so online only doesn't help me much.
- Still working on that private flight option to/from Sacramento to New Orleans in case any more leads come about.

- We will need a house in NOLA. We found something on Airbnb a few weeks ago when we were contemplating this next step (don't know if still there). In case anyone has a lead on a less expensive option, criteria would be: all one level (no steps), at least 3 bedrooms/2 baths, in or very close to Marrero, LA, and hopefully a yard for Aiden to play in. Approximate dates beginning of December through end of January, but flexibility is needed.

- In case anyone is inclined, there is an Amazon wish list that I just started. It's a hodge podge of random things we need to care for Ethan, everything from home blend packets for when I just can't make my own, mirror tiles so I can make sure his airway is clear when doing PT on my lap, etc. I couldn't get the link to copy over, but it is public and called 'Ethan's Recovery'. UPDATE- here is the link! <https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1UF6MJRPL9XFA...>

Again, thank you all so much. This is a long and windy road and I – we – are so fortunate to have you traveling with us.





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Audrey Cole O'Grady

My heart soars. Hi sweet boy. Your Mama heard you. And you look quite handsome out cruising. Keep going kiddo, You are doing so great! So are you mama.

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Joan Kronick Johnson

love seeing his beautiful face. He is in there and can feel and sense your love. I continue to pray you will hear his sweet voice again. 🙏

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Kim Buskirk Callaway

Jenny, thank you for sharing a photo of your precious Ethan! Will pray for airplane, housing, car, etc. most importantly, for you and your sweet family. 💜

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Chris Norton

Thanks again for sharing, I know it can't be easy to write this, but we appreciate it, it makes us all feel closer to you and everything you are going through. Ethan is beautiful, and congratulations on becoming an Aunt. I can't wait to see all of you

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Belinda Betts Stumberg

Am thrilled for all you good news and am continuing to pray each day. Sending a gigantic hug your way. ❤️

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Debi Collins Dallas

This road you and your boys are traveling, is an unforeseen journey, one with desired outcomes, but no guarantees. None of us are exempt from change and the many unknowns in life. In retrospect, the strength, positivity and drive to make this work, are all so visible in the woman/mommy that you are. I can't even imagine your exhaustion. I pray that Ethan will continue to improve and "yell" at his momma. LOL. I want him to be that kid who shows us all how he can overcome. I pray for his brother as well. This must be overwhelming and so hard to absorb at this age. Last but certainly not least, I send you hugs and prayers of support. 🙏🙏🙏



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Update from Subject thanking her associates for all their help, and donations, and updating on Ethan's condition

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

November 6, 2022

Update 11/5/22

You all came through again. I can't thank you enough. I was not in a good place when I wrote that last update. I was struggling. My worlds of the hospital and home were colliding. I could no longer compartmentalize Ethan's condition as transitory, acute – it IS the new normal. The grief was crushing again. And, along with the much-desired-hope of bringing him home this coming week, the logistics were also nearly crushing. So much to do, so much to figure out, so much to learn. I was spinning.

You all saw this and came through in ways I couldn't have imagined. A woman I have never met, but we are connected through how we chose to create our families, sent me a video of her Chrysler Pacifica and how the seats recline and shared the rental company that carries them. I now have one on hold to rent for the first month he comes home, just in case. Thank you.

To my insurance Case Manager who is moving things through the approval process as quickly as possible, and calling me to make sure I have the latest good news as things are approved in the hopes it would ease my worry. Who also just let me just cry with her in relief as she shared the updates. Thank you.

To friends who, I was only now able to connect with this past week since our tragedy, who told me they have direct connections to private planes and are trying to get something worked out. Thank you. (We don't have anything lined up yet, so thank you to everyone who continues to try for us!)

To my former manager at Sutter Health, a woman with a huge job, who contacted me to say that she is connecting me to senior leaders she knows in a New Orleans health system so I could establish our NOLA care team before we get there. The relief I feel from knowing we will have good doctors lined up is palpable. Thank you.

To so many of you who saw the Amazon wish list and immediately sent items to help Ethan. Oh my goodness! I looked at the list a couple of nights after posting, to start buying items – and they were all purchased. Seriously, I started crying in gratitude. Thank you all so much.

To those of you who continue to deliver dinners. Thank you. It seems crazy to me we still need this help so long after the initial accident, and yet, we are spread so thin making sure Ethan has one of us with him in the hospital at all the times, and that Aiden has the love and attention he needs, not to mention everything else that needs to get done. To not worry about dinner (and get hugs when dinner is delivered), is a true blessing. We are so appreciative.

To my cousin, Chris Norton, who flew in from Cleveland a couple of days ago to help us get ready for Ethan to come home. Who, when I initially asked if he could help, actually thanked me for letting him help us. He has taken apart, moved, and built more furniture than I am sure he ever hoped to do – and that was just the start of my 'Chris list'. Today, he even asked for more. It is not just the physical help to get things ready, which we needed, but it is so much more. I will forever hold in my heart his visit with Ethan in the hospital, coming directly from the airport. He walked in and talked about how beautiful Ethan is, how amazing he is through all this. He held his hand and talked to him. He didn't focus on the loss, but saw his family laying there in that big bed. I didn't know how much I needed that until that moment. For Ethan to not be seen as a patient, or all the things that he can't do, but to be seen as a little boy in all the love and wonder that he still is, from someone who knew him before. And, if that wasn't enough, Aiden is warming to his new big playmate. Chris said he went on the longest shortest walk he's ever been on today (about an hour to go 1/3 mile round trip). Ahh, the joys of being almost 3 – where ever rock and neighborhood kitty cat is a wonder. 😊 And, my phone dinged this afternoon and it was the daily prayer / healing circle for Ethan being called to action, that my cousin Dora Louise (his wife) helps to lead. I am so blessed to have you both in our lives.

Through all of this, the grief is constant. The fear for Ethan and his future never goes away. But, I have a little more equilibrium today because of all of your support. As much as we all wanted Ethan home this week, it just isn't going to happen. Not because of Ethan. He is a rock star. It is because we need the DME vendors to catch up to us – vents, oxygen concentrators, trach supplies, g-tube supplies, an electronic bed (looks like a kid's bed, at least) all still need to be delivered and our training on everything to happen. Things are moving, but they just couldn't move fast enough. On that note, as we were working on our end to get things ready for Ethan to come home, we found a few more things we need. I added them to the Amazon wish list. Again, no expectations, you guys are amazing. But, if anyone is interested, know there are a few more things on there. We are so hopeful Ethan will be home early the week after next.

That also gives us some time to try to keep progressing on things while in the hospital – weaning another med that has been hard for him to get off, potentially spending more time breathing without assistance, even if that assistance is often just humidified air. Better to try in the hospital if we can, is my philosophy. The care team continues to be wonderful partners in Ethan's care. The doctors liked how Ethan was responding to the home food so much that they said I was free to feed him home food for all his meals! By liking it so much, I mean, he is now off all four GI meds and, if I do say so myself, his poops are amazing now. 😊 The nurses are wonderfully supportive, even when we have had a few mishaps – such as I when I accidentally exploded the purple breakfast blend all over Ethan and the bed. Whoops. We are also able to move from six to five meals per day (bigger volume each meal) as his GI system can tolerate it now. That makes life more manageable at home as well, but I wasn't quite prepared with that much food! I am thankful for the pre-made blended food packets many of you sent, they are filling the gaps.

I know many of you are like – just get to what we really want to know, how is Ethan doing? Of course! Ethan is doing really well. His heart rate is baselining lower (in a good, less stressed way), there has been no neuro-storming in a long time, that tongue of his is staying in his mouth and is moving around quite a bit (good signs). His nurse noticed a suck reflex tonight while she was brushing his teeth. I had tested it earlier in the week and he didn't have one. Although then she tried to show me and he didn't do it. That is part of the brain healing process, it goes in and out for a while as it comes back. Just thrilled she saw it. He still makes some noises, but there has been no repeat of the 'mama' I swear I heard before. Chris and I both thought Ethan was moving his tongue in and out to may ask ("Ethan – stick your tongue out, put your tongue back in", etc.) but it is so hard to know. I may have stumbled upon his own rhythm at that moment. But Ethan and I were definitely connected, and Chris swears it looked like Ethan was very much trying to communicate with me. I truly don't know, and I suppose I don't need to know right now. I just need the hope that his brain is continuing to heal.

On that note, our respiratory therapist for tonight hadn't seen Ethan since the night he was admitted. He was shocked at how well Ethan looks now. It is wonderful to hear, and I need to hold onto that, because it is truly terrifying not having a known path for how his healing will, or will not, progress. Because, nearly two months out, Ethan is still not able to purposefully move or communicate. It is devastating to me, no matter how much he has progressed. The not knowing leaves so much room for hope, but also can be crushing when not realized.

I can't end on that note. I never imagined we would still be in the PICU nearly two months after his accident. And, yet, I am so thankful for all the progress he has made. This has been a journey, to say the least, and it is just starting. I can't wait to get my baby home. I have hope and excitement for how his healing will progress when he is surrounded by the familiarity and comfort of home, his brother, his dog, and all of his family (including a brand-new cousin, my niece!)

Thank you again for your love and support. As I have said before, and will continue to say, it is making a difference.

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Stephanie Anne Luce

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Stephanie Anne Luce hi! It was in the post before this 😊. Here it is! Thank you so much. <https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1UF6MJRPL9XFA...>



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Post from Subject sharing an update on Ethan and indicating they were preparing to bring him home from the hospital

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



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November 12, 2022 · 🌐

Update 11/11

Ethan is coming home!! We are tentatively set for mid-next week. I am so excited, I know how reticent I was at that idea when I first posted about it, but man, times have changed. I feel ready. I want my baby home to heal, and I want my family back together under one roof. And, make no mistake, it is a miracle we are getting to go home. In fact, it looks like he will be going home in my car.

Whaaat? But what about all the crazy crying spells at random car dealerships last week, you ask? What about the mini-van rental on hold? Well, prayers, healing energy, a great care team, and Ethan's spirit is what happened. Dude is consistently bending at the waist now. Still has high tone (don't try to get those knees to bend), but the waist - we are rocking it. And that's what we need for his new car seat. In fact, we did a full trial two days ago - Ethan rode in his new stroller and went out to the car in the parking garage, where I put him in the car seat, and he sat all buckled in like a champ. The kid's numbers (heart rate, respiratory rate, etc.) have never been so good. He was LOVING it! Took everything I had not to back out of that parking space and take off for home. But, given we didn't yet have any necessary equipment, that would not have been such a good idea. Picture of Ethan in his new car seat above - I am so proud of him! Our only issue is that Aiden is in love with the new red car seat, and we may have a battle on our hands. I should also add, this little field trip included: Ethan, me, my dad, our RN, RT, PT, and a nursing student. As well as an entire extra stroller that included portable suction, an ambu bag, trach kit, and probably something else I am forgetting. It was an Ethan parade. And it felt so good. Kid was a rock star.

Tonight, I am writing this in his hospital room, sitting here listening to him breathe as he sleeps. I am doing my 24-hour 'room-in' where I take over all care for Ethan, to prove that I am ready to take him home. We have as much home respiratory equipment as is feasible here (still waiting for the home stuff to show up at home), I have his meds, I can call for support and two-person jobs (and readily accept advice), but I have to prove I can do it all. Ethan decided to challenge me right off the bat tonight by deciding not to breathe again after I gave him a breathing treatment. The treatment blows all the CO2 out of his lungs, which then means his brain is not triggered to breathe. He is perfectly fine, just not breathing. So, I got to practice bagging him. Twice. I know this sounds crazy - like, you are going home? But seriously, it's a weird effect of the breathing treatment. I mean, I am sure a side effect isn't supposed to be non-breathing for the breathing treatment, but it is only temporary; he just needs a little kick start again. Anyway, he has been so stable that I am assuming he wanted to make sure I truly earned my merit badge tonight.

On that note - so stable! He sleeps well at night, he is more alert during the day, he literally just moved in his sleep in a way I haven't seen at all (he barely moves his body). He weaned off another med yesterday and we are starting to tackle weaning another one today. His eyes are tracking more often, he was definitely watching his Cars movie tonight, and we are getting more and more instances where people (not just us) are saying - that "might" have been a voluntary movement, such as squeezing a finger on command or trying to reach out and touch me during PT today. I am so hopeful. But, as I have shared before, hope is also so scary.

On that note, my own trauma is rearing its ugly head as I write this. The voice in my head is screaming - don't talk about going home this week, terrible things happen, you can't plan for anything when it comes to Ethan, tragedy may strike, etc. etc. etc. You are jinxing it! I am working on this with my therapist, but when it comes to Ethan, my 'lower brain' wins out and rationality takes a back seat. Basically, my lower brain has a trump card to any rational come-back. Specifically, well - I did everything I could to keep Ethan safe, and yet this tragedy still happened. There is no safety and

security when it comes to him, he who is now so much more fragile given his condition. It is a little crazy-making, and I am eternally thankful it seems to be contained to only Ethan and not other family members or parts of my life.

And, even with that lower brain steadily talking away, I take a deep breath and do all the things that have to be done to get him home next week. Because a mama's heart trumps a lower brain 😊. And this mama's heart wants her baby home! For those of you who know me, there are times I can be a force of nature. Well, this past week, I hit Cat 5 hurricane status. It takes a lot of coordination to get a kiddo in Ethan's condition safely home, from having an appropriate bed, to all the respiratory equipment, to g-tube feeding supplies, training, etc. We aren't quite there yet, but mountains have been moved. That being said, should Ethan get sick or have some issues between now and then, I still have enough semblance of reality left to know we will push the discharge date. I am just so hoping we won't have to.

We are also so fortunate to have secured nursing to help us out. I have met two of our nurses and they seem like highly qualified and wonderful human beings. I am so hopeful. We are approved for more hours to fill (although it is not 24x7), but the agency is still trying to find more nurses to help us. Given the dire state of private duty nursing, I feel so fortunate to have these nurses helping us, helping Ethan.

What else can I share? I am exhausted. Not surprising. I am reminded to take some time for myself. Honestly, that just isn't going to happen. But, I also realize, that I feel empowered and nourished by spending my time in ways to help Ethan and Aiden. Researching care pathways and therapy modalities, figuring out and making blended food for Ethan (which has done wonders for him), spending quality time with Aiden looking for our neighbor's Purple Witch (Halloween decoration), etc. There will be time for me again - whatever that means. For now, helping to heal Ethan and our family is energizing, and truthfully, at the same time exhausting. Interesting that it can be both. I do miss 'my time'. My work team is meeting in San Francisco this week, and I would so love to be with them. Maybe not the 'me time' many think of, but it sounds amazing to me right now (miss you guys!)

And, as usual, I can't thank you all enough. Such a blessing to not worry about dinner as I am running in from the hospital at dinner time, or as I get to actually spend a quality hour with Aiden reconnecting after having been away for yet another day and night. And you guys and Amazon wish lists - seriously! And who knew so many of you have NOLA connections? I will be reaching out to them for help and support as we know more about when and how we will get there (ps - still need a private plane if anyone knows anyone!) And the continued prayers and healing circles. I am so humbled. I am so thankful. The gift of walking this path with you all is the gift of a lifetime. Thank you.

Life is insanity as we prepare to bring Ethan home, so I probably won't have a chance to post until after he is there. Unless something happens to delay us (darn lower brain again - ignore it!) Please keep us in your thoughts and prayers as we make this critical transition and start to figure out our new - and hopefully ever-changing and improving - normal.



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Staci Horn Hughes

You're doing amazing things, Jenny. So delighted to hear that Ethan continues to improve and may be home soon! Sending big hugs and prayers.

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Post from Subject indicating Ethan was home Caption: Ethan is home!!!! We will celebrate tonight. It was also a tough evening - his brain had some trouble with all the stimuli on the way home. I will share more when I can. But for now, he is tucked safely away in his new big boy bed. Aiden has given him many belly kisses and is happy his brother is home, as we all are. And now the true journey begins

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MealTrain created for Subject and her family by an associate. With the most recent update being added on 11/20/2022.

Meal Train® for The Sproull Family

3 Adults, 1 Kid Roseville, CA Drop-Off: 5pm



Our friends, Jenny, Ethan, and Aiden Sproull, need help right now. On Wednesday, 9/7, Ethan drowned in their backyard pool. He is alive, but in very critical condition. He is a fighter and has already beaten some amazing odds. In addition to coveting prayers for his recovery, the family has the practical need of having meals available while Jenny divides her time between the hospital, her new job, and caring for Aiden, Ethan's twin brother who witnessed the accident.

It's easy to feel impotent when a friend is dealing with a catastrophic event! How great that we can serve and bless this family in very real, tangible ways!

We're starting at a meal every other day (the meal train has information about what kinds are best), and we'll assess if that is too frequent or not enough, after a week or so.

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Updates



November 20, 2022 by Lori Campbell

More Dates Added

Hi everyone:

Thanks to your continued generosity, we are adding dates through the end of this year. Do you realize that each of you has helped our sweet friends, the Sproulls, not have to worry about meals during a very stressful time? That has been a HUGE blessing to them!

By my "back of the envelope" estimation: you have provided more than 60 meals to them!!

If you're following Ethan's Facebook page, you know he is now home. Jenny has both her boys under the same roof again. The work of figuring out the new normal will take some time and so I thought it would be good to continue meals for the next month or so so that is one thing she doesn't need to consider.

Thank you, thank you, thank YOU for your generosity!



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October 7, 2022 by Lori Campbell

Bit of a Food update

I just heard from Jenny about how much this meal train is blessing their family! Despite the hardships of not knowing exactly what home care for Ethan will look like, Jenny genuinely has a VILLAGE surrounding her and Aiden during this time.

As such, I've updated the meal train to reflect that there are usually 3 adults who are being fed at meal times -- usually one of Jenny's parents, or her sister/family are over helping with Aiden. So...if you are able to factor that in to your gracious meal planning, it would be very appreciated.

Thank you so much for your faithfulness during this very difficult time for the Sproulls. You are making a huge difference for them.

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October 5, 2022 by Lori Campbell

All days are now open on the calendar

I just learned that Jenny's wonderful neighbors have been filling in the "gap days" on the Meal Train and their kind person who had been coordinating it had a family emergency. As such, they've asked us to have sign ups for every day, so we do!

You all are so wonderful and kind. Thank you!



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September 29, 2022 by Lori Campbell

Door Dash Preferences

So many wonderful people have reached out to ask me about ordering meals through DoorDash (Grub Hub, etc.) due to either geographic or time constraints. This is one heck of a village the Sproulls have watching over and serving them. Thank you so so much!

Because of the inquiries, I asked Jenny what some of their favorite places are and wanted to share for those for whom a meal delivery service is the best option.

These restaurants are closest to the family so might have lower delivery charges:

Mexican: Lorenzo's and NixTaco (Jenny says their mushroom burrito is a must try!)

Italian: Old Spaghetti Factory, numerous pizza places

Chicken: Aiden adores chicken nuggets, and Jenny has learned to love chicken nugget salads. Also Buffalo Wild Wings could work, provided there are no-bone options for Aiden (who prefers the sweet sauce...a 2 1/2 year old who likes sweet things...go figure!)

Are you tired yet of hearing how much this way of showing love to the family is appreciated? Too bad! This takes a huge burden off the family during this time, and they are SO APPRECIATIVE. You are making their lives easier. <3



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September 25, 2022 by Lori Campbell

Dates added through November

Friends:

Well, your generosity truly knows no bounds as people have gobbled up almost all the October dates we added a couple of weeks ago. Thank you!!!

Speaking of "gobble" (how's that for a segue?), I've added dates through the end of November. These meals make a HUGE difference in the lives of Jenny and Aiden as they grapple with the "new normal" for now. After a day at the hospital with Ethan, Jenny comes home to focus on Aiden with no worries about meal planning, shopping, or cooking. What a blessing!

It's not just local friends who have dived in to provide: people from around the country have "answered the call" by arranging for meal deliveries through one of so many great options we have available to us (info about how to do this is on the meal train page). Even friends of friends who've never met Jenny or the boys are responding. You've all been lovely and so kind. Thank you all so, so, SO much.

I've tried to be on top of it when more people sign up, and immediately provide the address. If I'm not responding quickly enough for your comfort level, please do NOT hesitate to reach out to me via text: (916) 320-1548. It isn't a bother at all.

With love and gratitude



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September 16, 2022 by Lori Campbell

More dates available!

Due to your boundless generosity and provision, we are adding MORE dates to the meal train!

For those who may have missed Jenny's update yesterday, Ethan is showing small degrees of improvement, but his brain needs to find a way to reconnect to some of his functions -- e.g., connecting to his tongue so that it doesn't block his airway. Twice in 10 days she's had to have the "end of life compared to quality of life" discussions with the care team, but Ethan is fighting and so is the family then.

Each of you has provided tangible, important support, and Jenny is reveling in it. Thank you so, so much!



September 14, 2022 by Lori Campbell

Thank you -- extending the meal train a little longer

Good afternoon friends (even though I've not met most of you, we are all friends of the Sproulls, so we're friends by association)!

People have been so generous in providing for Jenny and the boys during this time -- prayerfully, spiritually, financially, and through meals. What a testament to the power of a community to rally around dear friends in need. I think of Mr. Rogers' mom telling him to "look for the helpers" in times of crisis. YOU are the helpers; thank you so, so much!

I have not posted the address because I don't know to whom people are forwarding this meal train, but it is NOT an imposition for me to provide it after you've signed up -- feel free to reach out through this site or through text: 9163201548.

Because some of you have asked for an update, I'm providing the most recent information I have -- again from the amazing Sarina Hussein who shares Jenny's email:

UPDATE 9/12 4:45pm

Please continue to help Ethan. The generosity of spirit and tangible support has been unbelievable. But I am shattering. Ethan had been making some progress - his lungs regained function and were able to work on their own. They tried to extubate him today, but found that he couldn't control his tongue and it blocked his airway. That is a bad sign. They are adding palliative care to our medical team. He needs this part of the brain to heal asap to have a chance. Please throw all the spiritual energy you have at him. His body is fighting hard. We need parts of his brain to heal fast, or they probably never will.

I know this is a dire message, but how can I be his mom if I don't ask for every ounce of possible help? Nothing can be left on the table.

Thank you thank you thank you



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👤 Debi Hart

Wow- I'm overwhelmed just watching- I can only imagine how it felt for you and Ethan and your Mom. So, So much love there! I'm sure being home has lots of peaks and valleys; take it one minute at a time!

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👤 Kathy Wesley

So beautiful! Tears in my eyes for all the progress for Ethan, your perseverance and love for your son, and

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Photo of Ethan Caption: One day I will get to share so much more. But in the meantime, a highlight from last week. Well, hello there handsome! Ethan sat in a chair and loved it! it was a good day that day.

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Post from Subject about reading to Ethan and Aiden Caption: Doing my favorite thing with my boys before dinner tonight. Reading. Ethan always made sure he got my lap (or anyone's lap). Tonight was no different, although this time by necessity as hr can't sit up on his own - but I can tell he loved it. Ethan reached over to touch Aiden multiple times. Aiden took his hand and kissed it back several times. This is not an easy road we are on, but these moments mean the world to me and keep me going. Also, we were able to have this moment because our beautiful neighbor Lynn had delivered our dinner (again) - not something I had to worry about. So many of you continue to help us in this way. I can't thank you enough for helping these healing moments happen with your generosity.

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Lisa Carniato Metzger

This is the most beautiful photo to replace the most scary thing I've ever seen that is etched in my brain. My neighbor and I ran to help when I heard your voice from my house. We arrived just before the emergency crews. I am so happy to see your sweet boys together and HOME. God bless you and your beautiful family. We prayed so hard

boys together and HOME. God bless you and your beautiful family. We prayed so hard for so long and now this! God is good and we will continue to pray for you and your beautiful little boys 🙏❤️ I would love to help you in the coming days, weeks, months ahead as things calm down and the meal train slows. 🙏

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Lisa Carniato Metzger thank you! Very slowly healing is happening. So much more to go, but so thankful for these moments.

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Lisa Carniato Metzger

PLEASE message me when I can step in to help. I have know that over time, things can get very overwhelming and the meals and cleaning crews dwindle. I will be here when you begin to see some holes need of filling. I live next to Becky & Mike behind you 🙏🥰

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Rhea Ann Dandeneau

The photo of you all back together brings so much warmth to my heart! Your boys are gorgeous and you are a beautiful, fierce and strong mama! 💕

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Joan Kronick Johnson

What a wonderful moment. Llama llama was always our favorite books to read. So glad to see you all home

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Allison Bieback

He reached for his brother?! How beautiful! ❤️

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Susan Patke

Absolutely precious Jenny. I continue to pray for you & family on your journey. Your boys are so blessed to have you 💕

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Post from Subject's associate, Sarina, on Subject's account that was giving an update about the family

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Hello everyone! I hope everyone saw the update by Jenny yesterday. It's both beautiful and real.

I'd like to also share a few updates. I had an opportunity to meet an amazing group of women who are part of an organization who support people in our community (<https://www.powerof100women.com/?mibextid=Zxz2cZ>). I'm hopeful that by continuing to share Jenny's story that she will get more support. That leads me to my next update!


At that meeting, I met Jenny's child life specialist! She is amazing. She shared that it might be nice to help hire a dog walker for Jenny's sweet dog, Willow. If anyone knows of a dog walker service or would be willing to donate time, this would be an amazing gift.

In her update, Jenny mentioned a house in the San Rafael area. If you can spread the word, maybe someone has an in-laws quarters, guest house, or even a home they'd be willing to rent at cost, would be amazing. She needs 3 rooms but send what you have her way and maybe we can figure something out.




Lastly, she hasn't asked for this but after reading about all the boxes, maybe there is some one good at organizing or planning that can come and help a bit. That's not typical house cleaner stuff but figured this might be helpful.

Thank you for all the love and support! We are almost at our 50k goal on the Gofundme, which is awesome! I'd love to up it to 75k to cover the cost of the rental house, treatments, and Jenny's existing day to day bills.

In gratitude- Sarina ❤️



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Post from Subject sharing an update about their journey and what it has been like caring for Ethan at home


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Update December 6, 2022

We have been home for three weeks and tomorrow marks three months since the accident. It is stunning. Time is elusive. How can it be three months? Honestly, I barely remember, or maybe I just try not to think, about the last three months. And yet, the 'time before' feels like some type of utopian dream. A time when no matter what normal life stressors were happening, I woke up with a feeling of contentment, with a boy in each arm. That life feels almost forgotten, that feeling permanently gone. And yet it has only been three months. The grief is so deep it is often crushing. But, there is not time to let it take hold. I have my boys to care for, they need me. And it keeps me going.

We are in a routine. I won't lie – the first week home from the PICU was daunting. It felt out of control as we adjusted to caring for Ethan 24/7 on our own, with supplies having been dumped at our door only hours before – scary when those supplies can mean life or death to your child and yet they are buried in 20 boxes in your front hall and you aren't even sure what half of them are since most of the equipment is different from the hospital. Ethan struggled his first few days with all the additional stimuli. His body tightened up, his breath holding (response to stressors) became so much I had to put him on his vent to keep his blood oxygen levels up. But he eventually started to settle in, as did we. We established our routine, a routine that gets more doable every day. We have nurses who help us now, and are learning and loving on Ethan. It is a lot, but it is manageable.

As Ethan becomes more stable and his care more routine, Aiden is needing so much more of my attention. Perhaps he always needed it, and I was just unable to give enough of it. He, like me and the rest of us, is happy his brother is home, but struggles with the intense grief that he is nowhere near the brother who left that night. It is confusing, and horrible, and frustrating, and scary. And his mom and family are consistently needing to give Ethan attention. It is not fair. And so we have been managing through a lot of big feelings. With professional help. He and I cry together over our shared loss, when he allows that vulnerability. He is becoming more comfortable with emotions other than 'happy', although that is still safest. I am hoping we are on the road to recovery, and his road requires a lot of my time, which I can give him now. There is progress, but this is a journey across his lifetime as well.

I know this update feels a bit morose. It doesn't help that I just read Ethan's IEP assessment. The local school district is moving at lightning speed to get ready to help him when he turns 3 years old next month, providing needed services. And that means assessments. My beautiful amazing boy is now functioning at <1 percentile in all areas. To see that on paper is so hard. And I literally read it just prior to writing this. It is so scary. He is making progress, yet he is still <1 percentile. I cannot fool myself that he will wake up magically better, the key neurons having connected overnight. Every day that passes, that is a reality that has to be faced. And I cannot yet face it. I need my Ethan back. I miss him so much. I miss our family. I miss our life. I miss the life we were going to have together. So much grief.

I also feel the pressure of passing time. His brain has the most plasticity it will have now at his young age. Recovery is also more likely with therapies occurring closer to the injury date. And yet we sit at home, me doing the best PT I can while we wait for services to start. I am doing so much more, I know I am. And yet, I still feel helpless. I have been working on enrolling him in numerous government programs (never straight-forward), managing his now team of a dozen medical professionals, continuing to make his food, researching hyperbaric options and a multitude of other therapies, implementing whatever MNRI techniques I can pick up from a book (really should be left to the professionals – but none around here), and so much more. And yet here we are.

I was debating scrapping this update, because it sounds so bleak. It is at times. And, I figure you can handle that reality. I can't sugar coat it. And yet, I would still not be standing if I did not have hope. It is what keeps me going. He is improving at home. He is getting stronger, he is breathing longer without any machines, his eyes are tracking more, he has had some very limited but actual purposeful movement with his arms, he can sit in a (special) seat for many of his meals and even bent his knees today while awake! He has successfully weaned off of two more meds at home and the next one is teed-up to start weaning this weekend. We have gone from 10 'big' pretty serious drugs to 3 as of tomorrow night (ok, so the second one is almost weaned). The next one is hard to get off of so will take two months, but we get to start this weekend – progress. He vocalizes more – everyone swearing he is yelling 'mom' down the hall (he doesn't move his lips, so there is no enunciation, but even our nurses think the intent is clear)! His cough is getting stronger, he has occasional swallows, and he will look at pictures in books and occasionally track to me or someone else talking. He is not able to make facial expressions and yet, somehow he clearly has given both nurses the stink eye. I saw it once, but they clearly saw it and pointed it out to me. They are tiny facial changes, but it was there. And it was such an Ethan look – I loved it! And it carried me through that day. He also gave a little head tuck 'shy guy' a few times too to the nurses – another classic Ethan. These bring me hope. But they are so small and there is such a long way to go.

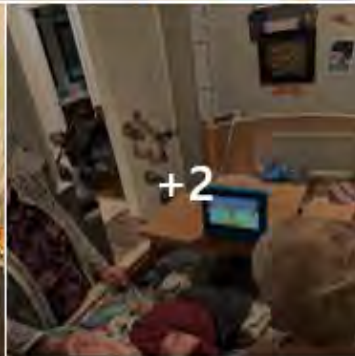
We try to include Ethan in as much as he will tolerate. For his and all of our sakes. He loves going outside, so we go for walks and to the park with Aiden and the dogs as much as the weather allows. We race through the trees as a family (Willow and Aiden always winning), with me pushing Ethan bumping along in his stroller over roots and dirt loving every minute (based on his heart rate monitor). Ethan joins us for all our meals, whether in his stroller or most recently in his special chair at table height. It has only been a couple of times, but it made a difference. He sits in his usual spot at the table. A spot no one has sat in for three months, no matter how crowded the table became. It was his chair to return to, and as of last night, he did. We have had a movie night together, with me holding Ethan on the couch (he fell asleep partway through), we have read books together – the boys and I, and it was wonderful. But it is also different. And Aiden knows and feels it. As do I. But this is how we start to rebuild our family, our new family. And with the hope that one day, Ethan will reach out to try to turn the page of the book, or be able to focus on the tv for the length of the movie, or even sit softly and comfortably in my arms, his rigid tone going softer as his brain heals. There is so much more I wish for, but these are the little daily moments I live for. We will see. Time will tell.

On that note, I continue to try to get Ethan to hyperbaric treatment. We have a potential line on a plane, but it is not yet confirmed and would take a significant contribution for fuel – which given your generosity, I can do. I also found a clinic in San Rafael (N. CA) that will take us, in case we just can't get to NOLA. They are top quality and hospital level protocols, etc., but they have limited experience in cases like Ethan's. I don't have concerns about safety for Ethan, but I do wonder if they can be as effective with less knowledge of dosing (O2 and pressure combination) to help him. The clinic had partnered with the NOLA doctor in the past on a case, and I had hoped this might be an option now – they were willing. But, the NOLA doctor will no longer partner with other clinics given some prior bad experiences. I learned that today. I knew it was a long shot, but I had hoped we might be able to get the best of both worlds – staying near home while getting the much-needed expertise.

Should we not be able to secure a plane, San Rafael is a good back-up option. It is just far enough, though, that Ethan could not tolerate the daily commute for treatments and would also interfere with various other treatments he needs. So, that means we would need to relocate closer to that area for a couple months. Naturally, this is one of the most expensive housing areas in the country. So, if anyone knows of someone with a single story, at least 3-bedroom house, within about 20 minutes of San Rafael - and they are willing to give us a good deal, please message me! I would be very grateful. We need to get moving on this treatment, so I am exploring both options in parallel. I am hopeful we can start treatments in early January at one of these locations.

This journey is not one I wish for anyone. Only worse would have been completely losing my Ethan that night. My Ethan is here, I know it. I need to help him show that to us. Because we miss him so much. I have said it before, and I will say it again – I could not be doing this without your love and support. Please keep your prayers and healing energy coming. They sustain him, they sustain me. My phone dings at 5pm every night as a healing / prayer circle calls to convene. Every. Single. Night. There are no words to express my gratitude. Others have recently reached out sharing their prayer cards at their local churches, whole congregations praying for Ethan, led by people we have not always personally met. And to those of you who still check-in on me (even if I can't respond) and send your love, and for those still providing tangible supports - financial, dinners, help with odds and ends – thank you. We – I – need you now more than ever. Thank you.

I know this was a long one. It has been a month since I was able to share in any detail. And so much to share. The new demands of my life give me very little time to post. I will try to do shorter updates as life happens and share more details on the occasions like tonight where I just couldn't fall asleep. My hope is that talking with you will quiet my mind and sleep will come. Thank you again for being there for us. As hard as this is, every day is a miracle that he is here. I am greedy though, for him, for me, and for Aiden. I want more. I want so much more. I am convinced that his best chance to lead a fulfilling life is with this community surrounding him. Thank you.



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Kendra Kett

Thank you for sharing this update, Jenny. Ethan is a beautiful boy and I'm so glad he's home with you and Aiden. The photos are wonderful. Sending love and hugs to you and your family. You are still in my thoughts and prayers on this journey. xoxo ❤️

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Karla Furlano Berra

I so want to give you a big hug Jenny! Prayers for your continued strength in sharing everything you have with your family. You are amazing! 🥰🥰🥰

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Photo of Ethan and Aiden Caption: Brothers spending a few minutes of quality rest / movie time together today. I looked down and Ethan was just slightly moving his legs! Tiny movement, but there. I've only seen it when he sleeps. And the boy gets very gunky when it rains (raining for 2 days here). Plus side, he's been practicing his big coughs and getting better at them!

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



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December 11, 2022 · 🌐

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Chris Norton

Love all of you, it might sound weird, I keep thinking of how soft Ethan's skin is and how good it felt to hold his hand and I hold that with me when I pray for Ethan and all of you ...

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Heidi Sproull

Love for you all...

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Photo of Subject's home within the caption she thanked her friends for decorating the front of her home for Christmas. Note, the residence pictured appears to be the the Requestor-provided and current address listed on background check. Caption: Thank you so much for my friends who made sure the front of our house got decorated for Christmas. It looks beautiful! Thank you for bringing the magic. You guys are the best! (You know who you are) □.

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Jenni French Kutty

What an incredibly thoughtful gesture. ❤️ ...

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Amy Wimmer Schwarb

Makes my heart full to know you have a supportive tribe out there! ...

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

Amy Wimmer Schwarb it does take a village at times ...



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Posted: Dec 19, 2022



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After DOI

Post from Subject about getting home and settled in, with an update about Ethan and indicating that he started, "CranialSacral therapy."

Thank you again for everyone who continues to help us and try to make life just a little bit easier. From outside Christmas lights to meal train dinners, it is so appreciated. The weight is too much to carry by ourselves, by myself.

A few pix from our last week. Enjoying each other, and the occasional nap 😊



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Posted: Dec 30, 2022



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Video of Ethan waving his hand Caption: Ethan just waved his hand on command for the first time!!! It takes him a minute (literally) but he works it out!

Facebook video player interface showing a video titled "Ethan just waved his hand on command for the first time!!! It takes him a minute (literally) but he works it out!". The video is from the page "Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery" and has 247 likes, 49 comments, and 1.8K views.

Video Player: The video shows a young child, Ethan, in a hospital bed, waving his hand on command. The video is 0:52 / 0:45 long.

Page Information: The video is from the page "Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery", dated December 30, 2022.

Comments:

- Keely Heinzen: This makes my heart so warm!!! I am beyond happy for all of these little celebrations. He is such a hard worker! 🙌🙌🙌🙌
- Carey Peterson: His eyes are tracking with you, too! ❤️ What a special moment for you. Thank you for sharing. I hope you are feeling better. ❤️
- Virginia Kilbel: I'm crying happy tears! ❤️
- Divya S Sudhir: Watched it more than once and it's beautiful to see so much love and connection in 45 seconds! May every moment in 2023 and the future bring you joy, connection and accomplishments! You are an inspiring

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Photo of Ethan in a stroller and Aiden walking with Subject indicating they went on a walk together.

Caption: Wow, Christmas was a doozie. So many emotions, both boys sick (almost no sleep as up with Ethan almost all of Christmas Eve). The boys are finally on the mend, but I have it now. At least it waited until the end. I am exhausted physically and emotionally. While I have been reflecting a lot, I don't have much time to write at the moment. So, instead, I share a picture of my two cool dudes enjoying a walk the other day ☺

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

December 30, 2022 · 🌐

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Post from Subject about being sad and grieving the loss of Ethan and adapting to the "new Ethan."


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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post


Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
January 2, 2023 · 🌐

I lost my son in 2022. It is what keeps going through my mind. The grief is so strong. He is here, but the son I knew is gone. It is so strange and hard to mourn him, and yet be so thankful that he is also here. A new Ethan. One who is fighting so hard. One who I love much.


I couldn't put him down Christmas morning. He sat in my lap on the floor. He gave me a gift and even went soft for a few minutes, so it felt so natural to hold him, until he toned again. and I kept on holding him. I couldn't put him down. There we're moments where tears silently streamed down my face as Aiden or others opened their presents and I held him. Tears of gratitude that he was here. Tears of grief and loss that the morning was not filled with the absolute joy and laughter that I knew it could have been. What could have been, what should have been.





I watched as the boys' beautiful au pair took over helping Aiden with his presents - opening them, building his new scooter, laughing with joy at his new presents. All the things I wanted to be doing. But I could only hold Ethan. I could not put him down. Ethan who was sick and had me up most of the night before, terrified at every illness because he is so fragile. He is better, but he is now having trouble keeping food down on an ongoing basis. And his tone is h super high again. it may be the medication wean, it may be something else. I cannot rest. He is fragile. My nervous system is humming again, scanning and coping with the real and perceived danger to my child.

The video of him waving is beautiful. It gives me hope. It was a miraculous moment. I hope for so many more. It is not his new baseline yet, but so encouraged he could shine through that night. Hope.


This is so unbelievably hard. I could not, would not be making it without my amazing parents. One is always here helping, caring for him. Caring for us, holding me up.

I know this isn't an inspirational post. I hope so on many more of those will be coming. But for today, this is where I sit. So incredibly sad for Ethan, for us. Fear and grief ever present along with love and thankfulness and hope. And, my hope is that by sharing this here, I process and purge and reset. Reset for an abundance of hope and healing in the new year. For a chance to have an incredible lightness of being that only comes when all is right in your world. If you have it, hold onto it and cherish it. It is precious.



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Lori Campbell

Sweet friend: thank you for sharing what is really going on, including your hopes, fears, and pain. Those who love you don't require "encouraging" posts; there is no obligation here. We are here to offer YOU encouragement. Few can truly understand what you and the family are going through. I personally trust that every single thing you're feeling is normal in these circumstances. There is emotional growth and freedom in being real, right where you are. Love you!!

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Jenni French Kutty

Thank you for being so raw and honest. I'm praying for Ethan and your family! ❤️

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Post about a flight to New Orleans from AeroAngel that was donated to them

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
January 5, 2023 · 🌐

We have a flight!! AeroAngel came through - a private donor that wishes to remain anonymous is flying us to NOLA! We leave Tuesday, OMG! I am an excited and scared wreck. The doctor is ready to see us and scheduled our intake for a week from today.

We are working on housing, but is not easy. If anyone has any leads (we need at least one bedroom on the first floor, preferably two) near Marrero or Metairie areas. I appreciate it!

And, everyone had even so generous already. You have given us a good war chest to use for his treatment. But, I wont lie, this is all out of pocket, including housing. Anything can help and is much appreciated. (Note - we don't have a way back yet, this is a huge leap of faith, we just need to get there!)

Thank you for all your love and prayers. And selfishly, keep them coming! If nothing else so mama survives this trip. I am going to be a nervous wreck Tuesday!

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Yvette Haghi
So happy for you I lived in New Orleans and wanted to let you know Marrero and Metairie are not close for one you have to cross the bridge if the doctor is in New Orleans than you can look for places In Metairie Kenner Jefferson and New Orleans and river ridge

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
Yvette Haghi thanks. They are moving locations while we are there 🙏

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Yvette Haghi
Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery last night I was dreaming about Ethan he was talking and giving me high 5 I hope it comes true

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
Yvette Haghi with all my heart and soul - me too. I have had a couple of dreams where Ethan is talking and laughing, and clearly by his movements are neuro-impacted (so post trauma). And I was so happy. and he was so happy. It gives me hope and was also so hard to wake up. Aiden's therapist is having similar dreams. 🙏 I hope it is the universe moving him in that direction. His giggle is amazing and so missed.

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Post from Subject about preparing for the relocation to New Orleans


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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post


Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
January 6, 2023 · 🌐

Thank you everyone for your support! We are still working on housing, and I appreciate all the leads. So crazy to be moving so fast.


My amazing cousin Eric is flying cross country from Detroit, as I write this, to help my dad drive across the country with a carload of stuff (nothing like dropping everything with 12-hour notice) and get there in time to pick us up at the airport Tuesday! We haven't even begun to pack for the car. I think my mind is in denial on that one. It takes me a week to pack us up for a normal vacation - the logistics of equipment and supplies for Ethan is daunting. But we will get it done.





Aiden is unsure about all of this, but we are telling him we are going on vacation and there are really good donuts there (beignets), so he is getting onboard. He also loves planes, but would really like to be flying in a 'bi-plane'. Sorry to disappoint, kid. This is probably the only time you will be on a private jet, so soak it up! I wish I could enjoy the experience. I will try, but I know I am going to be a stressed-out nervous wreck.

And, thank you for everyone who also reached out about donations. Honestly, I always feel so awkward, and you all have done so so much for us already. I keep reminding myself that this is for Ethan and to just put it out there. For those of you who are so inclined and able, here are the links again. Seriously, anything helps.


<https://gofund.me/7a8913ee>
<http://venmo.com/@jenny-sproull>

Your prayers, healing energy, and support are most important to me and us. It would mean the world if you keep those coming. Ethan has such a long road ahead of him. This therapy may or may not work, and if it works, may just give him some small foundational steps forward. I don't know. And that is terrifying. Hope is terrifying and yet without it, I could not move forward. He needs a better quality of life. I cannot believe we are there yet. Please keep praying!

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Noelle Bridge

I hope the trip across the country goes smoothly! Have you joined the local Buy Nothing group in NOLA?

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Noelle Bridge I haven't, but that is a great idea!

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Posted: Jan 08, 2023



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Subject shared a post and within it indicates it was Aiden and Ethan's birthday, and that they were preparing for their relocation to New Orleans for Ethan's treatments.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

January 8, 2023 · 🌐

Today is the boys' birthdays. They are 3 years old. Wow, I had so many expectations for what today might look like. Parents of twins always told me - just make it to 3! It was a mental milestone I have held since their birth. And yet, instead of getting easier, it is so so much harder. Unlike the recent holidays, though, my foremost feeling today is one of such gratitude that Ethan is here. There is sadness and grief, but these aren't at the forefront this time. At least not yet. Perhaps it is because there is hope and action coming with his NOLA treatments. Perhaps it is because I have seen small changes in him these last couple of days - playing with toys (in his slight way), focusing on his beloved Cars movie for a few minutes, having great coughs that get the ever-present gunk out of his lungs (having a trach produces a lot of secretions) and he is on his HME over 8 hours a day now, and doing great! (Means no machines during that time).

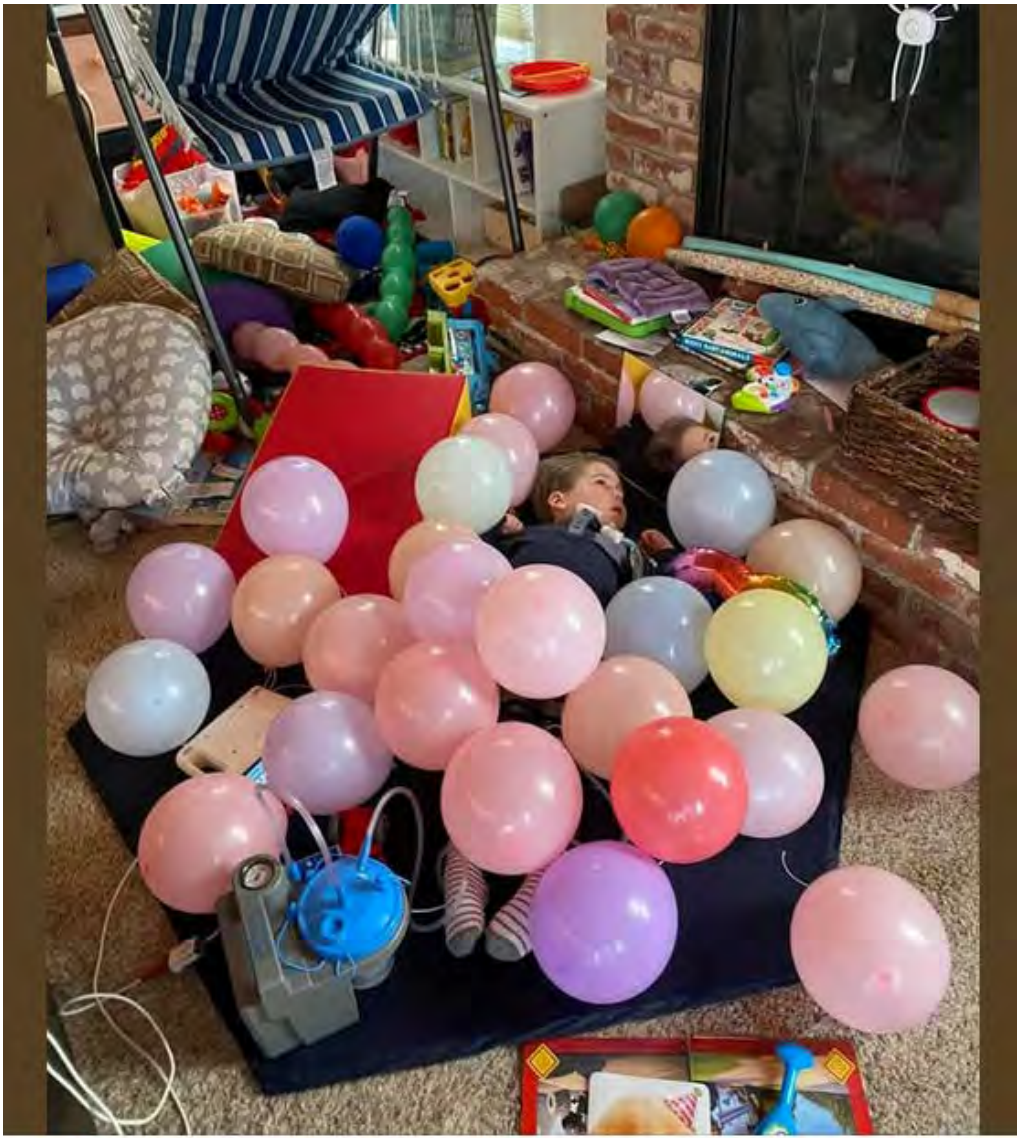
My dad and cousin left with the car fully packed early yesterday morning. They will be in Texas by nightfall. I am so thankful. Neighbors are lined up to get us to the airport - needing two cars with all our stuff! We have last minute packing to do, but we are nearly there. I don't know what NOLA will bring. I have so much hope, but hope is also scary. What if this is all for nothing? What if he doesn't respond to the treatments?

The night before we learned about our flight, I was in bed, thinking about what felt like a Quixotic mission to get to this treatment. Was I doing the right thing? I am putting Ethan at risk by relocating, my family is going through so much already - can we handle another big change - you all are so supportive - but was it too much? And I will tell you that I was filled with a feeling deep throughout my body, all the way to my bones, that this is what we needed to do. I have never experienced anything like that. And the next day we had the flight.

I don't know what the outcome will be. I am so so thankful for my amazing and supportive family and you, our community, for helping make this happen. He may not respond, or he may be one of the miracle children who are talking five treatments in. Most likely, he will be somewhere in-between. There is no certainty to his outcome. But what I do know with certainty, is that I will have peace in that I have done everything I could to get him the best possible treatment when it comes to this option. I have left nothing on the table. I will never give up helping Ethan to heal as much as he is able, and this first step is so foundational and critical to him, to us. And he gets to go to the best.

Thank you again for all of your support. Housing is in the works, nothing finalized yet, but we can stay at the Ronald McDonald house until we find a long-term solution (we can stay the whole time, but with our family composition of who will be there, a house would be better). So, please keep sending any housing leads if you have them!

And happy birthday to my two amazing and wonderful boys. Mama loves you so much. And here is a picture from this morning of Aiden 'decorating Ethan' for their birthday 🥳.



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Debbie Cohen

Happy Birthday to you all! 🥳 I hope all your wishes come true ❤️

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Posted: Jan 10, 2023



Captured: Apr 29, 2025

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Photos of Subject and family on a private jet Caption: And we are (almost) off!! All packed up and in! Thank you for all your prayers. What an amazing opportunity and adventure.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

January 10, 2023 · 🌐

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Tina Rajski

Girl!!! You go and I'm praying for you all the time!!!!

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Subject shared they made it to New Orleans and thanks AeroAngel for helped organize the trip Caption: We made it! Ethan did pretty well, all things considered. A huge thank you to AeroAngel, our pilots who donated their time, and our anonymous donor who provided the plane. We are forever grateful. This would not be possible without them. If you are looking for a nonprofit to donate to, please keep AeroAngel mind. They operate on a shoestring budget and clearly are doing such important work. Here are a few pictures from our trip. Aiden is clearly living his best life!

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

January 11, 2023 · 🌐



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Post from Subject indicating they were getting settled into their house in New Orleans


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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
 January 13, 2023 · 🌐

We are nearly settled into our house in NOLA. We found it right before we got here, a little spontaneous for this long-term planner, but it is all working out, thankfully! A few quirks like no dressers / drawers in the whole house, but it's amazing how versatile a few plastic bins can be.

The boys are settling in. Ethan met Dr. Harch yesterday and we did his first dive today! Ethan had a rough day and night yesterday managing his lung secretions. I had to change his trach due to a partial clog and he had us up for hours in the middle of the night managing through his is lungs being bogged down. I was convinced we were going to have to cancel today's hyperbaric dive as no machinery is allowed in the chamber, and he needed a lot of suctioning. But, we managed to get him cleared out enough - and he did the hard work of coughing up a lot of gunk on his own - so we were able to go today!


I need to go in the chamber with him, and the bed is only about 2 feet wide. It's a 50 minute dive. We are cozy. They have a tv outside the chamber and it was set on hgtv. Score one for me. Most TV I have seen since the accident. It was very relaxing, other than keeping one eye on Ethan the whole time to make sure he was ok. A tad stressful, but not as bad as I thought (only had to manually suction his lungs a couple times).





We said goodbye to Cousin Eric yesterday, which was very sad. We loved our time with him and so appreciate all of his help. We hope to see him again before this trip is over.

We have also been embraced by the local community, people showing up with a hospital bed for Ethan and so many other tangible and intangible supports and prayers. I didn't realize how isolating it could have felt to be here not knowing anyone. Our world is pretty insular these days already. And the gift of being embraced within minutes locally, by connections made through all of you, is priceless. Truly so appreciated.


More to come - I hope so so much more good to come for Ethan. Please keep your prayers and healing energy coming. I swear to you his eyes were already tracking more at dinner tonight. It just felt different. We also reduced a medicine Wednesday that quiets his brain, so we may be seeing that impact now. We are halfway through the medication wean, but have to pause as we start this treatment. I just want him off it, but I understand the risks. Hopefully we will be able to continue the wean while we are still here, after we better know how Ethan respond to his treatments.

With that, we are all exhausted! It is time to get the other 3-year-old in the house to bed - the only one clearly ready to stay up all night.

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Eric Sproull
 Cousin Eric was so happy to be able to help. Family visit in SAC, then road trip with Uncle Russ, 🚗. SUV full of essentials transported 2200+ miles, 🏠. House-settling helper, 🙌.

But time with Aiden and Ethan, priceless.

For all of you reading along from afar, it is quite something to be in Ethan's presence. His spirit is so strong and vibrant! I believe he is aware of who and what is around him. He's so especially sweet and peaceful while asleep, when his body gets in his way less. I am really hopeful and cautiously optimistic about the HBOT. Day 1 of 40 in the books. Ethan's coming for ya, day 2! 💜

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Eric Sproull yes, Dr harch said Ethan was pretty aware! He just can't tell us in ways we are used to, yet.

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Eric Sproull

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery YET 💜

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Eric Sproull you betcha.

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Debbie Florek Muller

So glad all is getting settled. I've had HBOT treatment and being in that tube is a trip! Sounds like you are doing well, AND you will also get benefits of the treatment. Thanks for the update. We are sending love and keeping you all in our hearts.

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

Bless Aiden for keeping you in the present. So happy you are being adopted by the locals. Can't wait to see how Ethan changes. When is your dad driving back up?

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Lynn Kipila Hanson he will fly back and forth, tbd. Car will get home when we come back in a couple of months.

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery oh. Good idea. If he needs transportation to/from airport, we can help

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Post from Subject about a friend visiting and indicating she started back to work at "10 hours/week."





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Patty Power

Thank you for posting! I look forward to hearing the progress and reading about Ethan's journey ❤️👉❤️ ...

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Marcy Bemiller

You can do it **Jennifer Sproull!**
I sure wish I could be around to help you, but I'm sure you may know I've had some struggles as well. Please know I think of you and your family often and pray for you all the time. ...



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Kathy Wesley

It's the simple things like having dinner together that makes all the difference. Thanks for sharing, Jenny. Hearing & seeing Ethan's progress is wonderful. Always praying 🙏

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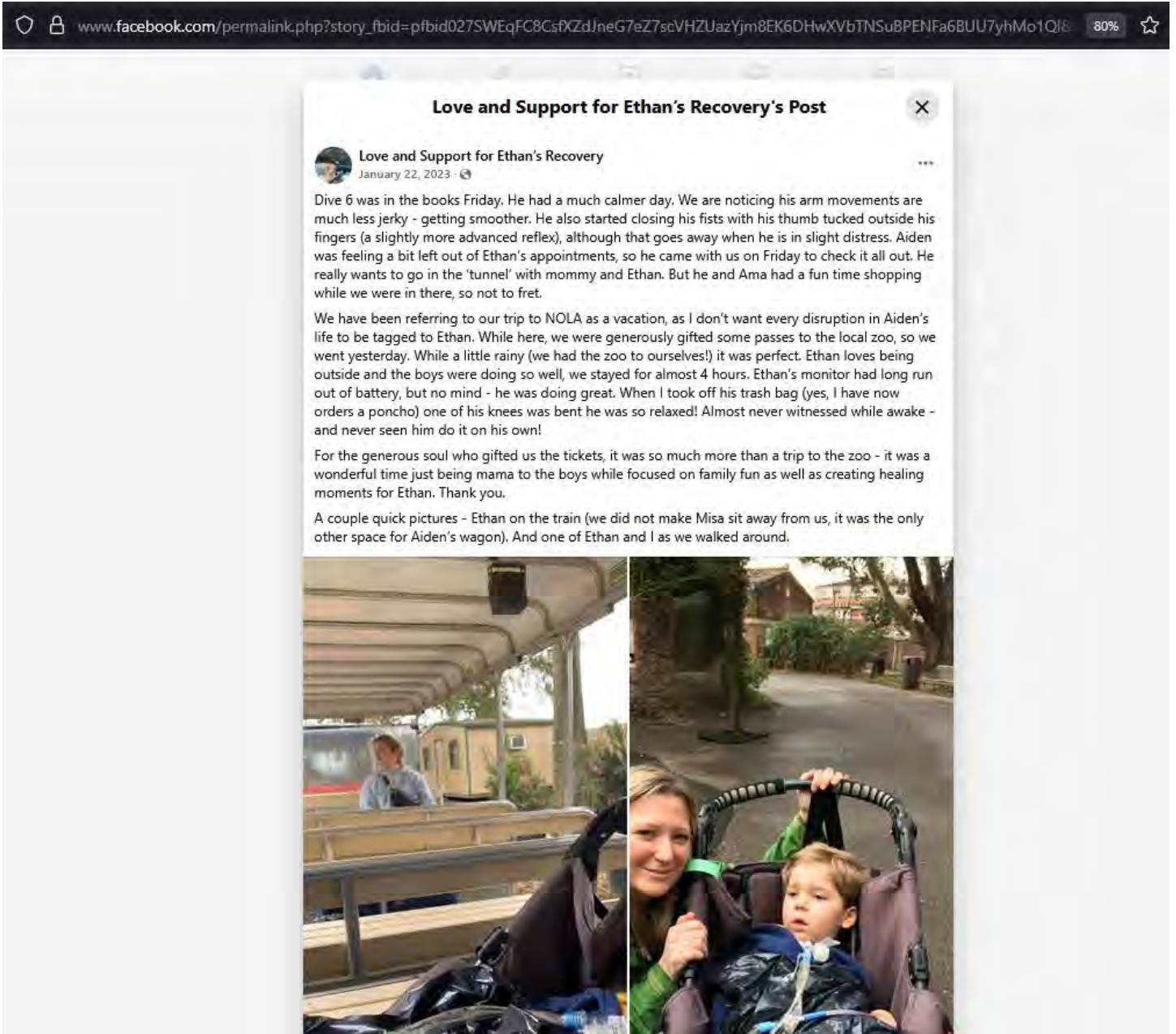
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Post from Subject about her and her children going to the zoo







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Ashley Glory Nunez

<https://www.lakesideshopping.com/kidscastle> not sure how close you are to Metairie but we visit the lakeside mall castle (play area) often. It's free as long as you make an online reservation. I was going to suggest the children's museum free days but it looks like it's sold out today and the next one is March 12th 😞 they do offer free story time weekly though. Also the first Sunday of the month is free admission to Longvue gardens they have a children's garden. I love finding free local family events so I can share as I do if your interested 😊

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Ashley Glory Nunez great, thanks! We are about 10 minutes from Metairie. We are close to city park and I actually just bought a family pass to the children's museum. It sounded great and something Aiden and Misa could easily do for a couple hours in the morning a few days each week! They are loving the city park already. I haven't gotten to go yet, but sounds great 😊

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Ashley Glory Nunez

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery oh awesome yes we just got our membership this past week also as a birthday gift. I'm sure they will love it such a fun place. There are a few other indoor playgrounds (luv2play & nola kidsground) in Metairie too they may want to visit. The Jefferson parish library offers story time weekly also depending on the branch. I know we don't know yall personally but if there is anything we can do you help while your here I'll do my best ❤️

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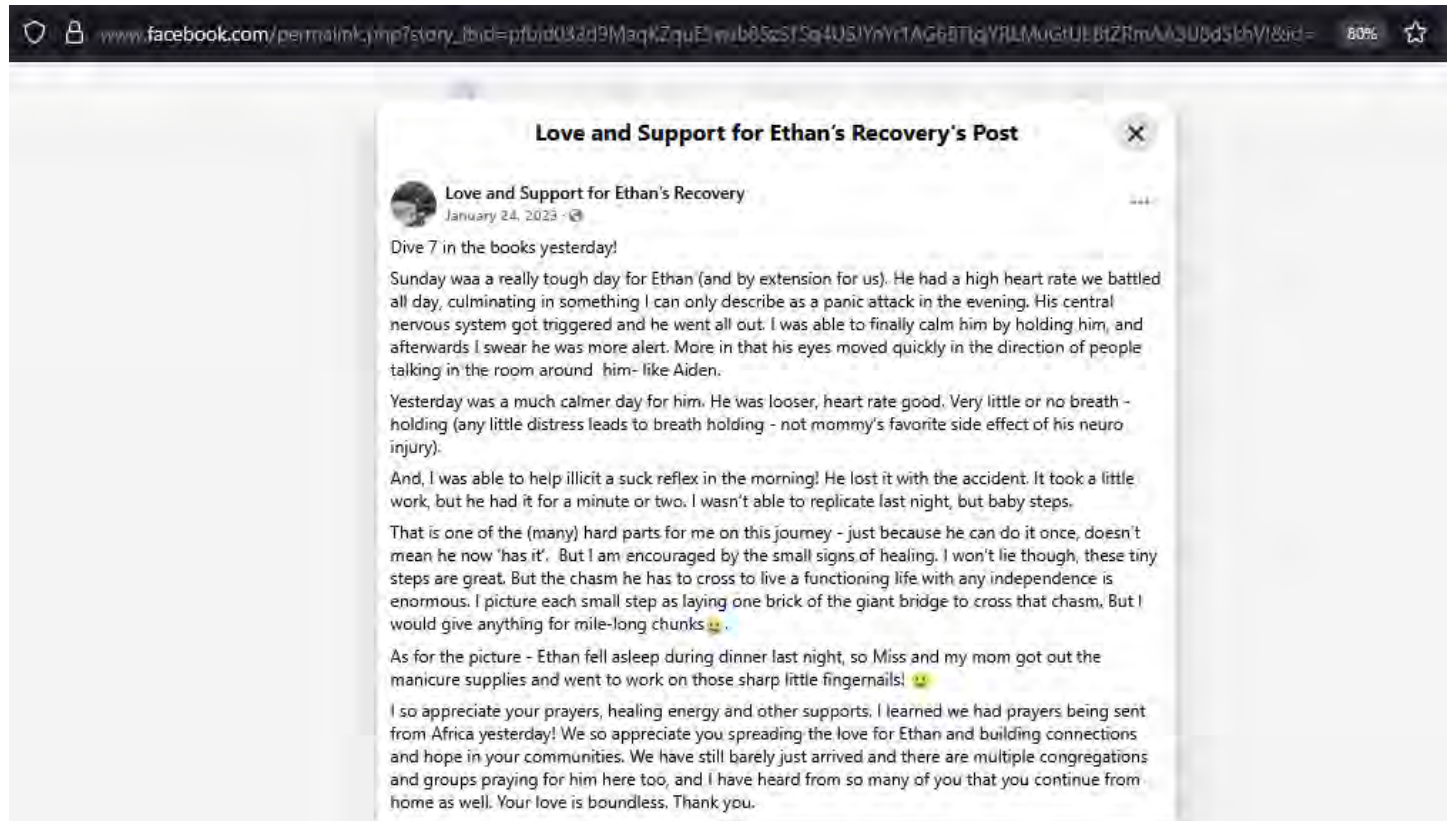
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Post from Subject providing an update on Ethan





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Debbie Cohen

Baby steps. It is how he developed the first go-around. He's repeating what he knows. Baby steps cheered on with lots of love!

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Debbie Cohen a parent in a similar situation told me it is like starting over - relearning everything. In some ways it is, some ways seems harder as basic reflexes aren't there. But I also hope moments will be easier because he already knew how to do so much, so relearning may be a bit quicker as that part of the brain heals. We will see.

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Reply to Debbie Cohen...



Patty Vasiliades Smulski

Sweet boy 🙏🙏🙏

2y Like Reply



Barbara Windhorst

Keep repeating God is good all the time. Hugs and prayers. 🙏❤️

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Cindy B Walker

Y'all are amazing and Ethan is so Blessed to have such great care. 🙏🙏🙏

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Brandi Deibler

Praying for Ethan

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Becky Fox

Keeping 🙏 prayers coming your way. Also, I would love to donate some fun toys for your boys- can you DM me your address?

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Becky Fox of course! Thank you.

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Reply to Becky Fox...



Karla Furlano Berra

My family just finished the rosary for Ethan. ❤️🙏❤️🙏

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Bethany Klipec Myers

Continuing to pray, thanking God for encouraging progress, and asking for complete healing for Ethan, and for you all, in body, mind, and spirit.

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Denyce Pao

We are all team Ethan and send our love and prayers 🙏🙏🙏

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

Look at that beautiful face. He just looks so much better now. Sorry about the drama on Sunday, but maybe that is what he needs when he moves from one level to the next. Always, always in our thoughts here on Donahue Way!

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Lynn Kipila Hanson thank you. There is a saying with families in a similar situation - hard days are the brain healing. I can only hope!

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery that is what I was thinking too

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Amy Levine

One miracle at a time starts to add up! ❤️

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Robin Povolotsky



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Debi Collins Dallas



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Melany Enstad Anaya





Allison Bieback

How many dives is he going to be doing? What does it feel like being in the tube?? ...

Love this picture of care and love ❤️

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Allison Bieback usually about 40 dives, depending on how he does. So far we are just doing pressure, no additional oxygen. My ears start popping immediately, and once they equalize, it's just sitting on a narrow table with the chubkins (he is a bed hog) and watching tv outside of the glass tube 😊. I hear wooshing air during it. And my ears equalize a number of times. We are staying at a constant depth (only about 1.3 atmospheres - like 8' underwater) so not much but my guess is the chamber needs to depressurization a few times to keep us there over the 50 minutes. Based on how Ethan is doing, the doctor will look at adding oxygen (up to 100%) in another week or so. Mostly it is relaxing, other than Ethan's arm that moves back and forth and constantly clocks me in the face 😊

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Allison Bieback

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery So interesting! I imagine a teeny tube and massive claustrophobia, lol. Do you get any of the benefits from being in there? Like will you be additionally super-hero-ish or something (joking but also kinda wondering). 🤔❤️

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Allison Bieback 😊. I asked something similar. I may feel some positive effects, like less achy hips, etc! We shall see 😊

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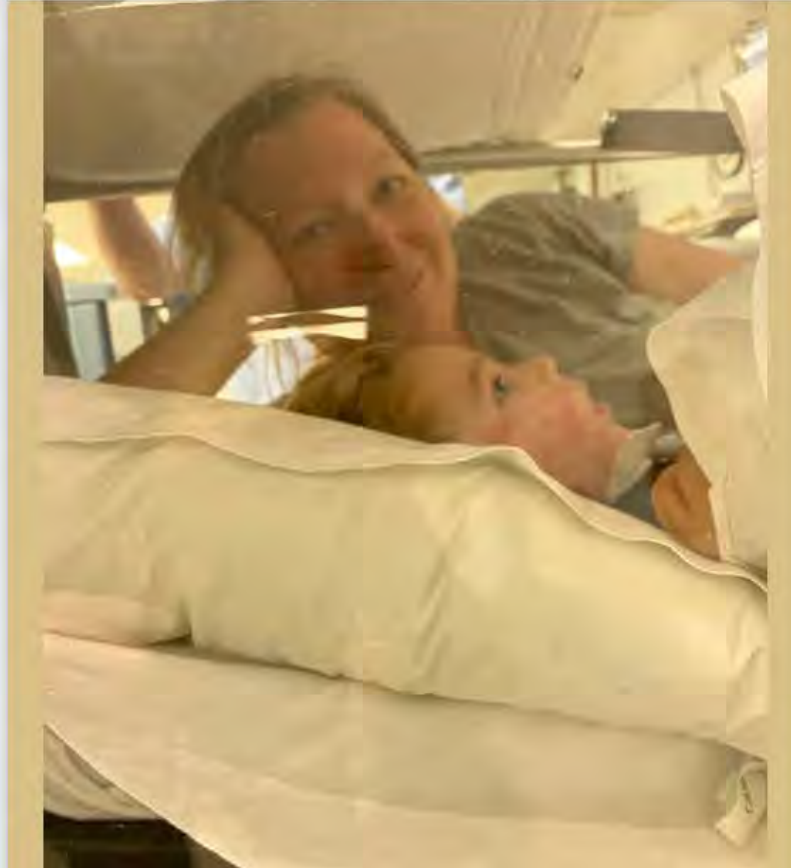
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**Debbie Cohen**

Jenny, I'm curious if the dives have any impact on you. Anything you notice?? ...

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery**Debbie Cohen** not really, but I may as we continue - less old age achiness is what I might experience 😊 ...

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**Debbie Cohen****Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery** forever young! ...

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**William's Will to Fight**

We are at Austin center for developing minds. I highly recommend it! ...

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**Amy Wolf**

Continuing to pray for you and Ethan! I'd love to read more about this therapy, What is it called? ...

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery**Amy Wolf** hyperbaric oxygen therapy is what we are currently doing - with dr. Harch. He is a pioneer in the field. ...

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**Pam Brazeau****Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery** it's clearly beneficial for Ethan! Have you noticed any benefits for yourself being in there? ...

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery**Pam Brazeau** not really. But may be early for me. We aren't increasing oxygen levels yet which could change my answer if/ when that happens. Doctor said maybe some of the old age aches and pains may lessen. Here is hoping! ...



Danielle Roberts

Jenny- is there anything any of us can do to support you? I check the Amazon list weekly 🥹 anything Aiden would like maybe?

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Danielle Roberts thank you! I wish I could be ahead enough to update the Amazon list. I figure out I need something when I need it and just have to order it (like a poncho for Ethan as we went out in the rain)! Amazon gift cards would be much appreciated, for all of those last minute things. Also, we still love meals 🥹. I am happy to message our NOLA address if anyone is interested, If I think of anything specific, I will definitely let you know!

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Danielle Roberts

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery if you wouldn't mind messaging or texting me your NOLA address, I can definitely have a dinner or 2 sent over



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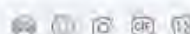
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Tara Krol

♥️ love you both bunches!

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Ann Marie Garofalo

Reading about the work that Dr. Harch does. You are an incredible mom to have made this happen for Ethan Sending so much love and prayers for all of you! 💕

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Jaylene Kneram

Awesome! Continued prayers for steady healing and peaceful minds! You are the best mom!

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Carolyn Gavin

Thank you for updating us on the progress! Hoping that whatever additional therapy may come through!

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Robin Povolotsky

That's great news and will pray that something wonderful happens. Keep fighting, he looks more restful. Thinking of you 🙏🙏🙏💕💕

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Post from Subject providing an update on Ethan's treatments and doctors

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
January 27, 2023 · 🌐

I was so tired yesterday. Ethan has had some rough nights and days, and I haven't had much sleep. We have managed to figure out how to rotate breaks in for my mom and Misa, while I am doing Ethan's treatments, but there is not much opportunity for me to 'rotate out' for a bit. After too many days of not much sleep and being always 'on', it caught up with me last night.

But I am re-energized this morning. I got a good night's sleep (relatively), and there is an amazing opportunity to help Ethan, that I alluded to earlier this week. But I need Ethan's Angels (as I think of you all now) to help us, yet again.

One of our NOLA angels (Kristianne) gave me a journal the other day, with short scriptures written on each page. I was flipping through and one caught my eye - "The Lord will fight for you; you need only be still." Exodus 14:14.

No matter what higher power you subscribe to, this week I felt a greater hand than mine helping to put things in motion to help Ethan, doing so while I was still. Still because I could only focus in the moment, putting one foot in front of the other. I did not have the capacity for more.

On Monday, I had a random FB conversation in a closed group comprised of families who have children with brain damage. An off-hand comment I made in another person's post, shared that we are in NOLA currently receiving treatments from Dr. Harch, led another woman to tell me that his patients may be able to access a doctor I knew about in Phoenix, AZ, bypassing the 3-year wait list. This Doctor (Dr. P) is THE holistic doctor for children in Ethan's condition, and he also does stem cell transplants that help heal the brain (not just therapy to rewire the brain). He has a 3-year wait list, so I had given up hope of being able to access care from him while Ethan is so young and his brain at peak plasticity. But, a Hand was at work - I now had this new piece of knowledge.

Tuesday - I spoke with Dr. Harch . . . is this true, can I somehow access Dr. P now through you? Yes, it is true. They have a relationship and may even be doing as study looking at the multiplicative benefit of hyperbaric oxygen therapy and stem cell therapies together (I got lost in the specifics). He would be happy to support Ethan in pursuing this treatment (as it is all still a very nascent treatment protocol, he doesn't share overtly, but happy to support if a parent or patient comes to him wishing to pursue). I WISH TO PURSUE.

Wednesday - I reached out to the clinic in Phoenix. Yes, this is true. Yay!

Thursday - Spoke to the scheduler for Dr. P. Slight hiccup - we would have to come in the middle of the series of hyperbaric dives, we can't come at the end as I had hoped (logistically easier), we need to get to Phoenix then back to NOLA to complete the series of 40 dives). I had hoped we could come immediately after as we could find a flight there and then drive the 12 hours home from Phoenix over a couple of days (I think Ethan could tolerate that). The Hand wants to make sure we put some effort into making it come about . . . we appreciate it more 😊

Friday - This amazing opportunity to help leap forward with Ethan's healing is right here in front of us! With your previous generosity, I am not concerned about the cost of the treatment (all out-of-pocket cost as is experimental). But, I am yet again trying to find a private jet for Ethan. The drive is 22+hours each way (he can't do that). Commercial flights are 3 to 4 hours depending on direction, and his condition still requires equipment, the need to minimize germ exposure, and the need to recline in his seat for the flight due to his high tone. Things that are hard or impossible on a commercial flight.

The stem cell treatment is only 1/2 day. We could fly in the day prior, do the treatment, and fly back out to NOLA. I have reached out to the two non-profits who did and/or were trying to help us get to NOLA to see if they could help. A couple of other friends are working the private jet angle, but we would need to pay significant costs (i.e. minimally the fuel). We would need to go in February, but looks like can be flexible as to dates so far.

I don't know yet how this will work out, but it is a gift sitting right there. I have to do everything in my power to make it happen. And that is why I am reaching out to you all, yet again. If you have any leads, any ability to help with fuel costs, or any other creative ideas - I am very grateful! And please keep the prayers and healing energy coming, it is working - both in Ethan's recovery and opportunity for him.

When I started researching ways to help Ethan, I found three ways to help his body HEAL his brain (versus rewire): nutrition, hyperbaric oxygen therapy, and stem cell treatment. We have two of the three and now the third is right here. FYI, I have not yet found an alternative for stem cell treatment outside of this doctor. Ethan is either too medically complex for other small clinics working in this space or the treatments are in Mexico, Panama, or Costa Rica - all difficult to get Ethan too.

I know that is a lot of detailed information and logistics. I just felt the need to let you all know that I am looking in every corner and turning over every rock to help Ethan, and that the audacious ask for more private jet flights (when we don't even have a way home yet), is not without trying every other way first.

Thank you so much for hanging with us! I so appreciate it. Prayers for the path forward to become obvious and make this happen! Thank you.

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

I am a firm believer in holistic therapy so that should be a huge help. The stem cell, from what I have learned, can be very hard for the patient to handle. Maybe it depends on what type of needs there are? Good luck to you all. We'll do what we can from here.

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Lynn Kipila Hanson thanks. They take his stem cells from fat and put back in. I think it all depends on type (there are a lot of different types), retrieval method, etc. parents I have talked with who have done this for their kids, the kids didn't have tough experiences. But I will learn more from the clinic next week.

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery that is wonderful to hear. Keeping fingers crossed.....

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So awesome to see his progress!!!! Go Ethan!!!

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Jodi Flax Soriano

Love this! Keep it going Ethan!!!

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What a little fighter

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

he's making the connections as we watch!

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Lynn Kipila Hanson I know, it is so exciting!!

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Post from Subject sharing their journey and that they were looking for a private jet for transporting Ethan from New Orleans, Phoenix, and Sacramento where his treatments were at.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

January 31, 2023 · 🌐

Update January 30th, 2023

Thank you so much for your prayers and support. They mean the world to me and my family. Ethan continues to improve daily in tiny ways. The hyperbaric oxygen therapy we have been able to access in New Orleans - that you helped make possible through your donations - is helping. Today Ethan repeatedly used his hand to hit an adaptive button that makes a toy sing and later held eye contact with me for several minutes. It was amazing! I had a million things to do, but nothing could have moved me from that spot until he was ready to disengage. I attached the video of him hitting the button. It goes on for a bit where he is having trouble finding the button again, and I stopped the video. As soon as I stopped it, he found it again. Lesson learned Mama - never give up, because he isn't!

These improvements are monumental, and yet as I have shared before, the chasm that exists between where he is now and any kind of functioning life is so wide, it feels almost impossible to cross. And that is when I lean on you all, who pray, send healing energy, and help us in tangible ways, either through donations, Amazon gift cards, rides to the airport, networking to find a plane, and food magically showing up at our door when we are too tired to cook. Thank you. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. With you, I can keep hope alive even in the darkest hours.

And hope is why I am here tonight. As I mentioned the other day, we have a new incredible opportunity to help Ethan. I learned last week that Ethan's doctor in New Orleans is connected to a leading doctor caring for kids in Ethan's condition, who does stem cell treatments as part of his practice. I was aware of him, but he has a 3-year wait list, and I had given up hope of accessing his expertise while Ethan is still so young and has the most neural-plasticity and hope of healing. It was heartbreaking to come to that conclusion.

But, we now have a chance to see this doctor and receive the stem cell treatment! It turns out these doctors informally work together and have an agreement that NOLA patients can access the stem cell therapy while receiving hyperbaric treatments, given the multiplicative effects one treatment has on the other. Here is the catch - the other doctor is in Phoenix and we have to get there in February to be seen (middle of Ethan's series of hyperbaric treatments), or we will instead be put on the 3-year-wait list. New Orleans and Phoenix are about 1300 miles (22 hour+ drive) apart. Ethan cannot tolerate a commercial flight for a number of reasons and the drive is dangerous for him - it is long and so much of it is in the middle of nowhere if there was an emergency. To bottom line it, we need a roundtrip private flight.

We were able to secure a flight with the non-profit organization AeroAngel to get from home (Sacramento) to New Orleans. They are amazing and are seeing if there is something they can do, but it is unlikely. We have also researched and contacted over 20 nonprofit angel flight organizations, medical flight, etc. organizations - but their planes are too small, unpressurized and/or can't go the distance. Therefore, it is likely that we will need to pay upwards of \$25,000+ for the roundtrip flight by chartering a small private jet ourselves. And here is where I am again asking for your help. This isn't just for one stem cell treatment, it is for access to this clinic now and all the stem cell treatments and other therapies he will receive over the next several years, when his brain has the best chance to heal, where we otherwise would be sitting on a wait list. We need to make this happen! I WILL find the plane one way or the other - I will not let this opportunity pass him by.

I shared in my last post that it felt like we were being guided to this opportunity. What I didn't share in my timeline of last week, because it was still in the works, is that my amazing neighbor Jessica had texted me early in the week out of nowhere to ask if she could choose Ethan and our family to highlight in her company's philanthropic arm this quarter. She owns and runs All Quality Graphics and the L.U.M. (The Love Unstoppable Movement) is her passion project and philanthropic arm of the company. If you have a moment, please check them out here. <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100063745052248>

Not only did she want to help Ethan in prayer and fundraising, but she thought she had a lead on a flight home for us – to which we quickly pivoted to NOLA – Phoenix – NOLA. Unfortunately, it likely won't work out (although she continues to work that angle just in case)! Another angel helping Ethan. So thankful.

You all have been so generous. You have raised a large sum of money, for which I am so grateful. And, as thankful as I am for good health insurance, a significant amount of the money raised has already been used to buy medical equipment and mental health therapies for Aiden and myself that are not covered, other out-of-pocket therapies for Ethan, and of course, the trip to NOLA for hyperbaric treatments (clinic, housing, etc.). Because of your generosity, I am not worried about paying for the Phoenix treatments. It is the flights from NOLA to Phoenix and back that are our current obstacle. Any amount you can donate is so appreciated. And, of course, should you have a jet (or a connection to a jet) where we can reduce these costs, please let me know!

As a quick PSA for the jet - we do not need a medical flight. I can get him on and off the plane. He will use an FAA approved oxygen concentrator (just like ok on a commercial plane), he needs the cabin to be pressurized and his seat to be able to recline due to his high muscle tone. He did great on the flight here, but if anyone is concerned, my mom is a licensed RN (and will be accompanying us) and we are happy to sign any legal documents waiving any liability.

Thank you again for your prayers, healing energy, and generosity. I see your prayers working in how this opportunity for Ethan is unfolding and can't wait to continue this journey together.

Thank you for helping me save my son.

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Becky Bowman

Thank you for sharing, again, your journey. So many have your back and I am confident that you will get all needed. I will donate today. Hugs.

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Post from Subject about looking for flights for their travels from Phoenix, New Orleans, and Sacramento. The video within the post is Subject's son, Aiden.

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
February 2, 2023

Dive 15 in the books! Ethan now focuses more so I have given up my HGTV and we now watch Paw Patrol every day in the chamber 😊 I will happily watch kid tv if it means he is actually watching it. And, he seems to be about half the time.

In the last 24 hours Ethan has made much more eye contact, he moved his head quickly to the side to find Aiden as Aiden was running in a circle around Ethan's chair, waved to a new puppet we were playing with, pet the puppet, and moved a leg while laying down trying to follow Aiden who had been right next to him playing and then moved away. These are all tiny, but monumental! They are not frequent or constant, but they are poking through more and more. I can only hope this is brain healing and more to come.

We will find out tomorrow if the doctor will start to use oxygen with Ethan during his dives. We also have some solid leads on flights to Phoenix, and maybe even home - yay! Nothing official yet, will keep you posted.

Ethan fell into a deep restorative sleep around 6pm tonight. I am glad for him, but doesn't bode well for sleeping past dawn tomorrow morning 😊. Maybe I could just convince Aiden to go to bed early (fat chance).

Papa flies back into town tomorrow evening to stay with us for awhile. We are looking forward to seeing him - and the extra hands! We miss him taking the late shift feedings when the schedule gets behind (which it does almost every night -sigh).

Thank you so much again for everything. I am so thankful you are our village. We have been blessed and surprised this last week not only through all your generosity of time in helping us find flights as well as your financial support, but also prayer and fundraising efforts like the L.U.M. Movement. We have also had some fun surprises like a sundae bar showing up at door after dinner one night (thank you Aimee!), dinner at our doorstep (thank you DJ!) and so many helpful toys and books for Aiden and Ethan (thank you Becky - whom I have never met!). And Becky- your puppet is the one Ethan was having so much fun with today 😊

I have also been surprised and thankful for friends and family helping us out during this incredibly difficult time. We can't wait to see Heather, Jennifer, and Kim over the next month. We need your extra helping hands and your warm beautiful hearts!

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Love your updates, Jenny! These are all huge wins and we should celebrate! I agree with Barbara Windhorst (whom I've never met), just keep repeating God is good all the time! He's got you! You are so incredibly strong, resilient, tenacious and an incredible mama! We will not give up hope and we will not keep working towards the best care for Ethan! Get some rest mama! Xo!

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Subject re-shared content from LU Movement with the post about her and her family Caption: Thank you L.U.M. For all your support! We are so thankful to have Ethan here, but we miss his smile and giggle so much. So hopeful for recovery, but it is a very long road.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

February 2, 2023 · 🌐

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It takes a village. Jenny's parents and Au Pair have been incredible, but they still need help! Let's be an extension of their village by sending good vibes and prayers!

Second photo is of twin brothers spending time together. Four months ago this looked totally different. Let's come together to restore Ethan's brain and quality of life! Join me and PRAY FOR ETHAN!

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post

**Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery**
February 7, 2023 · 🌐

The accident happened 5 months ago. How can that be? How is this our lives, his life? It is so unfair. I have never said that before - unfair. I know life is unfair, and mine has been extremely privileged. But this is so unfair to him. He had everything in front of him.

Five months feels like real life, no denying this is the long path we are on. Earlier felt acute - transient. I call this phase acute rehabilitation. And when we get home, we will phase into ongoing rehabilitation. We will be in a routine. That sounds awful right now - it is accepting this is his life, our life together.

Ethan continues to show small signs of improvement, but he is so far from who he was. I know I need to give that up, accept the new Ethan. But he was so so amazing. How can I do that? I have hope for a better life than this for him, but he will never be who he was. And that kills me. I loved who he was so much. I miss him so much. This picture came up on my phone today. It is from six months ago - one month before the accident. Everything is measured in before and after the accident. It is from another time we broke the rules and walked to have ice cream late into the evening, while visiting family in Cleveland. I am forever thankful for that memory.

He really is showing small improvements. But he still has a lot of really hard moments each day - moments where he is agitated and holds his breath and de-sats (O2 levels tank) and his body tones into incredibly painful looking positions. I see the look in his eye, he doesn't want to be holding his breath. He doesn't like it, but he can't control his body. And it is so hard to watch. Sometimes we can calm him down and sometimes we can't.

But today he waved goodbye to the attendant at his treatment center. He made eye contact and I said 'wave goodbye to Hans' and it took him about 10 seconds and he did it. Yay Ethan! His body is also getting looser - by slight degrees, but it is happening more often over time. A right knee bend, a bend of the hips, etc. but still few and far between. He moved his eyes quickly towards me while talking with him sitting next to him in the car on the way to his treatment today. He even moved his head a few degrees in my direction, seemingly in response to me. Baby steps. He continues to love being outside, and goes on a wak with my mom at least once a day as well as does some hanging out in the back yard.

I miss my little boy. What I (we) are experiencing is called ambiguous grief. Mourning someone who is still here, after a tragic accident like his. So many conflicting emotions, so little space to mourn.

I celebrate his life and his incredibly strength to keep fighting. Here is a picture of him sitting on Misa's lap tonight and sitting up. He loves sitting up! I don't blame him after all the time he has spent (and still spends) lying down.

But I also take this anniversary of his accident to mourn the little boy I lost and loved and whom I miss so much. The little boy happily eating his chocolate ice cream cone and holding a lollipop he had somehow conned out of me that night.



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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post






Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
February 9, 2023 · 🌐

Dive 19 was in the books yesterday - and it was a beauty! Ethan was calm, never held his breath or toned, and was even playing with me! He would shift his eyes over to see me, and I would respond in a silly way. He would move his eyes back and do it again (and again). We had a good time. I also asked if he could move his right leg, one I had seen little tiny movements from on a couple of days ago. It was so interesting, his facial expression was one of concentration (even as minute of changes it can make) and I swear he was trying. I felt some minor body shifting, but it didn't happen. That's ok, he was trying!





I walked out feeling like I was walking on air. What a great experience! And then I put him in the car. Something changed and that was it. Constant breath holding, raspy breathing, a lot of unhappiness. I tried to get him settled when we got home, then jumped on a work call. I came out to be met with my parents having everything ready for a trach change. We thought it was partially blocked and that was the problem. Changed it and it wasn't. I did some repositioning and was able to help him get the gunk out of his lungs. His breathing was much better, but he his heart and respiratory rates were high. I thought because he had been struggling to breathe for a couple of hours (he had also thrown up with the last two meals, but that is not unusual).

Anyway, I am sick with a cold. Around 7:45 I announced I was going to go to bed (in Ethan's room). Ethan had other plans. I feel like he said - you are sick? Hold my Motrin mama. Let me show you how it is done. And then proceeded to have a temp of 102.5 and very high heart and respiratory rates all night. I finally got about a hour or so of sleep around 4am, my mom tagging in shortly before that. We did every trick we knew to help him (he threw up two more times as well), but we couldn't get him over the hump. Thankfully, he seems to be turning the corner for the better today, but of course, we had to cancel our treatment. Likely tomorrow as well, but we will see.


The silver lining is that we had a very quiet day today, and I got a few minutes to play with him on his mat as he felt better. Where he used both arms / hands together to manipulate a toy car!! It was not well-coordinated movement and his fingers stayed shut, but I haven't seen him use both arms together before. He was happy, I was ecstatic! It kills me not to be doing the dive today, I feel like we are starting to see some changes again. Hope.




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Cindy B Walker
Feb 9

Omgosh... the first part of this post is such great news to hear. Amen!! And then to hear the rest of the story must have been so scary for y'all. I did worry when I didn't see you today and wondered if he was ok. Y'all take good care of yourselves. I know these treatments are needed daily so hopefully he can make it tomorrow but if not, there's a reason and like I've said before.... One day at a time!

We will continue praying for y'all

Stay strong and praying for both of you to get better. 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

Nicole Darby Bourgeois

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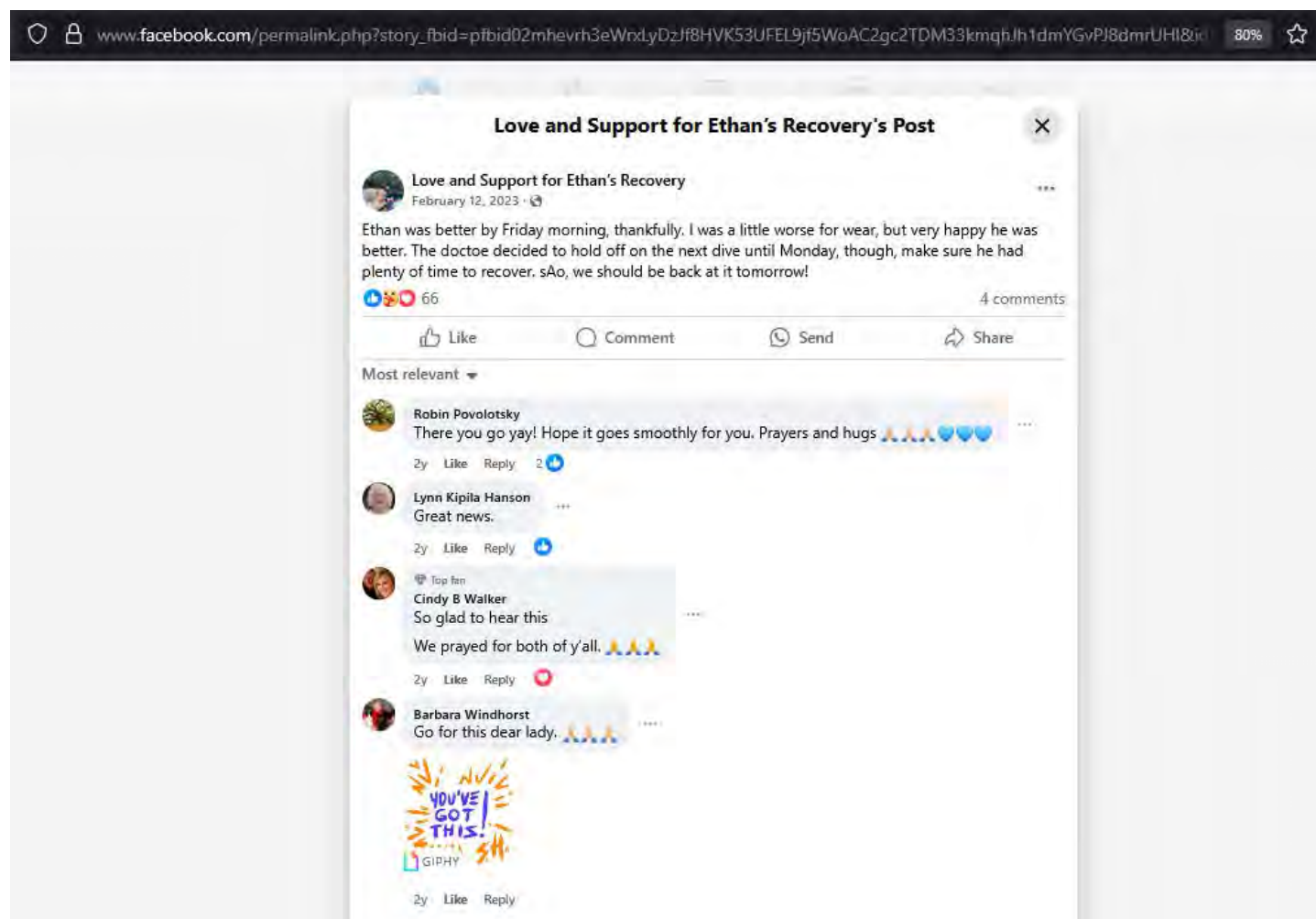
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
We were back at it today - dive 20 in the books! Ethan was very alert today with his eye tracking, even seemingly responding to questions by raising his hand (he did wave to Dr. Harch - tbd if he was actually responding that he liked the music in the car or not!)

And then (drumroll), he moved his right leg twice while awake when we got home! Bending his knee and moving it to the side. First time - go Ethan!! So exciting to see his brain healing in small but tangible ways. We are halfway through the dives. They say you typically see gains between 25-30 dives. Here is hoping!


On other good news, we are so excited that Jennifer Attig came today to help us out! I am now at 30 hours work/week and we need all the extra hands, without our nurses to help. After a long day, I am cuddling Aiden and posting this update because she is making us dinner (and she is a good cook)! I am so thankful to have such good friends who drop everything and come help us out. And I know so many of you would love to, but logistics just don't work out - and I so appreciate all the other ways you help us out. I am so blessed and fortunate to have you all in our lives.

Fingers crossed for sustained progress for Ethan tomorrow! (Ok, and selfishly, that he lets mama sleep past 4am!)





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

Jennifer Delaney Attig


It was a good day. So nice to see the Sproull family again. I'm happy to cook for this full house 🍕

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Debbie Florek Muller


Thanks for the update! Best Valentines Gift, ever!

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


Carolyn Gavin


Woot woot 🥳🥳🥳🥳🥳🥳🥳🥳 so incredibly happy for the movement and improvements you are seeing! Positive thoughts that more continue to come!

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Karen Pastore

Appreciate the continued updates. Sending continued love to all! Jennifer Delaney Attig ...you are an amazing friend!

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Janet Nabring-Stager

So happy you are seeing progress! And so very very happy Fer is there with you 🍕

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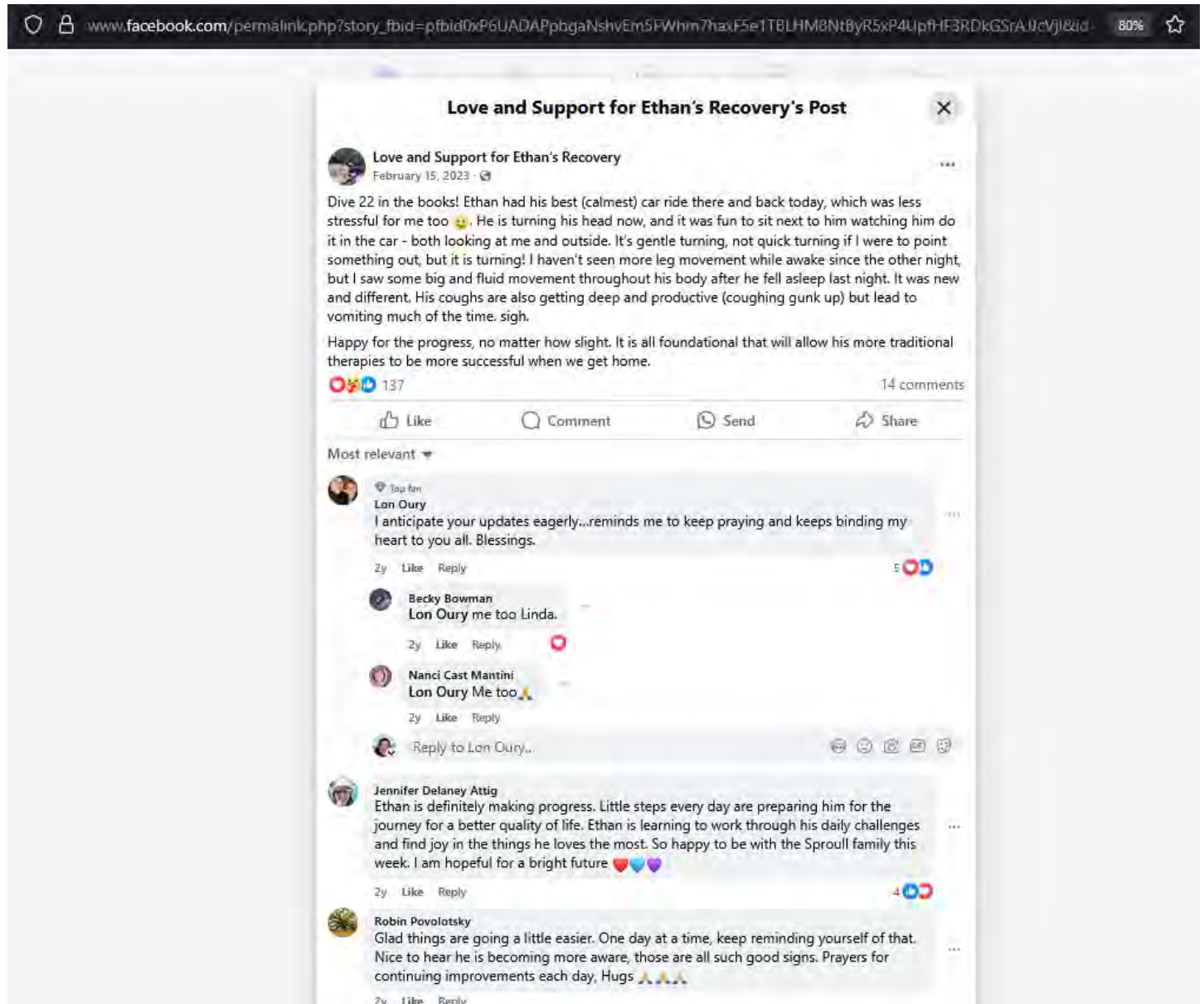
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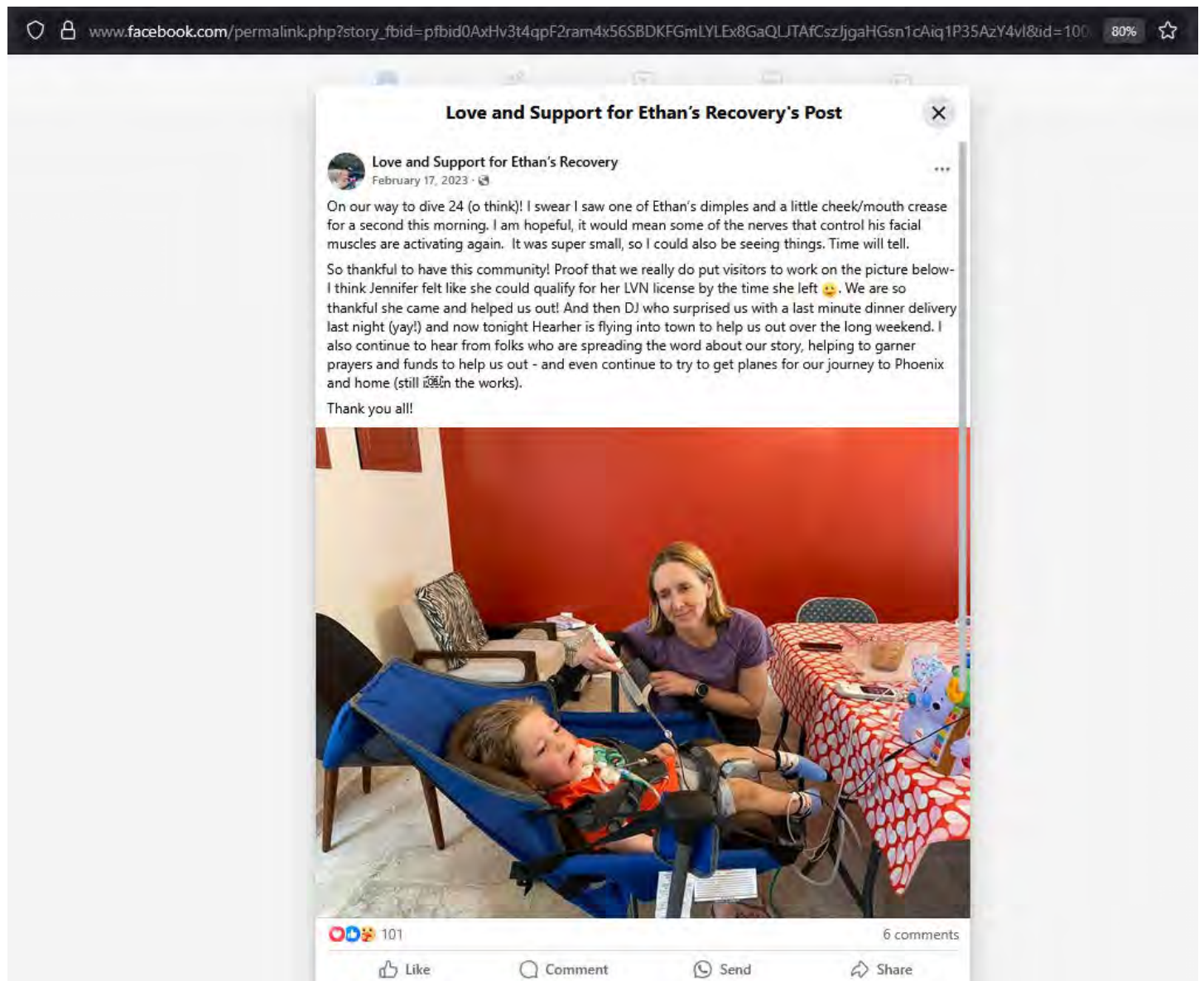
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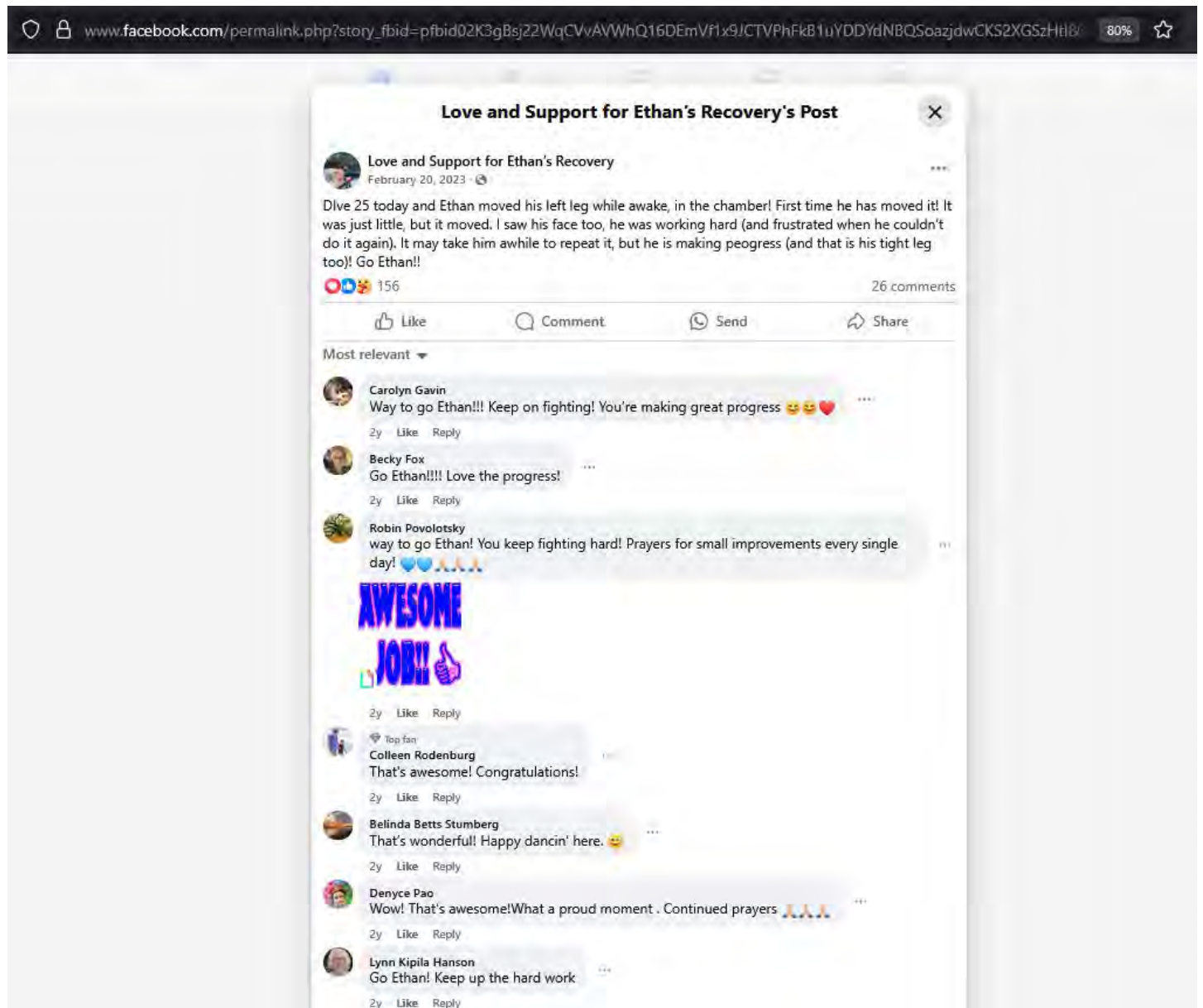
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Post from Subject about Ethan's "dive" in the hyperbaric chamber





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Post from Subject's cousin, Chris, asking for donations for Subject and indicating they will, "...match the first \$10,000 that is raised."



Chris Norton's Post



Chris Norton

February 21, 2023 · 🌐

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I have never used this platform to ask for help, but I sincerely ask each and every one of you to help my cousin [Jennifer Sproull](#)

As some of you may already know, our Cousin Jenny, who grew up in Aurora, and lived in Chagrin for a time, has suffered a major tragedy. Jenny is the mother of 3 year old twin boys, Aidan and Ethan. About 6 months ago Ethan drowned in a pool accident, and went without a heartbeat for over 20 minutes. Miraculously, Ethan survived this and after several months in the hospital, finally returned home which was another miracle.

Currently, Ethan and entire family, including grandparents are in New Orleans, where Ethan is receiving specialized hyperbaric oxygen treatments, and soon the whole family will be heading to Arizona for stem cell treatment. Jenny and grandparents are managing Ethan's 24 hour care of constant trach changes and tube feedings, while at the same time Jenny is trying to work her FT job remotely. What this family is accomplishing is truly incredible, but also indescribably exhausting. They need are help to pay for this specialized care, remote housing and transportation. I invite you all to follow Ethan's journey on the below link. You will be inspired by this family's determination to literally move Heaven and Earth to give Ethan every opportunity to recover and heal.

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You can donate by either Venmo (which I like because no fees are taken) or the GoFundMe page. If each of my FB friends could donate \$100, that would be over \$20,000 raised. Dora and I will match the first \$10,000 that is raised.

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Jennifer Sproull

Chris - wow. Just wow. You both have done so much for us already. I am so thankful to have you in our lives - helping us set up the house for Ethan, Dora helping us take care of the boys (and us) in NOLA, keeping the healing circle going each night. You are our personal angels. And this financial contribution is so unbelievable. Thank you. I actually started getting Venmo transfers mentioning being friends of you, and I thought - what is up? That's what brought me to your page. I will keep track of everyone who mentions you who sends via Venmo and keep you posted! You (and your friends) are amazing!

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Laurel Worley Heater

Done. Saying prayers of strength for the family and all who are helping 🙏❤️

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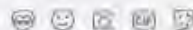
Chris Norton

Laurel Worley Heater thank you for this , much appreciated

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Courtney See

Done! Love & prayers from the Polcar/ See family! ❤️🙏

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Chris Norton

Courtney See thank you to your family

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Eric Sproull

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Chris Norton

Eric Sproull Thank you for everything, hope your family is doing well

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Jennifer Sproull

Eric Sproull you have and are already doing so much, thank you!

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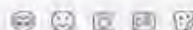
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Jennifer Sproull oh I gotta do my part to see cousins Chris and Nora write that big check! 🙌💖

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Video of Subject with Ethan Caption: I don't know how this happened, but I didn't get a picture of Heather Morrison this weekend! We so loved her being here - she jumped right in playing with both boys (Aiden cried when he woke up today and his 'floor is lava' play buddy had left for the airport)! And Ethan got lots of playtime with Heather, who recognized immediately that he has a lot of awareness, and empathized with how hard it must be to not be able to express himself or even move how he wants. While we didn't capture her on film, she captured this fun moment between Ethan and I the other day, me making kissy noises and kissing his hand when he moved it to my mouth. He improved and this morning literally clocked me in the mouth his hand moved so fast and direct ☹

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On a separate note, my extremely generous cousins Chris and Dora Louise Norton have offered today match donations for Ethan up to \$10,000! What a surprise! We don't yet have flights from NOLA to
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Oh how I love this! ...

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My heart is so happy watching the two of you! He is really lovin' your love! ...

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
February 22, 2023 · 🌐

We have the best community. A bit buried in my last post, but my amazing cousins Chris and Dora Louise set a challenge on his FB page yesterday that they would match donations to help Ethan up to \$10,000!

Crazy and so much appreciated. After I got done crying last night, I woke up a bit feisty! Let's have Chris write that big giant check! In under 24 hours, you guys have donated \$3,600! Many of you who have already supported us to help get us to New Orleans.

Now our focus is to get to Phoenix for stem cells and then home - where I can spend time pursuing his next batch of therapies (all out of pocket) that will overlay his day-to-day baseline interventions. He is making progress. The road is very very long. I thank everyone who is supporting us along the way. thank you for sticking with us. Now let's stick Chris with a big check 🥳 (hee hee)!

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I'm all about making your cousins pay, lol. \$ sent! ...

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Allison Bieback and thank you so much! ...

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Post from Subject sharing an update about Ethan





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Robin Povolotsky

I can also see the change in his eyes, he looks much more alert it isn't just wishful thinking, it may not be all the time but this is so promising, but it will be little bits at a time so don't get discouraged. But each tiny bit of change is precious ... See more

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Sarah Terrell

Be sure to follow **Prayers for Zion**. Her son looked very much like yours at this stage of his recovery and now he is smiling and walking with a walker device and going to school. They did the stem cells but also a lot of MNRI therapy and of course visiting **Austin Center for Developing Minds** and Dr. Bor in AZ. Also he is on no pharmaceuticals which I think is a big reason for his health too. Praying for a great recovery for Ethan!

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Post from Subject about her children playing, Ethan flipping pages in a book, and changes in Ethan's condition.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

February 25, 2023 · 🌐

Working hard to make sure Ethan gets to have some fun in his day, but it is so hard with all the medical treatments and meals. But we managed a little fun last night. He got to go in the 'bunker' with Aiden. Bunkers are what we know of as forts. We had a slight translation issue the first one Aiden made while with his Czech au pair, and the name has stuck. It makes me smile. That happened while Ethan was in the hospital. So this is Ethan's first blanket bunker! I think he enjoyed it - and playing with Aiden. While he still has very high tone / stiffness in much of his body, he is more relaxed in small ways and I am more comfortable and able to play with him this way. He got to be in a bunker again this afternoon for awhile 😊

And... He also turned the pages in a book! He used his right arm (hand closed) and would turn the pages (I primed it for him and he flipped it). Over and over and over. We read the book at least 3 times. He also anticipated when it was time to flip it. I wish I had a video, but I was too in the moment to take it.

While that is all great, his doctor here is disappointed with the gains Ethan has (not) had with his high tone. That was very hard to hear. We see so many small improvements. But yes - we really would like the tone to improve as well. He may try one other HBOT dose to see if it helps. We will see.

And, finally, my favorite picture of Aiden from last weekend. The children's museum was unexpectedly closed last Sunday, and Aiden was not happy about it! Poor Aiden has a 101 fever today. I took him to urgent care, but so far 'just a virus'. Sigh. Poor kid.




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Carolyn Gavin
Glad you are able to just take in some playtime together! Hoping that Aiden feels better tomorrow and it always fun to hear the progress that Ethan is making! ...

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Robin Povolotsky
Never a dull moment, keep your head up and one foot in front of the other. Thankful for your little wonders and prayers for bigger ones to come!!Hugs and prayers 🙏🙏💙💙 ...







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Video of Ethan Caption: Ethan hitting his button to make the bubble frog work! When he is working hard, his eyes close and his tongue comes out! (His tongue did that pre-accident as well)!

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Oh so cute, little things everyday! 🥰 Way to go Ethan, keep trying 🙌💙💙

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This is incredible! Great job, buddy!

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You are a great mom-

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Go Ethan!!!! I'm so proud of you buddy 🥰

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Post from Subject giving an update on Ethan indicating he moved on his own


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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
March 1, 2023 · 🌐





I woke up a little before 4am this morning, my mind starting to race. To feel the grief, the sheer terror of all the 'what ifs' for Ethan, for ourselves. I skipped to wonderful memories in 'the before' and remembered the feeling of his arms around me as well as his little body in full toddler tantrums. Missing him. It is the only space I have in my day to feel these feelings. But it is not like I can completely compartmentalize, these feelings and thoughts do break through throughout the day - 30 seconds here, a rare 2 minutes there, before I am needed elsewhere.

But tonight I was given a gift. I got to see Ethan wake up about 20 minutes later. He fell asleep for the night around 6pm. So to be fair to him, he had his 10.5 hours. And when he woke up, when his brain was in that space between wake and sleep - he moved. I mean HE MOVED! Both arms straight over his head. Full body stretches. Legs moving. Multiple swallows. Chin going up and down. His eyes were open. I know not fully clicked in, but he was not asleep. Selfishly, I needed that gift tonight. It was so beautiful. I have seen more movement in that space between sleep and wake - it had previously just been in sleep. But I hadn't seen this. Hope.


In other news, I think I have some really good news about flights to Phoenix and then home. Will share as soon as completely finalized!

Update!: Ethan got a shower this morning (he lays down on a recliner bath chair) and he moved his left leg on top of his right to get away from the water - twice! I called my mom to come see and then tortured him for another couple of minutes trying to have him do it again (he didn't) - but wowza, go Ethan! Praying these changes are a great start of things to come and keep building.




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Lynn Kipila Hanson


My wish is, since one beautiful soul was taken from me, another beautiful soul (Ethan) should be returned to us! Keep it up Ethan Mom, Aiden and gma/gpa.

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Lynn Kipila Hanson if your sister is anything like you, I have a feeling she is already lobbying God for more miracles for Ethan! Coincidence? - we just got our donated flight confirmed to Phoenix next week!

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Lon Oury

What a journey! You have been utterly honest and transparent about your struggles and joys. We are all honored to share a small part in it. Blessings.

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**Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery**
March 2, 2023 · 


Thank you so much for your prayers and support. I have great news - we got our flights!!! AeroAngel was able to help us out again and is getting us from NOLA to Phoenix next week! And then we have a privately donated flight to get us home about a week later. I can't thank AeroAngel and our neighbors Jessica and Afton for making it all happen. I am not sure the private donor wants to be known, but it all came through because Afton pilots the jet and she and Jessica lobbied him for months to help out - and he has an amazingly generous heart and worked to get all parties aligned. These really are miracles. Miracles of faith and human compassion. I can't thank you enough for helping to bring my son back to me.


And for all of you who have donated so generously, all of the funds are going to support Ethan and Aiden. This will pay for Ethan's stem cell treatment (which he needs multiple times a year) and so many other therapies that are out of pocket. I can't thank you enough. While it has been almost six months (how is that possible), our journey is truly just starting. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.


Now, gearing up for the next adventure - Phoenix!


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**Jessica Tillery**
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It's been a true honor and a privilege to advocate for you and your boys. We cannot wait to bring Ethan HOME! We are believing for continued progress and healing. Your community is with you and God has you covered! Sending you so much love as you a...


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**Jennifer Marcketta Maurer**


Looking forward to welcoming you all back to California! I mentioned to a couple au pairs that Misa will be back soon and they were immediately asking about Ethan. Your family is in our hearts!

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**Cindy B Walker**
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God is great Jenny!!

You and your family are faithful , good people and are so deserving of all this help. It is a long and hard journey but you are a warrior , you have generous friends and family and your faith will pull you through it all!


I will miss seeing you , Ethan and Aiden and your parents. Our last treatment is today but we can keep in touch on here. ❤️🙏🙏🙏

God Bless all of you!

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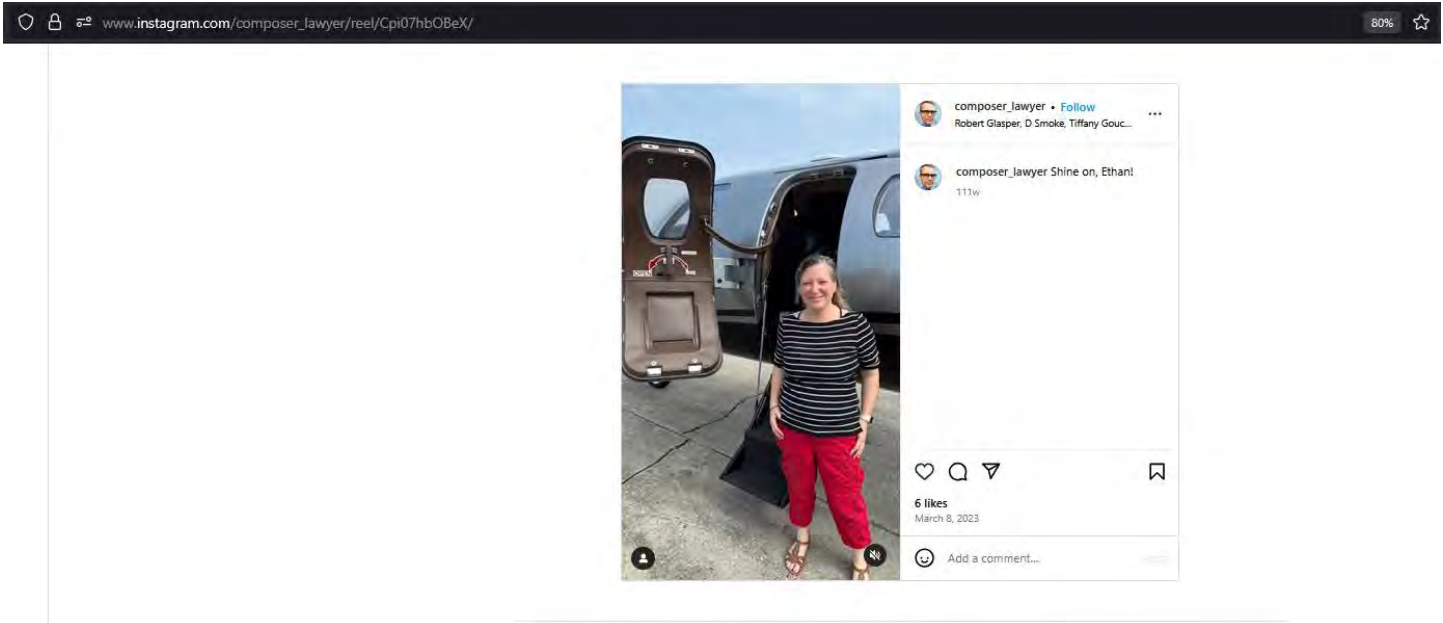
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Post from Subject's associate showing the private jet that was transporting Ethan Caption: Shine on, Ethan!




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Post about Subject and family traveling from New Orleans to Phoenix Caption: And we are off! Thank you NOLA and to this wonderful community! Here we go again - off to Phoenix, with a quick stop in Austin to refuel. So so thankful for everyone's love and support and to the jet owner and pilots who made this huge donation to help Ethan and us! FYI, we started seeing big gains with Ethan over the last few days. That left leg is starting to move and groove! We've seen him lift it up / move it a few times!

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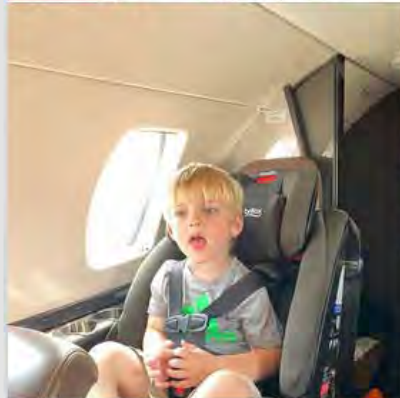


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Post about Subject and her family flying in a private jet to Pheonix

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
March 9, 2023 · 🌐



We made it to Phoenix! Ethan and Aiden did great. Here is a pix of Aiden flying the plane 😊. He really really wanted to push any and all red buttons. The buttons that are red to explicitly make sure you don't push them!





Our pilot (and plane owner) and co-pilot were amazing. Not only because they made ethan's treatment possible, but in how they interacted with the kids and, they even drove 30 minutes out of their way to our rental house to help carry in all the heavy bags. I mean - what amazing people do that? Well, I have met them and they are wonderful human beings. Thank you for everything, from the bottom of my heart.

We spent the evening getting set-up and unpacked. Getting all of Ethan's equipment working and knowing where to find his supplies is critical. It has been exhausting, but we were fortunate that both boys seem to have fallen asleep for the night when we got to the house in the early evening. Big day for everyone.

We do a hyperbaric dive here in Phoenix tomorrow - we don't want to lose momentum on Ethan's great progress, then stem cells Friday. More dives next week, then home next Friday. that seems so surreal.

Ethan's accident was 6 months yesterday. I didn't have much time to feel given all that is going on (and did I mention work is busy too?). I just can't believe it. Can't believe it at all. I miss him so much. I so hope for his smile and giggle some day soon. In the meantime, I gladly take his snuggles he is now often able to give and admire his sheer grit and determination as he practices arm movements over and over to try to reach a toy.



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Post about Ethan falling asleep during a doctors appointment Caption: At our amazing appointment with Dr P in Phoenix! Ethan fell asleep during the fat extraction to make the stem cells. Clearly traumatized (hee hee). He moved his legs a TON while getting the anesthesia, trying to get away from it. Dr. P is so positive about the signs Ethan is showing in regards to his overall recovery. Here is hoping!!

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March 10, 2023 · 🌐

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Stephanie Anne Luce

Love this!!!! Keep the good posts coming!!!!

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Karen Pastore

Thx for all the updates. Love hearing positive news.


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Post giving an update on Ethan


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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery


Ethan had a great appointment yesterday. 320m stem cells (goal is 300m)! Dr. P said he is a 'robust and healthy boy' 😊. He was very encouraging about the small but foundational steps Ethan has made in the last six months. And, he tackled issues like his throbbing tummy (g-tube) that will go a huge huge way to helping Ethan if we can calm it down.





And, Ethan moved his legs like he was running a race during the stem cell implantation! He woke up with the nasal spray and shifted around a bit, and with the needle in the backside (with lots of local anesthetic - he was just feeling pressure) that kid tried to race away while laying on his side! He has never ever moved his legs like that! I mean, I don't want to have to put a needle in his back to make it happen, but the fact he did it awake means we should be seeing so much more to come and soon.

Shortly after we got home, Papa and Cousin Eric arrived - having driven my car 2.5 days from NOLA. So good to see them again, Eric had a few quiet moments with Ethan and asked him to hold his hand (no other prompts) and Ethan did it right away! 3 times. Proving to Eric that he was in fact doing it on purpose 😊. Eric was very impressed!


We are so slowly getting him back. I want it all and right now, but am starting to accept the long long and uncertain path we are on. Accept it, but now armed with a machete and ready to hack down any obstacles in his path 😊. Mamas got to do what mamas got to do.

Again, I can't thank you all enough for your support. I don't know if this would have been possible without your financial contributions. I was able to leap at this opportunity without hesitation. Dr. P was happy to see us now, while the scar tissue in Ethan's brain is still soft and easier to break through. Waiting the 3 years to get into him otherwise would have lead to such a different outcome then the one I think we will (hopefully) see. You are Ethan's Angels and my heroes. The therapies are just starting - more lined up when we get home. Watch out world, Ethan is coming back with his running shoes on!



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Jessica Tillery




I'm smiling from ear to ear. This is remarkable! Gooooo Ethan, go!!!! Grateful to God, these incredible doctors and the resources you've been provided. You're one strong, incredible mom! Keep the miracles coming, our amazing God! 🙏🙏🙏❤️ Prayers and hugs to you all!!




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Kathy Brenner Vagg



Jessica Tillery perfectly said. Amen to God

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Photo of Ethan and Subject's father Caption: And best papa ever - giving Ethan his dinner tonight! Ethan fell asleep before dinner so was hanging out on the comfy chair ☺

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Video of Ethan with the caption indicating he was purposefully moving the rattle Caption: Ethan purposefully moving the rattle and making it shake - with a pincer grip! Go Ethan. I cut the video off right as he moved his eyes to make eye contact with me (but you can just see it)!

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He looks so much better! Can't wait for more improvement
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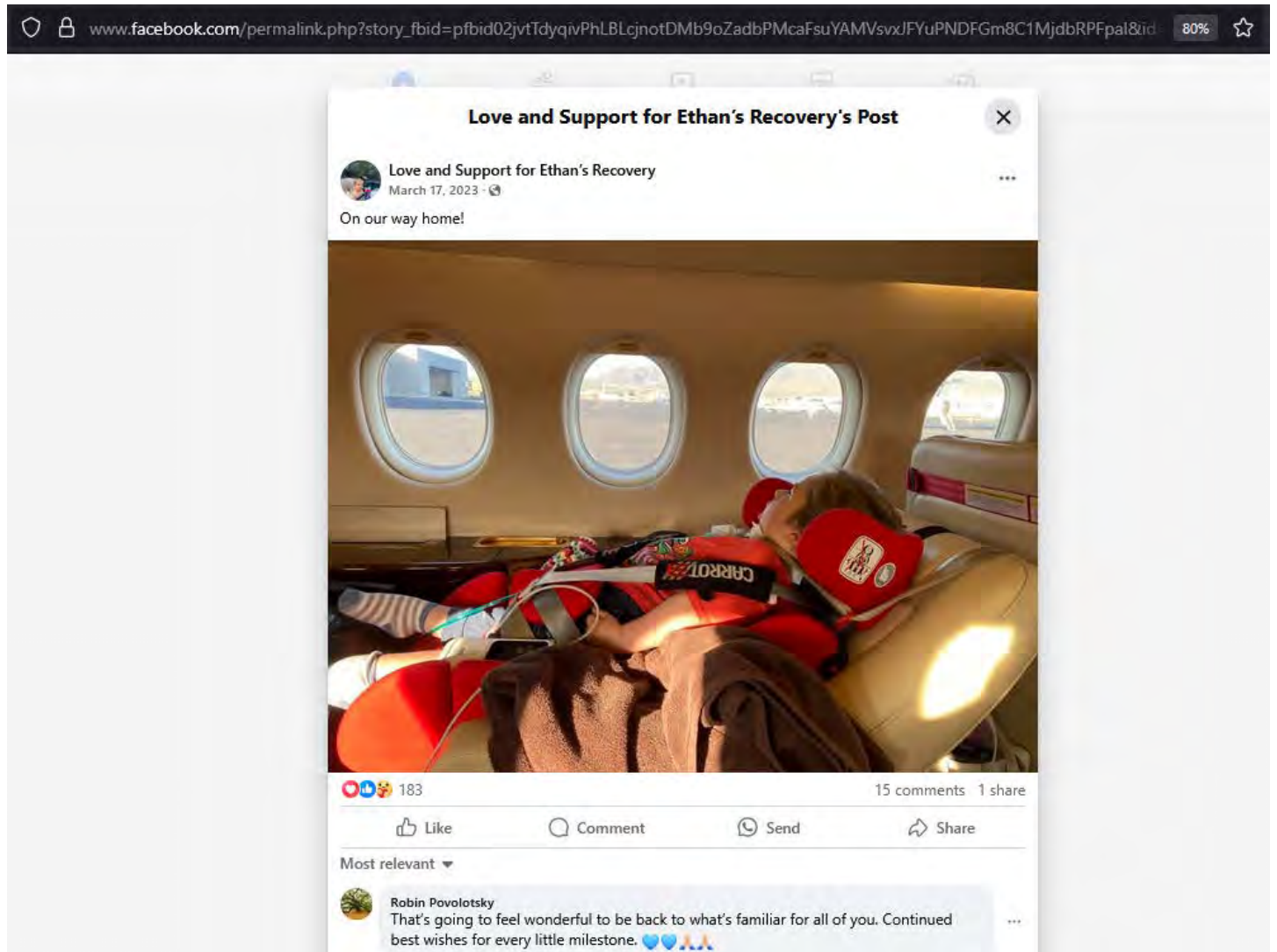
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Photo of Ethan on a private jet Caption: On our way home!



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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

March 21, 2023 · 🌐

Thank you so much Jess, Afton, and Wells for working so hard to bring us home! Jess and Afton are my neighbors and such beautiful people!

This is such a great video showing our trip home. Thank you again for everything! And please consider supporting the [LU Movement](#). Not only are they doing great work, but I can attest to how wonderful their t-shirts are (been living in mine since we have been home)!

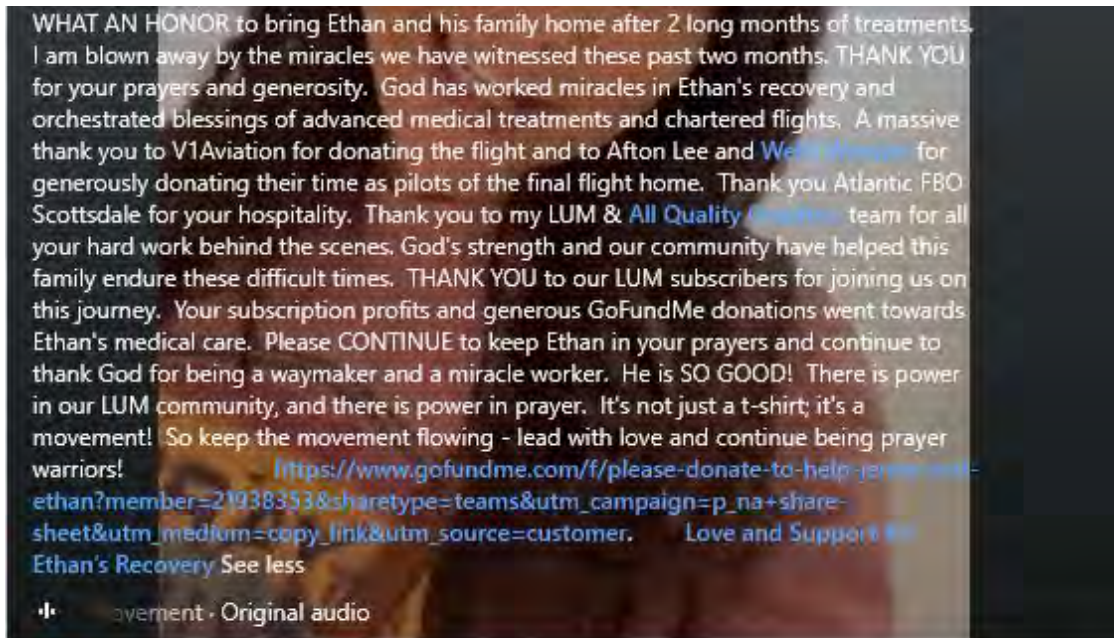
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What a great honor and privilege! Thanks for the shoutout Jennifer Sproull. I'm glad you love your LUM tees. I hope they continue to give you hope, strength and continued faith. ❤️

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Cindy B Walker
So glad you are home. I'm sure it feels great to be back in your own environment! ❤️🙏
I keep looking at that last video of Ethan that you posted and I'm in awe. So happy to see that his treatment went well. ... See more

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
Esthetics C. Walker we are looking at home HBOt - don't think we will be back soon. Wish he was closer!

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Cindy B Walker

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery I totally understand.

We were are so Blessed to have him nearby.

We are looking into at home HBOT also.

We were supposed to meet with them last week but Pat got sick so we postponed and will reschedule soon.

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Heidi Ebbert

I'm not crying in the middle of Sky Harbor Airport right now! Must be dusty here! BEAUTIFUL!

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Heidi Ebbert it is notoriously dusty, no worries!

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Reply to Heidi Ebbert...



Lynn Kipila Hanson

Such a wonderful show of support for **Jennifer Sproull** and her family. You truly are one of the best neighbors ever!

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Jessica Tillery

It was such an honor to partner with the Lord and bring you guys home. God has big things planned for Ethan!

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Patty Power

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Kelly Morton

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Robin Povolotsky

What great people, this is a lovely video.

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Posted: Mar 21, 2023



Captured: Apr 29, 2025

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March 21, 2023 · 🌐


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Jenni French Kutty

Remarkable ❤️❤️


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Becky Fox

Love this! ❤️ Keep up the great work- he is so alert!! Keep wearing a mask 😊

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Cindy B Walker

Jenny, this is amazing!! Omgosh I can see a huge difference in him.

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Posted: Mar 23, 2023



Captured: Apr 29, 2025

After DOI

Post from Subject giving an update on Ethan and what the future for Ethan's treatment and therapies will be. The photos included are showing the private jet that transported Ethan from CA to LA

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

March 23, 2023 · 🌐

Lately, my posts have been transactional in nature – we are flying here, this treatment there, quick video of how Ethan is doing. All so important, but focused on the things we are doing. With the craziness of the last month – NOLA to Phoenix – Home, resuming work, Ethan's therapies, and being the mom of an active and healthy 3-year-old, there has not been a lot of space for reflection. But now, in this moment, I am on a train coming home from San Francisco having spent the last day-and-a-half with my amazing team. It felt good to dive deep into work, to focus on just that aspect of my life. I know the boys are in excellent hands, and I honestly didn't worry, although I was eager for updates.

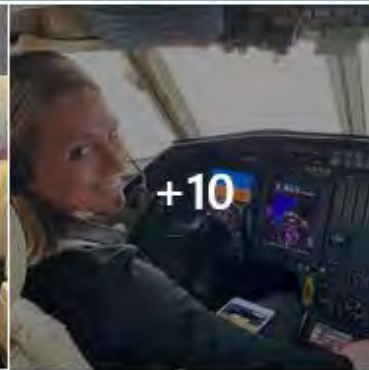
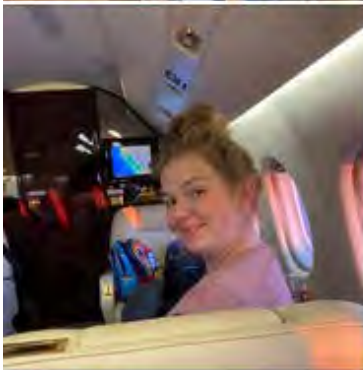
And reflecting is what I want to do. This is so hard. So freaking hard. And yet, I cannot do anything else. My mission in life is saving my boys – to give them the quality of life they both deserve. Because make no mistake, Aiden's has been impacted as well and will continue to be. There is a direct correlation with how Ethan is able to heal and Aiden's life experiences. I want so much for them both. I have been so blessed with the capabilities and resources to make things happen for them, a family that is dedicating their lives to helping my boys, and this community that continues to lean in to help us in ways I could never have imagined. I am reminded every day that I cannot do this by myself, and I am so thankful that I don't have to.

Ethan is showing real progress. But it is slow. It scares me so much – the not knowing how far he will progress – that I can't think about it. I can't control it, only influence it. And I am doing everything in my power to influence healthy and accelerated healing. I don't know the outcome. It would not change anything. But man, if I knew it was an amazing outcome waiting for us, it would make the hard days a little bit easier, the daily care a little lighter, the promises I make to Aiden about his brother's recovery a little more convincing.

We have done a lot, but there is so much more to helping Ethan recover. We are entering what I consider the ongoing rehabilitation phase. We went from acute in the PICU, acute rehab (NOLA and Phoenix) and now his ongoing therapies. I have been asked a few times – what is next. Well, here goes: School OT, PT, and Speech are kicking off – they each come weekly to our home. County medical OT/PT assessment complete and therapies starting soon. Medical Speech referral in and hopefully soon to get moving. Weekly Cranial Sacral Therapy (CST) starting back up in early April. Regular visits to a Functional Neurologist/ Chiropractor getting lined up. An MNRI 5-day intensive in our home in a few weeks. I am in process of getting a home hyperbaric chamber to continue our daily dives. Stem cell booster in early June and week-long intensive with Dr. Bor (functional neurologist who specializes in working with kids like Ethan) in Phoenix – assuming Ethan can handle the two-day drive each way at that time. And, likely another stem cell treatment every six months on an ongoing basis. More equipment coming to help him, including a wheelchair. Getting an accessible (wheelchair) van and navigating the complexities to help get some of it funded through local and state agencies. Continued nutrition tweaks through his home blended food diet, use of various supplements to help his brain and stomach, and working through a medication wean (started yesterday) to help bring down the level of the 3 'biggies' as I call them that he is still on. I have hopes of getting completely off two of them in the not-too-distant future. And, keeping my eye on a new therapy emerging from Monterrey, Mexico that shows a lot of promise. It uses magnetic waves and radio frequency to target impacted areas in the brain to break-up scar tissue and promote new neural growth. Very exciting stuff, but extremely (like EXTREMELY) expensive – and often takes two to three month-long treatments over time to maximize impact. Not to mention figuring out how to get Ethan there if or when I decide it is worth trying. But I remind myself, one step at a time. Deep breath. Let's start doing all this local therapy and see how he does. It may be too much, and that is ok. We will see what is working for him, who is working for him, and make adjustments as needed. It is a lot, but his life is literally at stake. It is worth it to try.

It has been over six months since Ethan's accident and you all continue to be there for us in so many ways. I truly can't thank you enough. I am genuine when I say we need you, we need your continued prayers, healing energy and all the tangible supports - from a friendly meal to an entire private jet and everything in-between (ok, that jet was beyond amazing)! 😊 But know even if you don't have a private jet at your disposal, being here for us with a friendly hug, a 'thinking about you', etc. means the world to me, to us. Thank you. Thank you for helping to bring my son back to me and to all those that love him.

And with that, a few pictures of the boys and our recent travels, because these boys are just so darned cute.



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Lynn Kipila Hanson

It certainly has been one amazing journey for the entire family. Bringing dinner up tonight!

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Emily Wrenn

Big love to you and your boys Jenny. You are simply amazing. I have such admiration for you. ❤️ Xxx

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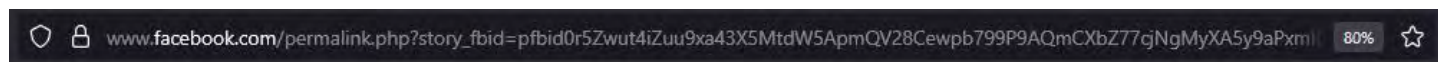
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Photo of Ethan Caption: Well hello Superman!



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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

March 25, 2023 · 🌐

Well hello Superman!



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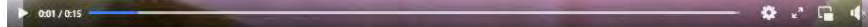


Posted: Mar 27, 2023

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Video of Ethan Caption: We started our morning with a great visit from Roseville Fire Captain Anaya yesterday as he got off his 48-hour shift (who also brought donuts per his family's tradition!) He wanted to check in on Ethan, and it was great to visit. Unfortunately, Ethan was having a bit of a rough morning, that got rougher after he left (heart rate to almost 200, etc). While we always look for anything that could be causing pain or discomfort, we couldn't figure it out. And in those moments, I remind myself that rough patches are often a sign of healing. At least that's what I tell myself, and then immediately wonder if I am kidding myself. However, in this case, it just might have been. He improved greatly by early afternoon, and then THIS happened! So excited to see him moving and bending his right leg with his will. Go Ethan!



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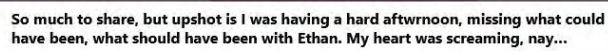
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Video of Ethan Caption: So much to share, but upshot is I was having a hard aftwrnoon, missing what could have been, what should have been with Ethan. My heart was screaming, nay demanding, to the universe to bring him back to me. This was the response. Be patient mama, Ethan is working so hard, it will happen.



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A screenshot of a Facebook post. The post is titled "Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post" and is from a user named "Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery", dated April 22, 2023. The post contains three paragraphs of text and two photographs. The first paragraph thanks everyone for reaching out and mentions that the boys are fine despite some struggles. The second paragraph expresses hope to share more soon and includes a photo of Ethan performing knee bends. The third paragraph mentions ongoing medication weans and the need for prayers and healing energy. Below the text are two side-by-side photos: the left one shows a man assisting a child on a green exercise ball, and the right one is a close-up of a child on a similar ball. The post has 161 reactions and 29 comments. The first comment, from Jackie Legg, says "Sending you both prayers and energy! Thanks for the update!".







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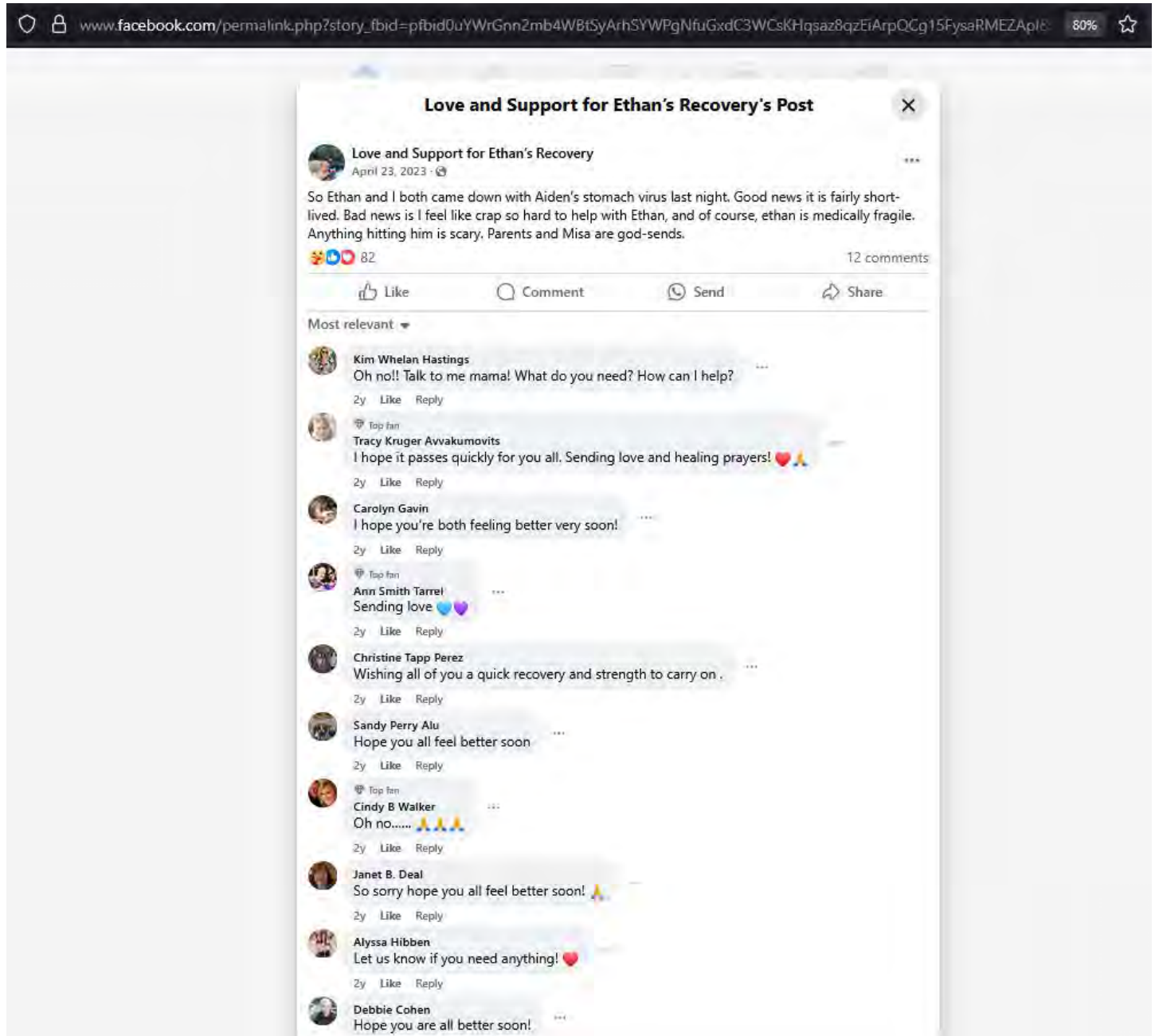
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Post about Subject and Ethan being sick with a stomach virus





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Posted: May 05, 2023



Captured: Apr 29, 2025

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Photos of Aiden and Ethan with the caption indicating they went to the zoo Caption: Ok, I don't know why the video cut Ethan's head off (at least in what I am seeing)! Darn, he looks so cute 🐼. So, here is another one - Ethan and Aiden getting ready to go to the zoo and at the zoo. Aiden insisted on dressing as a penguin for the adventure (Ethan picked this costume out for Halloween right before his accident last year). Ethan is in the zebra costume - Aiden's Halloween costime). He didn't last long in it because he got hot when we got to the zoo.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

May 5, 2023 · 🌐

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Posted: May 05, 2023



Captured: Apr 29, 2025

After DOI

Video of Ethan Caption: I really want to find the time to update on everything. But life is so is busy at the moment. I mentally write to you all every day. I look forward to the day it just goes from my brain to the electronic page ☐ In the meantime, here is my groovy boy. The disco ball only works when he pushes the button. We often play dance party and dance while he makes it go and freeze when he stops it. He loves having that control over us! We need to play more often. At the moment, he is asleep. Giving his nurses a break from his constant attempts to roll onto his tummy from all seated / reclined positions! They worried it was toning. I think he is getting close to rolling and desperately wants to do it.

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Photo of Ethan and Subject's mother Caption: I came in from playing outside with Aiden to find Ethan had fallen asleep for the night on Ama's lap (and Ama was taking a bit of a nap). I asked her if I could move him to bed, and she said - not yet, I am enjoying this. It will be 8 months tomorrow. I can't breathe even writing that, so many conflicting emotions. But I was struck as I looked at him tonight how much he looked like 'him'. I don't know how to describe the before and after Ethans. They are both clearly my Ethan, and yet so different. I don't know if thinking this way is or is not an injustice to him, I don't know what is me having difficulty with acceptance or finding acceptance, I just don't know. But I still delineate my son as my Ethan from before and my Ethan now and desperately want my Ethan from before to come back. I love them both and I see the constant of his personality coming through, but this life is so vastly different. But for whatever it is or was, in this picture, I see 'him'. I love you Ethan boo.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery is at OnyxClub Roseville.

May 6, 2023 · Roseville, CA ·

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Posted: May 12, 2023



Captured: Apr 29, 2025

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Photo of Subject with Ethan and Aiden Caption: And I am off! Had to literally brush the dust off my heels ☺

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And I am off! Had to literally brush the dust off my heels ☺



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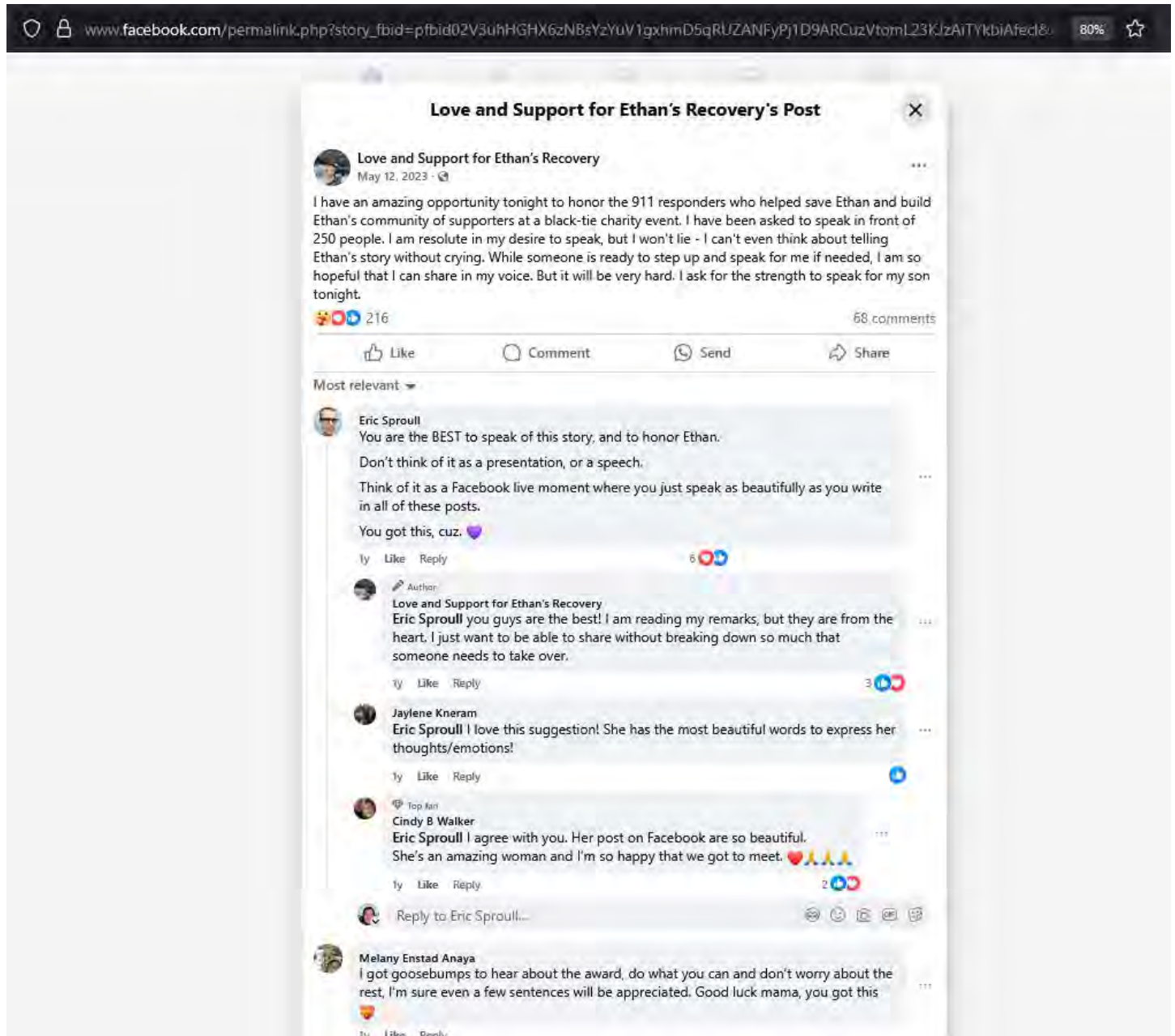
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Subject shared about getting to honor the 911 responders who helped save Ethan



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Subject indicated being at a ceremony for Hearts4Heroes



Posted: May 16, 2023



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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

May 16, 2023 · 🌐

Thank you so much for all the support and encouragement. Friday night went great! I had no problem with showing emotion, but wanted to make sure I could read my remarks as intended. And, I did. Thank you to Hearts4Heroes for allowing me the opportunity to do so.

I am proud of being Ethan's mom and telling his story, and I was so thankful for the opportunity to do so. His story now being so intertwined with the first responders who saved his life that night.

Here is a snippet of what I shared, that I want to share with you, because they deserve so much thanks and recognition from Ethan's community. They are the reason he is still here. They will forever be in my heart.

Within literal minutes, Captain Chris Anaya, Firefighter Paramedic Cody Smith, and Driver/Operator Andy Heald were in my backyard taking over Ethan's care. It was on the way to the hospital that they were able to revive Ethan. He lived. He lives. . . .

I would be remiss here if I did not thank the others who helped save Ethan's life. A heartfelt thank you to 911 Dispatcher Alana Piccinini who stayed calm throughout – and even though I am CPR certified, reminded me to start chest compressions when all I could do was focus on clearing my son's lungs. To Citrus Heights Sergeant David Weissenful, who did not let boundaries such as city lines and a police badge vs. a paramedics' uniform stop him from being first on scene and taking over CPR immediately. To AMR Paramedic Paul Watts – he is the best of the best. I am so thankful they were on duty that night. They were Ethan's first miracle, make no mistake.

To connect again with this amazing team – and meet Sgt. Weissenful, Paramedic Paul Watts, and Dispatcher Piccinini for the first time since that night over 8 months ago – was healing. I wasn't sure how I would feel. I am not sure I have yet found the right word to describe how I felt when I left. But I left feeling lighter. I left feeling like my cup was filled again. I left feeling oddly empowered. I left with the knowledge that there is an amazing community standing behind us, ready to catch us, if need be. I left feeling connected.

I joked when I got home that I felt like if I had to make another emergency call, we would have the entire Roseville Fire Department and half of the Citrus Heights police force here in seconds, ready to help us out. And here is the thing that caught my breath – I realized they had already done that, and that was before they even knew us. Sit with that for a moment. It is humbling.

Thank you again to these amazing first responders. I will update on our lives and Ethan's progress soon. For now, thank you. Because of you, my heart and soul are still intact. Even on the toughest days, I know it could be so so much worse. I have hope. We have hope. And all of us together, with Ethan in the lead, are moving mountains.



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Debbie Cohen

Perfect! And as fate aligns...this was Maria Shriver's post today.

We all need a village to lean on. To stand with us. To walk through both the good times and the bad. To cheer us on. To lift us up. To laugh with or cry. Being vulnerable with those in your life is one of the greatest gifts you can give. Letting your guard down, and truly opening up to others. Allowing people to be there for you, and showing up for them. It is a gift that is priceless.

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Post from Subject giving an update about Ethan and what their life is like


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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
 May 19, 2023 · 🌐

There has been so much I have wanted to share over the last two months, but literally no time or energy. I have written posts in my head numerous times, and yet time moved on. I had a few moments last night, so here goes. It's a long one! I debated about not posting, as feel we are turning a corner for the better, at least for now. But, it felt cathartic to share the real ins and outs of the last couple of months, and like I was closing the door behind us to better move forward. So, here goes.

The highlights are that it has been a pretty hard since we got home in late March. Perhaps it was made harder by the expectation that once home, where we have more supports and the comfort of our home and community, it would be easier.

Silly us.

Unfortunately – and we knew this would happen – we lost most of our nursing coverage during our absence. And home health nurses, particularly ones who are capable enough and who want to work with a child with Ethan's medical needs, are hard to find. We left in January with about 80 hours of care coverage per week and came home to 24 hours. Not even enough for me to work, now being back full-time. That was just solved last week when we found our new full-time evening nurse, and we are very excited about her. She spent a few days with us before leaving for a planned vacation. We can't wait until she is back next week! And, it took a few weeks, but we finally got our amazing day nurse back to full time. Phew!

On top of a nursing shortage, my work went into more than full-time mode, on top of me being new at the company and new in the position – all stressors. Aiden then got the stomach flu, passed it to me, Ethan, and my mom. We spent the scariest night yet at home with Ethan, who had a heart rate between 180-200 for over 12 hours and didn't fall asleep until after 5am one morning. I even broke down and gave him his 'rescue drug', which I hate to do because it completely zonks him out. It didn't even touch it. That might have scared me more than anything. While we debated numerous times about taking him to the ED, in the end, we stayed with him at home. My dad sitting next to his bed and silencing his heart rate monitor alarm every 2 minutes from 1:30a.m. – 5:00a.m. There was no way to turn the alarm off and we needed to see his stats. It was so stressful. Ethan had a few well days and then got hit with a chest virus that filled his lungs with so much fluid, we were concerned about pneumonia. Again, we (and most importantly – he) managed through and he is now ok.

On top of all of that, I am currently juggling over 21 care providers and therapists for Ethan (not including Aiden), all who wanted to see him when we got back, plus four DME companies for supplies and needed equipment. In addition to constantly following up with insurance companies about mis-processed bills from his hospital stay, and scheduling, and scheduling, and then rescheduling appointments. And, trying to do all of our therapy homework on Ethan, to keep his progress moving forward between visits. To that end, I can't thank my mom, Rosie (his day nurse), Misa, and my dad for pitching in. We have a color-coded spreadsheet with daily therapies we all do. Ok, they all do – mine get about 70% done. Not for lack of desire. It is a work-in-progress.

In addition, to all of the above, poor Aiden was completely dysregulated after so many changes, and was really struggling when we got back home. And, when Ethan is sick, he knows it. He hears Ethan in distress and he feels our stress. It sends him spiraling again. He needed more attention from me, and everyone, than before. And he let us know in ways that definitely got our attention, but usually not for the better. He is doing better now, although we still need to be there deeply for him. As he matures, he processes the trauma in different ways. We continue to work with his amazing therapist and be there as best we can. He also just started ISR swim lessons – which he loves. But it is not without bringing the trauma back. Thankfully, he has an amazing swim instructor who has worked with children who have experienced this type of trauma. They are moving slowly, but they are moving forward.

In all this, I want to give a big thanks to Lynn Hanson and Carey Peterson who showed up consistently with dinners for us. We were struggling, and not having to think about a meal was a life line on those days. Your thoughtfulness is so appreciated. And, to Heather Morrison and all who contributed to the chef who is making us dinners for the next week or so. It is the best gift. It is bringing joy to our house as well as relief amongst all the things that just must get done.

I share all this and can, thankfully say, that we have been turning a corner in the last week or so. I don't know exactly when it happened, but we are. I so appreciate all of you who saw that I was quiet on FB and reached out to check in. Quite frankly, I was red-lined in every aspect of my life. My body was literally buzzing my nervous system was so cranked up. Breathing exercises couldn't begin to touch it. But the boys are good now. We are good now. I am getting my sea legs under me at work, and we have the two most amazing nurses ever. We also have the best care team set-up for Ethan. I have a couple of last provider slots I am nailing down, then I hope to be at 'steady state' for a while. Ok – you guys know me too well, of course there are some new giant medical therapies looming. I will share more soon. In the meantime, it is about time to hop into our new home hyperbaric oxygen chamber (thank you so much for your financial support, so we could get one). Today will be our third dive in a row. It is hotter than hades inside it once it gets going, but otherwise great.

As for Ethan. Well, the kid has been rocking it the last few days! Whether related to the hyperbaric chamber or not, Ethan's body is relaxing. It is amazing to see. All his therapists and clinicians have commented on it this week. His tone is way down (still high in his hips, legs and feet), but trunk and hips are unlocking. He is sitting at mid-line so much more. His head is turning towards noise. His eyes are tracking like nobody's business, and his hands are so much looser – he is now opening his fingers to hold his favorite little Lightning McQueen car – and closing his fingers and hanging onto it. This is new, this is huge!

Now that he is healthy again, we are continuing his medication weans. He had been on 10 'biggies' as I call them when in the hospital. He came home on six. He has been on the last three for a while now. But, of those three – two are at or below 50% of their original doses and one is at 40% the original dose. We continue to wean more every week (we alternate between them), but have to go slow. And when we do, he tolerates it really well. I am impatient, but hanging on as I see the results. He is not just tolerating the weans, but doing so much better! His tone is actually less (being on the drugs is supposed to help it), his nervous system calmer, and he can control his movements more. His pulmonologist is working with us to wean his vent at night. Another huge step. Today he started another 3-day MNRI intensive at our home, working on calming his central nervous system and integrating reflexes. It has only been five weeks since his last intensive and his therapist sees so much positive change. Very exciting! (Thank you again for your contributions to help me afford bringing this expertise to Ethan). At one point after his accident, I called him my little tortoise. I guess it still holds true – slow and steady. And we know who won the race.

Last, but not least, yesterday was Misa's birthday. Please wish her a happy birthday. Misa is truly the most amazing person. She is also our au pair. She is and will forever be a permanent and loved member of our family. Aiden adores her and Ethan relaxes in her arms like few others. And – not only do I love being with her, but honestly, I don't know how we would make it through the day without her. Happy Birthday Misa!!!



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Photo of Subject and Ethan Caption: Look at these eyes! So much more focused lately. Small but mighty steps. His PTs also can't believe how much he has loosened up in just the past couple of weeks. Ethan is working hard as is his whole provider team! Tortoises win the race!

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Photo of Ethan and their au pair, Misa. Caption: I have to share this beautiful picture from the other night. This is how Ethan falls asleep 80% of nights. On his beloved and favorite Misa. We call this pose 'laying on his Misa pillow'. He usually falls asleep within minutes after getting settled! Instead of running from this horrible and tragic situation, Misa has leaned in. She is his advocate, his comfort, and even his MNRI therapist (volunteering to learn how to do the facial exercises and doing them three times a week)! She is a true blessing for our family. We love you Misa!

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Posted: May 28, 2023



Captured: Apr 29, 2025

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Photo of Ethan Caption: We all continue to love Ethan's new chair. Here he is at lunch today - joining at the kitchen table!

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Video of Ethan at physical therapy Caption: Brain injury often means a contraction of muscles; limbs are locked and not or barely moving. Things I didn't know before. Ethan is no exception. When we came home from the hospital, his arms were locked in a bent position, close to his body (hands by his upper chest). His hands were squeezed shut so tightly, we often couldn't pry his fingers open even in sleep (a more relaxed state) to put his hand splints on (splints he no longer needs!) So, when you see this video, you will know why it brings happy tears to my eyes. Fly that airplane Ethan!

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Posted: Jun 08, 2023



Captured: Apr 29, 2025

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Photos of Ethan, Subject, and Subject's mother Caption: 9 months and 1 day since our world changed irrevocably. I didn't think it was possible, but our love has grown even stronger.

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Awww, sweet Ethan and his beautiful mother and grandmother!







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Video of Ethan Caption: Working his way to being a Rockette! Go Ethan!

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Posted: Jun 19, 2023
Captured: Apr 29, 2025

After DOI

Video of Ethan Caption: "The most painful state of being is remembering the future, particularly the one you'll never have." My cousin Audrey sent me that quote by Soren Kierkegaard a couple of weeks ago. It was after we were finally able to connect after way too long. It summed up our conversation completely. It is part of the daily struggle, to live in the moment, to be so thankful for what I have; that Ethan is here, that Aiden is healthy, that I have amazing parents and family and friends. All the while having to let go of the future I had dreamed for us - the one I wanted for him. Those of you who know me know I am a planner by vocation and nature. To train my brain to live literally day by day, if not hour by hour, has been tough. But I have been doing it. I plan his therapies into the future, but I live with him as he is moment by moment. I do not imagine our different futures anymore, his or ours. There are too many permutations and the good and the bad are too painful to contemplate. I will just wait and see how our story unfolds. And then came the good news. A new optimism from outside the family. Ethan's therapists and medical team are so positive and excited about his future. They see the changes week to week. They talk about 'when' he walks, 'when' he talks. They acknowledge his MRI is not great, but the impacted areas are concentrated 'just' to the thalamus and basil ganglia (not good places to be impacted) and that these areas aren't totally impacted. The damage is in spots. There is room for regrowth and repatterning. There is room for immense recovery. No one knows for sure how much recovery and when things will happen. And we all know there is still intense danger along the way - with his lungs, with his body. And yet, they believe he has a hopeful future. We could have a hopeful future. What do I do with this new information? It all came together a few weeks ago, the input from half a dozen of his care team. The good news, the positivity. Something I have wanted to hear since the start - when I was asked if I would let him go so many times in those first couple of weeks; told initially that his healing would only happen for the first six months and then that is who he would be. Something I have learned is not the case with this type of injury, not by a long shot. Thankfully. But this good news spun me as well. I have worked so hard to not imagine his future. Even good. Could I dare do it? I did. I let myself relish in it for one night. From the seemingly 'simple' as hearing Ethan's giggle again, to completely life changing- the three of us traveling, Ethan having choices in his life to do what he wants to do; being independent. It was beautiful. And it was hard. I debated what to do with this new perspective, the emotional roller coaster was intense. And exhausting. And distracting from the moment. I suddenly found myself looking at him thinking - come on, you can do x, y, z, let's go! The pressure to heal on my timeline, not his. Another lesson that had been learned over the past nine months - he sets the pace. I finally decided that I will hold onto this good news during the tough moments, to use it as a touchstone to keep going when the road gets too hard, too scary. But it won't change anything I am doing. Everything I am fighting for, for him and us. I will keep advocating for every therapy and treatment to help him, I will keep asking his community for prayers and support. And I will keep loving him and celebrating every small change, moment to moment. And for my own emotional health, I will tuck away this potential beautiful future. I will revisit it from time to time, I am sure. But I won't live there. Instead, I will live in those brief moments of intense eye contact, the small wave hello, the soft almost imperceptible smile when he rolls himself over on the mat. Hello beautiful brown eyes. I see you. I love you.

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After DOI

Photos of Ethan and Aiden Caption: Ethan had been able to sit in his special chair at the table for lunch the last two days. He got to eat lunch with Aiden today. Aiden was happy Ethan was eating with him!

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June 22, 2023 · 🌐

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Posted: Jun 24, 2023



Captured: Apr 29, 2025

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Video of Ethan Caption: Great job Ethan! I heard the cheering from my office. Thanks to Rosie, his amazing nurse (and his personal videographer) I feel like I never miss a moment! And great job Aiden being an amazing cheerleader and celebrating in his success. You motivate him like no other, buddy!

Facebook video player interface showing a video titled "Great job Ethan! I heard the cheering from my office. Thanks to Rosie, his amazing nurse (and his personal videographer) I feel like I never miss a moment! And great..."

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Video of Ethan and Subject's mother on a carousel at the zoo Caption: Zoo day today. Ethan's first ride since the accident. And Aiden's first time without anyone holding on! Ethan seemed to love it!

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Posted: Jun 26, 2023



Captured: Apr 29, 2025

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Photo of Ethan Caption: The left side of Ethan's face has been more activated this past week. We are getting more and more Elvis lip, as I call it!

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Video of Subject holding Ethan Caption: Is that a smile?? Rosie thinks so. Got some cuddles and kisses in before heading to the airport for a quick work trip.

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Update on Ethan indicating he was off of Dantrolene and was only on two medications


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June 30, 2023 · 🌐

Ethan is officially off the Dantrolene! He was on 10 big drugs in the hospital. Came home on 6. He is now down to 2 and those 2 are at 50% his original dose. The doctors are keen to get him off the drugs too and we are teed up to wean the next one over the next month. He is super sensitive to weans, so often have to go even slower than his doctors prescribe, so may be a bit longer. But very excited to get these out of his system and let his brain 'wake up' more (and that he is doing great off of them!)

Here he is just chillin' today!





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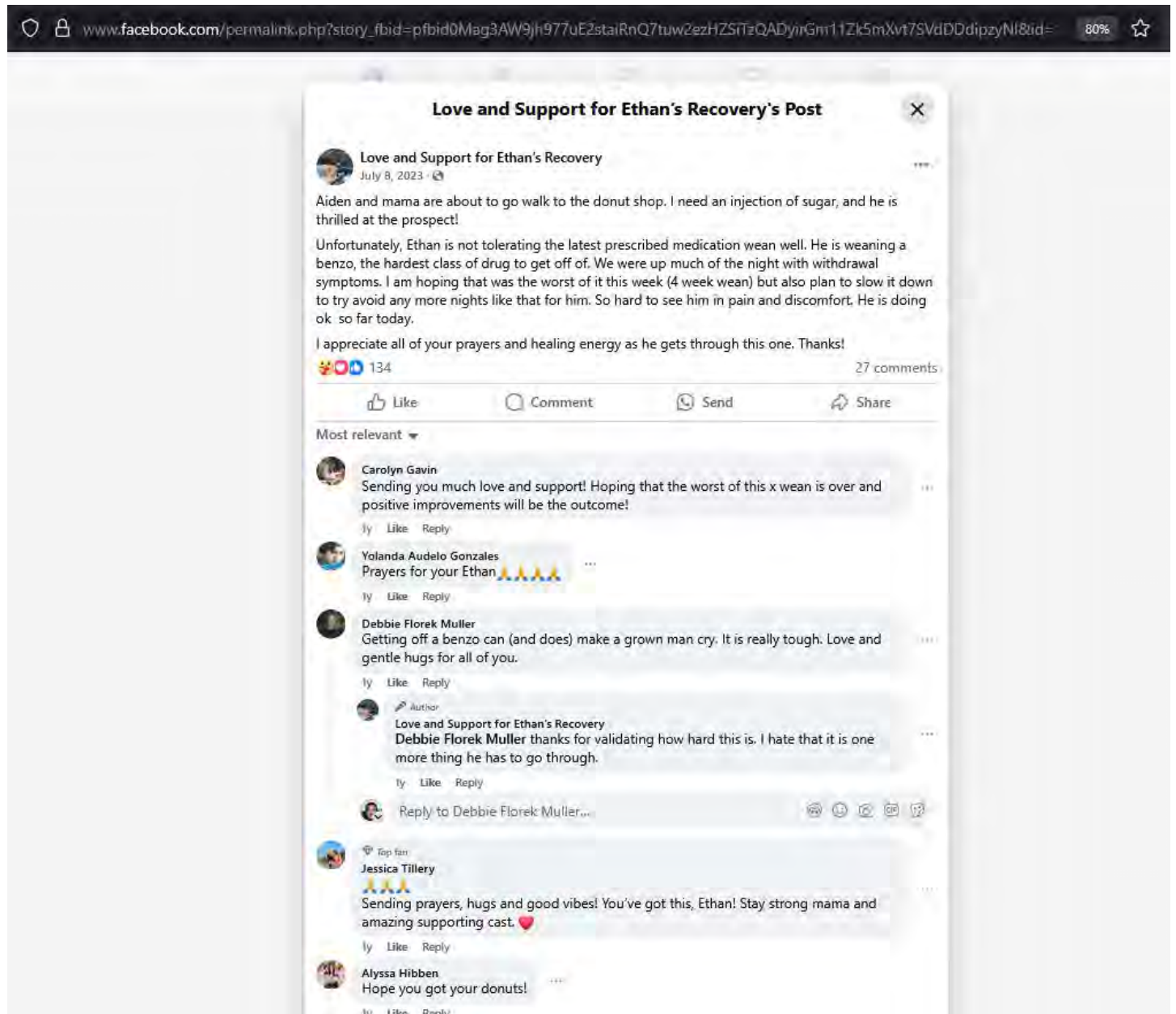
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Post from Subject with an update about Ethan weaning off of a "benzo" medication



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



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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
July 9, 2023 · 🌐

Thanks for all the support. Ethan had a great night last night, I think we are over the jump! He is a little off this morning, so am sure is still feeling it, but nothing like Friday night. Here is hoping!



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




Sarah Terrell
Can he have OTC pain medicine like Tylenol or Motrin?

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



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Sarah Terrell thanks. Yes, we do both. It helps take the edge off a bit.

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



Cindy B Walker
Amen!!

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Tara Krol
That's great!! Go Ethan!!

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Amy Levine
Great news! ❤️

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




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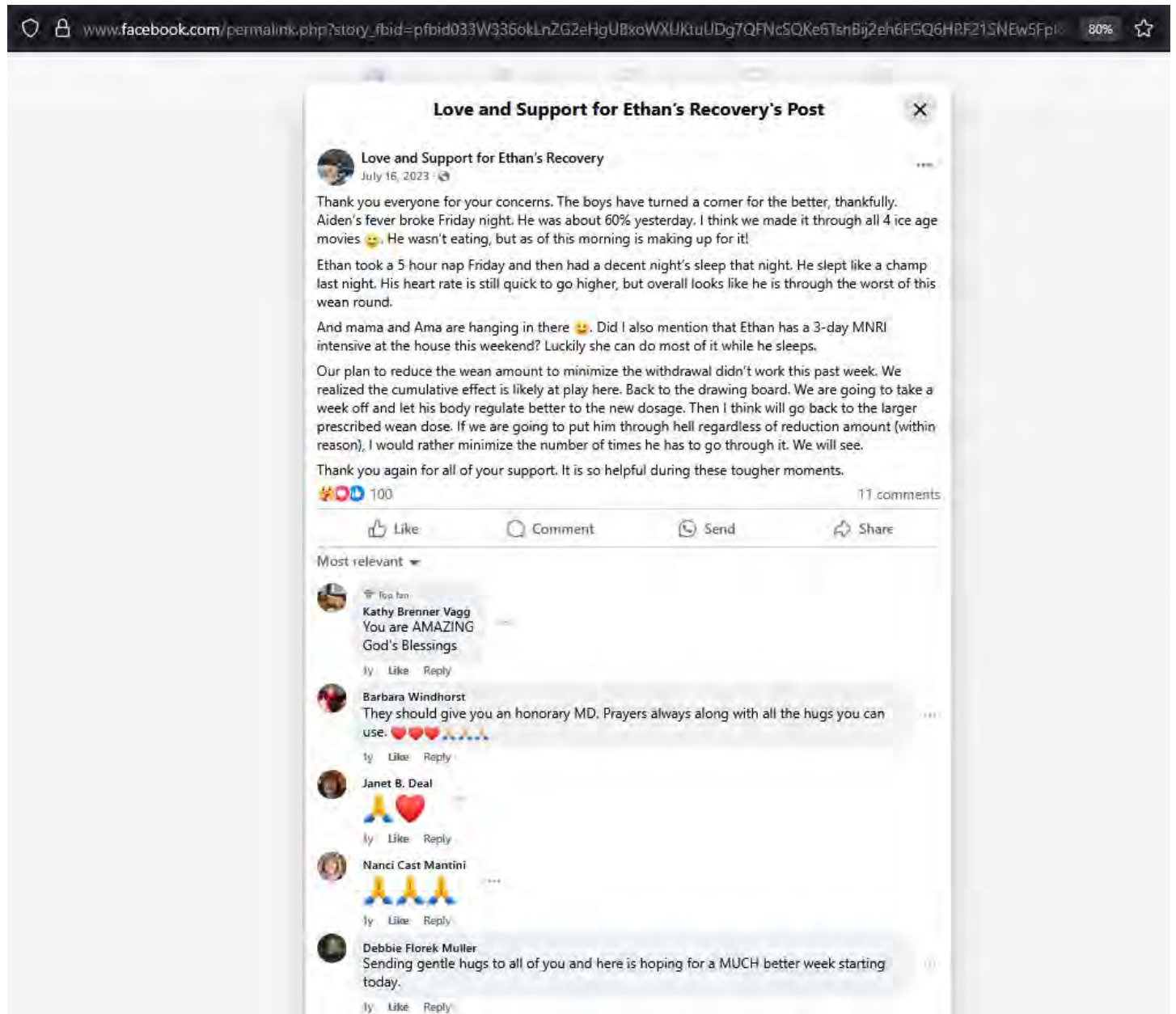
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Update on Aiden and Ethan's sickness





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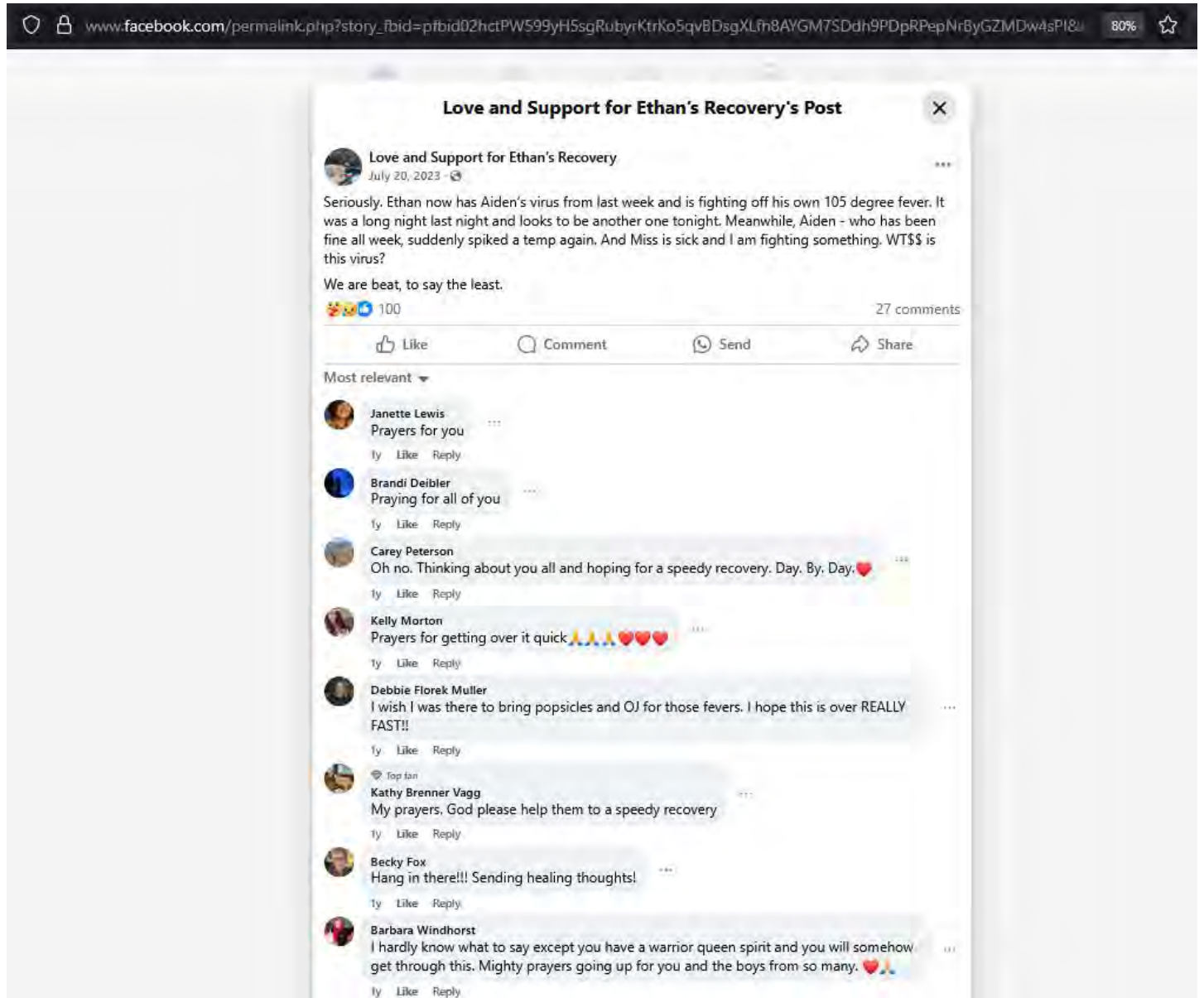
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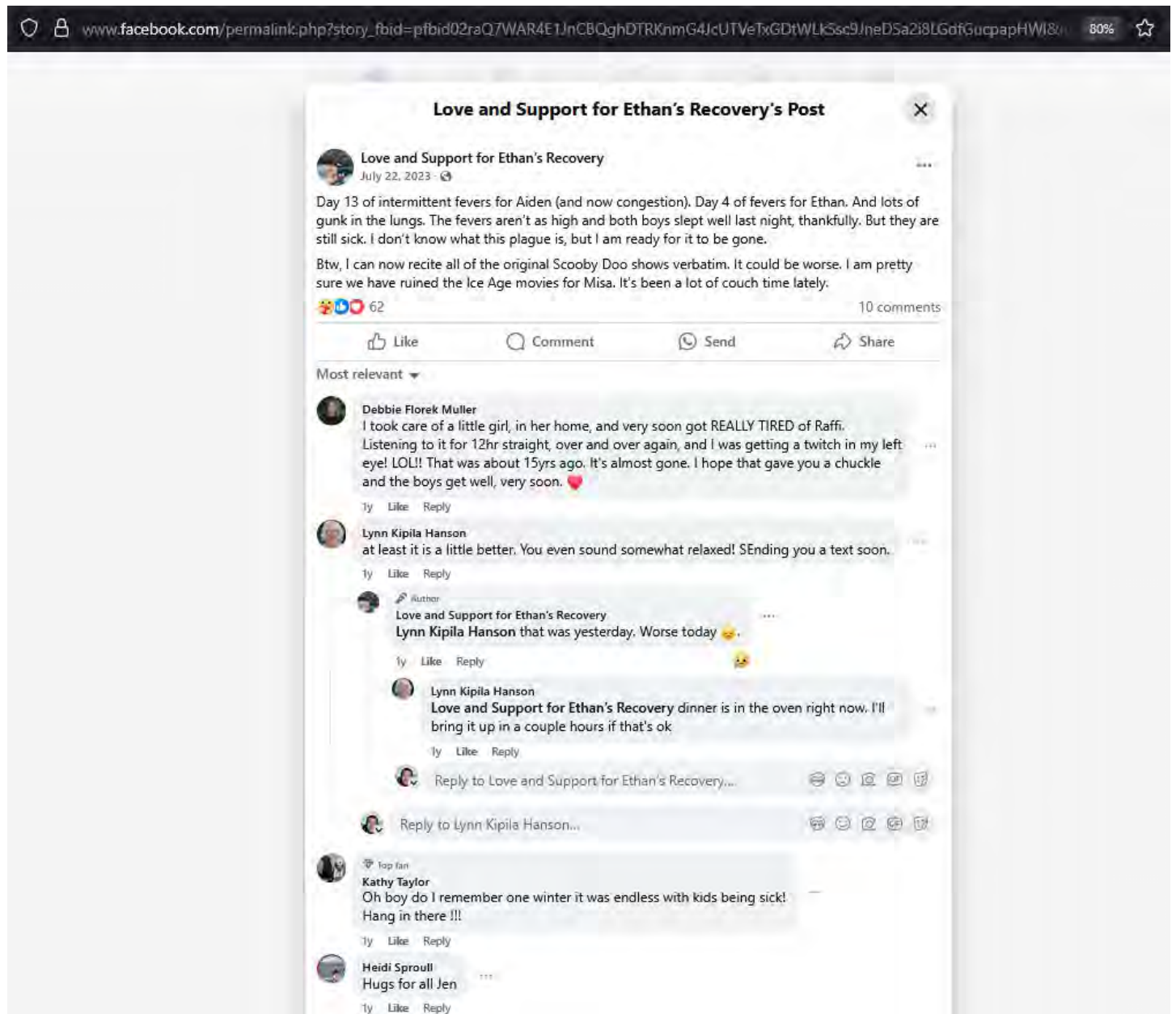
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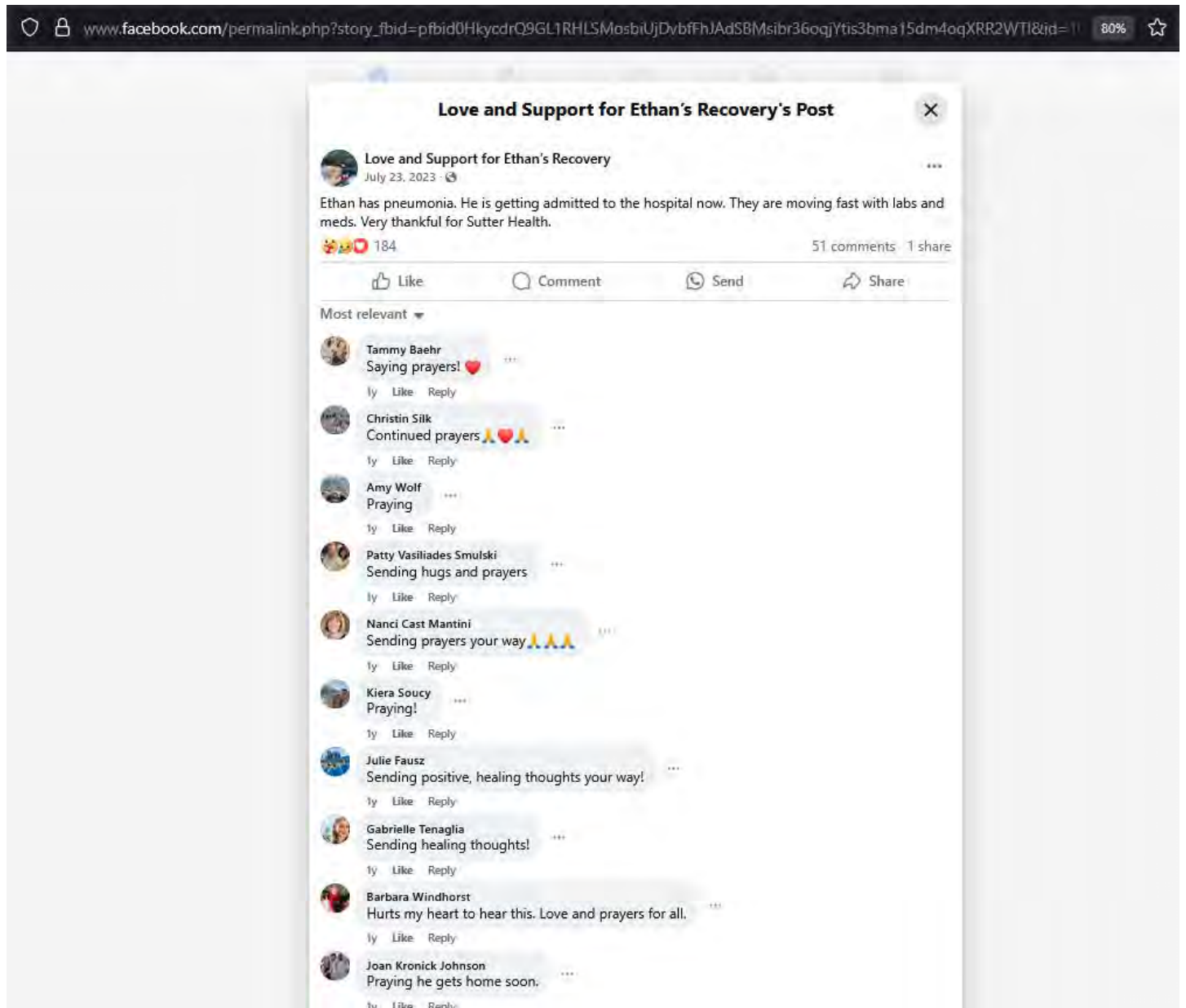
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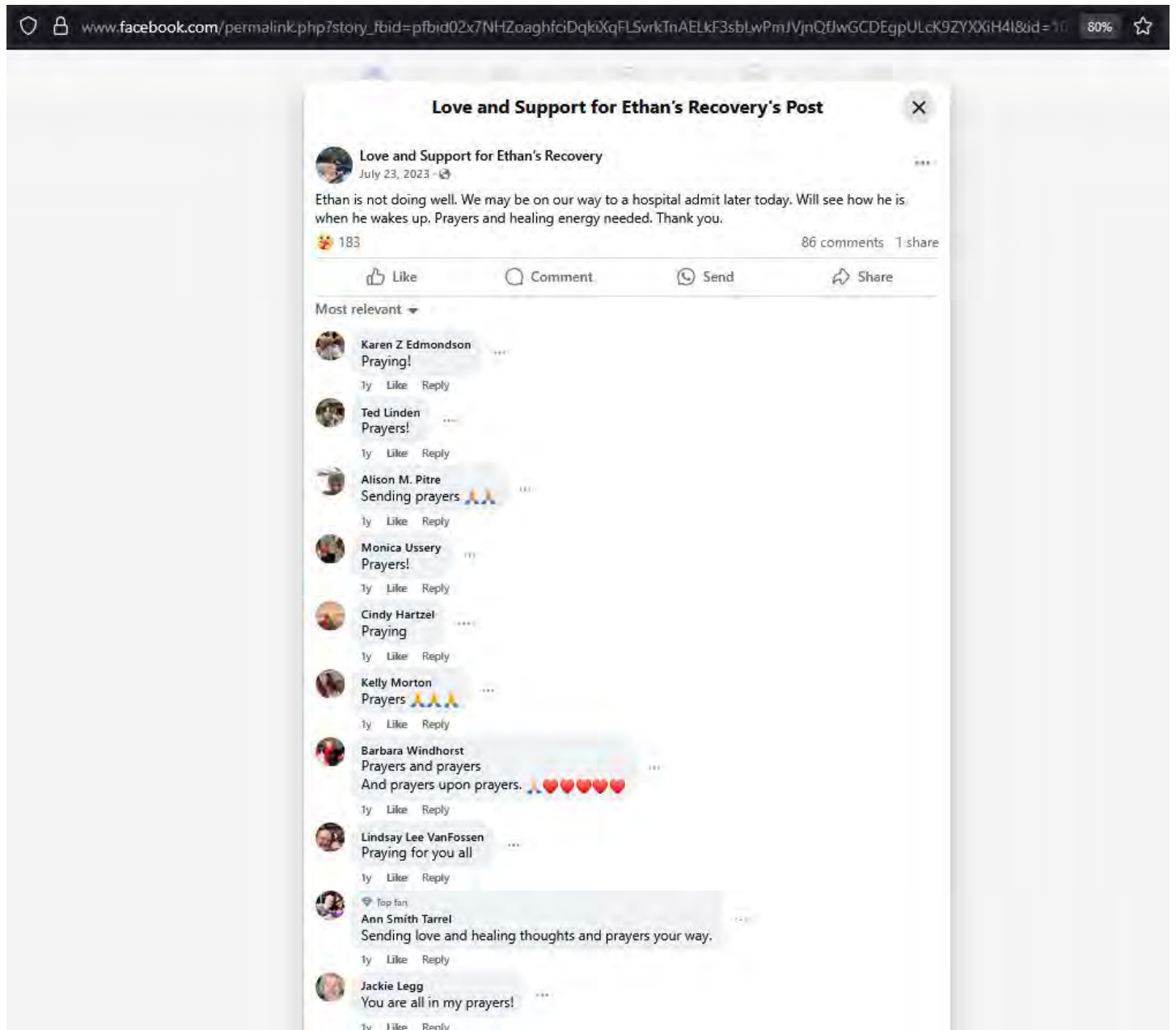
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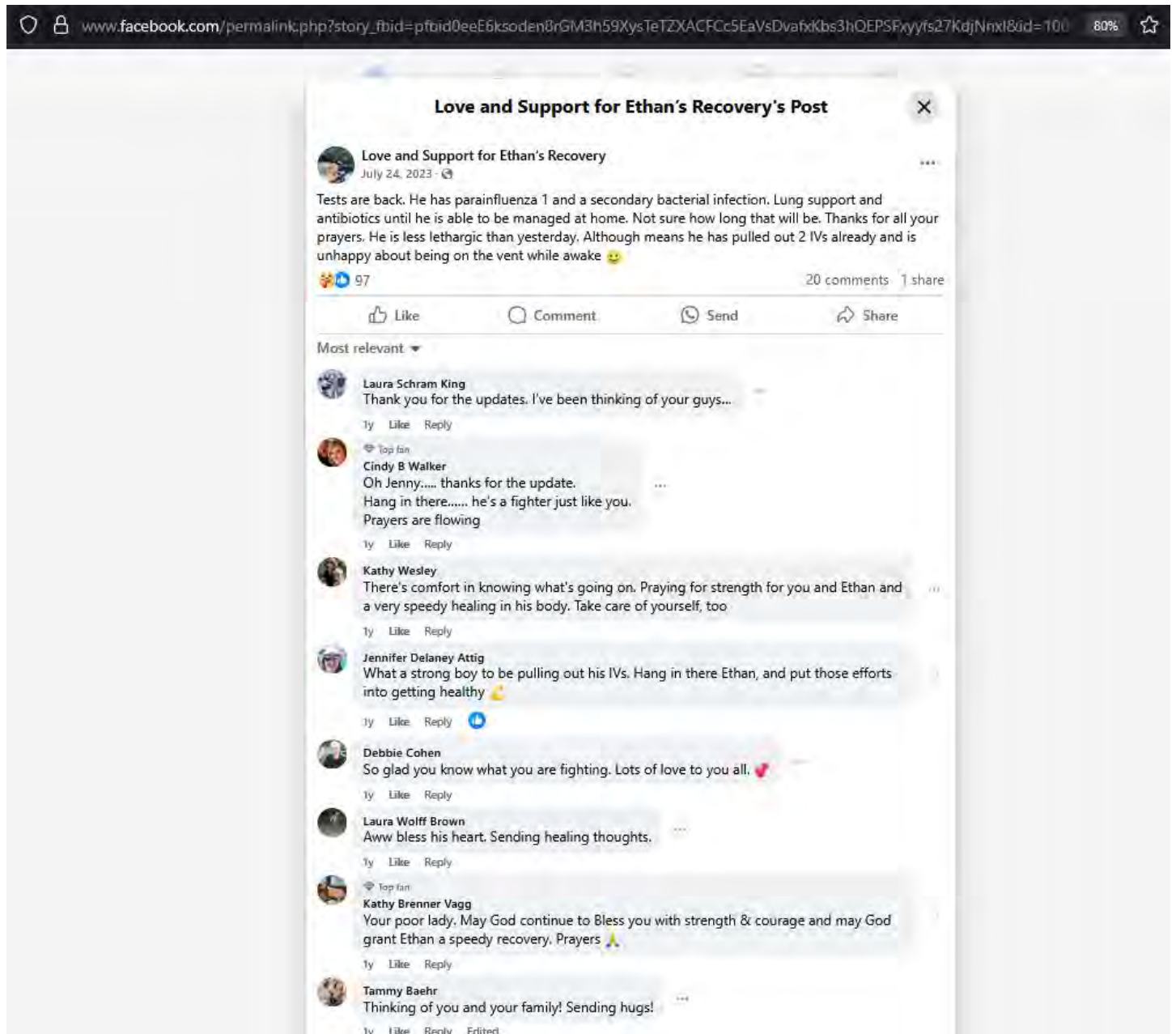
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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



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July 25, 2023 · 🌐

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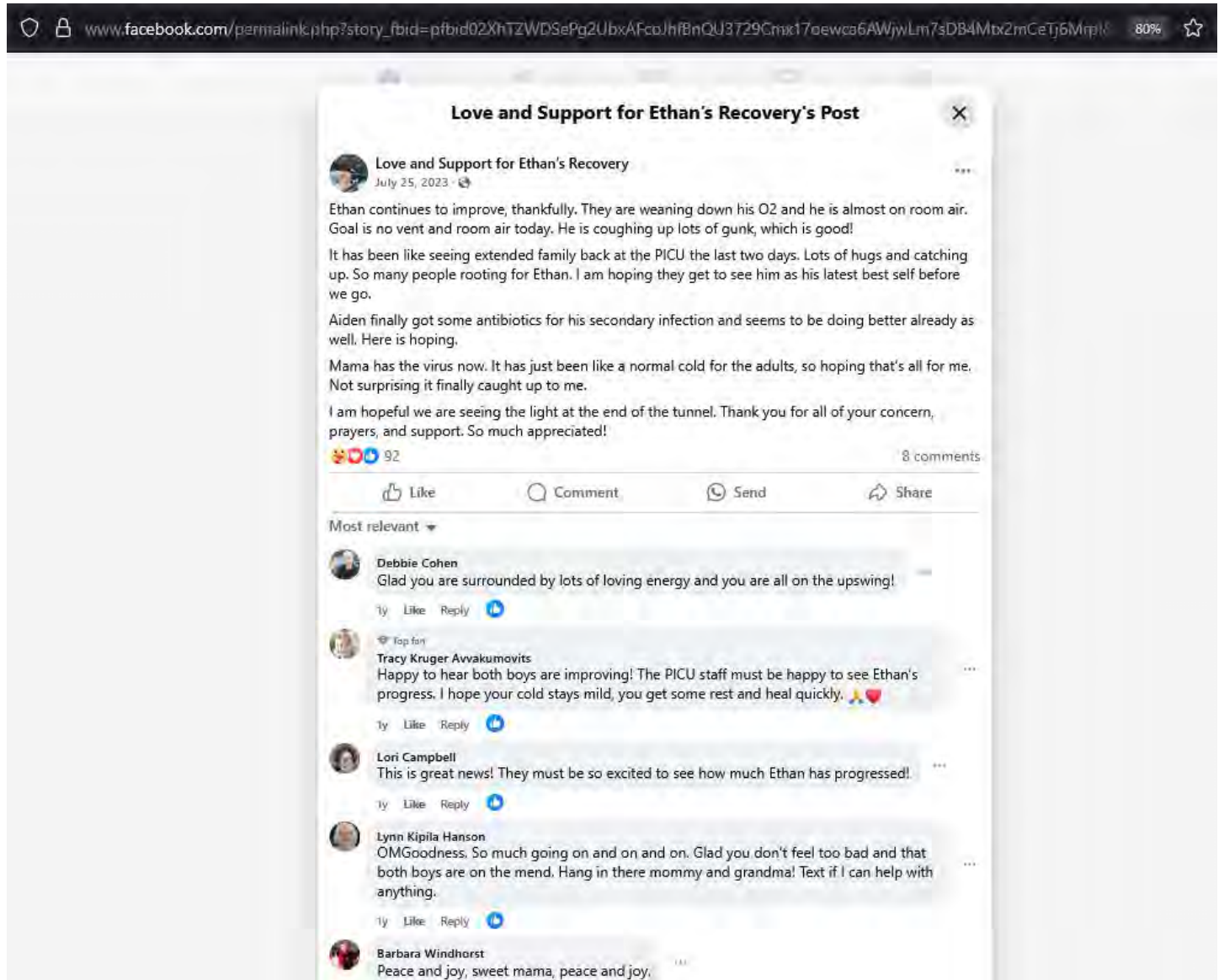
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Photo of Subject and Ethan in a vehicle Caption: Ethan is in the car and we are headed home. He is doing great!

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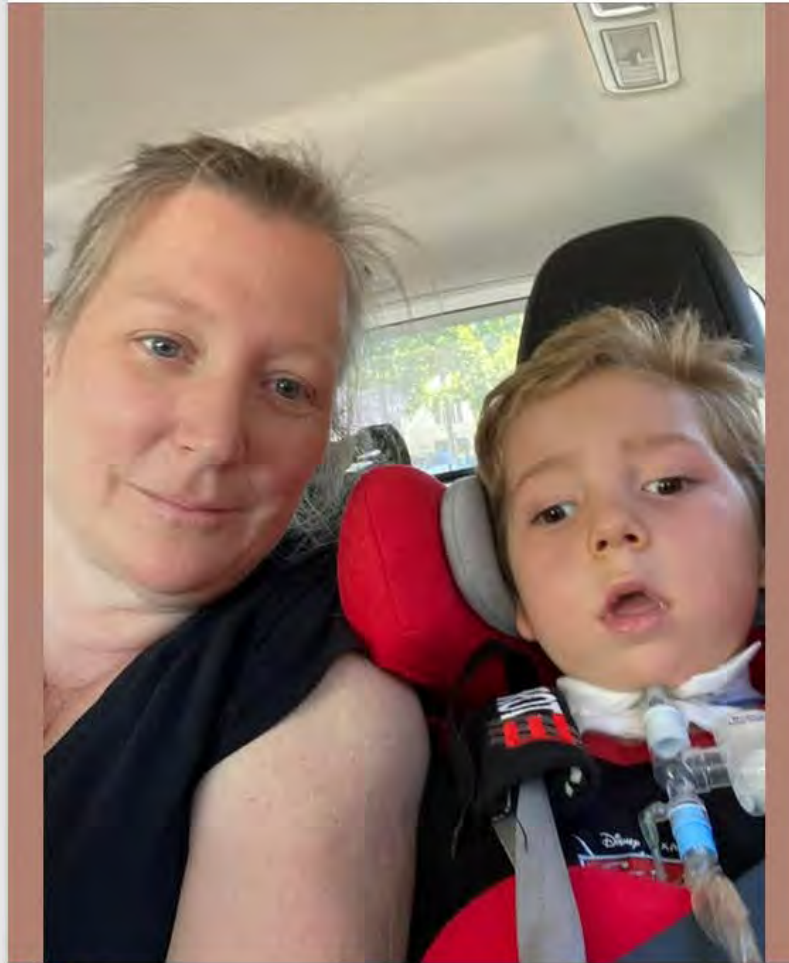


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Video of Subject and Ethan going down a slide indicating they were at a playground Caption: Everyone went to the playground this morning. Ethan and I did go down the slide together a couple of times - we needed to celebrate being home and being a kid. His first time down since his accident. Here is our little family having some fun on the slide. Thank you again to everyone for your support -prayers, healing energy, and food 🙏. We are forever grateful we still get to enjoy these moments.

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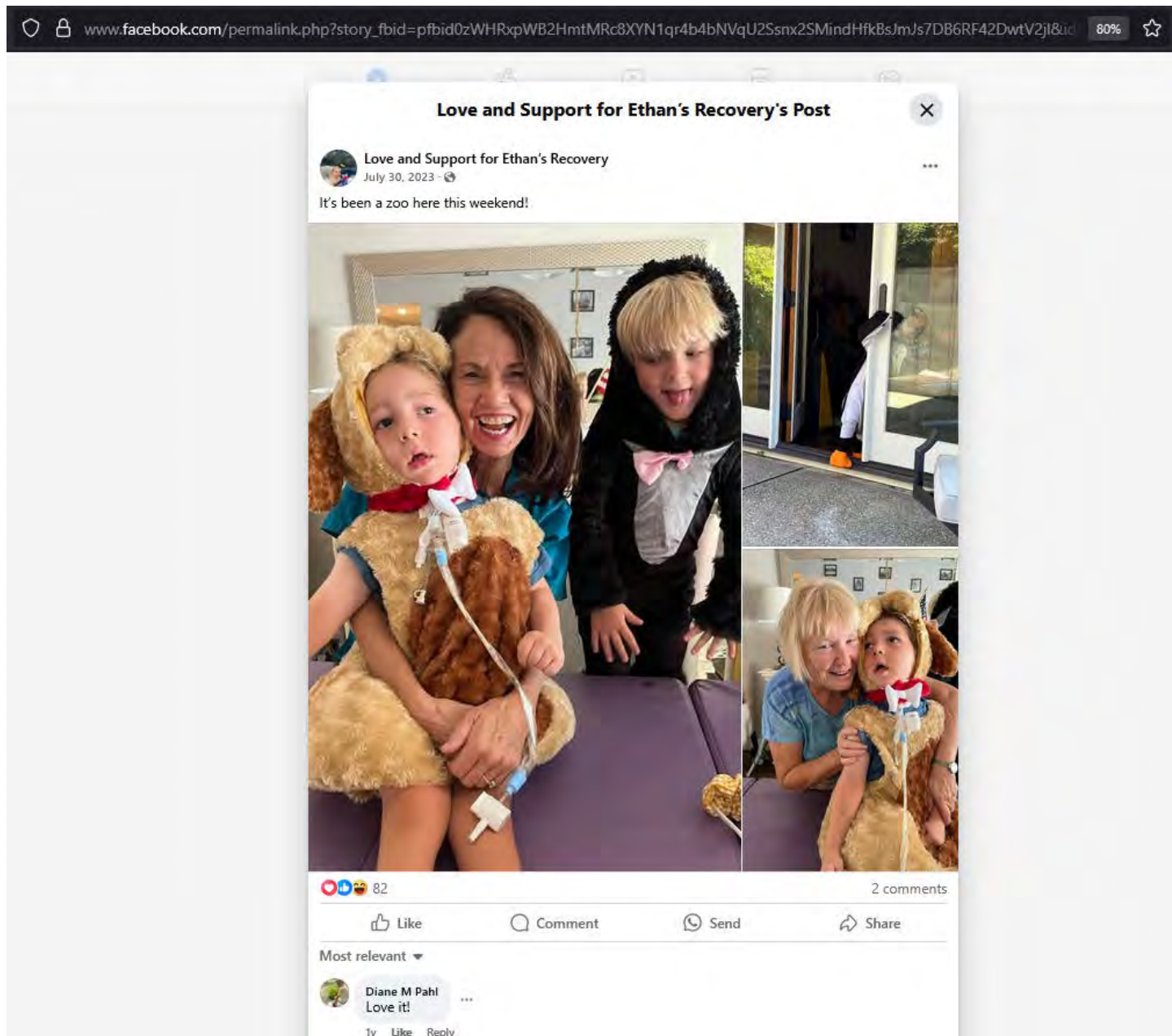
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Photo of Ethan and Aiden wearing costumes Caption: It's been a zoo here this weekend!












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Post from Subject about how she was feeling and how Ethan was doing


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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
August 1, 2023 · 🌐

Ethan is doing really well.

But I won't lie, somehow post PICU visit seems mentally harder for me. I am no longer able to carefully set aside how fragile he is, how medically complex, how at risk he is, with this PICU stay. It is scary.

We were commended by the staff for how long he has been able to stay away. And yet we were back. It had been long enough, I had fooled myself into believing he wasn't at the same risk for complications as other kiddos in his circumstance. Maybe not telling myself this directly, but certainly letting my mental guard down.

But it shook me to my core. The grief and fear sprang up in intensity, like before, I had thought I had made it through the return to the PICU mentally unscathed, but the days afterwards disproved that notion. I am getting there. I will adjust my sails and keep moving forward. But sometimes it would be nice not to have to tack into the wind.




He is doing really well.





He is doing really well today.

He is doing really well right now.


That is what I hang onto.

In fact, his purposeful movements hit an all time record high yesterday and today. His amazing PT was blown away and my mom and his nurse couldn't contain their excitement from his PT appointment. And I experienced so much of it at home with him yesterday. All good signs. A good day.







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Patty Vasiliades Smulski
One day at a time. 🙏🙏🙏

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Jackie Legg
I am hopeful that after these initial feelings of anxiety and fear, you can perhaps celebrate how quickly he recovered and continues to show new progress. So healthy that you can articulate your feelings. As always, holding you both in my heart.

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Barbara Windhorst
And you are doing really well. So, no matter what, you are doing really well. Hugs and prayers 🤗🙏

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Lynn Kipila Hanson
So hard, yet so wonderful to witness his progress each day. And, also, your strength and determine along this journey. You and your family are strongest in his life.

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post


Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
August 2, 2023 · 🌐


Wow, what a few hours makes in the life of updates!





First, Ethan saw his pulmonologist today and his lungs are clear! Yay. He was also diagnosed with two bacterial infections in his lungs, during a routine culture during his hospital stay; common for people with trachs. It is something to manage, and truth be told sent me for quite a spin. The bacteria are generally antibiotic resistant, but have decent outcomes holding at bay with a specific nebulized antibiotic, but it is hard to get insurance approval for it. We got it in less than a week! Ethan has an amazing insurance case manager, I am so thankful.

And, the highly sought after doctor in Phoenix (who gave Ethan his stem cell treatment) had a cancellation Monday afternoon and is able to see us to (1) also help with the bacteria in his lungs and (2) give Ethan shots in his left leg to help loosen it up. His tone is decreasing, but the structure seems to be caught in ligaments so he is not able to bend it much. This should help tremendously. He is ready to move and groove 🥳. It can take months to get into see him, and it all fell into place in hours.


Thank you prayer warriors, it definitely feels like we had some spiritual assistance over the last week or so.

And now to fly commercial with Ethan. . . . We are going to miss those private jets!! 🥲



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Tara Krol
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Cindy B Walker
Amen. 🙏🙏🙏

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Jennifer Delaney Attig
Wow what a turn around! It is great to hear that Ethan is ready to fly commercial. Hope the boys can handle riding with the regular folks 🥳

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Jennifer Delaney Attig Aiden is not going in this one, it is a quick overnight, But big news coming up very soon about another flight he will be on 🥳 and yes, commercial. . . .

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GoFundMe page created by Subject on 08/04/2023, within the page it indicates the donations are for treatments for Ethan in Mexico and a wheelchair-accessible van. The page appears to be active with the current donations total being \$19,291 as of 04/30/2025, and the last update from Subject shared on 03/05/2025.

Ethan's Recovery



 Jennifer Sproull is organizing this fundraiser.

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Ethan suffered a severe anoxic brain injury from a non-fatal drowning on September 7, 2022 when a pool gate lock failed. While I (his mom) started CPR almost immediately after he lost consciousness, he was without a heartbeat for 19 minutes. He is a miracle in that he came back to us. But he came back with severe challenges. He is no longer mobile, he cannot talk, he has a trach and a g-tube. But he is here. And he is fighting so hard. As long as he is fighting, we are going to fight too.

Ethan has made incredible strides since his injury. His body is strong and he shows new purposeful movements and cognitive understanding every day. But the chasm between his functioning before and now, and his ability to have a life where he can make choices, is huge. And this is where we need your help.

I am a solo parent of Ethan and his twin brother. I work hard, and I leverage every insurance and government program to help support the costs of his care. And I do everything mainstream medicine tells me will help him. But it is not enough. His own neurologist has said she has nothing in her toolkit to help him heal, she can only manage issues that might spring up with medication.


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I also work in healthcare. I read an interesting stat about a year ago . . . it used to take 72 years to double our knowledge in the field of medicine. Now we double it every 72 hours. There is no way that medical professionals can keep up with the latest at that pace. Nor can our oversight bodies. And so I look to families who have gone before us - what has worked, what hasn't? Where are there opportunities with low risk but that will accelerate his brain's healing? And we have found them. And you have helped us out in the past, because insurance does not yet recognize their benefit (hyperbaric oxygen treatment, stem cells, MNRI therapies, etc.).

And now I am asking for your help again. Both for a new treatment that could significantly help Ethan as well as for the most traditional of things - a wheelchair-accessible van.

First - the new treatment. It is called NeuroCytonix and it is based in Monterrey, Mexico. It uses targeted magnetic and RF waves to grow new neural pathways in the brain that leads to improved function in children with brain injuries - many with anoxic brain injuries like Ethan. They take an MRI and EEG on Day 0 and again on Day 29, not only to focus the treatments but also to measure impact. Ethan will receive 1 hour of treatment for the 28 days in-between. This could be life-altering. We are scheduled to be there this fall. But it is expensive. The first treatment costs \$55k and is all out-of-pocket (plus travel expenses). I cannot be away from his twin brother for that length of time, so the whole family is relocating to Monterrey for the month.

Secondly - a wheelchair-accessible van. We need one. He is heavy and my parents can't put him in and out of his car seat. My mom is his primary caregiver (with his nurse) during the day and takes him to his appointments so I can work. For his and the adults' safety, we need a van. I already have it picked out and have funding to support 50% of the cost through various government programs and grants. But I still need to raise at least another \$45k to fund the van.

For those of you doing the math, that is \$100k in the next few months. That doesn't cover other out-of-pocket medical costs and ongoing therapies. I work hard, but I don't have the ability to take this on by myself. You all have been so generous with your time, prayers, healing energy and financial contributions. If you can find any way to help Ethan through your financial support, I so appreciate it. It takes a village and this village is saving my son.

And if you found this post through GFM and want to follow his progress, please check out his Facebook page at "Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery".

Thank you



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Updates (4)

March 5th, 2025 by Jennifer Sproull, Organizer

Ethan update!

He is doing great, so much better after the antibiotic (he was hospitalized for a respiratory infection last week). Now that he is feeling better, he is wowing us with his hard work again. I will post a couple videos of him rolling (fast) and working on crawling - he made his farthest distance yet!

It was so interesting, during his hospitalization last week, he had one of his intensivists from his original stay post accident. He commented that Ethan has already far surpassed his original prognosis. I will take that as a testament to Ethan's hard work, while in my mind I was thinking - you've barely seen what this kid can do - he is one of the most persistent, stubborn, and loving kids I have ever met. My job as his mom is to keep giving him what he needs to stay engaged and heal to whatever extent he can.

As for me, I feel like I am almost recovered from last week. It is amazing how even a brief hospital stay can throw life, sleep, and work so out of whack. And my mom is 'out' rightfully so recovering from her hip surgery last week. It has been an adjustment. We miss her, but are hanging in there with the help of his amazing nursing team and the boys' incredible au pair.

And Ethan has a lot on his plate over the next few months! He will have an ABM intensive in a couple of weeks, a trachea procedure to try to fix the partial collapse, another round of stem cells, SPML surgery out of town to help his legs and feet (with repeated casting visits), MNRI therapy, and his ongoing PT, OT, and speech therapies. That all gets us to July 4th. It's a busy first half of the year!

He is a trooper and I am so thankful. He continues to work so hard, so I am determined to give him every opportunity for healing and independence that I can. And make sure he has a lot of fun and loving along the way. Thank you for your continued ongoing love and support. It is so appreciated and so vital to his recovery journey.



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December 1st, 2024 by Jennifer Sproull, Organizer

Hello! Sorry for the delay in updating here. I am much better at updating on Ethan's Facebook pack (Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery) :)

I want to thank everyone here again for their generosity and support. We can't do it without you.

Ethan continues to fight. Since the last update, he has been back to Mexico to help develop new neural pathways, had stem cells, an Enbrel treatment (stops the ongoing inflammation in the brain from anoxic brain injury), has had MNRI, ABM therapies, ongoing OT, PT, and Speech/Feeding therapies, and just finished his first therapy intensive at the NAPA Center in Los Angeles - where he rocked it! We are seeing so many changes from just those 3 weeks. We can't wait to go back!

Just today he pulled himself a few inches with his arm (start of an army crawl) and has been rolling further over - nearly to his stomach on his own. He continues to impress us with his understanding and attempts to move or do what we ask. He is definitely cognitively following and working so hard to make it happen.

He loves wearing his PMV and vocalizing more and more. He is the most vocal when company (and particularly kids) are around! He is a social bug.

He swallowed food during the NAPA intensive. A slow process, but his swallow is getting stronger. And one of the best for me - his smile is getting a little bit wider. Oh how I miss that smile and giggle. I pray and hope for it back full force one day soon.

All of these treatments are out of pocket (at this point, even my insurance benefit for traditional PT and OT is used up for the year). Your generosity is what allows us to continue to invest so heavily in his recovery. He is fighting so hard. How can we not?

Thank you so much for your continued love and support. We literally can't do it without you. And please know that we are also so thankful and appreciative for all of the prayers and healing energy send our way - it makes such a difference.

Ethan is a miracle. And he is doing it - he is coming back to us one little tortoise step at a time. Thank you so much for being part of his journey.



July 28th, 2024 by Jennifer Sproull, Organizer

it has been a whirlwind since being back - returning to work, summer camps, and Ethan's weekly therapies (or most of them, as some are on summer break).

Thank you to everyone who helped us get to Mexico. Wow, are we seeing changes in Ethan! This kid is vocalizing up a storm (no words yet, but getting very demanding in tone), he wants to stand at every opportunity (his feet positioning won't let him, but we work with them to get him up as much as possible), he is visually processing at least some things (confirmed by the tech doing his final visual test w/ EEG leads), one eye used to list to the side frequently - I barely (almost never) see it do so now, and he is definitely making more purposeful movements! Just today he: put his 'hi' hand up every time he heard Harry Styles sing 'Watermelon Sugar High' (he recognizes the word), vocalized (sounded like yelling) when he heard me come into the house after being out for a bit (given he stopped when I came to him, I think it is a safe assumption he was yelling for me), on command - repeatedly put his finger in a shark toy and touched individual teeth (it closes gently on your hand after a random number of teeth pushes), flipped pages in a book, shifted his body weight endlessly in order to get to a standing position while I was holding him, and works to clap his hands when asked (he brings his right hand up and

then puts it down on his left hand, usually fisted). Huge!! That is all in just the last few hours.

These are enormous steps, and I celebrate each one as if he just won an Olympic medal. (BTW, Aiden is LOVING the Olympics - it is so fun to watch him cheer on our athletes!) But I would be disingenuous if I didn't share the continued grief and worry over Ethan. I was particularly struggling with this the first couple of weeks in Mexico (although it never goes away). Feeling maybe defeated - knowing we wouldn't get a big giant miracle from the treatment (although every gain I chalk up to small miracles).

We are almost 2 years post-accident, and it is perhaps that looming anniversary date that weighs so heavily lately. I never thought we would be here 2 years out. And here we are. With gains and hope and improvement. But zero independence and minimal communication. I have talked about feeling guided on this journey before, and I felt it again when these thoughts were heaviest. Our second week in Mexico, I walked out of Ethan's treatment bay to run to the restroom (my mom stayed to watch him with a clinic nurse). There, in the lobby, waiting for her daughter's turn in our bay, was a mom with a bio-engineering manufacturing background; who is pretty much not on FB (which is where I get info on new treatments from parents around the world). And this mom has used her knowledge to dig up a couple of treatment options not on my radar. As usual in the pediatric anoxic brain injury community, these treatments would be off-label and are usually only real-world tested (no good double-blind studies). One may be available now, one has just been developed and is in adult clinical trials in Canada. Ethan may be an adult by the time that one is released even for an off-label compassionate use case - but how encouraging to hear medicine is making breakthroughs regarding actually healing the brain!! And, I don't know yet if the first treatment I mentioned is even a possibility. This mom works with the same doctor Ethan sees, and I am scheduled to talk with him in a few weeks. I need to know much more to weigh risk vs reward, even if it is feasible.

I have shared this stat before - one I read a few years ago (I am in the healthcare field) - that it used to take ~ 75 years to double our knowledge of medicine; now it takes 75 hours. No discipline, physician, or governing body can keep up with that pace of change. And that is why I consider it a small miracle that I ran into this mom on that day. There is no other way I would have learned about these possible future treatments. Again, maybe there is something there, maybe there isn't. But it gives me hope that we are continuing to progress our understanding of the brain and there are real possibilities for healing out there.

In the meantime, my little tortoise has made a definite leap forward. The chasm to some sort of independence has become just a little less wide. Thank you all for your love and support on this long journey. It is so appreciated.

• **June 9th, 2024** by Jennifer Sproull, Organizer

Thank you so much for your generous support. They mean so much to me, to us. Life has been so busy - a couple quick updates! We have the mobility van and it is a huge help! We also go back to Mexico for a second round of treatment at NeuroCytonix for 5 weeks this summer. We saw significant foundational gains last time we were there and hope a second time will help create more neural connections that will help him regain additional function over the next six months or so. I don't take the decision lightly to go back to Mexico, it is hard on the whole family, uses a significant portion of Ethan's recovery funds, and adds an element of risk being away from his home care team. But, based on what we saw the first time, I believe the potential rewards outweigh the risks, enough at least to try a second time.

In the meantime, Ethan has had multiple MNRI and ABM home intensives, a second round of stem cells, lots of traditional PT, OT, and Speech therapies (and is off to the NAPA rehabilitation center in LA for a 3-week intensive later this year). He has also had two visits with the Mind-Eye Insititute (and sports some cool looking Harry Potter glasses a couple of times a day now, to help light up parts of his brain). His team of therapists and medical professionals are all seeing positive improvements in Ethan. The chasm is still immense, to get from where he is today to any sort of independence. But he keeps working so hard, and everyone comments on his clear intent to move and communicate as he wants to, so we will give him everything we have to help him get as far as he can. We all dream the dream of him walking and talking again. He is on the long road, and we move one millimeter at a time. But we move forward.

Thank you for your love and support of Ethan. You help keep us going - both with resources to support him as well as knowing you are there and care enough to help out as you can. That you too have hope for Ethan. You provide the tail winds we need to continue forward on this journey, thank you.

Organizer



Jennifer Sproull

Organizer

Roseville, CA

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Erica Mosca

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Happy Birthday Jennifer. Hope this is made possible for Ethan!

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Posted: Aug 04, 2023
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Video of Subject going down a slide with Ethan Caption: BIG NEWS!! Ethan (and the rest of us) are going to Mexico for a month this fall to pursue a potentially groundbreaking treatment for him! There is a new treatment called NeuroCytonix in Monterrey that uses targeted magnetic and RF waves to grow new neural tracts in the brain. They do an MRI on Day 0 and another on Day 29 (1-hour treatments every day in-between) and can see the progress. These new pathways are like those in an infant and require all of the amazing PT, OT, and speech support he receives to tell those pathways what to do. And we will hit these even harder for the first couple of months we get back. But first – he needs to grow them! For those of you who follow Light for Levi and Lainey, Levi is finishing his second treatment now. And he started saying words this time around!! I have so much hope for Ethan. But even if it doesn't produce what my heart most wants for him, I will know that we left nothing on the table (there is no risk to the treatment itself). Here is the catch – it is \$55k out of pocket (plus travel expenses). Yikes! You are Ethan's Angels and you have helped him (and us) in so many ways already. I am asking for your help again to save my son. If there is any amount you can help donate to cover these costs, I so appreciate it. Ethan is coming back to us slowly, but it is so slow. He wants it so badly, his therapists can see it, we can see it. Let's give him that healing boost and help his brain actually regrow in those damaged areas! I started a new GFM page to focus on fundraising for Mexico. The fundraising goal is even more audacious, because he also needs a wheelchair accessible van. He is getting too big to lift into his car seat, making it dangerous for him and the adults trying to do so (my parents can no longer do it). I am able to secure about half of the funding through government agencies and non-profits, but I still need to come up with another \$45,000. For those of you good at math, you got it, that is \$100k in the next few months. I work hard, but that is not something I can do myself. Everything you donate goes to Ethan. The Go Fund me site is below. It does take a small fee for every donation. My Venmo account is included as well (no fee). Thank you so much! And please share with any friends or family who may be willing to help Ethan. Let's get his story out there. There are so many good people, I have hope for what we can continue to do together. And as always, please continue to send your love, prayers, and healing energy. We saw a greater hand at play this past week in helping Ethan. I am convinced the prayers are working. <https://gofund.me/74d01583> <https://venmo.com/jenny-sproull>



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Ethan (and the rest of us) are going to Mexico for a month this fall to pursue a potentially groundbreaking treatment for him! There is a new treatment called NeuroCytoxin in Monterrey that uses targeted magnetic and RF waves to grow new neural tracts in the brain. They do an MRI on Day 0 and another on Day 29 (1-hour treatments every day in-between) and can see the progress. These new pathways are like those in an infant and require all of the amazing PT, OT, and speech support he receives to tell those pathways what to do. And we will hit these even harder for the first couple of months we get back. But first – he needs to grow them!

For those of you who follow Light for Levi and Lainey, Levi is finishing his second treatment now. And he started saying words this time around!! I have so much hope for Ethan. But even if it doesn't produce what my heart most wants for him I will know that we left See less

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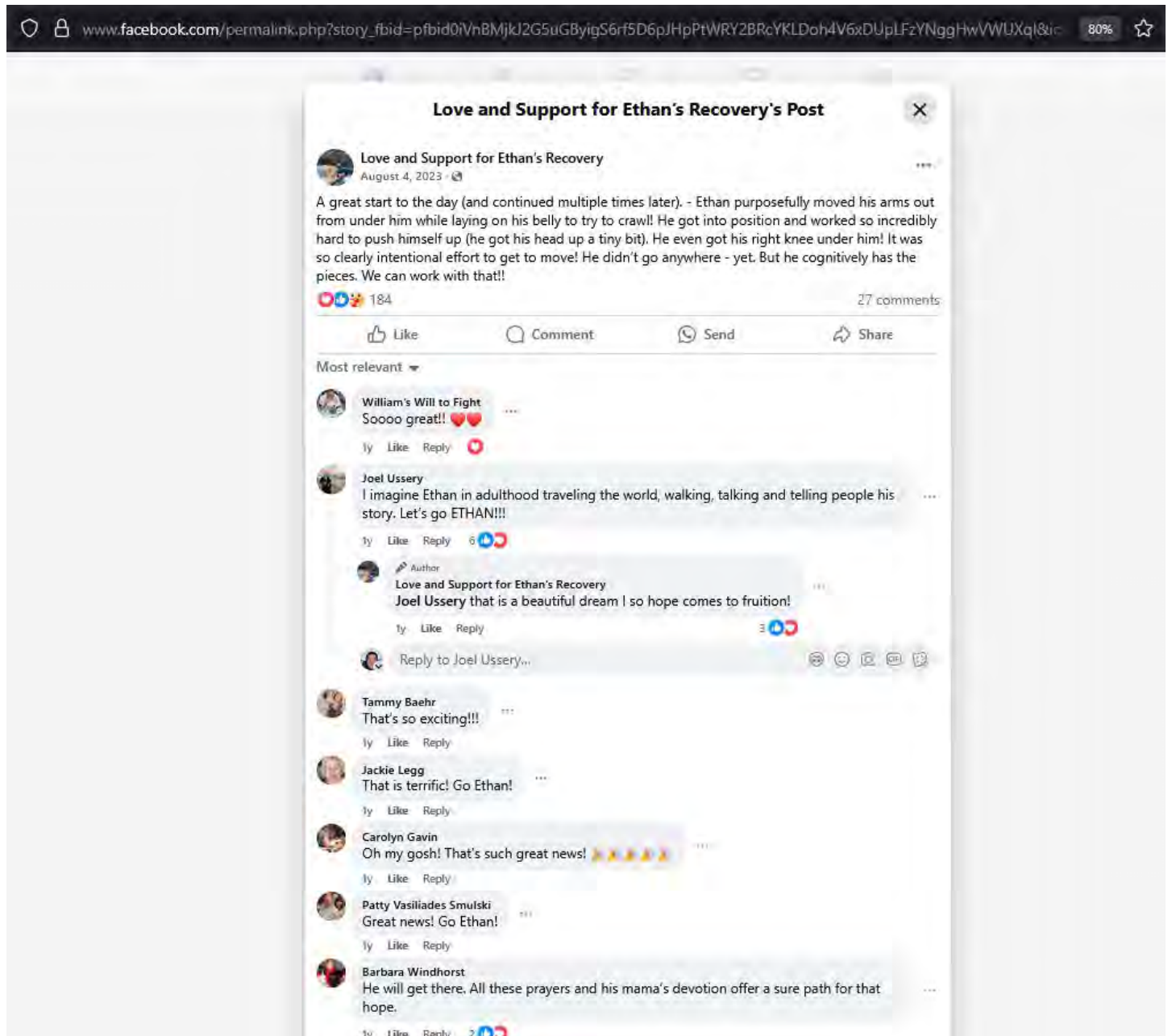
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Post about Ethan purposefully moving his arms



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Captured: Apr 29, 2025

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Photos of Ethan and Subject's mother at the airport Caption: Our trip to Phoenix earlier this week. The one on the right is landing in sacramento after a long day - Ethan was ticketed out (as we all were)!

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

August 10, 2023 · 🌐

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Yolanda Audelo Gonzales
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Captured: Apr 29, 2025

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Video of Ethan at physical therapy Caption: Ethan is playing the piano! Here he is with his most amazing PT, Amy. We love her! He had a big start to the week. My mom, Ethan, and I flew on southwest down to Phoenix to see the amazing Dr. P! He gave Ethan some shots in his left leg to help it start to bend. It was a quick trip, flying down Sunday and back on Monday. Ethan rocked it like a champ! And good to know he can fly commercial now. He did fine and we now know how to get the help we need through the airports and security. Mama was a wiped out wreck by the time we landed. We don't travel light with all of his medical equipment. His left leg has already started to bend with some help, and I saw him make some tiny movements with his knee all on his own last night. Good job Ethan! Thank you to all those who have donated directly or through his Go Fund Me account. It is so appreciated. And please keep the prayers and healing energy coming. It is helping!

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Posted: Aug 12, 2023



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Photo of subject and Ethan sitting on a slide in a park Caption: More play time at the park today. Look at that head and trunk control sitting with me at the bottom of the slide! He managed it for a couple of minutes a couple of times. Go Ethan!

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



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Posted: Aug 15, 2023



Captured: Apr 29, 2025

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Video of Ethan Caption: Commuted to SF today (still commuting - had train delays so going to be a long evening). In the meantime, catching up with my boys both on the phone and with pix and videos from Ethan's official videographer Rosie ☐. This is a cute one. He had a great day. We made it through one more klonopin wean (4 more weans to go) and he is finally doing better from this round. As his leg loosens up, he is also getting cramping. Not helped by the wean. He has been ok, but had a few rough moments the last several days. Sounds and looks like today was a good day! He loves playing with the cups on his hands. Not shown here, but a favorite game is to throw one on the ground and make Rosie pick it up! ☐

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Subject shared her hopes for future treatments and thanking associates for their support.


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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
August 17, 2023

I can't believe we are less than a month away from leaving for Ethan's Mexico treatment with NeuroCytonics (creating new neural pathways in the brain)! Yikes!!

Thank you so much for all of you who have contributed to help support Ethan's treatment. It means so much and is so helpful. This is a giant investment in money and time. It is with no expectation that I ask for your help, you have all been generous beyond words. I thank each of you who are able to continue to help us. I wish I could reach out individually to share how much your support means, to hear about the latest in your lives, to connect beyond a FB page. I so wish I could, that I even had a moment to be able to do so. Please know how much I appreciate your continued help. It is hard to stay engaged on a road as long as this one, and I do not take for granted all of you who continue to show up for us in so many different ways. It would be too much without the shared lift you all provide. I feel your hands on my back, holding me up. Thank you.

I am excited about the possibilities of what this treatment could do for Ethan (two kiddos with non-fatal drowning brain injuries undergoing treatment have now said 'mama' for the first time since their accidents). But, I am also trying to keep my expectations in check. Most kiddos do not say 'mama' after treatments. Each child's brain injury is wholly unique. Each responds differently. Ethan is making progress. I said in my last post that it was slow. Well, I guess for me it is slow. For his team of therapists, he is moving at lightning speed week-to-week, and they continue to be so excited for the potential of where he can go. I will take it! But I want my baby's smile back, his giggle. I miss it so much. It is like a piece of my soul is gone. Ethan leaned in and gave me his version of a hug when I was holding him on my lap the other day. I didn't want to let go (and I didn't for a while). Ethan has always been the best hugger. It was something. It was everything.

It has almost been a year. We will deal with that nugget later. Knowing we have Mexico, and hope from his team of therapists and specialists, I will get through it. It helps. I read a stat just before Ethan's accident that said it used to take 72 years to double our collective knowledge of medicine. Now it takes 72 hours. That is amazing and crazy. No practitioner, much less field of medicine or governing body, can keep up with that pace.

I have talked about sometimes feeling like there is a Hand that is guiding our journey. I felt it again on Tuesday. My train delay coming home from San Francisco for work meant I ended up sharing an Uber from a nearby train station back to where my car was parked (new train wasn't going all the way to my destination). The man I shared the car with has two daughters. His younger one has a terminal genetic condition. She is non-verbal, non-mobile, has a g-tube, lung support, medications and therapies. She is 10-years-old now; doctors didn't expect her to live past 2.

We bonded during the ride in the shared journey of being medical parents, the daily treatments, the exhaustion, the hope, and the fears. He shared that 5-years after his daughter was born, a gene therapy was developed and kids with her condition can now walk and talk and eat. They still have medical issues, but they have such a different quality of life. However, it can only be done within the first year of life. It wasn't an option for her. He was matter of fact. This is something he has come to terms with. I started to cry on his behalf. To be so close and yet so far.

I was also beyond exhausted. Even more-so the next day as I was up much of that night with Ethan, after my 14-hour work day on Tuesday. I had hit a wall. But this conversation was a touchpoint I kept going back to. It felt like a message: Keep going. Keep pushing the envelope. Make sure it is safe, but never stop. Breakthroughs are out there. Don't wait for them to find you.

I don't know what medical breakthroughs will be had in Ethan's lifetime. I can only hope that this treatment in Mexico is one of them. And I am beyond thankful I can find a way to privately access it while our governing bodies and insurance companies sort through the data from the clinical trials and determine appropriate use cases, etc. etc. In the meantime, your financial and spiritual support are making it happen for Ethan. I am forever grateful.

Prayers and healing energy are always needed and welcomed. If you are able to donate (anything helps), here are the links to my Venmo and Ethan's Go Fund Me page. Thank you so much.

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

So, so very hard for you to keep going and keep optimistic at times. You are doing an amazing job and I admire you and your "crew!" I'll check with you about a dinner again and anything else we can help with. Hugs to you all.

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Deborah Lewis Koshansky

Jenny, Your ability to take sustenance and encouragement from even the most challenging times is an inspiration! I fully believe that Ethan has your will and drive and will take the most from every opportunity he receives. ❤️

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Captured: Apr 29, 2025

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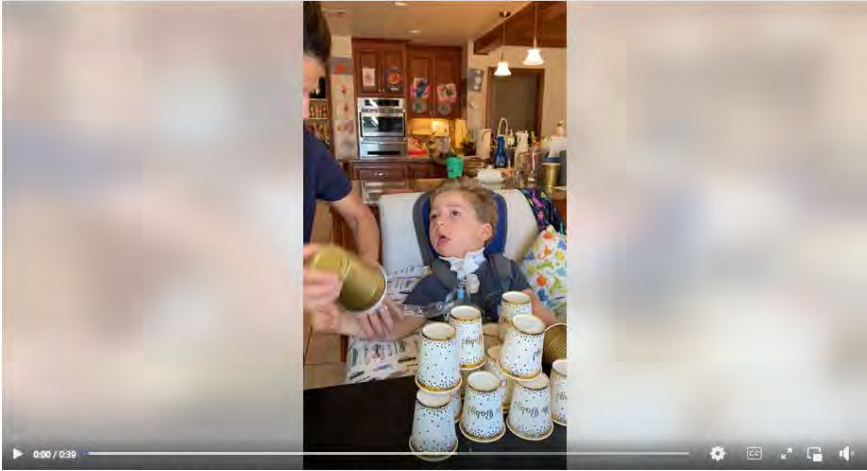
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August 29, 2023

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Posted: Sep 05, 2023



Captured: Apr 28, 2025

After DOI

Post from Subject with the photos of Subject, Ethan, and Aiden. Caption: Thursday is the day. One year. Inconceivable. More to come later. In the meantime, Ethan is down to 12% of his original klonopin dose. Just two more weans to get through. Hopefully by the end of the month. Birthday present to me ☐. Then just one big drug to go. Mexico was postponed due to some issues on the clinic's end. We were supposed to go Monday. We are targeting mid-November now. Just waiting for final dates. It ends up working better for all of us all around. For now, I hold on to the little moments of joy. I don't know how this week, and particularly Thursday, will go. I am so thankful he is here and the progress he has made. But my grief for all that he has lost, we have lost, is immense.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

September 5, 2023 · 🌐

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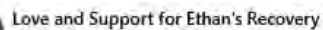
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Subject indicated that Ethan was back in the PICU for a virus in his lungs. Within the caption Subject wrote about how the family was coping a year after the incident.

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One year ago,

That helps so immensely is Ethan's community, our community. Virtual and global that it is. He has touched so many lives. I am so thankful. In the past year, monks in India have chanted prayers specifically for him, prayers have been sent from 5 continents (that I know of), church services dedicated to Ethan's recovery, and a group of healers and prayer warriors have come together every single night at 5pm to focus their intentions to Ethan. I get the texts every day when they are about to start. Multiple texts because the interest to join and support his healing is so much that the first text stream hit its member limit! And they have done this every single day. Since his accident. And they show no signs of stopping. They are incredible. I try to join with Ethan as much as I can. But even when I can't, in that moment, I do not feel alone. I do not feel forgotten as time marches on. I feel their hands on my back and their embrace on Ethan. It is healing. It is hope. It is light.

Ethan is coming back to us. To those in the medical community, he is moving fast. To me, his healing is excruciatingly slow. I miss his laugh and his smile and the gleam in his eyes as he pushed yet another boundary. I am counting on that personality trait to help his healing. I got a glimpse of it Monday, when I helped him stand up. His feet are very much out of alignment and not in a position to bear weight. I helped hold him up, and he loved it! He made it known in his way that he wanted to keep doing it. Over and over and over again! It felt so Ethan. He is getting special orthotics for his feet next week that will help him stand using a stander. We are very excited to help him get to this next physical experience.

There is so much more to write, to think about. But I am exhausted. However, I cannot end without thanking my mom, the most amazing woman I have ever met. I would not have made it through this past year without her. I would not have made it through today without her. You are my rock, you are Aiden's rock, and you are Ethan's rock. You are the cornerstone of our family. I am forever thankful. She is resolute in her vision of Ethan's recovery, for which I am so thankful. Because when I am too scared to contemplate a hopeful future, she convinces me it is possible, to not run away from the light of what can be, what she insists will be. I hang on and I push further for him.

And thank you all for your generosity of spirit and support. If there is ever a symbol of hope for the future, it is in planning the next treatments and milestones. On that note, we have our revised Mexico dates finalized - a treatment that grows new neural tracts in damaged parts of the brain. We are going. But it is extremely expensive and all out of pocket. If you would consider donating to support this treatment on the one year anniversary of his accident - and joining me in daring to hope - I would be forever grateful.

The links to his GFM page and my Venmo account are below. And, as always, your prayers and healing energy are so so requested and welcomed. Thank you.

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 **Debbie Florek Muller**
Thank you so very much for the update, even though I know you are beyond exhausted. Lots of love and healing light being sent your way. HUGS! ...


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 **Gigi Taylor Schweikert**
How about your strength? I'm tearing up just writing this, but you are a role model for all of us. Your perseverance, your determination, your getting up and going when I know you don't feel like it. You are strong and resilient. Your children are lucky to have you as their mother. 🙏🙏 ...


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 **Anne Shoemaker**
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 **Heidi Sproull**
Love this picture **Jennifer Sproull**. I see him in there. ...

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 **Author**
Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
Heidi Sproull and thank you for sharing. I so appreciate you getting the word out about Ethan! ...

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 **Victoria Cottee**
Sending so much love to you all. Your continued strength is such an inspiration. You are an amazing woman and mother x ...

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 **Lynn Kipila Hanson**
I'm so sorry to hear you are back at the NICU. Hang in there Ethan and mommy and gma! And, yes, thank you gma for being the person who holds this all together! Hugs to all ...

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Post about Ethan having strep throat and a bacteria in his lungs

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

September 8, 2023 · 🌐


Thank you all for your support and concern about Ethan. It turns out he has strep throat, and the joys of a trach, it acts as a super highway to the lungs. He had a great night and now that they know which antibiotics to give (also confirmed not a virus), we are hoping he is coming home this afternoon.

Other good news, the bacteria that had colonized his lungs (found out when he was admitted last month) is now not showing up on any cultures. Yay yay yay! They can be antibiotic resistant, so that is a positive sign. We will keep treatments going to make sure it is eradicated to the best of our ability. But for now, we will take it.

I had my dark moments yesterday evening, watching the clock roll around to 7:13pm. But Aiden's joy at decorating the backyard early for Halloween (his favorite holiday) at that time helped beat them back. I continue forward. I can do no less for these boys, they are my heart.

Thank you again for your love and prayers. They get me through.

And the pix is of Ethan sitting up this morning playing his favorite piano in the hospital room!



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Patty Power
Much love for this strong brave family 🙏🙏🙏

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Patty Power I am sorry I missed you today, but sounds like Ethan loved his time with you and his chair!

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Barbara Windhorst
I can only imagine how exhausted you must be. You and the boys are always in my prayers. ❤️🙏

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Debbie Florek Muller
Good Job, Momma! We can only go forward, and you have an ARMY of people, from all over the world to help you all fight. Sending gentle hugs to all of you! 🤗

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Amy Wolf
Blessings!

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Lynn Kipila Hanson
You are so strong and such an inspiration. Love your family.....

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we love you right back!

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Top fan

Kathy Brenner Vagg

God always has a helping hand or a way to show you love & support, hence decorating with Aiden.

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



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September 9, 2023 · 🌐

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Video of Ethan at physical therapy Caption: Oh my gosh - he is high 5ing at PT today!! Go Ethan (and Amy, one of his amazing PTs!)

Facebook video player interface showing a video titled "Oh my gosh - he is high 5ing at PT today!! Go Ethan (and Amy, one of his amazing PTs!)" by "Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery". The video shows a person in a hospital bed being high-fived by a healthcare professional. The video is 0:02 / 0:21 long. The page includes navigation tabs (Home, Live, Reels, Shows, Explore, Saved Videos, Following) and a search bar. The video has 168 likes, 32 comments, and 1.1K views.

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Post about Ethan being on "dive number 60..." in their, "at home mild hyperbaric chamber..." Caption:
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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



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September 15, 2023 · 🌐

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Kera Stebbins
Good job! ❤️

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Jackie Legg
As always, I am amazed and humbled by your tenacity and resilience as you navigate the highs and lows of this journey. So many encouraging signs that your treatment plan is working. Thanks, as always, for the update!

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Karen Kraus
WIN! WIN! WIN!!! 🏆 for all the big and small victories!

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🏆 Top fan
Kathy Brenner Vagg
Praying for Ethan & family

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Cindy B Walker
This treatment is God Sent.
I can't wait to get ours
We have had so many bumps in the road that has kept us from going back to get it, but I'm hoping we can go soon ... [See more](#)

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Tammy Baehr
One dive at a time!! ❤️

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Becky Bowman
I just read more about hyperbaric chambers and I wonder if you also benefit from doing a deep dive. So excited that Ethan is responding. I imagine it feels like a cocoon and every time you emerge Ethan is a little bit more whole.

1y Like Reply



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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
Becky Bowman thanks! If we had been able to deep dive within hours of his injury, it might have averted most of the brain damage. So much comes from later inflammation. At this point, a deep dive with him has risks that are mitigated with shallower and more frequent dives. Here is hoping!

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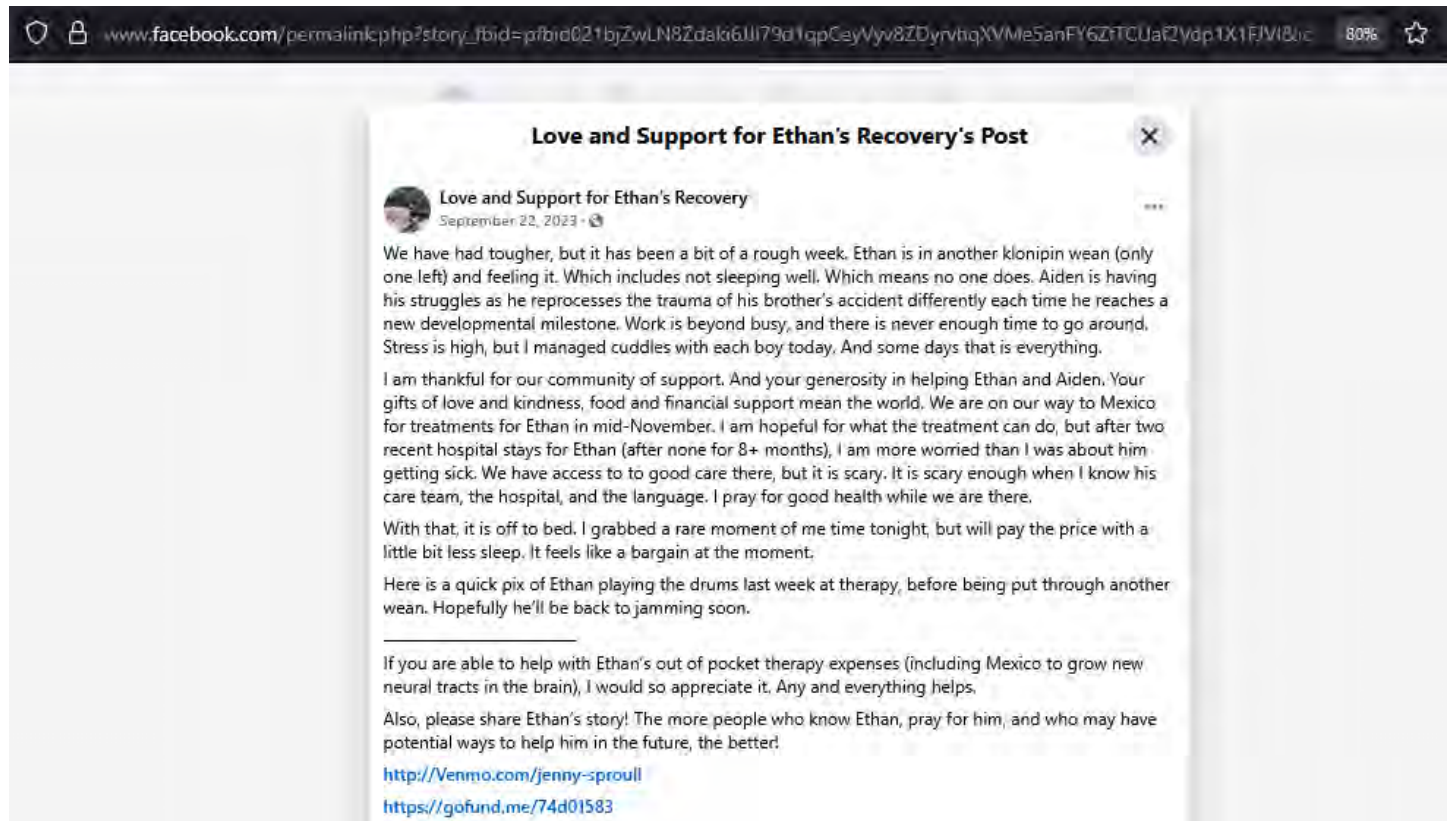
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Post about Ethan and expenses, with a photo of Ethan at physical therapy within the post.





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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIASTATE NATIONAL INSURANCE
COMPANY,

Plaintiff,

v.

ADAM TORMEY dba GOLDEN STATE
BABY BARRIER, et al.,

Defendants.

No. 2:23-cv-02121-TLN-AC

ORDER

This matter is before the Court on Defendants Adam Tormey dba Golden State Baby Barrier, C.A. Tormey Construction, Inc. dba Golden State Baby Barrier, and C.A. Tormey Construction, Inc. dba C.A. Tormey Remodeling's (collectively, "Defendants") Motion to Stay. (ECF No. 10.) Plaintiff State National Insurance Company ("Plaintiff") filed an opposition. (ECF No. 11.) Defendants filed a reply. (ECF No. 13.) For the foregoing reasons, the Court GRANTS Defendants' motion.

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I. FACTUAL AND PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

This action arises out of an insurance coverage dispute about whether Plaintiff, the insurer, has a duty to defend and indemnify Defendants, the insureds, in a state court personal injury action under commercial general liability policies. (ECF No. 1 at 3–4.) There are two insurance policies at issue. First, Plaintiff issued Policy NXTFUGEDN3-00-GL to Adam Tormey dba Golden State Baby Barrier, effective from September 28, 2020, through September 28, 2021 (the “2020 Policy”). (*Id.*) The following year, Plaintiff issued renewal Policy No. NXTFUGEDN3-01-GL to Adam Tormey dba Diamond Pools, effective September 28, 2021, through September 28, 2022 (the “2021 Policy”). (*Id.*)

Plaintiff is currently providing a defense, under a complete reservation of rights, to C.A. Tormey Construction, Inc. dba Golden State Baby Barrier in the pending state court action, Sacramento County Superior Court, *Ethan Sproull v. D & D Technologies, (USA), Inc., et al.*, Case No. 23-CV-000328 (the “Underlying Action”). (*Id.*) The Underlying Action involves the drowning and near death of a two-year-old boy in a family pool on September 7, 2022, after the child was able to open the pool gate and fell into the pool. (*Id.*) The complaint in the Underlying Action alleges there were deficiencies in the swimming pool fence, gate, and component parts, including design flaws and improper installation. (*Id.* at 4.)

In the instant case, Plaintiff seeks a judgment declaring: (1) there is no potential for coverage or actual coverage for the Underlying Action under the 2020 or 2021 Policies; and (2) there is thus no duty to defend or indemnify any Defendant from or against liability they may sustain in that case. (*Id.* at 3.) Plaintiff also pleads a claim for recoupment of any sums expended under reservation of rights. (*Id.*) On February 23, 2024, Defendants filed the instant motion to stay this action until the conclusion of the Underlying Action. (ECF No. 10.)

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1 **II. STANDARD OF LAW**

2 A court's inherent power to stay is governed by *Landis v. N. Am. Co.*, 299 U.S. 248
 3 (1936).¹ Under *Landis*, the Court has "discretionary power to stay proceedings in its own court."
 4 *Lockyer v. Mirant Corp.*, 398 F.3d 1098, 1109 (9th Cir. 2005); *CMAX, Inc. v. Hall*, 300 F.2d 265,
 5 268 (9th Cir. 1962) ("A district court has inherent power to control the disposition of the causes
 6 on its docket in a manner which will promote economy of time and effort for itself, for counsel,
 7 and for litigants."). "Where it is proposed that a pending proceeding be stayed, the competing
 8 interests which will be affected by the granting or refusal to grant a stay must be weighed."
 9 *CMAX, Inc.*, 300 F.2d at 268. "[T]hese competing interests are [1] the possible damage which
 10 may result from the granting of a stay, [2] the hardship or inequity which a party may suffer in
 11 being required to go forward, and [3] the orderly course of justice measured in terms of the
 12 simplifying or complicating of issues, proof, and questions of law which could be expected to
 13 result from a stay." *Id.* (citing *Landis*, 299 U.S. at 254–55).

14 **III. ANALYSIS**

15 Defendants argue this action should be stayed because the Underlying Action and the
 16 instant case involve overlapping issues and they will be prejudiced if they are forced to proceed in
 17 the instant case before the Underlying Action concludes. (ECF No. 10-1.) In opposition, Plaintiff
 18 asserts there is no overlap between the two actions because the instant case only concerns whether
 19 there is insurance coverage without regard to Defendants' ultimate liability. (ECF No. 11.) The
 20 Court will address the three *Landis* factors in turn.

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 25 ¹ Defendants seem to acknowledge that *Landis*, which is federal procedural law, applies to
 26 this diversity case. (See ECF No. 10-1 at 4–5); see *Gasperini v. Ctr. for Humans, Inc.*, 518 U.S.
 27 415, 416 (1996) ("[F]ederal courts sitting in diversity apply state substantive law and federal
 28 procedural law."). However, Defendants urge the Court to also consider *Montrose Chemical*
Corp. of Cal. v. Superior Court ("*Montrose I*"), 6 Cal. 4th 287 (1993), and *Montrose Chemical*
Corp. of Cal. v. Superior Court ("*Montrose II*"), 25 Cal. App. 4th 902 (1994), which set forth the
 California standard for a stay of an insurance coverage dispute. (*Id.*) Because the Court intends
 to grant a stay under *Landis*, the Court need not and does not address the California standard.

1 A. Possible Damage if the Stay is Granted

2 First, the Court considers the possible damage to Plaintiff that may result from the
3 granting of a stay. Plaintiff argues it will be significantly damaged by a stay because it is
4 currently providing a defense in the Underlying Action under a reservation of rights. (ECF No.
5 11 at 6.) Plaintiff emphasizes the Underlying Action is in its infancy, with potentially years of
6 litigation ahead. (*Id.*) Plaintiff argues not only will it have to fund the defense in the Underlying
7 Action, but it will also have to expend additional costs to pursue reimbursement from Defendants
8 of fees and costs it expended and potential indemnity for the Underlying Action. (*Id.* at 6–7.)

9 Courts have rejected similar arguments from insurers because “advancing defense costs is
10 part of an insurer’s obligation and costs of doing business.” *Zurich Am. Ins. Co. v. Omnicell, Inc.*,
11 No. 18-CV-05345-LHK, 2019 WL 570760, at *5 (N.D. Cal. Feb. 12, 2019) (citation and internal
12 quotation marks omitted). Moreover, the fact that Plaintiff can recover the costs of the defense
13 pursuant to its reservation of rights weighs against finding Plaintiff will suffer harm if the stay is
14 granted. *Id.*; see also *Philadelphia Indem. Ins. Co. v. Talega Maint. Corp.*, No. 8:23-CV-00466-
15 FWS-KES, 2023 WL 8191139, at *3 (C.D. Cal. July 21, 2023) (rejecting insurer’s argument that
16 “it would be required to pay potentially irrecoverable and unnecessary defense costs” because the
17 insurer could seek reimbursement of defense fees and costs in the future if necessary). Lastly, the
18 Ninth Circuit has held that a delay in recovery of damages “is not the kind of prejudice which
19 should move a court to deny a requested postponement.” *CMAX*, 300 F.2d at 269. Accordingly,
20 the Court finds the first factor weighs in favor of granting a stay.

21 B. Possible Harm if the Stay is Denied

22 Second, the Court considers the possible harm to Defendants that may result if they are
23 forced to proceed. Defendants argue allowing the instant case to proceed will compel them to
24 fight a “two-front war” against their insurer in the instant case and plaintiffs in the Underlying
25 Action. (ECF No. 10-1 at 2.) Plaintiff argues there is no prejudice to Defendants if the stay is
26 denied because there is no factual overlap between the instant coverage dispute and the liability
27 issues in the Underlying Action. (ECF No. 11 at 7.)

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1 The Court agrees with Defendants that simultaneously forcing them to litigate against
2 their own insurer and plaintiffs in the Underlying Action weighs in favor of a stay. *See Zurich*,
3 2019 WL 570760, at *6 (“Courts have found that any prejudice (if at all) to the insurer in having
4 to pay defense costs while the underlying case is pending is outweighed by prejudice to the
5 insured in having to fight a ‘two-front war.’”); *see also Atain Specialty Ins. Co. v. 20 Parkridge*,
6 *LLC*, No. 15-CV-00212-MEJ, 2015 WL 2226356, at *10 (N.D. Cal. May 11, 2015) (“Defendants
7 should not have to fight both in this action and the Underlying Action, expending significant
8 resources. To do so would undercut one of the primary reasons for purchasing liability
9 insurance.”) (internal quotation marks omitted).

10 The Court also agrees with Defendants that there may be some possible factual overlap
11 between this action and the Underlying Action. *See Zurich*, 2019 WL 570760, at *6 (stating that
12 a court in a coverage dispute action “runs the risk of making factual determinations that may
13 conflict with the state court’s findings in the underlying [action]”). For example, in the instant
14 case there is a factual dispute about when the allegedly negligent work on the gate was completed
15 and who completed the work, which will determine whether there is insurance coverage.
16 Resolving this coverage dispute may implicate matters at issue in the Underlying Action about
17 the scope and timing of work done on the gate. For these reasons, the Court finds the second
18 factor also weighs in favor of granting a stay.

19 C. The Orderly Course of Justice

20 Third, the Court considers whether the orderly administration of justice will be served by
21 a stay. As discussed, there are factual disputes that may overlap between the instant case and the
22 Underlying Action, which could lead to inconsistent rulings. *See RLI Ins. Co. v. ACE Am. Ins.*
23 *Co.*, No. 19-CV-04180-LHK, 2020 WL 1322955, at *7 (N.D. Cal., Mar. 20, 2020) (“[C]ourts do
24 not require that two proceedings adjudicate identical issues to find that a stay would promote the
25 orderly course of justice. Instead, courts look for whether the underlying case would make
26 determinations that would inform or ‘contribute to the decision of[] the factual and legal issues
27 before the district court.’”) (quoting *Lockyer*, 398 F.3d at 1113).

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1 In addition to avoiding potentially inconsistent rulings, a stay of the instant case would
2 promote judicial efficiency and allow this Court to better manage its limited resources until the
3 Underlying Action is resolved. See *Leyva v. Certified Grocers of Cal., Ltd.*, 593 F.2d 857, 863
4 (9th Cir. 1979) ("A trial court may, with propriety, find it is efficient for its own docket and the
5 fairest course for the parties to enter a stay of an action before it, pending resolution of
6 independent proceedings which bear upon the case."). Therefore, the Court finds the third factor
7 also weighs in favor of granting a stay.

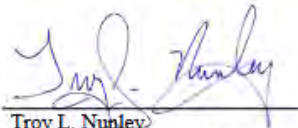
8 In sum, the Court concludes all three *Landis* factors weigh in favor of granting a stay.
9 Accordingly, the Court GRANTS Defendants' motion.

10 **IV. CONCLUSION**

11 For the foregoing reasons, the Court GRANTS Defendants' Motion to Stay. (ECF No.
12 10.) The Court also DENIES as moot Defendants' *Ex Parte* Application for Extension of Time.
13 (ECF No. 16.) The instant case is STAYED pending resolution of the Underlying Action. The
14 parties shall file a Joint Status Report within thirty (30) days of the resolution of the Underlying
15 Action. The Clerk of Court shall administratively close the case file. This is an internal
16 administrative procedure that does not affect the rights of the parties.

17 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

18 Date: April 19, 2024

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United States District Judge
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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
 September 29, 2023

It was my birthday yesterday.

So much better than last year, when Ethan was in the hospital, still not opening his eyes. It was awful. I had lost my son, yet he was still here. The future so unknown, if there would even be one. I didn't want to celebrate. My family tried to abide by my wishes, but birthday cupcakes did show up here and there. And I did appreciate it. I remember repeatedly excusing myself that night to go to the bathroom, fall on the floor, and silently scream and wail at my heartbreak, loss, and abject fear. Silent because Aiden was there, being distracted primarily by his Uncle, who could see I was not making it that night (for which I will forever be grateful). And while Aiden and I talk openly about our feelings regarding Ethan's accident, there is only so much pain and grief a then 2-year-old should see his mother go through.

This birthday was much different. But there is always a shadow of grief, of my family not being ok, things not being right. But it is getting better. And part of me hates that as I write it. Acceptance of what happened, of Ethan's medical fragility and challenges. Warning with refusal to accept this is his life, our life.

I am so grateful for this last year, that he is here. I also have so much grief over what he and we have lost. You all know what my birthday wish was this year - for both my boys to recover, to have independent and fulfilling lives.

I am working so hard to see that happen, and yet I know there is only so much I can 'fix' with each of them. I had hoped to not learn that lesson as a parent until they were much older. It is nearly unbearable to know that I can't 'make it all better'.

As for yesterday, Ethan curled into me in the hyperbaric chamber and gave me his version of a hug for about 20 minutes. Earlier, he had also put on his new 'boots' that allow him to stand (his feet are so out of alignment, he would be en-pointe if he tried without his AFOs). While I was holding him, with his feet on the floor, he pushed himself up on his legs and held about 80% of his weight for about 30 seconds. He went from being very upset with the 'boots' to loving life! It was an amazing 30 seconds. It was an amazing gift.

And Aiden (with his Ama's help) made a delicious birthday cake. He was beyond excited to show it off, eat it, and help me open presents - of which he then claimed at least a couple for himself 😊

My boys are my everything. While Aiden has his own supports he receives to help him through this, helping Ethan helps Aiden too. Aiden desperately wants Ethan to walk and talk again. When we put Ethan's boots on him for the first time, Aiden asked if Ethan would then start walking and talking right then, with so much hope in his eyes. When I had to tell him no, he asked me if 'tomorrow' he would be able to. I had to gently let him know it would be a while. I hope.

We are still planning on going to Mexico in about a month and a half, so Ethan can receive the therapy that helps grow new neural pathways in his brain. But it is very expensive (\$55k just for the treatment alone).

As a birthday wish, if there is anything you could donate to help support his treatment, and help me in bringing that birthday wish come true, I would so appreciate it. Anything helps.

<http://Venmo.com/jenny-spruill>
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Thank you so much for all of your love and support, in all ways.



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Sending you so much love ❤️

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Jenny, you are the picture of a fierce mom! Praying for you and your dear boys.

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Hoping the wishes you have for your birthday and for your life all come true 🙏❤️

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Happy birthday Jenny. You are so strong.

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Happy belated bday Jenny.

I agree with Kathy. You are a great writer.



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Photo of Ethan with the caption indicating he stood up with assistance from, "...intense foot orthotics and a stander." Caption: Ethan stood up today for the first time in a year! He needs intense foot orthotics and a stander, but the ability to be vertical and get weight on his legs and joints is huge. He did not overly enjoy it as he gets used to it and we get the equipment all worked out. But it is a step forward. One moment at a time.

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Beautiful news!! ...
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 **Carolyn Anderson**
So exciting! Go Ethan! ...
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Ethan continues to make such amazing progress 💖👏 ...
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 **Dee Hodgeman Stuart**
Go Ethan!! He's a fighter like his momma. ...
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 **Yolanda Audelo Gonzales**
Great progress little one 🙏❤️ ...
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 **Cindy B Walker**
So incredible!! ...
Keep fighting Ethan!! 🙏🙏🙏
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 **Tara Krol**
Awesome! Whoop whoop! ...
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 **Jennifer Delaney Attig**
Wow, that is a big step! Go Ethan ❤️ ...
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 **Deborah Lewis Koshansky**
Wonderful news! Way to go, Ethan!! ...
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 **Joan Kronick Johnson**
Yay Ethan!!! He got this mama ...
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Post about Ethan and his medications


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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
 October 7, 2023 · 🌐

Ethan has been klonopin free since last Sunday. I am so thankful to never have to put him through those weans again. But I won't lie, I feel like I have been hit by a truck. While this week's wean was overall less bad than a lot of the others, he still felt it. And his sleep gets majorly impacted. All week. Last night he woke up at 12:30am. For the night. Thankfully he is napping now.


We have also seen more awareness and more focus. And some increased tone as his body adjusts. He was on 10 big drugs during his original stay at the hospital, he left on 6, and we are down to 50% of 1. We will hold here for a bit and let his body reset. It's been a lot for him (and us) over the last several months.

Thank you everyone for helping Ethan, your donations over the past month, with the anniversary of his accident and my birthday are so appreciated. I don't take your generosity for granted. Slowly but surely we are helping him come back. Thank you.



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



Sarah Terrell
 Somehow I missed this update. Glad he is doing well and tolerating less meds. Is there plan to wean more? He looks great! Have you heard of DMI therapy? That's what Light for Levi and Lainey does and it looks awesome.

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
Sarah Terrell thanks! We weaned 3 'light' but prescription meds this month that supported his stomach during the harsher weans! We will work on continuing the baclofen wean after his system regulates. He had been through a lot with the drug weans this year.

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Sarah Terrell oh, and we haven't done dmi yet. It may be a bit much for him still. But do MNRI and trying abm soon!

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Tarissa Tiberti Lacey
 So awesome you were able to wean so many and within 1 year! Good job mama.

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Photos of Ethan and their au pair, Misa Caption: So what does the most amazing au pair in the world do when Ethan's PT and OT were cancelled yesterday? She says - let me give it a try! They had so much fun - and look at his knee bends , huge!!!!

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

October 10, 2023 · 🌐

So what does the most amazing au pair in the world do when Ethan's PT and OT were cancelled yesterday? She says - let me give it a try! They had so much fun - and look at his knee bends , huge!!!!



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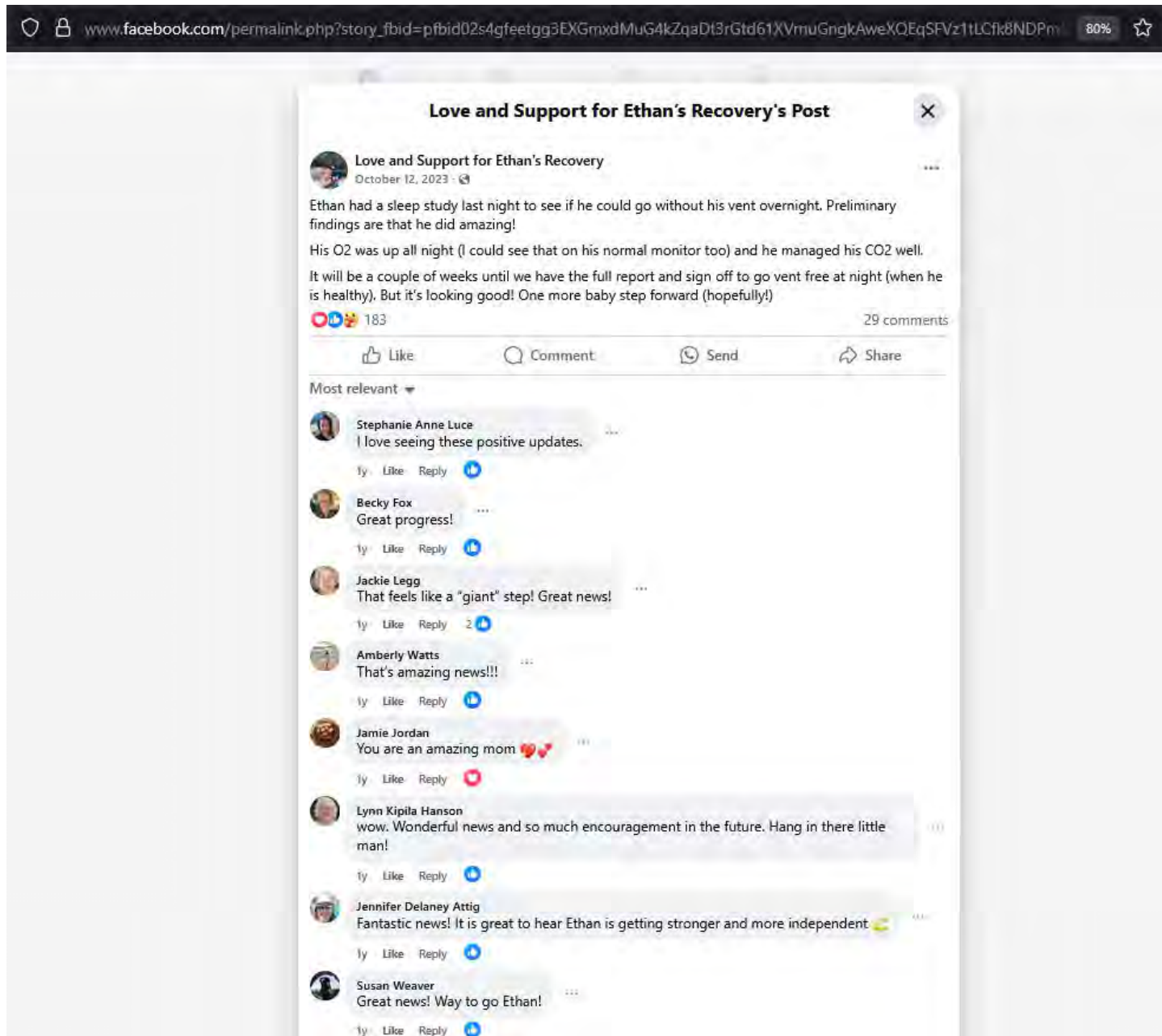
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Post about Ethan having a sleep study completed





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Photo of Ethan and Subject's mother at a doctors appointment Caption: Ethan has had a busy week! He went to apple hill last Friday, he tried his first gait trainer on Tuesday and voluntarily moved his legs a little bit in a walking motion! (His big AFOs make it hard though - working on a solution). He has bi-annual doctor's appointments yesterday and today. Here he is with his Ama waiting to see the GI doc! Looking good kiddo.

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Eric Sproull

Not many kiddos get to have their own personal expert RN go to appointments with them! 💜💜💜

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Eric Sproull we are both very very blessed!

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Reply to Eric Sproull...

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Lisa Carniato Metzger

I see them walking around the neighborhood and makes me smile each time. Thank you for the update 🙏🙏

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Tara Krol

So happy Ethan is making progress! Love him and you all so much! ❤️🙏

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Jen Breininger Fischer

Beautiful pic!!! Great news all around with more to come 🙏

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

Great job Ethan. Keep up the good work

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Yolanda Ramos

Ethan you are a little star 🌟🌟🌟🌟

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Jennifer Delaney Attig

Ethan is looking so well!! Little steps are huge progress 🙏

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Yolanda Audelo Gonzales

Doing great little guy. We are cheering for you ❤️🙏

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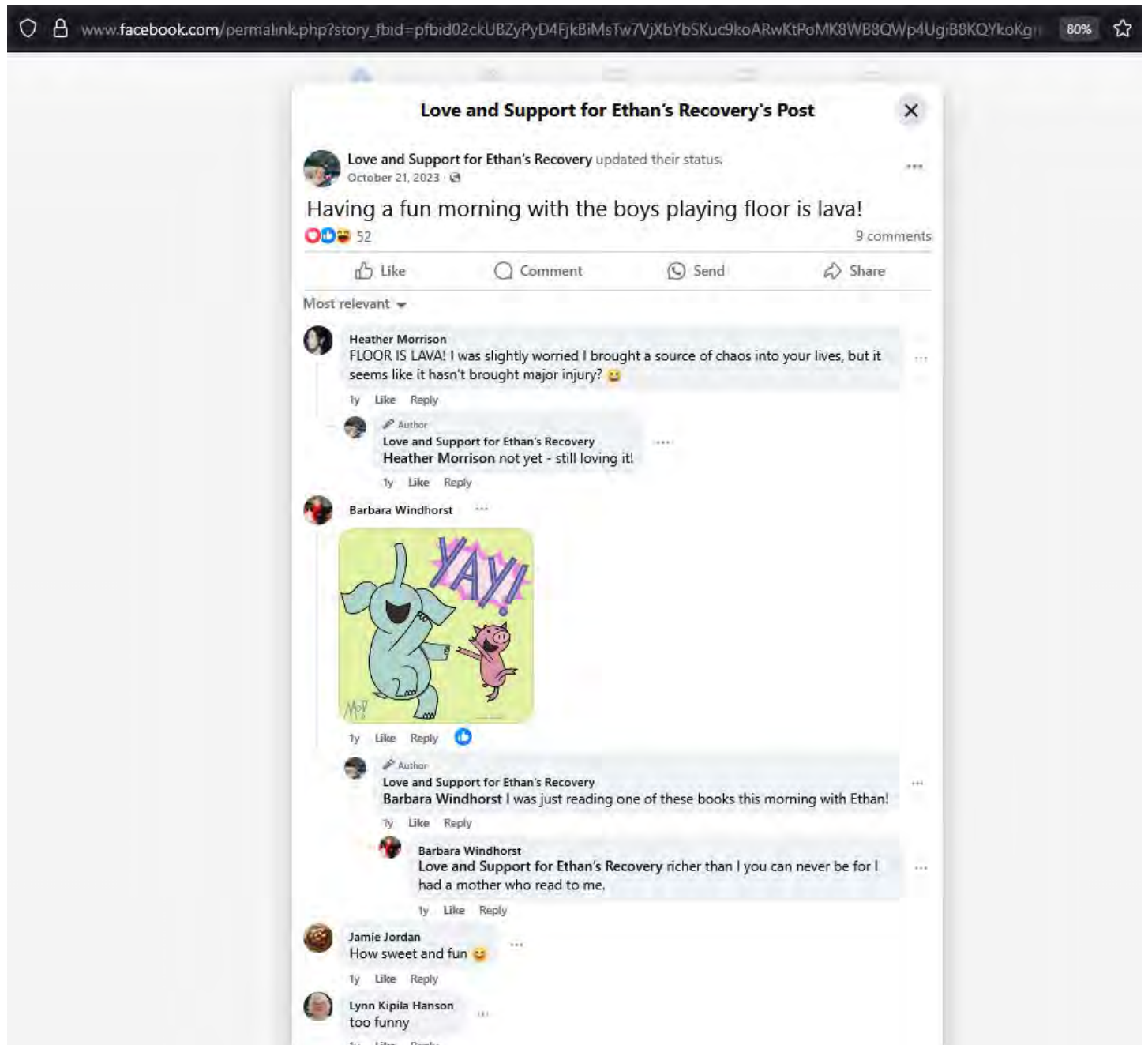
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Video of Ethan Caption: This guy. He is all heart and determination. Check him out - just his second time in a gait trainer and he is trying to make that leg move. We have one at home now to keep practicing! Watch out world, Ethan is coming!

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After DOI

Photo of Subject with family wearing costumes for Halloween Caption: We had so much fun trick-or-treating tonight. Aiden is really into Scooby-Doo and has been counting down to Halloween for 34 days! We have a calendar of Xs to prove it! So, we all had to get into the spirit. Ethan (Scrappy do and The Mystery Machine driver), mama as Daphne, Ama as Velma, Papa as Fred, and the amazing Misa as Shaggy. We were out for a couple of hours. Ethan got tired of his stroller, so Misa picked him up and carried him the last 1/3rd. He was so much happier (and fell asleep in her arms).

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Photo of Subject with her sons at a park Caption: A little fun at the park today. Our official family photo session was postponed due to our photographer getting sick. So my parents whipped out their I-phones later that morning after we had changed gears and gone to the playground. I still look forward to our official photos, and in the meantime will love this one. I wasn't sure I would ever get to a place where I would look forward to taking official pictures of my family to hang on my wall again. My family does not look like what I had, what I dreamed of. There is pain and fear every day. But I am looking forward to it, because he is here. We are all here. And I don't take a second of that for granted any more. I will celebrate that.

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 **Sarah Terrell** Top fan ...
Continued prayers! You are the best mom!
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 **Kendra Kett** ...
This is a beautiful picture, Jenny! Ethan is changing and evolving! 😊 I can see it in the photos. Aiden is a big boy too and very proud. 😊 Though your heart is heavy, you radiate a mother's glow in this photo. Sending love and hugs. ❤️
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 **Jackie Legg** ...
So often our lives go off script and we have to make corrections in our expectations. Few of us, however, face such a life changing situation. Your grace, authenticity and resilience humble us all and we rejoice in days like this when we can all celebrate your beautiful family!
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 **Cristy Spurr Dow** ...
Jackie Legg amen !!!
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 **Denise Priest** ...
Jenny so amazing to see this progress. You are a warrior mama
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 **Chris Norton** ...
Very nice , I just realized you are all blonde .
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 **Josie Zavala Garcia** ...
Beautifully said, beautiful family. ❤️
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 **Karla Furlano Berra** ...
Beautiful family picture Jenny, in every way! ❤️
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November 10, 2023 · 🌐

We are getting ready - leaving soon for Mexico! I can't believe it is here. I will feel much better as we get into our routine. I have been a bit manic the last couple of weeks, desperately searching for some feeling of control as I uproot my two young boys to a foreign country for a month. I've made 75 home blended meals for Ethan in the early hours of the mornings (still not sure how I am getting this frozen food to Mexico) and managed to get a Costco order to be delivered to our Airbnb the first day we are there. That took a lot of google translate and credit card fraud alerts to manage, but weirdly once that was confirmed, I calmed down a lot 😊

Thank you to everyone who has supported us on this journey and who are helping us make this happen (through prayers and financial support). It means so much! Prayers to keeping everyone safe and healthy on this journey would be much appreciated. Will send updates once we get settled!

In the meantime, Ethan ditched three more minor prescription drugs - all focused on helping his stomach through the weans, and a shakey vest / nebulizer round each day, is off the vent completely, and has twice made it to 18 minutes in his stander! His PT goal for a year from now is 30 minutes. Me thinks he might be blowing that out of the water! We also learned that he loves lollipops and that is the key to mouth and tongue movement and more swallowing. Probably cavities too - but one thing at a time 😊

And quick pix of him loving his joint OT / PT time the other day.





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Sarah Terrell

Are you spending the holidays in Mexico? ...

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery**Sarah Terrell** just Thanksgiving ...

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Reply to Sarah Terrell...

**Jackie Legg**

So excited that you were able to make this happen. Praying for safe travels and great adventures! ...

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery**Jackie Legg** thank you so much for your co tiniest support - in All ways! It means so much, and is helping to make this all possible! ...

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Reply to Jackie Legg...

**Patty Vasiliades Smulski**

He looks so good! Good luck on Mexico ...

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**Kendra Kett**

Way to go!!! Good luck! ❤️❤️❤️ ...

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**Tarissa Tiberti Lacey**

Did you freeze in reusable pouches? What about dry ice? A heavy duty cooler should do the trick too. ...

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**Heather Morrison**

Good luck!!!!!! 🙏 Such a big deal to move all you people. ...

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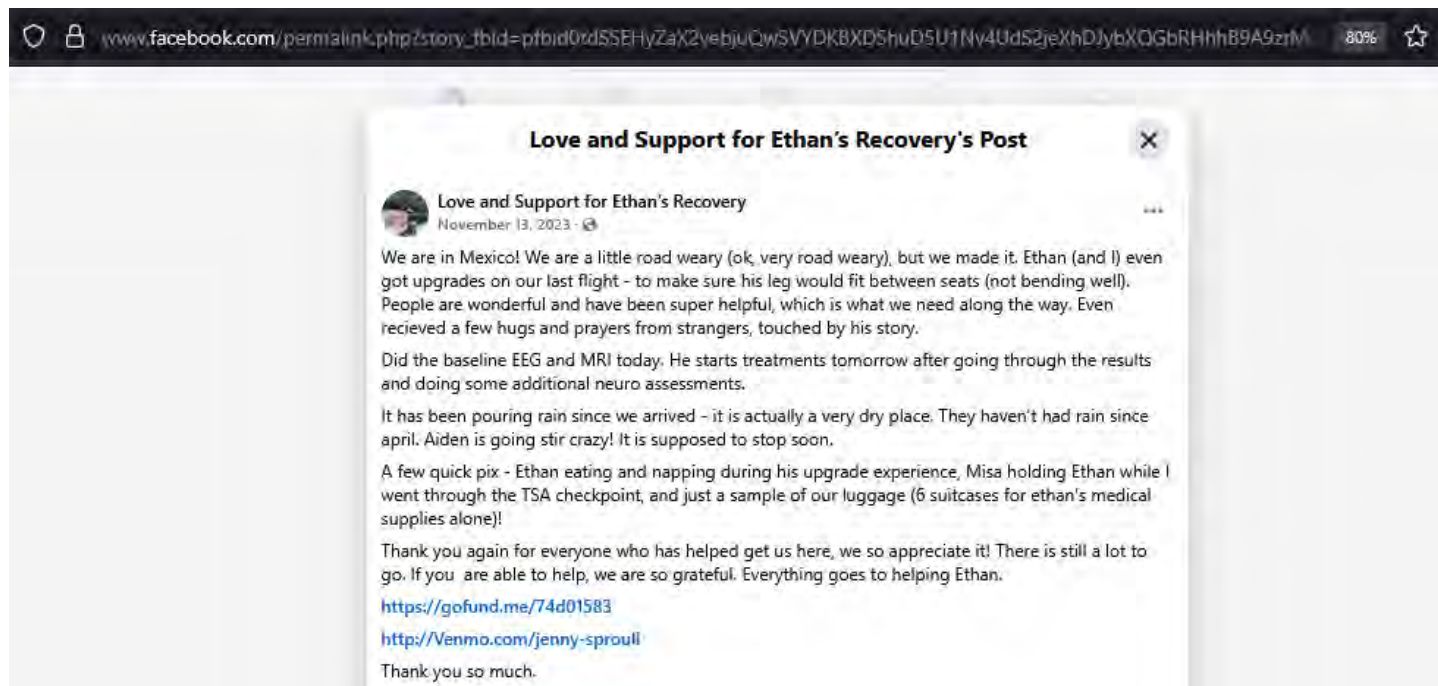
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Post about Subject and family arriving in Mexico





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Heidi Sproull
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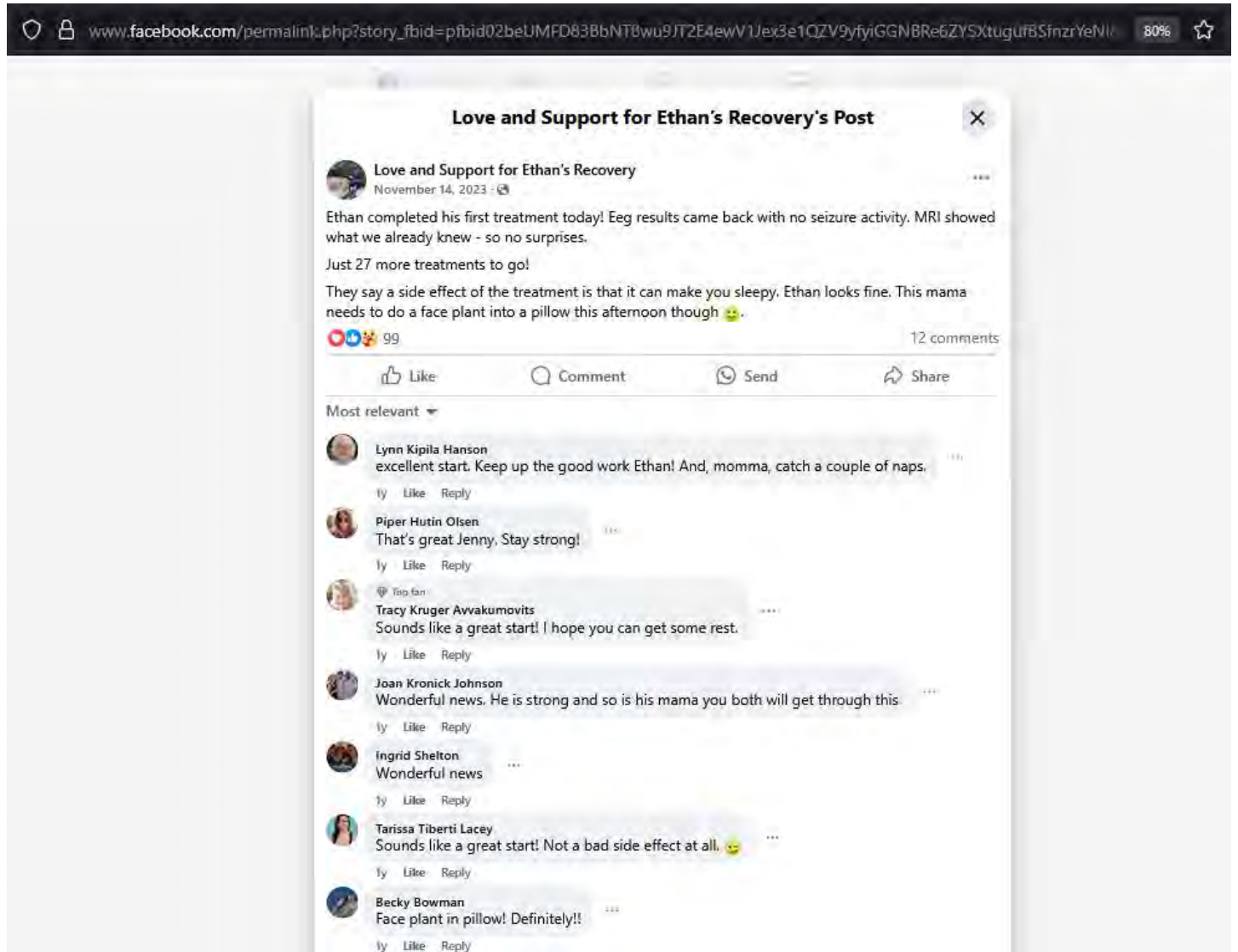
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Video of photos of Ethan and Aiden prior to the incident Caption: This video of the boys was automatically created - from my photo album or facebook, I do t remember. it popped up when we landed in Monterrey. Yes, this is exactly what I am fighting so hard for.


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Post about being in Mexico and settling in for Ethan's treatments Caption: I can't believe we left a week ago already. Five treatments down and pretty settled in our Mexico house. Getting to know the neighborhood. A few pix of us exploring some local playgrounds and Ethan hanging out at home. People are super friendly - rare in our neighborhood that someone speaks English. But somehow we manage to communicate ☺. Aiden's blonde hair is a hit with the local grandma set. I have to get used to strangers touching his head as we walk past. He hasn't seemed to mind so far.

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Noelle Bridge

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Post about Ethan and his treatment in Mexico and the costs

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
November 25, 2023 · 🌐

It's been a minute since I shared an update. First, as I got on FB, I was reminded that it is Giving Tuesday. Probably Whoops Wednesday by the time this gets posted! But if you have any giving left in you, please consider donating to www.aeroangel.org. They are the organization that worked with private jet owners to secure two donated flights for Ethan. Without which, he would have missed out on vital treatments to kick start his healing - hyperbaric oxygen therapy in New Orleans and stem cell therapy in Phoenix. They are true angels and I am so thankful for all they do. They are the ONLY organization that secures donated jets, which was required for Ethan given the distances we needed to travel and his need for a pressurized cabin. With access to these treatments, Ethan is now able to fly commercially to pursue additional treatments, like the treatment he is currently undergoing in Mexico.

And how is Mexico going? It's going 🌟 he is just over halfway done. We are seeing small improvements. I don't know if we would have seen them anyway or they are from the treatment, but they are changes. I am just thankful we see them. Timing is likely not a coincidence for at least a few changes. Like sleep! Amen to sleep. He was really struggling with sleeping through the night as well as not napping for the past few months. My mom and I were exhausted (sometimes starting my day at 2am and then being up because he never fell back to sleep). And now, consistent 1-2 hour naps and 8-11 hours of uninterrupted sleep a night. Or if he wakes up, I am able to cuddle him and get him back to sleep quickly. This is 95% of days. This can only be good for him. I know we are enjoying it! Now if I can just get his twin brother to go to sleep at night...

Ethan also has more purposeful movements (he can do basic hand motions to the icky sticky bubble gum song), his left knee is bending much more than we've seen, his hands are more open, his body more relaxed overall (although tone is still very high).

His desires are also starting to pop through more. The pix shows him sitting at the dinner table the other night. He normally sits in a swing chair next to the table while we eat. He is not having it. He made it clear that sitting at the table was the only acceptable option. But, he can't yet hold his head up or have enough control over his torso, so doesn't quite work. I helped him sit in a chair for a bit (mafter my lap). I see more of the old Ethan in his eyes in this pix than I remember seeing before.

I don't know what this treatment will bring - it theoretically should continue to help him for months to come. And the more interventions we do during that time, the better. So, I have a 3-day MNRJ intensive scheduled at my home for him the day after we get back and a 4-day ABM intensive over the holidays.

While in Mexico, part of his baseline tests were on his vision and hearing. His auditory processing is slightly impacted, but his vision is extremely impacted by his brain injury. He was diagnosed with severe CVI (optic nerves are fine, but the signal is not getting to the occipital lobe for processing). I am not surprised he has CVI but am questioning the extent. He definitely makes eye contact when up close and reacts to things visually. Here is a quick pic of him looking at his little tv the other day.

Regardless, this is something the Mexico treatment has had success addressing. But we also now have an appointment with The Mind Eye Institute in Chicago in mid-January. Followed soon after by another round of stem cells in Phoenix. It will be a busy couple of months before settling back into his weekly routine of PT, OT, speech, etc. all which will still be happening throughout December and January as well. (We miss his amazing team of nurses and therapists and can't wait to see them when we get home)!

With all of this 'doing', I also sit here in grief for the little boy I lost and miss every moment. For the way things 'should have been' for him and us. I also sit here in fear, fear for his future, fear for his life. He is so vulnerable. Respiratory illnesses are peaking again and they are the top reason drowning survivors like him ultimately don't make it. We have lost three little ones in the communities I am now a part of over the past month from respiratory illness. It scares me to death. His best defense is to get mobile and control his body. I feel the pressure of time when it comes to his healing - to keep him safe.

I try to remind myself that he has come a long way. Fourteen months ago, the organ donor coordinator routinely frequented the vicinity of his PICU room, checking on his status. Thirteen months ago he opened his eyes for the first time since his accident. Two nights ago, he communicated in his own way that it is time for him to sit at the dinner table again. (His seat is waiting for him at our kitchen table at home. No one takes it, no matter how many crowd around the table). He is a fighter. He chose to fight that first night in the hospital, so I said I would stand by his side and fight with everything I had, as long as he wants to. And he is telling us he is just getting started.

Your ongoing prayers and support help me keep going when I am tired, when I falter, when this road feels too long and lonely. I gave thanks to this community at Thanksgiving, you are always with me. (Quick side note - managed to pull off a full thanksgiving dinner in Mexico!).

All of this is also very expensive. It is because of your generosity that Ethan is able to be here in Mexico (\$55k out of pocket plus housing/travel). It's about another \$20k for everything I mentioned over the next couple of months. As you come into the holidays, please know that any amount you can spare to help support Ethan is so appreciated. Everything goes right to him. He is fighting, and as awkward as I feel asking for financial help, how can I not for him? This is one critical way I continue to fight for him. Any amount helps, truly.

Thank you so much for sticking with him, with us. This journey is an ultramarathon that has barely begun. Your ongoing prayers and support are what keep me going, keep us going.

Thank you.

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Sarah Terrell

I'm glad he is sleeping and seems to be doing well. Have y'all been to **Austin Center for Developing Minds** yet? ***

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Sarah Terrell thanks. It is on the list for eventually. I am hesitant to go that deeply into laser therapy right now. But when the time is right will make our way there! ***

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Joan Kronick Johnson

I will continue to pray for your little fighter. 🙏❤️ ***

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Kelly Morton

Love his fightcontinued love and prayers 🙏🙏🙏❤️❤️❤️ ***

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Kim Buskirk Callaway

He is a fighter just like his mom!! ***







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December 7, 2023 · 🌐

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Video of Ethan Caption: Check out these knee bends during his treatment today! He could barely bend his left knee when we arrived, and then primarily only when he was on his stomach. Go Ethan go!

Facebook video player interface showing a video titled "Check out these knee bends during his treatment tosday! He could barely bend his left knee ee when we arrived, and then primarily only when he was on his stomach....". The video is from the page "Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery" and was posted on December 8, 2023. The video content shows a person lying down, likely Ethan, being assisted with knee bends by a medical professional. The video is currently at 80% playback. The page also displays navigation tabs (Home, Live, Reels, Shows, Explore, Saved Videos, Following) and a search bar. Below the video, there are interaction buttons (Like, Comment, Share) and engagement statistics (123 comments, 728 views).

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Posted: Dec 12, 2023

Captured: Apr 28, 2025

After DOI

Video of Ethan within the caption indicating he finished, "his 28 days of treatment in Mexico." Caption: Ethan has finished his 28 days of treatment in Mexico. I am sitting here on day 29, while he is getting his last MRI. We fly home tomorrow. He was supposed to be done this morning, but the first MRI machine broke, so we had to switch hospitals. Then we had to wait for the anesthesia machine to be available (he is sedated during this). So much for packing ☹ somehow it will get done, it always does. I know Ethan has changed for the better while we have been here. But the changes are so gradual, I am uncertain to call them out. Less tone overall - usually. More knee bends - sure. More visual processing - maybe. The last couple of days, he has just wanted to sit up. For hours. But he can't hold his head up yet. So I hold it up. Until my hand falls asleep and my arm has cramped. But he loves it so much, it is worth every moment. He seems more engaged sitting that way. And we practice with him holding himself up by using a table in front of him to put his arms on. He has made it about 10 seconds a few times. Something new? Probably. But in truth, we didn't try that much before we left home. I look forward to reconnecting with his nurses and therapists who know him so well to see if they see any changes, after being away for the month. We will see. The MRI and other tests today will be compared to his baseline. I should have results over the coming month, to see if we have been successful growing new neural pathways in the brain. If we are, then we should see gains for up to the next six months as they continue to grow and be 'programmed'. Here is hoping. We hit therapies and treatments hard over the next several months to try to give him the best chance from this mama inf opportunity. Thank you all again who contributed financially and spiritually to make this happen. You lift us up. You help keep hope alive. And maybe, just maybe, you are making a fundamental difference in the quality of his life. Thank you. Quick video of him practicing 'crawling' the other night with the most amazing au pair in the world! Hard to see here, but much of the time he was using his arms to try to pull himself along.

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Photos of Ethan with one of his nurses Caption: Ethan has had a great day hanging out with his favorite nurses today and trying out one of his new skills at home - sitting way up with Rosie. And I love the look he is giving Olga, his first cuddle with her in over a month (as we waited for an appointment).

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Posted: Dec 14, 2023



Captured: Apr 28, 2025

After DOI

Photo of suitcases indicating travel Caption: We're ba-aaack! I think polar expeditions have less stuff and are easier to navigate ☐. Boys did great, that's what counts!

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



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December 14, 2023 · 🌐

We're ba-aaack! I think polar expeditions have less stuff and are easier to navigate 😅. Boys did great, that's what counts!



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Heather Morrison
Ten suitcases? 😊

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Heather Morrison 6 medical, 5 personal checked suitcases (more on the way there - we used a lot of supplies!). 11 carry-one between rollies, backpacks, and miscellaneous medical equipment. Plus 2 strollers. I can barely move today. 😊

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
 December 20, 2023 · 🌐


It finally happened. We are all down with Covid. We had managed to avoid it all this time. So far just showing up as a light cold. Obviously super concerned about Ethan. Watching him very closely.


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 Saying prayers!
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Barbara Windhorst · ...
 Storming heaven for all of you for good health, especially sweet Ethan. ❤️🙏🙏🙏
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Becky Fox · ...
 Prayers you all are healthy again soon!!
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Tara Krol · ...
 Oh no! I hope you all feel better soon! Get well Prayers for all of you! ❤️🙏
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 Prayers for all of you to be well super soon. God bless. 🙏🙏🙏
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Debi Hart · ...
 That's a lot!! Take care of all of you - sending healthy energy!!
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Carolyn Anderson · ...
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Photo of Ethan and Subject's mother Caption: Covid quarantine. Snuggles after dinner.


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Covid quarantine. Snuggles after dinner.



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Cindy B Walker

How are y'all doing? 🙏🙏🙏

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Esthetics C. Walker ok, thanks. So far the boys are doing ok. I am fine, just a little tired. My mom had the worst of it, but is hanging in there! Hoping it continues to be a light case and everyone recovers quickly.

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Carolyn Gavin

He looks to be sitting up much stronger. ❤️❤️

1y Like Reply 2 🙏



Barbara Windhorst

Great picture even with Covid. Continuing prayers storming heaven for quick recovery for all and great progress. Hugs and many good thoughts. ❤️🙏

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Diana Brandt

SENDING YOU LOVE AND BLESSINGS!!!!

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Carolyn Anderson

Praying for healing blessings for all of you!

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

Perfect pre-Christmas family time

1y Like Reply 🙏



Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Lynn Kipila Hanson would be better if work was done for the year and Xmas was ready 😊. But we are getting there!

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

there is always something left to do.....

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Posted: Dec 24, 2023



Captured: Apr 28, 2025

After DOI

Video of Subject and Ethan frosting cookies Caption: Frosting Christmas cookies today! Ethan did a good job holding the spatula for short periods of time. Aiden was mostly eating the frosting and sprinkles. We made sure he had his own batch. ☐

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Post about Subject and family celebrating Christmas

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post

 Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
December 25, 2023 · 🌐

Merry Christmas!! We are so blessed to have you all in our lives.

We have had a good day so far. Everyone was covid negative as of yesterday, except for my mom. It's still hanging with her. We aren't quite at 100%, but at least are negative. Here is hoping for tomorrow for her.


Misa and I have been eyeing the boys' Christmas haul and have a new organizational plan in mind. We are both totally excited and can't wait to shop and tackle it this week (we are organization geeks!) 😊.

Ethan helped open his presents - he has an amazing hook with his pointer finger. He got the hang of it quickly and was poised for action!

Aiden ignored his pile of presents and went straight to the promised chocolate Santa would bring in his stocking. Santa is making a mental note for next year on where to invest :)and he pretty much just wanted what Ethan got. Brothers. 😊

Thank you for all your prayers. While our day is primarily filled with family, food and presents, we don't lose sight of the gift of love and rebirth this holiday represents. Love and rebirth. Perhaps the new family motto.

I hope you are having a day filled with love and joy. And on this special day, I thank you for your love and support every day.



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Video of Ethan at physical therapy Caption: Thanks for all your well wishes, it looks like we are hopefully through this round of covid! Ethan continues to make progress. Check out his PT today. It's a little hard to see, but based on his PT's and nurse's reactions, you can tell Ethan moved his legs while practicing to crawl! He did it for me yesterday as well. He moves them as one, but good job Ethan! And, at the end, when he is taking a rest, you can see both knees bent - woohoo! (That left one didn't bend at all 2 months ago).

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Posted: Dec 30, 2023



Captured: Apr 28, 2025

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Post about Ethan and his, " ...first ABM intensive!" Caption: Ethan is rocking his first ABM intensive! The kid loves to move and is picking it up - initiating movements to help head control!

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
December 30, 2023 · 🌐

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Ethan is rocking his first ABM intensive! The kid loves to move and is picking it up - initiating movements to help head control!



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Kera Stebbins

I'm so excited for you guys! She's our absolute favorite ❤️

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Post about Ethan Caption: It is hard for me to describe the changes we are seeing in Ethan since Mexico, but we are seeing them! A few pix from just today. He isn't like this at all moments, but they are more and more each day. And one pix from Christmas celebrations with his baby cousin, because they are just so darn cute together! Off to Chicago in a week with the crew to go to the Mind-Eye Institute to see how we might continue building on this progress by using his optic nerves to further engage his brain.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

January 4, 2024 · 🌐

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

It is such a shame you can't find that same care closer to home. But, it all is paying off. Thinking of you always

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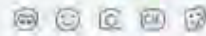
Lynn Kipila Hanson tell me about it! Or anything covered by insurance 😊 but I am thankful there are these pioneers out there.

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Reply to Lynn Kipila Hanson...



Amy Harwood

You are an amazing mother... stopping at nothing to help Ethan!! Keep it up mama.

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Top fan

Edna Brady Centola

This is so fantastic. You are a great mom. He is blessed to have such a determined and dedicated mom.

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Becky Fox

Love the PROGRESS!!! You are doing a GREAT job!!

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Joan Kronick Johnson

I see all those changes you are seeing. Look at him holding his head up. And his body looks so relaxed. More changes are coming in 2024

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Jaylene Kneram

He looks so alert and confident! His progress is astounding. You are an incredibly dedicated mom. 🥰

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Carolyn Gavin

Wow what a noticeable improvement! He looks much more relaxed. Sitting up so straight and tall and engaged! Well done to all of you! Keep on Ethan and your fantastic support team!

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Crystal Pedro

Keep up the great work 🙏 continued prayers for you all!!

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Debbie Cohen

Amazing progress!

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Photo of Subject and Ethan

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
January 5, 2024 · 🌐

Ethan had his medical speech appointment today and we got to try his new Passy Muir Valve (PMV)! It forces him to exhale past his vocal cords (vs the trach) and hear his voice. He did amazing! His therapist said it could not have gone better, and he is a different kid than she saw two months ago! He also swallowed more when he was wearing it. Which is a good thing.

We have our homework now, to very very slowly work our way up to him wearing it more. 30 seconds a few times a day, to a couple minutes, then build from there.

Go Ethan Go!

(And I did get to hear his voice for just a second, it was amazing!)



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**Audrey Cole O'Grady**

I am SO excited!!!

Too early to call dibs for tickets to his first Ted Talk? 🐼

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Audrey Cole O'Grady I love the thinking!!

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Reply to Audrey Cole O'Grady...

**Karen Deal**

just hoping to hear "T! Chase!" Again ❤️

1y Like Reply Edited

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Karen Deal me too! So far he is tolerating it well when on for a minute at a time. But he hasn't tried to vocalize again while wearing it. Hopefully soon!

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Reply to Karen Deal...

**Leah McCue**

I can't imagine hearing his voice, I think I'd be bawling. I'm so happy for him.

1y Like Reply

**Karla Furlano Berra**

I'm so happy for both of you!!! ❤️❤️❤️

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**Debi Hart**

Ahhh- I love that you heard his voice!!

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Top fan

Cindy B Walker

My momma heart is so happy for you to have heard his voice even if it was only for a second!!

Keep fighting this fight!!

Great job Ethan!! We love you and will keep praying for you and your whole family and caretakers 🙏🙏🙏🙏



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After DOI

Photo of Subject with both of her sons celebrating their 4th birthday Caption: Happy 4th Birthday to my most amazing boys! This is not the journey I expected or ever wanted for us, but I am so so thankful we are together on it. You boys are my heart.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

January 8, 2024 · 🌐

Happy 4th Birthday to my most amazing boys! This is not the journey I expected or ever wanted for us, but I am so so thankful we are together on it. You boys are my heart.




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Happy Birthday A&E!!! 💜💜 ...
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 **Carolyn Gavin**
Happiest of birthday wishes for both Aidan and Ethan!! ...




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 **Nanette Timbol-Wolverton**
happy 4th birthday, twins! 🥳👶 ...
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 **Kim Kohne**
Happy birthday to both of those amazing boys! And also a celebration for their amazing Mom too!! ❤️ ...
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 **Keely Heinzen**
Sweet, sweet boys! Happy Birthday!! 🎉. Can't wait to see you, Aiden in a few weeks! ...
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 **Karla Furlano Berra**
Happy birthday!!! 🎉 ...



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Video of Ethan at physical therapy Caption: Check out Ethan working to stand up! Great job buddy.

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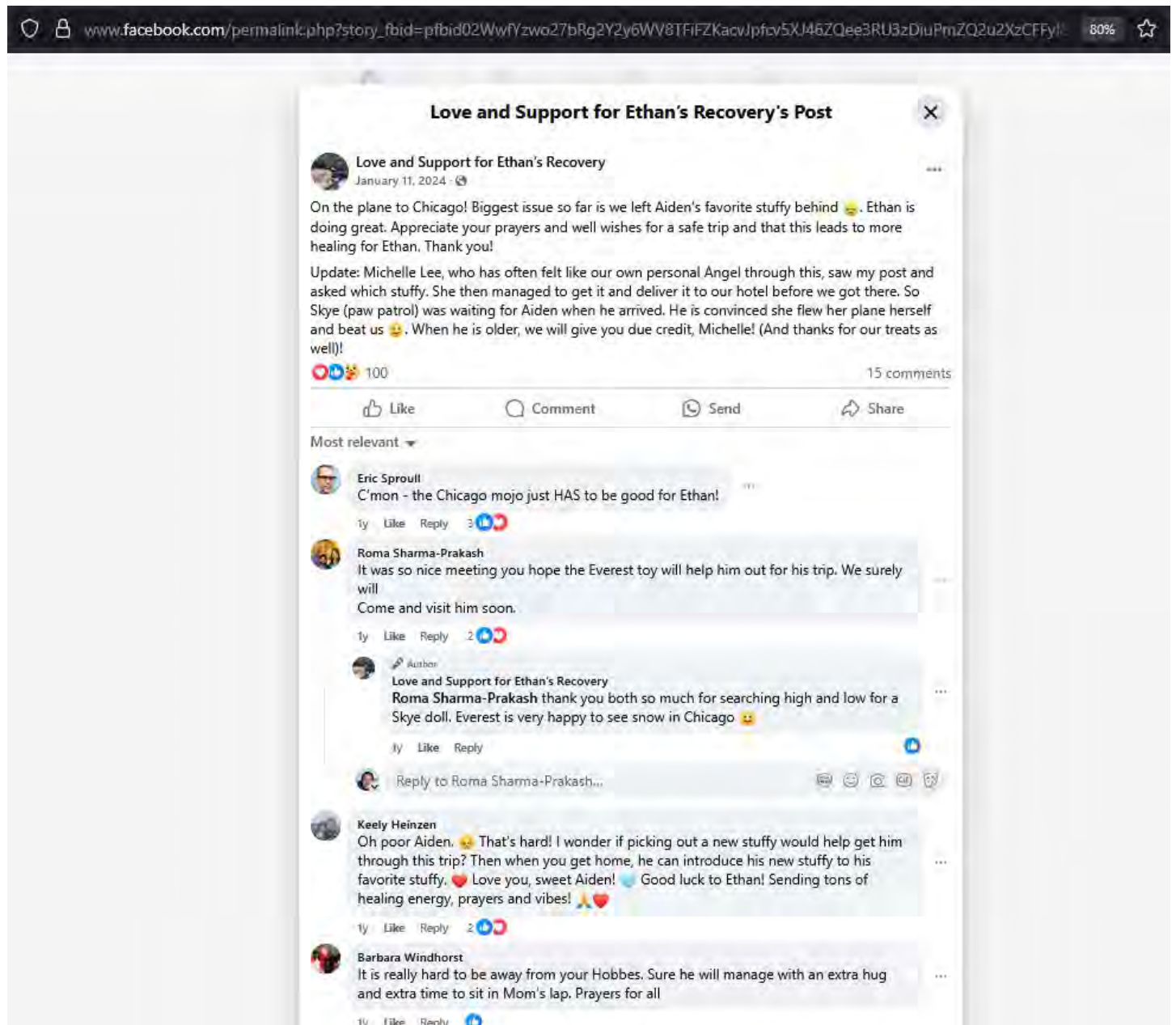
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Post about Subject and family traveling



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Post about traveling to Chicago to visit doctors

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
January 14, 2024 · 🌐

Made it back from Chicago in one piece, and thankfully with no storm impact. Had a good visit with Dr. Z and have our homework to do. Ethan has some very stylish (they are not) prism glasses 🕶️

Unfortunately, the travels were hard on Ethan. His tone is higher again and he has been throwing up, but isn't sick (at least that is presenting itself yet). Hopefully he will get a good night's sleep tonight and feel better better tomorrow.

The rest of us are just tired and weary. Airlines and airports haven't yet figured out how to help families well in our situation yet. Sometimes we are blessed with people who go above and beyond to help us, and sometimes we get what we had on this trip. Not bad, but even neutral is hard.

Special thanks to the airline employee who suggested maybe I needs to check some of the carry on luggage next time (all medical equipment and supplies- does anyone in their right mind think I want to schlepp 12+ pieces of carry-on luggagewith me with my medically fragile child and wild 4-year-old?) And to the lady who turned off the orange juice machine at the hotel while my mom was filling her cup because we were two minutes after the free breakfast 'closed' - thanks. We appreciate it. That was after the first night where Ethan didn't sleep. Sigh.

That is my snarky tiredness coming out from the trip. So many people are amazing, it was just a weird vibe on this one. And, I have to be fair, we met some amazing ladies as we started our trip. They work in the sundries store at the airport. They heard how upset Aiden was at leaving his favorite stuffy behind - one they had a small version of (but wasn't out) so they scoured their back room for it and even offered to come down to the gate and deliver it if they found it. Maybe starting on such a high of humanity made the other stuff just seem so much more blah and annoying.

And, we did get some Chicago stuffed pizza and got to visit with some amazing friends (as well as a great doctor's appointment). So, assuming Ethan is able to tolerate travel some more, we will do it all again and again, in search of ways to support his healing and reconnect with those we hold dear.



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Kathy Taylor

Do you know about TSA Cares???

They will assist you. They do need a minimum 48 advanced notice. Check in to gate escort for handicap which you certainly would qualify.

1y Like Reply 2



Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Kathy Taylor oh, I do it every time. Doesn't help. they never know we are coming. But this trip, security wasn't the issue. They were great. It is primarily help transporting all of the carryons through the airport and on and off the plane. I request special assistance every time, and half of the time they give me a hard time and won't help because ethan doesn't need the wheelchair (he is in the stroller) - I need their help with all our stuff. And then there is reminding airline employees that there is no limit for checked or carryon bags when it is medical equipment 😊. The good news is Ethan requires less and less. The bad news is, we have to take everything with us just in case he were to get sick. Sorry - just tired. One more trip end of the month then hopefully a break from travel a bit!

1y Like Reply Edited



Deborah Lewis Koshansky

You are certainly entitled to vent your frustration, fatigue, etc. You are amazing with all you are managing. I admire your strength! Hang in there. I hope Ethan gets some rest and gets back on track soon. ❤️

1y Like Reply



Lynn Kipila Hanson

I've been wondering how it went. He looks so good, but all that traveling and changes must be hard on Ethan. Glad you made it home all in pretty good shape. R E L A X now!

1y Like Reply



Barbara Windhorst

My heart and my body hurt just listening to your struggles. All I can do is offer prayers every day for all of you. I have never known anyone who works as hard as you do. ❤️🙏

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Audrey Cole O'Grady

It's tough out there. 🙏

Wishing you all some of that elusive, magical restorative sleep.

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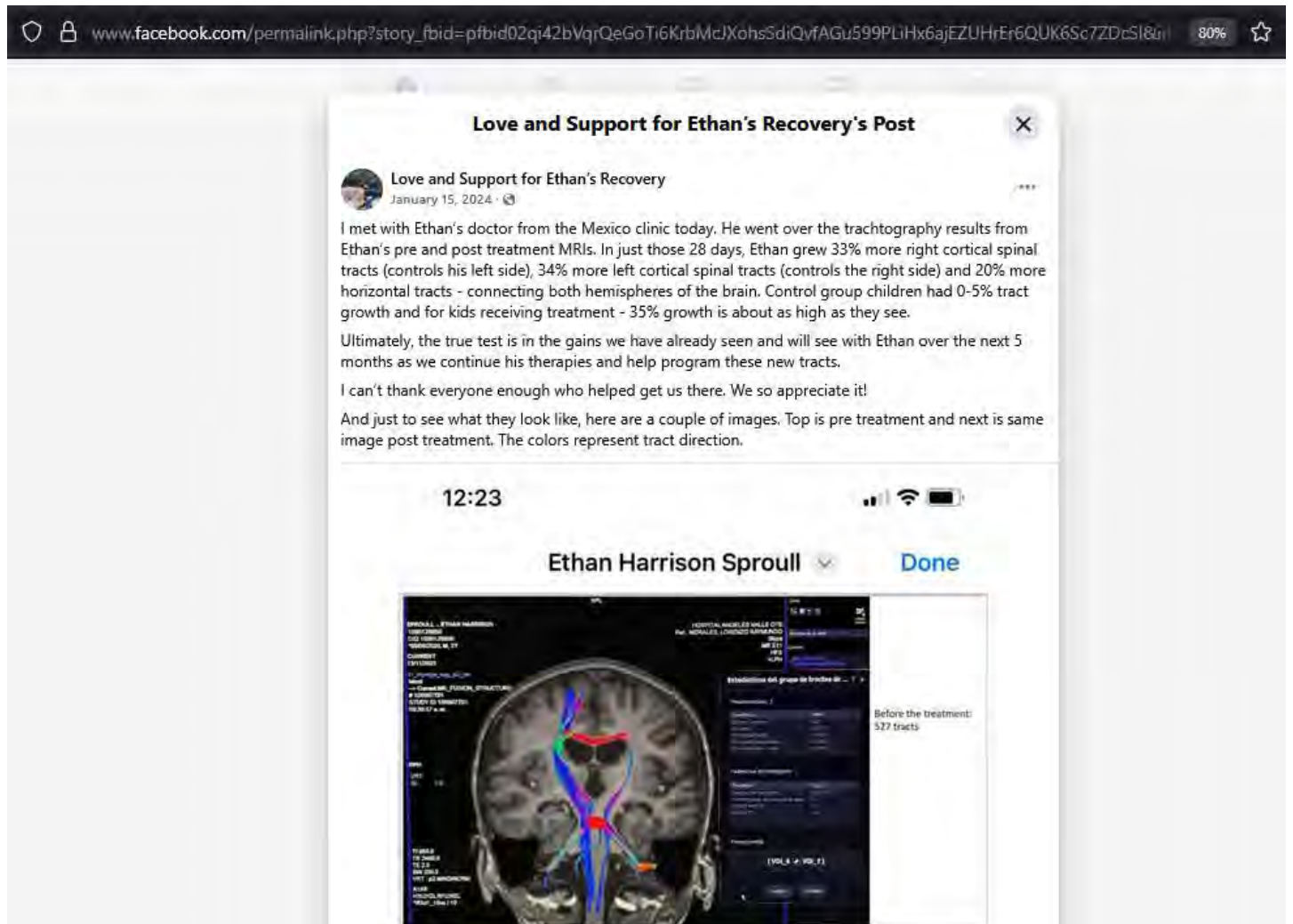
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Subject shared the MRIs of Ethan brain prior and post treatment.



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Eric Sproull

Colorful lines on the inside and outside we see standing up and bended knees, and hear vibrating vocal chords! Atta boy Ethan..

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Kendra Kett

Sooooo happy to hear this!!!! And we can see it in the pics and vids too!!! Go Ethan Go!!!!

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Kendra Kett thank you! And so sorry we missed you this trip - darn storm. We will likely be back in A few months. Hopefully we can connect then!

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Kendra Kett

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery For sure! Keep me posted. Looking forward to it.

1y Like Reply



Reply to Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery...



Reply to Kendra Kett..



Erin Fae

This is so phenomenally exciting!!!! I am just amazed at how much progress he has made! You are truly an amazing mamma! This internet stranger in VA is sending you all so much love

1y Like Reply



Karen Kraus

Fascinating and so encouraging!! Wonderful news!

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Barbara Windhorst

You are such an incredible mother. You are a great role model for me and no doubt many others.



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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



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Posted: Jan 28, 2024



Captured: Apr 28, 2025

After DOI

Post from Subject about traveling to Phoenix for Ethan's "stem cell" treatments Caption: Landed in Phoenix! Doing a quick trip to do stem cells tomorrow. Be back tomorrow night. Ethan is becoming quite the traveler ☐. Quick pix as we wait for grandma to bring the rental car! Someone is tuckered out ☐. Ok, I don't exactly look like a spring chicken either ☐.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

January 28, 2024 · 🌐

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After DOI

Post about Ethan Caption: Thankful to have been home for about a week now, with no plans to travel for a couple months. Ethan is doing great overall! We started the final medication wean the other day. We will see how it goes. In the meantime, a few pix from the weekend. Notably, Ethan wearing his prism glasses from The Mind Rye Institute (we call them his Harry Potter glasses) and sitting in his seat after 'crawling' across the floor with Misa today. (And sitting with a little help). We are seeing a lot quicker responses, legs loosening and opening up, feet getting straighter, arms extending, more touching his face. All little but foundational things.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
February 4, 2024 · 🌐

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all BIG and foundational things! Attaway Ethan!

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Posted: Feb 11, 2024



Captured: Apr 28, 2025

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Video showing Ethan and their journey Caption: My amazing neighbor, Jessica and the LU Movement (Love Unstoppable Movement) put this video together of Ethan and our journey. We are so blessed to have the L.U.M. community supporting us as well as you all. In every sense, we cannot do this alone. You have been our God Sends and heroes. It is a beautiful and moving video. And Ethan is getting better. It is slow, but every day there is more. Just yesterday, I felt him trying to pull himself up to a sit position from laying down. He didn't get far yet, but he tried. Today (with some help), he sat in a swing for the first time since his accident. His healing requires so many treatments that are all out of pocket. Your generosity has been stunning, but to be transparent, the funds have all been used -> Mexico (growing new neural paths in the brain), multiple MNRI and ABM therapies, two rounds of stem cells, The Mind-Eye Institute in Chicago, hyperbaric therapies in NOLA and purchasing a home chamber, and so so much more. And we aren't slowing down - he responds so well, how can we? Anything you can do to help is so appreciated, truly any amount helps. The Go Fund Me page link is listed at the end of the video. Venmo link: venmo.com/jenny-sproull Thank you so much from the bottom of my heart for helping to save my son.

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

slow and steady maybe, but so much good news here. Keep up the good work Ethan (and Mom, gma and gpa)!

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Pamela Kipila Keller

Lynn Kipila Hanson so glad you guys are still there for the family ...

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

Pamela Kipila Keller not as often as I would like. I think I am overdo for another pasta dinner! ...

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Reply to Pamela Kipila Keller...



Reply to Lynn Kipila Hanson...



Top fan

Cindy B Walker

Look at our little man !! ❤️❤️❤️
So much progress since we met him last January
Hope you're better soon Jenny 🙏🙏🙏 ...

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Karla Furlano Berra

So much great news Jenny!!! I can see the progress in your pictures. 🥰🥰🥰❤️❤️❤️😊 ...

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Jackie Legg

I can "hear" the hopefulness and the excitement in your words! So much to celebrate!

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Karen Kraus

Continued support from afar for you and the family. And your care family!! 🥰 ...

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Keely Heinzen

He looks so good!!! You are our hero, Ethan! 🌱❤️ ...

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Jessica Tillery

Keep pushing Ethan!!!!!! 🙏🙏🙏 Prayers and continued energy to Team Ethan! ❤️ ...



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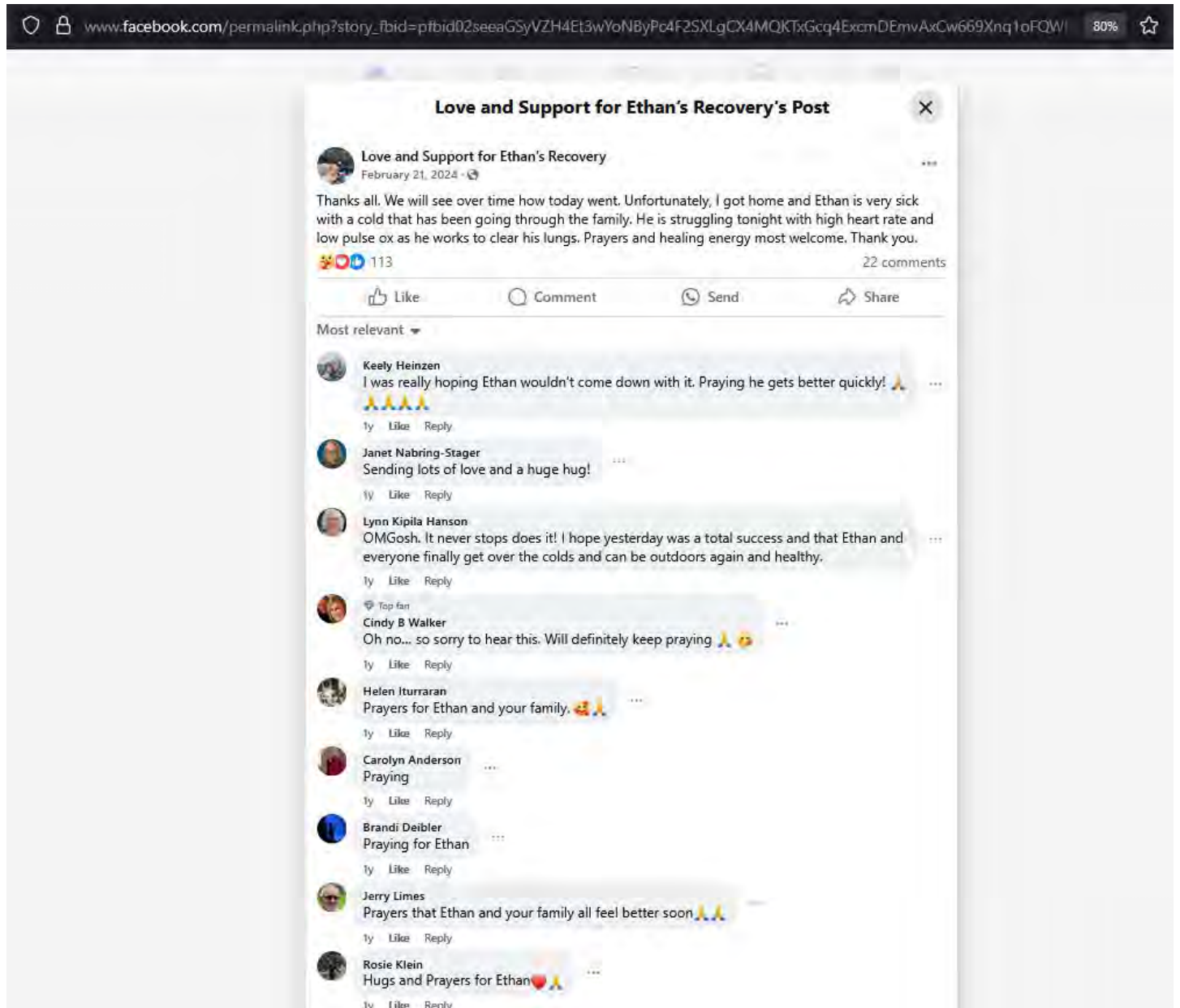
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Post about Ethan being sick





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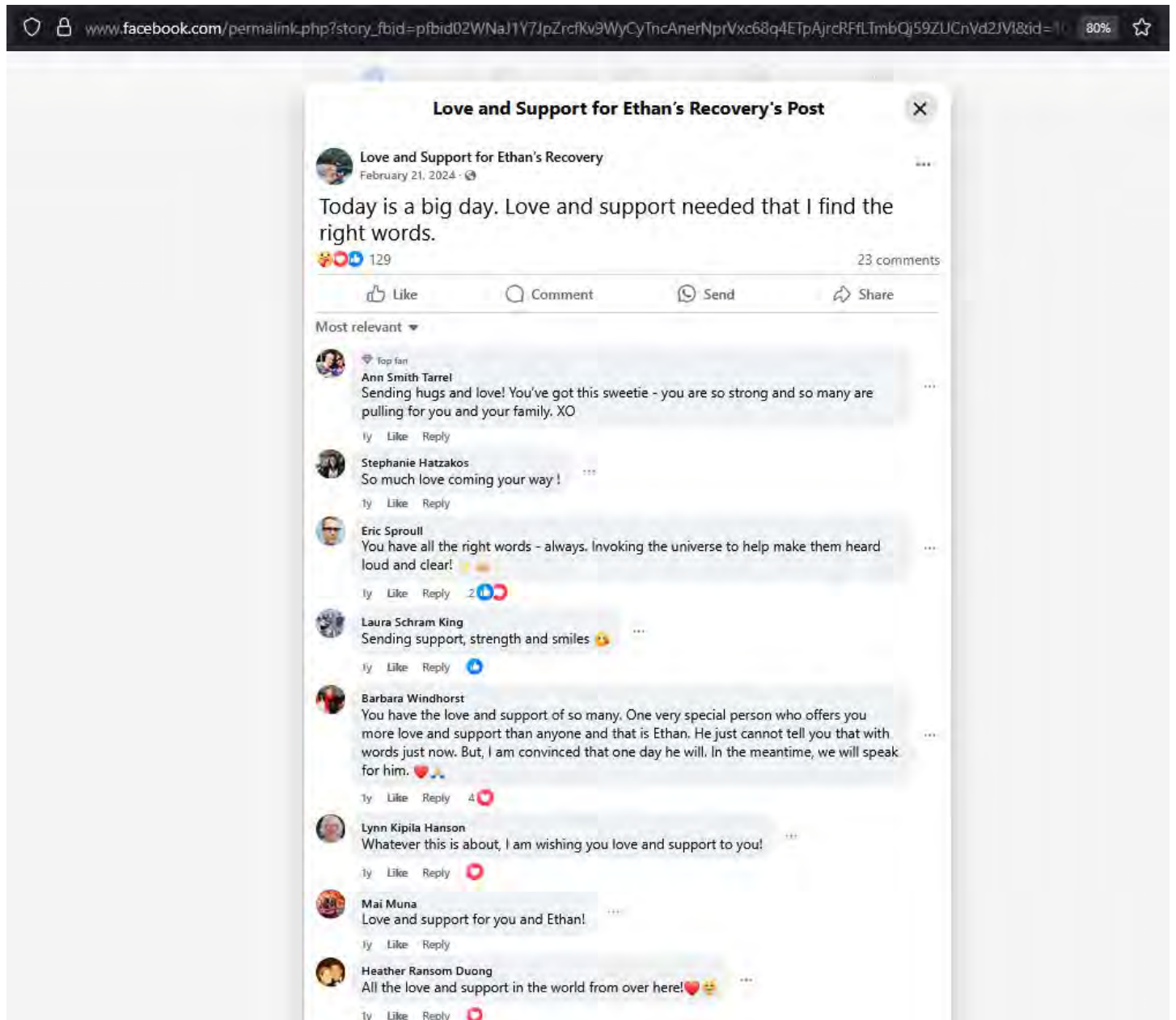
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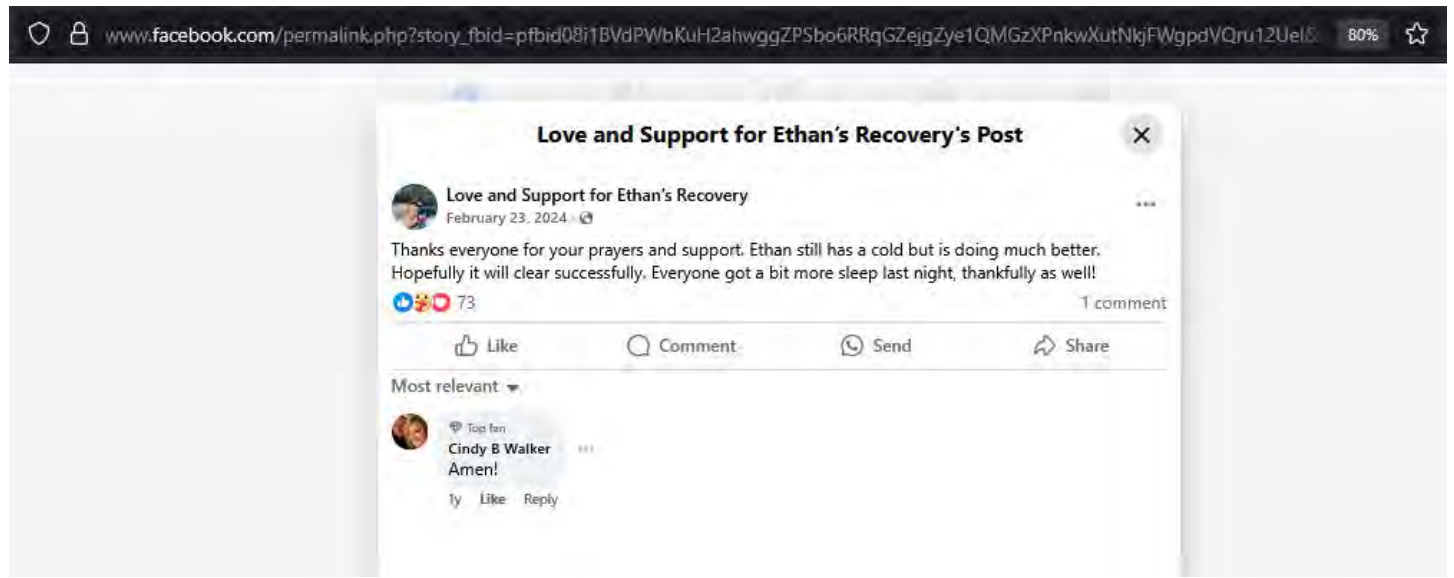
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Post from Subject about Ethan having a cold

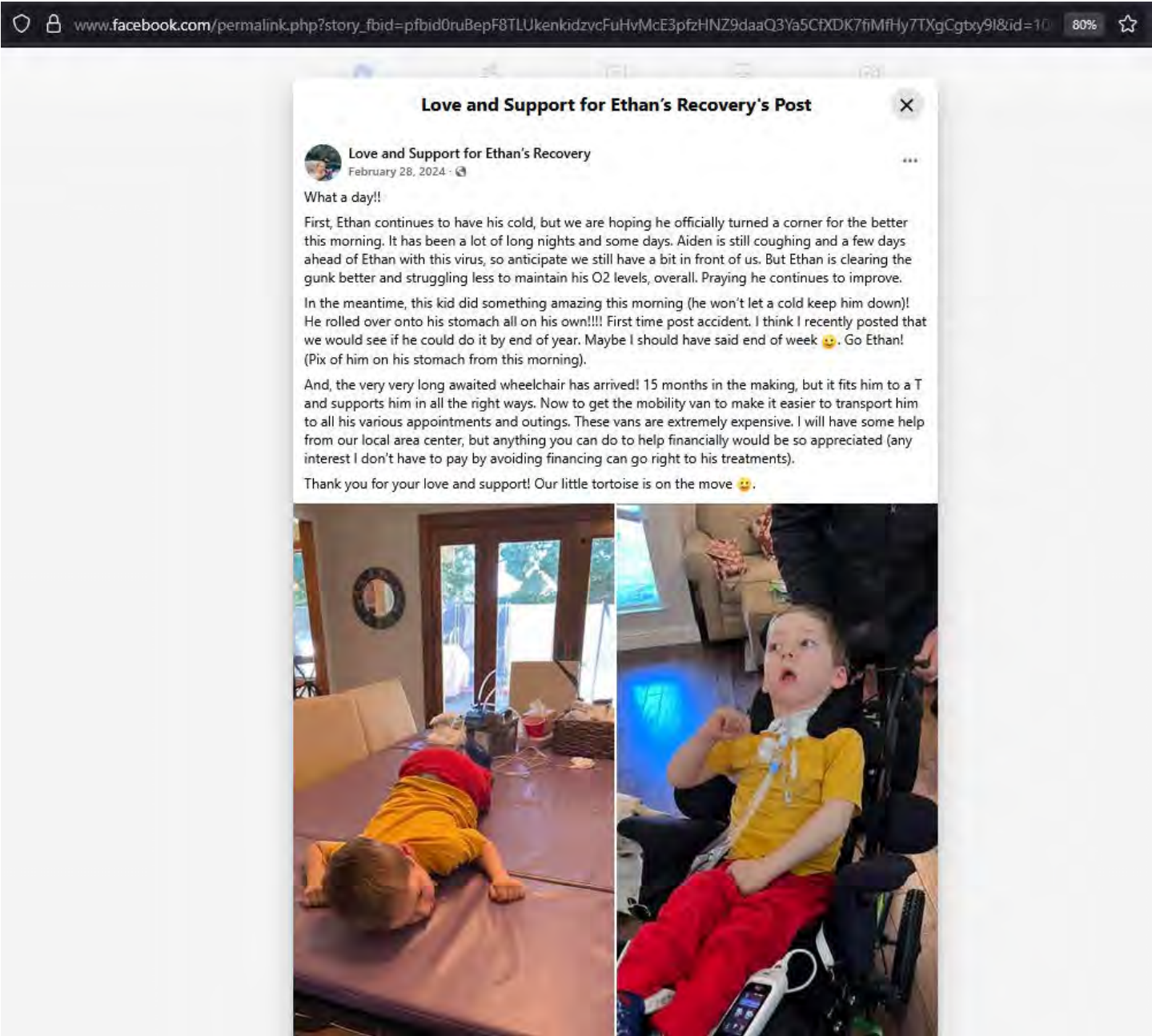


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Post about getting a wheelchair for Ethan









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After DOI

Photo of Aiden and Ethan Caption: I was told - "Mommy, move. I want to sit next to my brother by myself".
Ok bud. Your brother loved it too!

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

March 2, 2024 · 🌐

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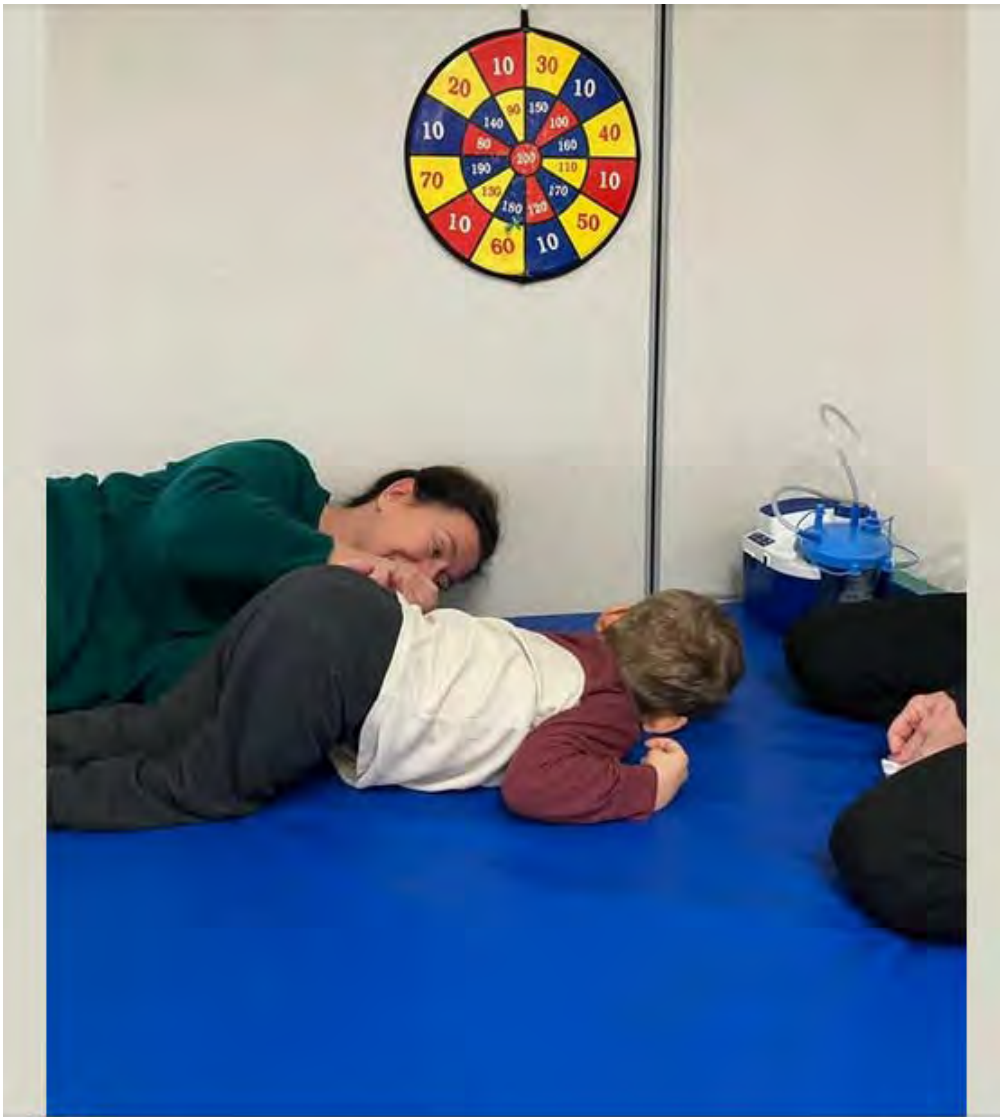
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Update from Subject about Ethan and obtaining a wheelchair and a mobility van





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Kathy Wesley

I have an iPad, Jenny, that I'm no longer using. It's on the older side so I can't guarantee it will fit the bill. However, if you want to give it a shot, I can get it back to factory settings and give it to you

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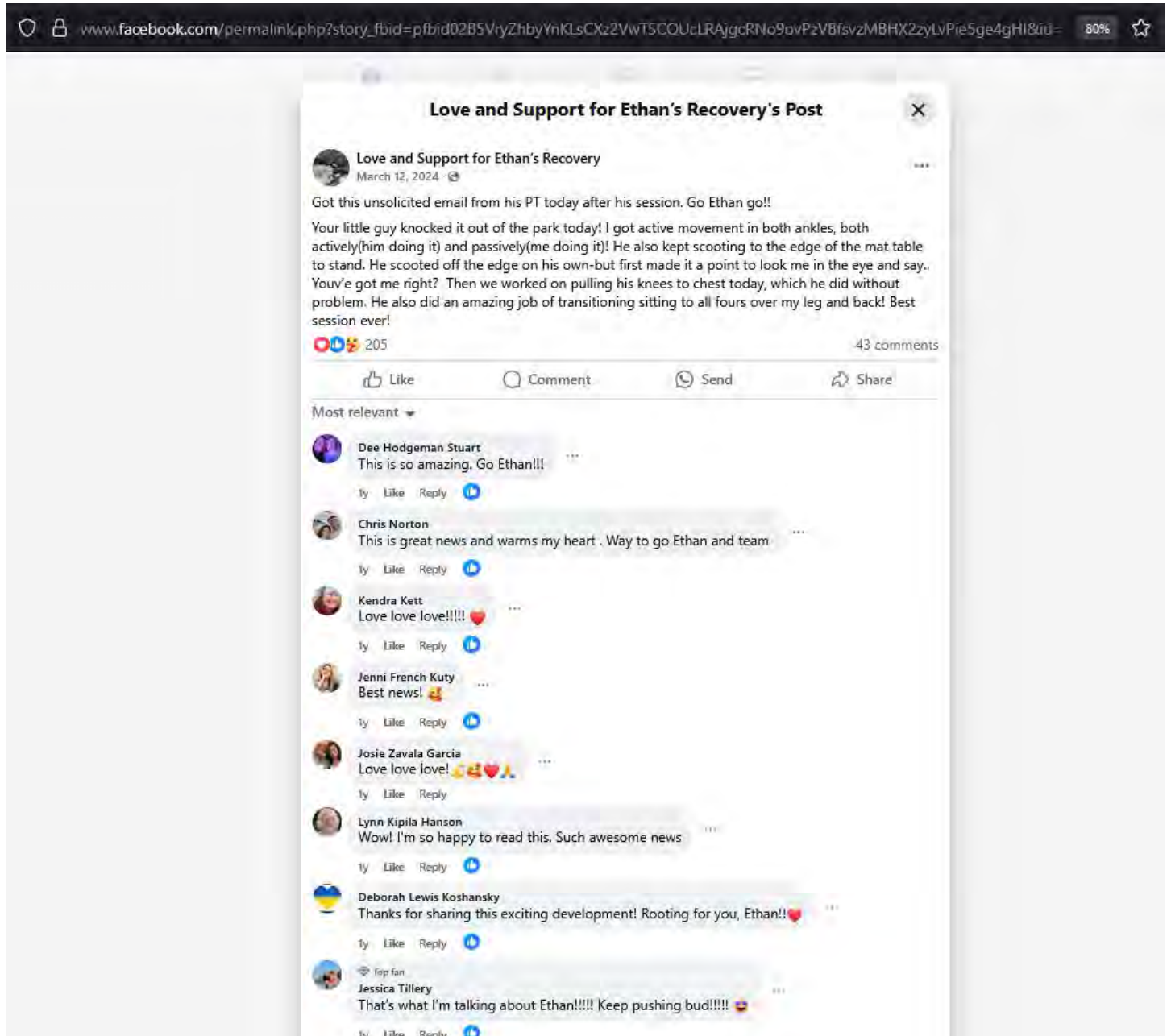
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Post about Ethan's improvement from his physical therapist



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Photo of Ethan and their au pair, Misa Caption: Love this picture!

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Posted: Mar 24, 2024



Captured: Apr 28, 2025

After DOI

Video of Ethan and their au pair Caption: Misa the magnificent strikes again! She came in from running around during her time off and said - I will play with Ethan for a bit. And this is what ensued. Wait till the end - you can see Ethan clearly making it happen! Go Ethan go!

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March 24, 2024 · 🌐

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Post about Subject getting a mobility van Caption: We received Ethan's mobility van a few days ago. We are still getting used to all the bells and whistles (and him to his wheelchair and new ride), but it is great to not be lifting him and his stroller in and out of the car anymore! A huge thanks to Alta Regional Center for paying for the conversion costs and the nonprofit Team Hope Luke for Minds for donating \$5000 to help support the cost of the minivan itself. It was a huge help and a blessing! And thank you to everyone who has continued to financially support Ethan. We can't do it without you.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

April 3, 2024 · 🌐

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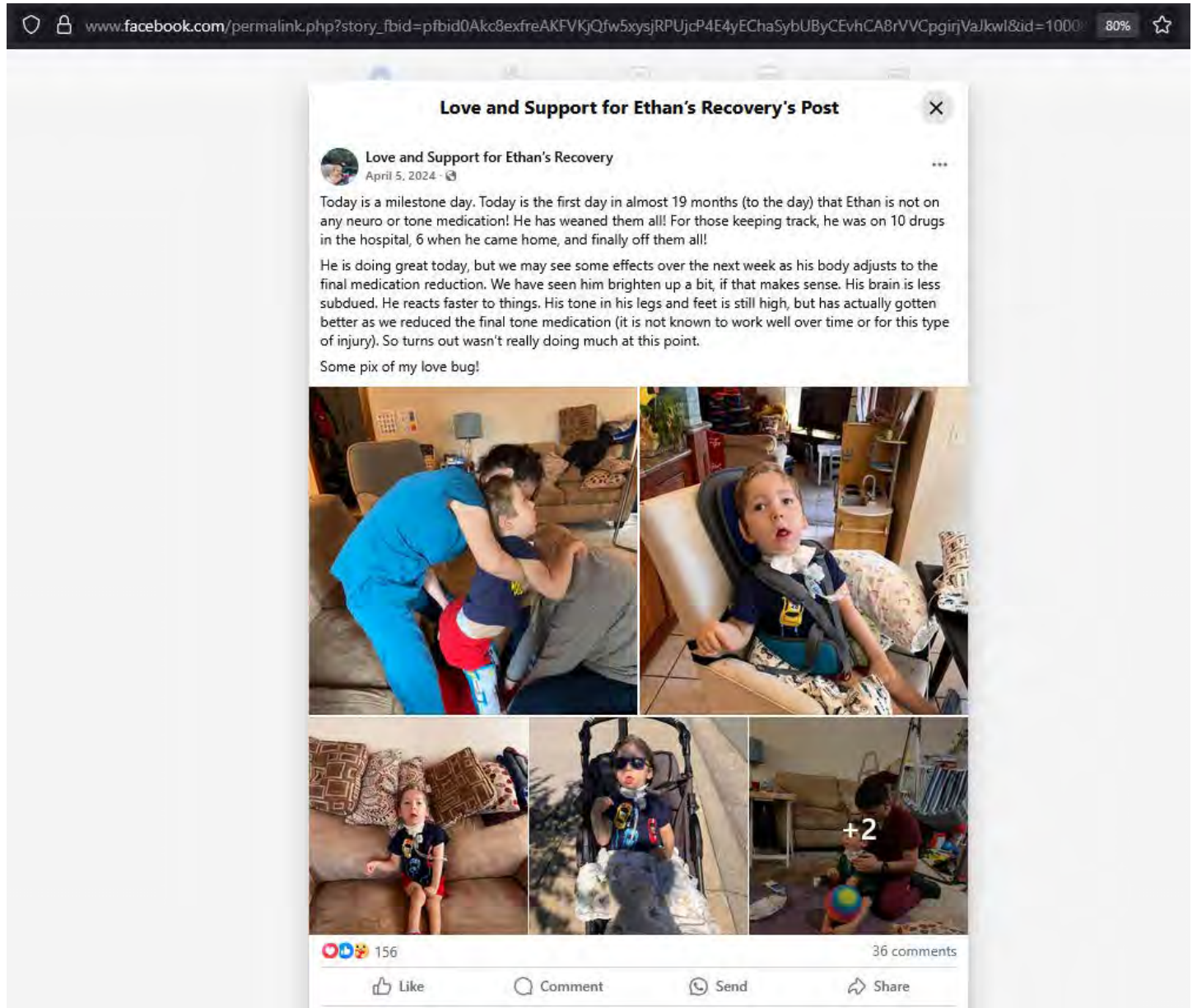
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Post indicating Ethan is no longer on, "...any neuro or tone medication!"


















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Posted: Apr 16, 2024



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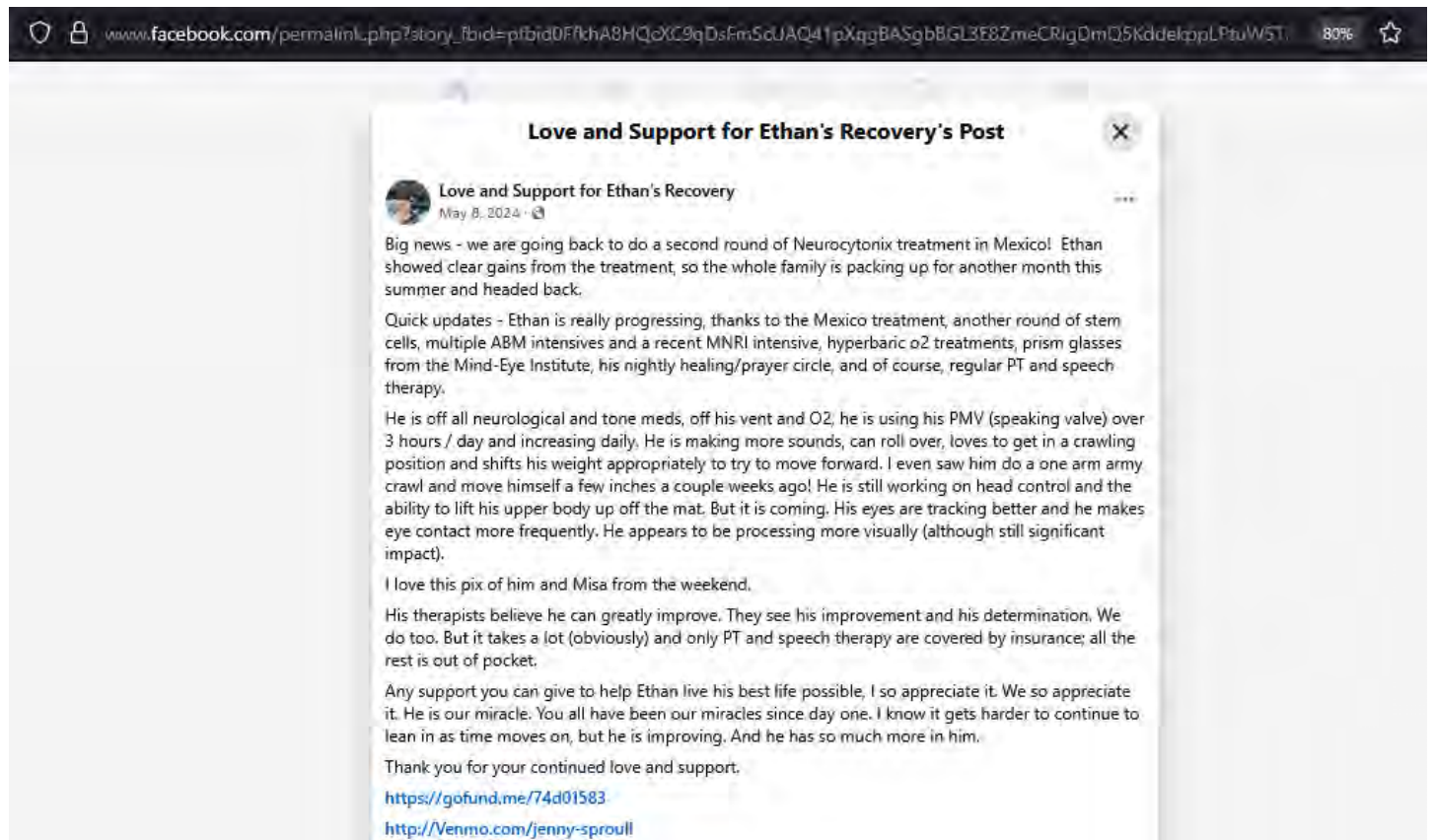
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Post giving an update on Ethan with a photo of Ethan and their au pair.





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Photos of Ethan with associates Caption: Happy Mother's Day! This is not the journey I ever wanted for me or my boys, but I am so thankful we are all here and on it together. A couple of pix from Sunday - both the so cute Ethan and his Papa, and the still reality of being a mom of twin boys (felt like old times)! No matter what - we keep get getting back on that horse! (This was Ethan's literal first time since his accident)!

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

May 13, 2024 · 🌐

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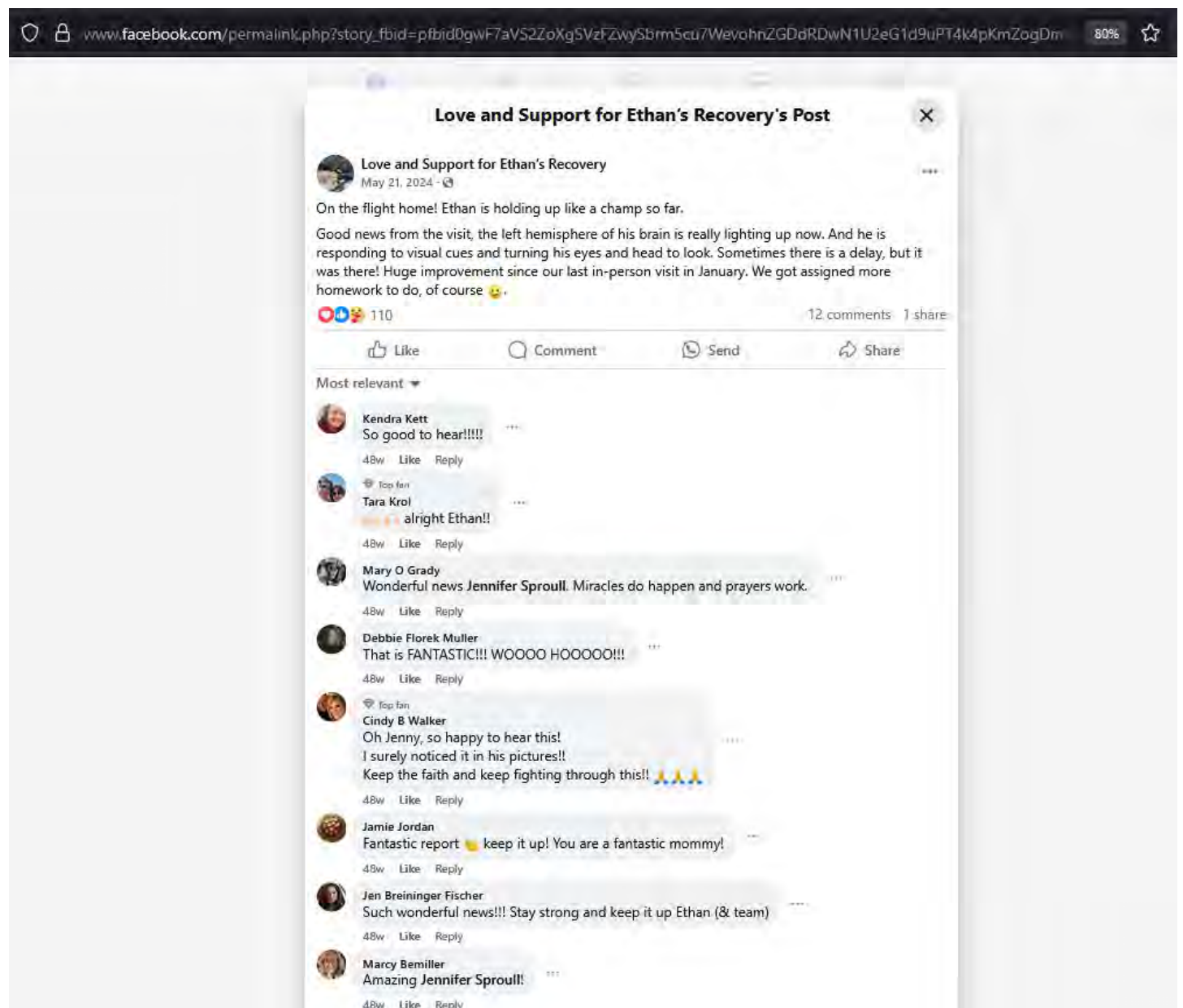
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Post about traveling





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Photo of Subject's mom and Ethan at an airport Caption: Just landed in Burbank! Early morning start for a doctor's appointment in the area. Sorry to be missing our friends in Chicago, but happy we can do our Mind Eye Institute follow-up appointment closer to home. Quick day trip today. So far so good!

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

May 21, 2024 · 🌐

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



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May 22, 2024 · 🌐

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Lori Wear
Amazing progress ❤️

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Jessica Tillery
Inch by inch! You've got this bud!!! God has big plans for you!

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Debbie Florek Muller
He has just been looking so different lately. He is more focused, and less rigid, but there is something else that just makes him SO different and I can't figure it out. He is just looking REALLY GREAT!

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
May 27, 2024 · 🌐

Ethan had a great week. First, very thankfully, he seems to have avoided the really bad respiratory infection going through the house. Misa and I are at the tail end, so I am very hopeful he made it through. It was nasty (but I probably won't truly breathe a sigh of relief for about another week).

While we all masked around him, he had a great time with Ms. Tracey, from TKM! He LOVES his ABM therapy with her - his eyes lit up when I told him she was coming, and they had 5 great days together (his buddy Stella joined as well, it was great to see her and her family again!)

On Sunday morning, I was sitting with Ethan and he was leaning over one of my legs, and he put his arm down and pushed up and pulled his trunk up at the same time to get back up to a seated position! Tracey said from day 1 this time that he was coordinating his body so much more than when she was here about 5 weeks ago. It was amazing to feel! It is so little, but such a big step for him. His head control still needs to come along, but it is making tiny improvements. If he can control it, a lot of things will start to become possible (sitting by himself, etc.). He is trying. We are doing everything we can to help him.

On that note, just a few more weeks until we leave for Mexico and the Neurocytonix treatment (grow new neural pathways in the brain) again. I am looking forward to seeing how he responds this time, but would be lying if I said I was looking forward to the trip. It is a lot on everyone.

I so appreciate everyone who has been able to continue to help us out with your prayers and your financial support. This continues to be a lot, and almost all of his treatments are out of pocket. I know a few people have asked how to help more directly for Mexico. We use UberEats there as we don't have a car (grocery delivery, etc.); gift cards for UberEats would be so appreciated.

May is water safety awareness month. Hold your loved ones tight. It just takes seconds to change your life. And every second, we now fight for Ethan's quality of life. He fights so hard, how can we not do the same?

Thank you for your love and support, you keep us going!

If you are able to help at all (any amount helps), below is the email for UberEats, as well as Ethan's Go Fund Me page, and my Venmo link. Thank you again.

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Posted: May 28, 2024



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Video of Subject and Ethan Caption: Ethan flipping pages in a book last night! Look at that purposeful movement, high arm, and fast! The harder he works to move, the more tone he has in his body, but he powered through! Great job bud!! ----- And always appreciate any help to keep supporting his recovery, any amount helps! UberEats gift card (helps during Mexico treatment) email: jsproull999@gmail.com
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Posted: Jun 07, 2024



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Photos of Ethan and Aiden Caption: One week until Mexico! Let the chaos begin 🇲🇽. Aiden has been more into playing with Ethan this past week. They were playing this morning while I was working and our amazing nurse Rosie caught these pictures!

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June 7, 2024 · 🌐

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Posted: Jun 15, 2024



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Photo of Subject's son, Aiden, and an associate Caption: And we are out the door! Aiden decided he wanted to dress just like Misa today, down to the shoes ☺. Well, if I lose her in the airport, I can just point to him and say a she is wearing this (hee hee)!

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June 15, 2024 · 🌐



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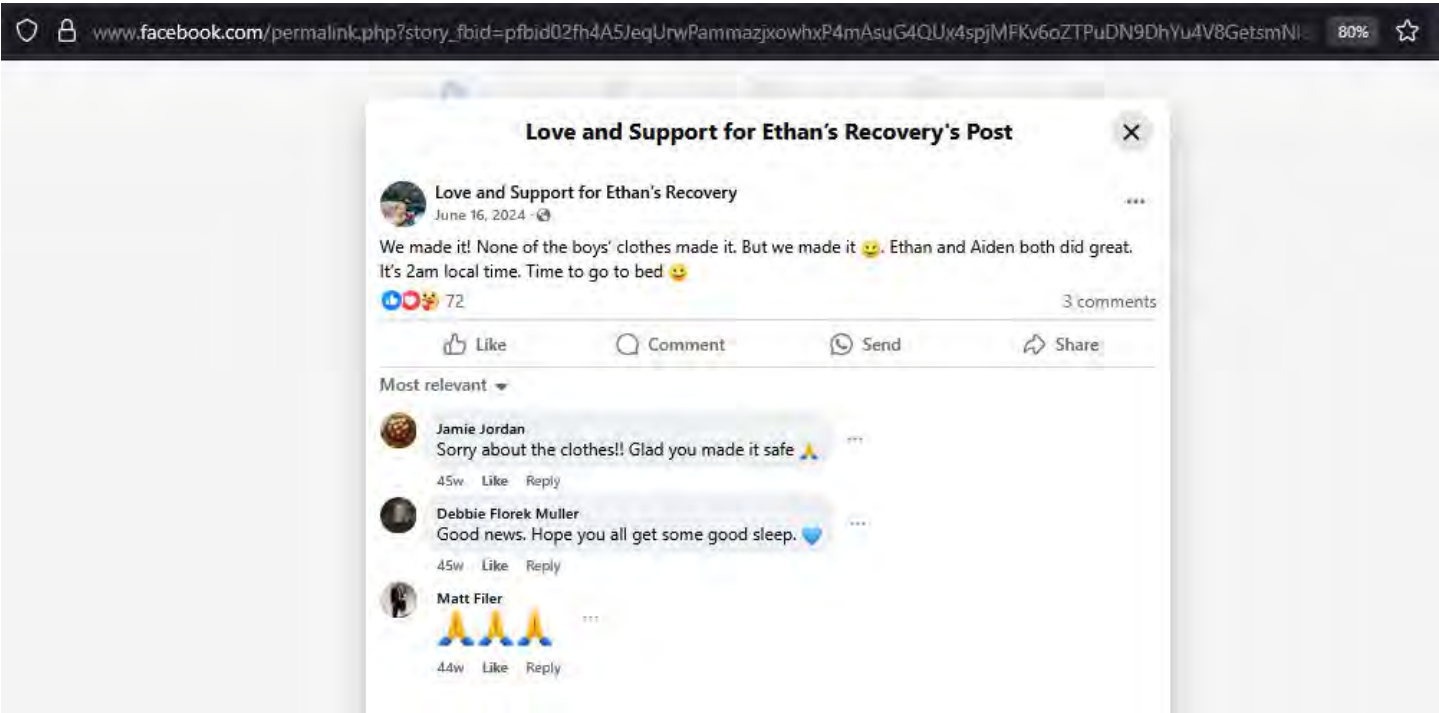
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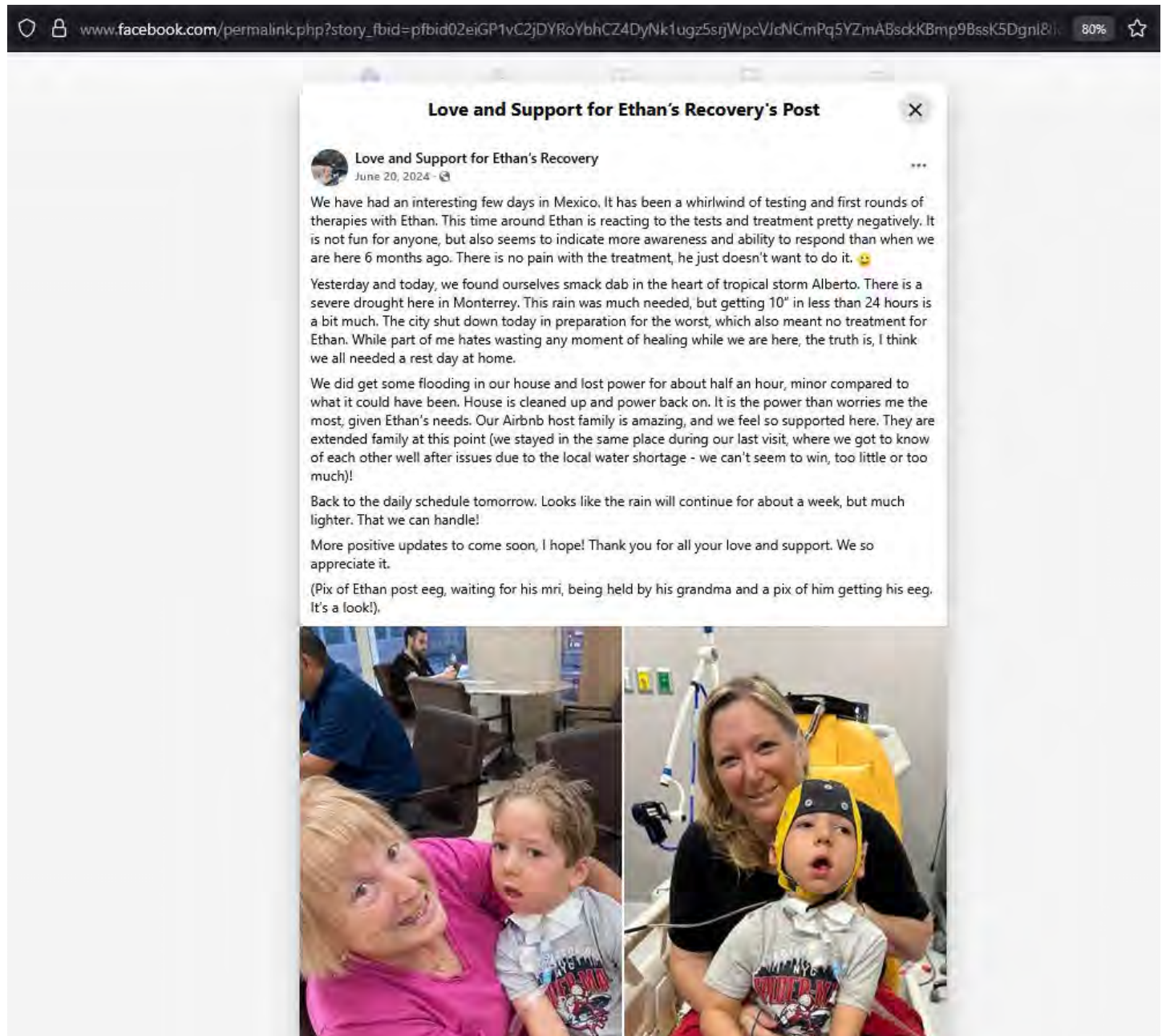


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Post about their time in Mexico for Ethan's treatment







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Jessica Tillery · ...
Praying for you guys!

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Rosie Klein · ...
Hugs and prayers ❤️🙏

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Cindy B Walker · ...
Only you my friend would end up in the middle of a tropical storm! 🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔
What doesn't kill you makes you stronger right?? lol.
Come on Ethan!! You got this!
🙏🙏🙏
Love and miss y'all and continuously praying 🙏

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Alison M. Pitre · ...
Esthetics C. Walker God is good. Continue praying 🙏

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Reply to Cindy B Walker...

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Lynn Kipila Hanson · ...
OMGosh. I forgot you were headed there again. We just returned from a trip to Wisconsin to see our first great-granddaughter! She is so beautiful. Sounds like things are a little unsettled with the weather being a issue, but glad things are going well. So, Ethan is turning into just a typical toddler!



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Post about Subject's parents Caption: Happy 55th wedding anniversary to my amazing parents. I know you didn't expect to be spending it in Mexico, while helping to care for your grandsons. But I am eternally thankful. We let Ama and Papa escape for a brief but nice dinner just the two of them. Apparently a candle that can burn the place down is the appropriate celebration for 55 years! We love you!

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Happy anniversary!
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Post about Subject and her son Aiden attending a summer camp in Mexico Caption: On the - isn't life interesting category - Aiden and I got invited to a summer camp for children this week. So, we are now both attending summer camp in Mexico today ☐. We were invited by our Airbnb host family's youngest daughter, who recently graduated high school. We met her yesterday. She is so sweet, and I am pretty sure will be running this country by the time she is 30 ☐.

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June 24, 2024 · 🌐

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Subject shared an update on Ethan's treatment Caption: Treatment day 8 completed! Tropical storm passed. We made some adjustments and Ethan is tolerating his treatment much better (more light and a fan blowing right on his head) and mommy standing and talking to him the whole time. Oh, and Harry Styles blasting through the room (I think the nurses there personally like when Ethan shows up - they ask for Harry as well). It is hard to quantify changes in Ethan at this point, but there seems to be some more awareness of what is going on around him. Last night, Aiden and Papa were playing a game on the iPad together and Ethan was sitting a few feet away, clearly not happy. I asked if he wanted to be by them, and he calmed right down. I moved him and he was happy as a clam ☺. Quick picture of all the boys hanging out playing a car racing game (Ethan and Aiden took turns picking the race cars for each race)

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Photos of Subject and Ethan with associates, the post indicates the child, Zion, also suffered a non-fatal drowning Caption: We are so fortunate to have had very special guests for dinner over tonight - Zion, his mom, and aunt. Zion suffered a non-fatal drowning almost 4 years ago at nearly 3 years old. He had a trach and a g-tube. He could not move himself. He has since ditched the trach, eats and drinks by mouth, and walks around. He has been a beacon of hope for me and my family on this journey. While ever kid and brain injury is different, he shows us a possible road ahead. And for that I am so grateful. (FB page Prayers for Zion). Zion just finished his treatment in Mexico. While he has made so much progress, there is always more to go (he can not yet talk - yet being the key word). His mom and I had connected on Facebook over a year ago, and we follow each other's pages for our boys, swap therapy experiences, and provide support when we can. We ended up in a Mexico at the same time and we got to celebrate the end of Zion's treatment together tonight with some pizza at our 'Mexico house'. Ethan wore his PMV and vocalized more than we have ever heard him! Zion's mom is a pro at navigating a kiddo with higher tone, a trach and a g-tube and took right to holding him and hanging out while Zion, Aiden and the other adults ran around the backyard! Hopefully we won't have to go all the way to Mexico to see them again!

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



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July 3, 2024 · 🌐

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Lynn Kipila Hanson
such an amazing story for you both. Definitely more exciting times in store you all of you.

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Maria Gonzales
I loved spending some time with you all! Ethan and Aiden are such beautiful boys! You are such an amazing STRONG mom. Can't wait to see you again! Ethan will continue to progress at his own rate. Praying for you all ❤️

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Yolanda Ramos
Yayyyyyyyyyy so happy you got to spend time and meet each other💕💕 Team Zion and Team Ethan forever 🌈🌈🌈🌈

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Kaitlin Casado
Love all of this!! 🌈🌈🌈

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Kaitlin Casado and we miss you guys!!!

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Ida Boranovsky
Love this ❤️ so inspiring! Did you get that little handheld pulse ox from your DME?

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Ida Boranovsky we bought it. Working on trying to get dme to provide (gets expensive replacing patient cables, etc).

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Kathy Brenner Vagg
So much love & hope, God's Blessings

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Posted: Jul 12, 2024



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Video of Subject and Ethan sitting outside Caption: Ethan 'moving and grooving' as we say in my house! We are nearly done with this round of treatments in Mexico! So thankful for this opportunity, but also looking forward to being home. Thank you again for everyone who has helped make this possible.

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Video of Ethan during a treatment Caption: Last treatment session today! EEG and MRI tomorrow then home Wednesday! We are starting to see lots of little changes in Ethan. Including him touching his knees on command in the video. More to share later! One of the unexpected joys of being here is the opportunity to meet families in similar situations. There is a shared understanding like nothing else, not to mention sharing of treatments now and in development, what has worked, what hasn't. Lessons learned and life hacks. But most importantly, that shared understanding that thankfully so few have. Last night Meghan and Levi were able to come over for dinner, and we had a wonderful time visiting (fb page: Light for Levi and Lainey). Very few in our situations are also the parents of impacted twins. Levi and Ethan even spent a few minutes getting vocal with each other ☺. We look forward to the day they can carry on a true conversation. We also came to the conclusion that should Lainey and Aiden ever get a chance to meet up on a play date that the rest of us might not be able to keep up. They sounded like two peas in a pod ☺ With that, it is my turn to hang out with Ethan as he finishes his last treatment. Thank you again for all of your healing energy, prayers, and financial contributions. We can't do this without you.



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Post from Subject updating on her life about having to do home repairs

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post

**Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery**
July 20, 2024 · 🌐

We made it home the other night, relatively unscathed. Ethan threw up the last hour of the flight - nothing like doing a head to toe change and trach care at 35,000 feet 😅.

I have so much to share about the awesome stuff Ethan is doing now - so much change! But, I am waiting until the next post 😊

First, I want to give huge thanks to Quality Sheet Metal Heating and Air. My 35 year old a/c decided to officially die shortly before we came home from Mexico. The hvac companies through my home warranty company couldn't get out to check it out for over a week after we returned. It's over 100 degrees here. All the hvac companies are swamped. Relocating with Ethan is very difficult (supplies, machines, etc) and it was daunting to figure out what we were going to do.

I have worked with Quality Sheet Metal for years. They are family-owned and wonderful. They prioritized us and got to my house Tuesday, and then gave me the bad news. They know my situation and have been helping me nurse this system for about 7 years. But it was time to replace the entire system. The owner called me and said he and his boys would make it their personal mission for us to come home to a cool house the following day, when we arrived from Mexico. With no paperwork signed, just a verbal 'go' on the phone, he got it done. Given the age of the unit, they had to replace the whole hvac system (furnace/blower, etc). They kept their promise. They have been working long nights since to make up the work they rescheduled to help us out. I really can't speak highly enough of them. If anyone lives in my area, please consider using them!

And huge thank you to my neighbor Kelvin, who kept a daily eye on the place and then ended up managing an entire hvac replacement on my behalf. So blessed to have such amazing people in our lives.

The HVAC system wasn't the only thing I've been dealing with the last few days. Welcome home 🥰. In addition, the hot water heater was no longer making hot water (at least just the pilot light being out), we discovered last night that my oven is no longer heating when turned on, and I chipped the back of a crown tooth while in Mexico. I thought it would be an easy fix, but ended up getting a whole new crown yesterday (or at least starting the process).

But it is all ok. Know why? Because Aiden and Ethan are rocking it. We needed this family time and the treatment really seems to be allowing Ethan to have some meaningful gains. Time will continue to tell (and more soon)!

In the meantime, huge thank you to our community who continues to support us through all this craziness. It definitely takes a village and we appreciate all you do for us.

(Qui k pix of my mom and Ethan hanging out in the hospital lobby waiting for his last MRI) the day before we left. And Ethan hugging his nurse, Taran, upon seeing him again (he literally threw his body on Taran)!



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Audrey Cole O'Grady

Why does everything breaking also seem to come along with big developmental leaps?
Delighted to read this post.
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I love you all so much.

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Update on Ethan with photos of him

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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

July 28, 2024 · 🌐

It has been a whirlwind since being back - returning to work, summer camps, and Ethan's weekly therapies (or most of them, as some are on summer break).

Thank you to everyone who helped us get to Mexico. Wow, are we seeing changes in Ethan! This kid is vocalizing up a storm (no words yet, but getting very demanding in tone), he wants to stand at every opportunity (his feet positioning won't let him, but we work with them to get him up as much as possible), he is visually processing at least some things (confirmed by the tech doing his final visual test w/ EEG leads), one eye used to list to the side frequently - I barely (almost never) see it do so now, and he is definitely making more purposeful movements! Just today he put his 'hi' hand up every time he heard Harry Styles sing 'Watermelon Sugar High' (he recognizes the word), vocalized (sounded like yelling) when he heard me come into the house after being out for a bit (given he stopped when I came to him, I think it is a safe assumption he was yelling for me), on command - repeatedly put his finger in a shark toy and touched individual teeth (it closes gently on your hand after a random number of teeth pushes), flipped pages in a book, shifted his body weight endlessly in order to get to a standing position while I was holding him, and works to clap his hands when asked (he brings his right hand up and then puts it down on his left hand, usually fistfist). Huge!! That is all in just the last few hours.

These are enormous steps, and I celebrate each one as if he just won an Olympic medal. (BTW, Aiden is LOVING the Olympics - it is so fun to watch him cheer on our athletes!) But I would be disingenuous if I didn't share the continued grief and worry over Ethan. I was particularly struggling with this the first couple of weeks in Mexico (although it never goes away). Feeling maybe defeated - knowing we wouldn't get a big giant miracle from the treatment (although every gain I chalk up to small miracles).

We are almost 2 years post-accident, and it is perhaps that looming anniversary date that weighs so heavily lately. I never thought we would be here 2 years out. And here we are. With gains and hope and improvement. But zero independence and minimal communication. I have talked about feeling guided on this journey before, and I felt it again when these thoughts were heaviest. Our second week in Mexico, I walked out of Ethan's treatment bay to run to the restroom (my mom stayed to watch him with a clinic nurse). There, in the lobby, waiting for her daughter's turn in our bay, was a mom with a bio-engineering manufacturing background; who is pretty much not on FB (which is where I get info on new treatments from parents around the world). And this mom has used her knowledge to dig up a couple of treatment options not on my radar. As usual in the pediatric anoxic brain injury community, these treatments would be off-label and are usually only real-world tested (no good double-blind studies). One may be available now, one has just been developed and is in adult clinical trials in Canada. Ethan may be an adult by the time that one is released even for an off-label compassionate use case - but how encouraging to hear medicine is making breakthroughs regarding actually healing the brain!! And, I don't know yet if the first treatment I mentioned is even a possibility. This mom works with the same doctor Ethan sees, and I am scheduled to talk with him in a few weeks. I need to know much more to weigh risk vs reward, even if it is feasible.

I have shared this stat before - one I read a few years ago (I am in the healthcare field) - that it used to take ~ 75 years to double our knowledge of medicine; now it takes 75 hours. No discipline, physician, or governing body can keep up with that pace of change. And that is why I consider it a small miracle that I ran into this mom on that day. There is no other way I would have learned about these possible future treatments. Again, maybe there is something there, maybe there isn't. But it gives me hope that we are continuing to progress our understanding of the brain and there are real possibilities for healing out there.

In the meantime, my little tortoise has made a definite leap forward. The chasm to some sort of independence has become just a little less wide. Thank you all for you love and support on this long journey. It is so appreciated.

Links below if you would like to help contribute to Ethan's recovery, anything helps and is so appreciated.

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Patty Vasiliades Smulski

Good bless Ethan and his amazing mom! 🙏🙏🙏

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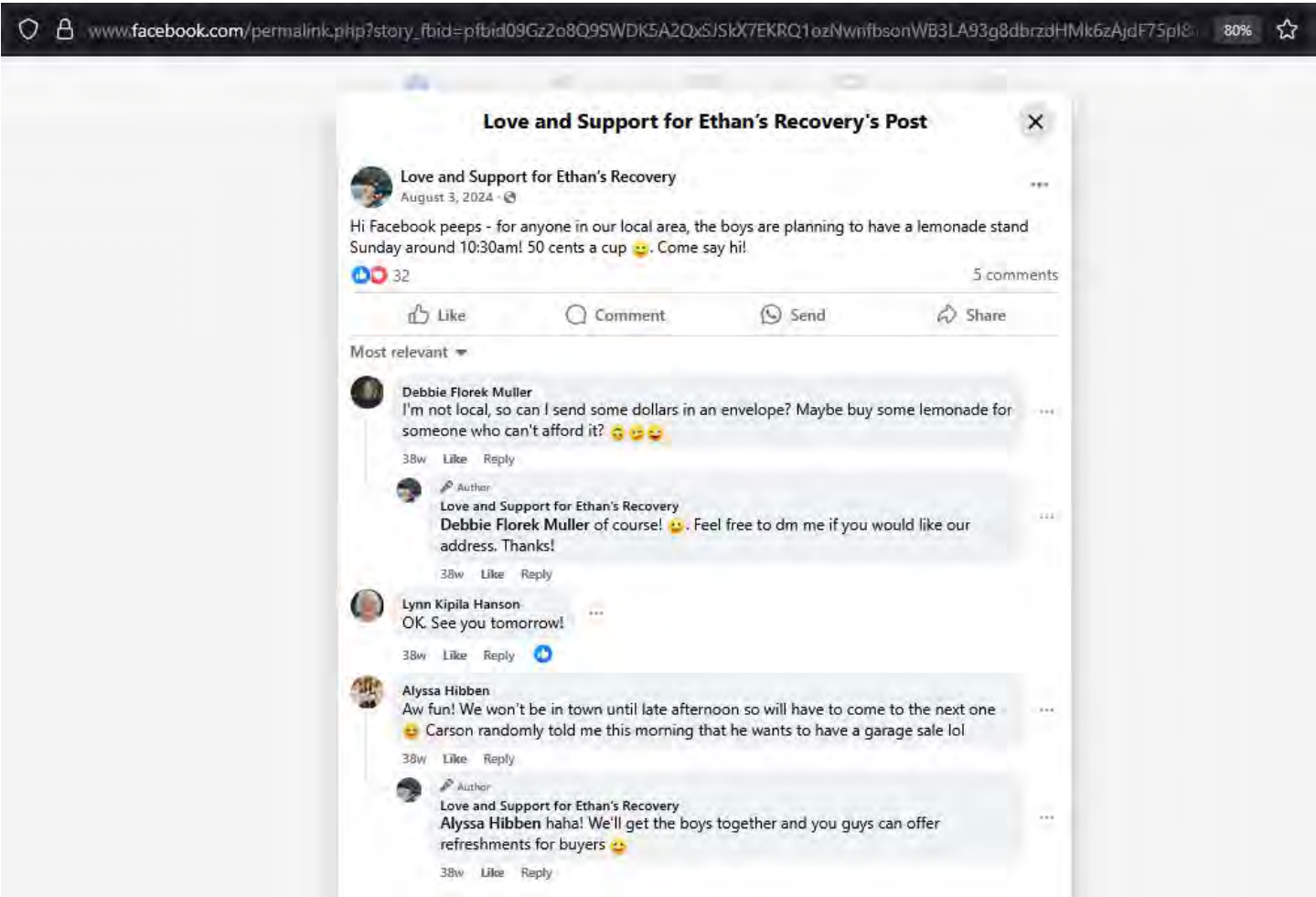
Post about a lemonade stand



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Post about Ethan swimming Caption: And what do you do after working hard at the hot lemonade stand? Go swimming of course!

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



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And what do you do after working hard at the hot lemonade stand? Go swimming of course!



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Jennifer Delaney Attig

I love that you are all enjoying the pool together ❤️ Such happy faces 😊 ...

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38w Like Reply 2



Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Jennifer Delaney Attig it has taken work. If I didn't have such a strong foundation of loving the water - and Aiden didn't get so much joy from swimming - it would not be happening. There are still rough moments, but am glad we can make good memories. And Ethan kept indicating he was loving it 😊

37w Like Reply Edited 3



Lynn Kipila Hanson

Does Ethan seem to be afraid to go back in the water? How about Aiden? Has he learned how to swim? Talk about urgency, right!

37w Like Reply



Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Lynn Kipila Hanson Aiden has had multiple ISR swim sessions (8 weeks long each) to learn how to save himself in the water. He is now very comfortable in it - and we are still right there with him always. But good to know he knows what to do if needed. Ethan seems to relax and enjoy it the few times we go in. He almost fell asleep in my arms the last time 😊

37w Like Reply 3



Top fan

Cindy B Walker

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery Ethan gives us hope every single time I see him trying a new task.

God Bless. 🙏🙏🙏

37w Like Reply



Lynn Kipila Hanson

I'm glad to hear Ethan is getting more comfortable in the water. That will be huge as time goes by.

37w Like Reply



Debbie Cohen

Sounds like a perfect day! Well done!

38w Like Reply



Jamie Jordan

Awesome times

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Photos of Ethan with associates at a lemonade stand Caption: We had so much fun visiting with everyone at the lemonade stand. Aiden gave a generous pour, so we ran out a little early, but still enjoyed all the company! Ethan seemed to enjoy himself too - he hit his button that said 'get your lemonade here!' A lot! Also, he is wearing a tie because he was clearly management (sitting down on the job). Willow even made an appearance near the end too ☐. Thanks again for all your love and support! We have the best community.

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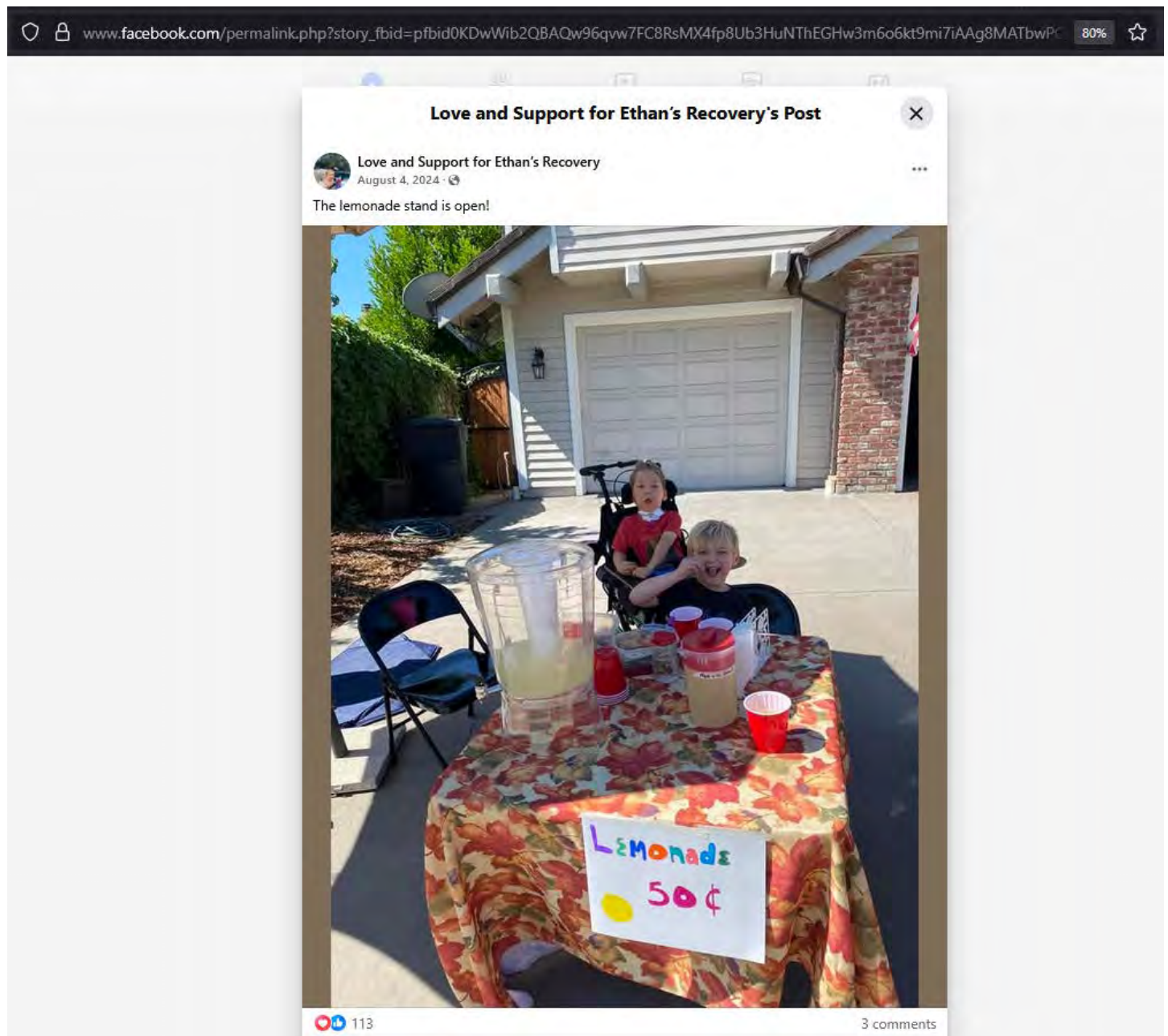
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Photo of Aiden and Ethan at their lemonade stand Caption: The lemonade stand is open!





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Post about Ethan Caption: Wow, just had a great moment with Ethan tonight. We were just hanging out on the floor, and I asked him to touch his ear - and he immediately moved his hand ip and got an inch away from it! Then I asked him to touch his nose, and he did (dragged down his face a bit - but he got it)! I then asked him to touch my nose - and he swiped his arm out to try (missed, but intent was clearly there)! Verbally processing and able to purposefully move in response. Huge!! And, all he wants to do is stand up. He keeps pulling himself up when I hold him on the floor. If we can just get his feet straightened out, he would be rocking and rolling! (And he was mad he didn't actually touch his ear and then tried many more times - getting more frustrated each time. He just wants to do it!

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



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August 10, 2024 · 🌐

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

so, so, so happy to hear of his improvement. Moving at a snail's pace, but making progress along the way.

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Debbie Cohen

Go little buddy!! So many small wins for a big victory!

37w Like Reply



Jennifer Delaney Attig

Amazing! Keep it up Ethan ❤️

37w Like Reply



Tarissa Tiberti Lacey

That is HUGE!!! First the cognition and then the purposeful movement! Way to go Ethan!!

Have you considered dynamic casting for his feet?

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Judy Brannon Pontious

That's just wonderful!

37w Like Reply



Denyce Pao

Such great news. You're a rock star Ethan !!

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Kaitlin Casado

So AWESOME!!!

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Kim Spinazzola

That's wonderful! Go, Ethan!

37w Like Reply



Carolyn Anderson

Such wonderful progress - tho too slow for everyone, I know

37w Like Reply



Top fan

Robin Rouse

So very thankful 🙏 for Ethan's purposefulness and his never give up spunk 🌟 Yayyy Ethan 🌟

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Posted: Aug 12, 2024



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Post about Ethan indicating he knew his colors. In the comment section an associate shared a photo of Subject with family. Caption: Umm, guys - we have had 2 separate instances today where Ethan showed us he knows his colors! He was given multiple options to touch and 100% of the time got it right - with different people, different settings, and different objects. Holy crap!!

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August 12, 2024 · 🌐

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Lon Oury

Loved our time with you precious people last week. Ethan has truly improved since we saw him in Chicago last January. Eyes, face, looser muscles, better tone. And now these good signs. Blessings.



36w Like Reply 2



Karla Furlano Berra

Lon Oury awwwww!!!!❤️

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Reply to Lon Oury...



Karen Kraus

👏👏👏 Ethan-Olympics!!!❤️❤️❤️

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Top fan

Tracy Kruger Avvakumovits

That is amazing!! Way to go Ethan (Mom, grandparents and therapists for all the amazing treatments, support and encouragement)!!❤️

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Debbie Florek Muller

Well, OF COURSE!!!! You all have been working, SOOO HARD!!! Way to GO, Ethan!! WAY TO GO!!!

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Siobhán Kelly



The miracles are happening! Let's go Ethan!

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Post from Subject's au pair, Misa, sharing the GoFundMe


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Miša Kratochvílová's Post



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Miša Kratochvílová · August 19, 2024 · 🌐

Ahoj všichni 🍌 budu vděčná když si najdete chvíli na přečtení.

Moje aupair experience byla dost jedinečná jelikož jedno z mých host dětí utrpělo poranění mozku nedlouho po mém příjezdu. Před dvěmi lety Ethan spadl do bazénu a utrpěl brain injury z nedostatku kyslíku jelikož byl dlouhou dobu v bezvědomí. Teď už se zotavuje dobře, ale vyžaduje to hodně práce a taky peníze jelikož spousta terapií a procedur je soukromá a často i v jiném státě. Chtěla jsem pomoci me host mamce (jelikož je single mom by choice) a založit donio nebo něco podobného ale jelikož už má jeden fundraiser aktivní tak to nebylo možné. Proto bych chtěla touto cestou poprosit pokud můžete přispět, přispějte, pokud nemůžete, sdílejte

Tady je link na facebookovou stránku kde můžete sledovat Ethanovu cestu: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100085707352914...>

Tady je link na go fund me fundraiser: <https://gofund.me/d1413033>

Hello everyone 🍌 I will be grateful if you find a moment to read this.

My aupair experience was quite unique as one of my guest children suffered a brain injury shortly after my arrival. Two years ago, Ethan fell into the pool and suffered brain injury from lack of oxygen because he was unconscious for a long time. He is recovering well now, but it requires a lot of work and also money because many therapies and procedures are private and often in another country.


I wanted to help my guest mom (since she is a single mom by choice) and set up a donio or something similar, but since one fundraiser is active, it was not possible.

So I would like to take this way to ask if you can, donate, if you can't, share

Here is a link to the Facebook page where you can follow Ethan's journey: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100085707352914...>

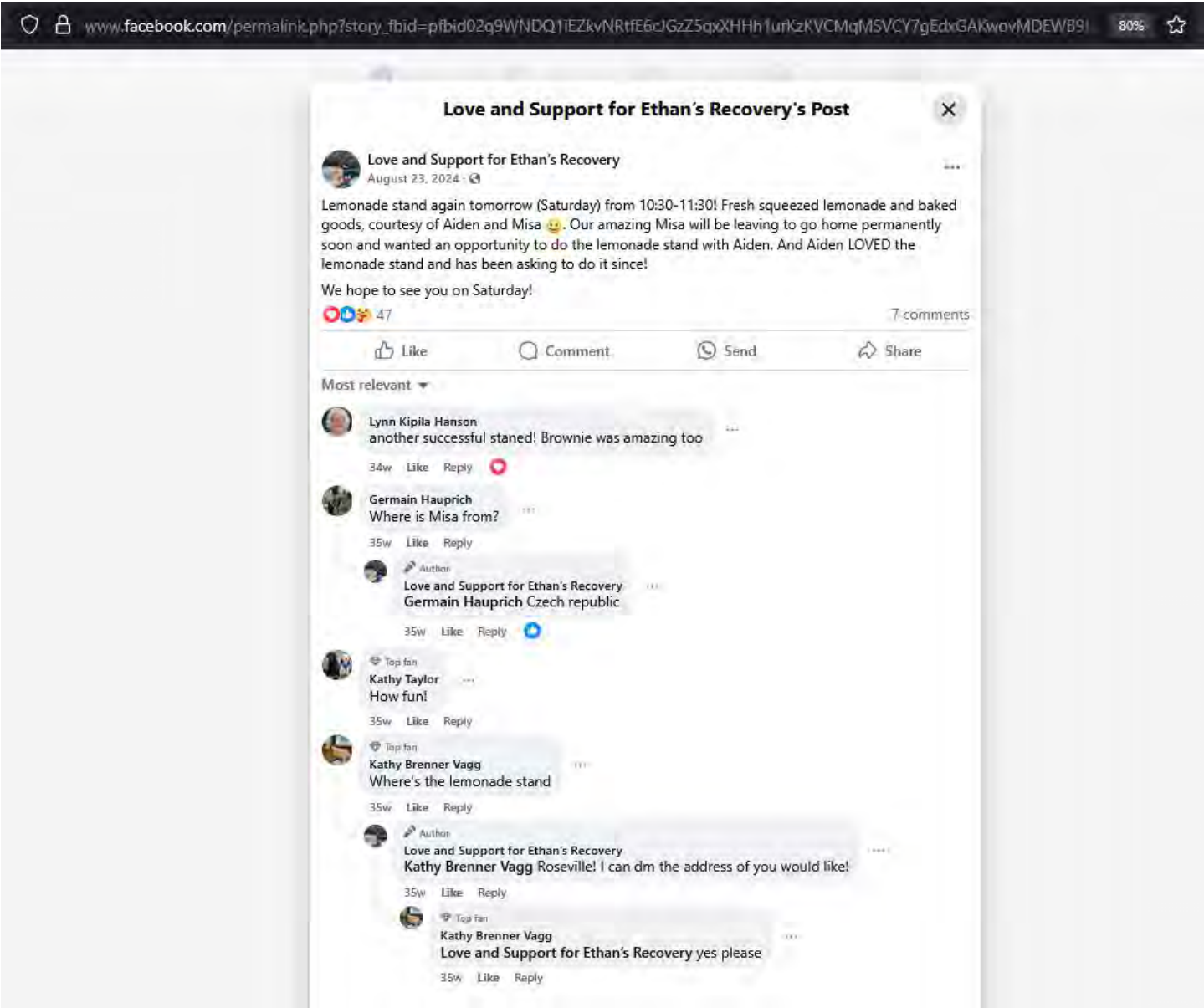
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Post about having a lemonade stand





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Photo of Subject's son, Aiden, and their au pair at their lemonade stand. Caption: Lemonade stand is open! Aiden is dressed like it is 40 degrees (it is 75 degrees). California boy ☐. Note - he picked out his outfit ☐

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

August 24, 2024 · 🌐

Lemonade stand is open! Aiden is dressed like it is 40 degrees (it is 75 degrees). California boy 😊.
Note - he picked out his outfit 😊



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Lynn Kipila Hanson

Great lemonade stand! The browlie was delicious too! Another fun day for your household!

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Eric Sproull

Aiden and Miša!!!

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Posted: Aug 26, 2024



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Photo of Subject and Ethan on a plane indicating they were on their way to Phoenix Caption: On our way to Phoenix for some exciting stuff (8 hope)! More to come tomorrow ☐

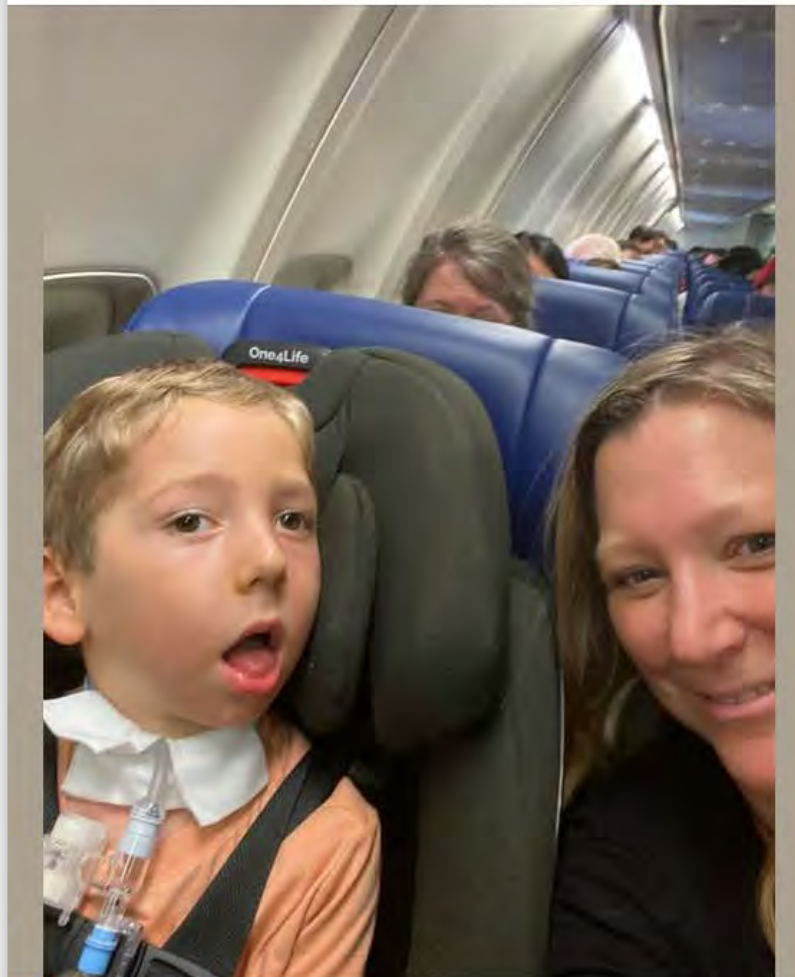
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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
August 26, 2024 · 🌐

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Posted: Aug 28, 2024



Captured: Apr 28, 2025

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Post from Subject about Ethan's condition with a photo of Ethan and Subject's mother. The post indicates Ethan received a new injection of anti-inflammatory medication as well as another round of stem cells.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

August 28, 2024 · 🌐

We are safely home, yay! It was a whirlwind trip. We went to Phoenix to see our amazing doctor - where he not only did another round of stem cells (with some new techniques he recently picked up) but he also did a new treatment he has been researching for the last few years. It is something that has been done in adults with brain injuries for a long time, but hadn't made it into the pediatric world. He did his due diligence and found a safe way. Ethan received an injection of an anti-inflammatory medication that could permanently stop the ongoing inflammation response in his brain from his anoxic injury. They understand the chemical reaction (it is well studied) so no guess work there. All of this was made possible in the last 2 weeks. It was a miracle in and of itself how it all came together. This chance for Ethan is huge. We will see what changes come over the next couple of months as swelling decreases, there is more room for neural growth, and oxygen is able to access parts of the brain at higher levels then able to over the last two years. We will see. I have hope.

While this should help, Ethan still has scar tissue in his brain from the trauma, it stops neural pathways from reconnecting. There is work being done around the world to impact these. Ethan's doctor and I spoke about this and he is continually researching new options and they are discovered. I have hope.

In the meantime, we love our guy and work to infuse fun and joy and lots and lots of love throughout his day. In fact, he played 'steal AMA's pretzels' on the plane ride home. It took some time, and was not overly coordinated, but he would take her pretzel packages in his hand and move them over to his seat and drop them. Over and over again. He was sitting in my lap in the middle seat when we were playing, and eventually even took them over to where his car seat was (further to the left) as if to say - nope, you really aren't getting these back now Amal!

More positive updates soon, I hope.

Thank you all for your continued love and support! A miracle in and of itself.



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Kendra Kett
So good to hear!!!!

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34w Like Reply



Rhea Ann Dandeneau
I am so glad you are able to access so many medical interventions and that Ethan continues to make progress due to your commitment ❤️

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34w Like Reply



Staci Horn Hughes
Great hearing this news! So glad you have a physician focused on researching the latest treatments. Keep going, amazing mama!

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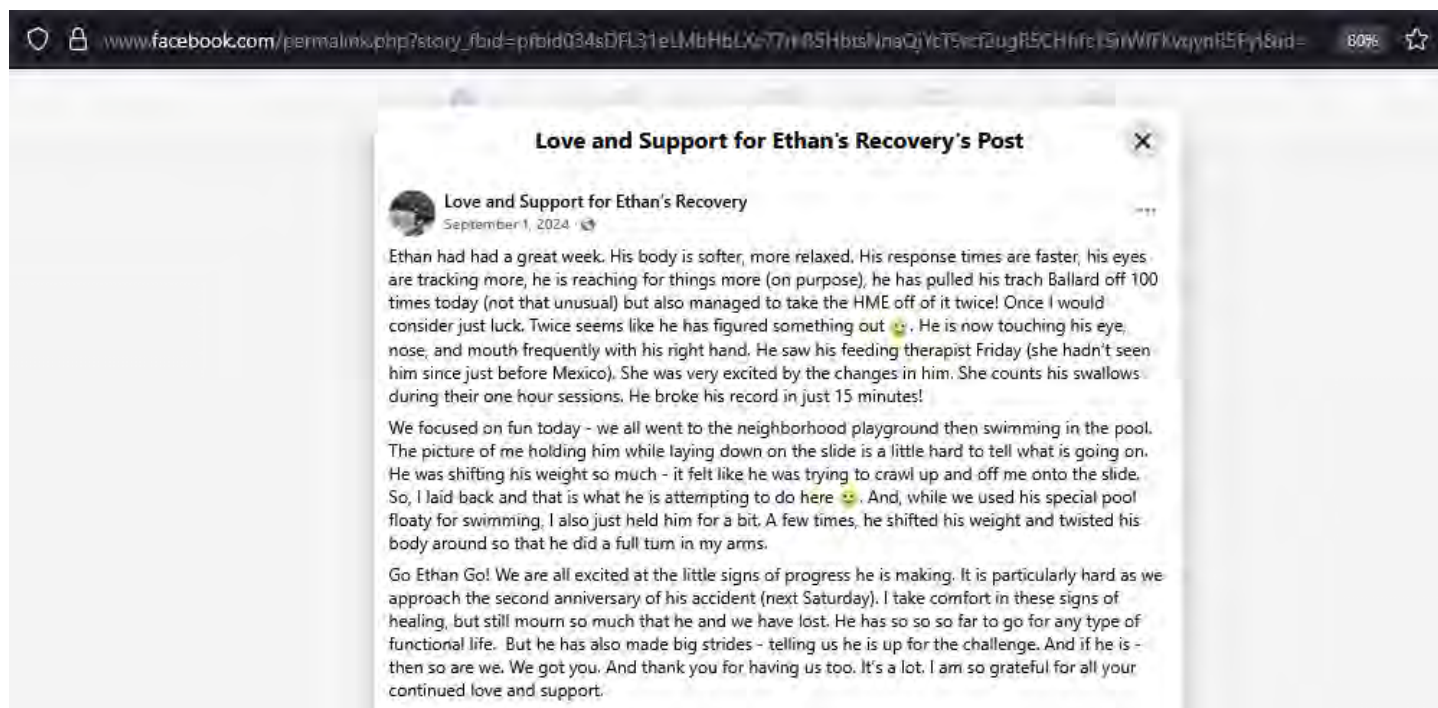
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Post about Subject updating on Ethan's condition





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Sonia Singh

Go Ethan go! Mama you are also amazing. ❤️

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Jen Breininger Fischer

There's no stopping him!!! Absolutely fantastic news 🥳

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Post from Subject





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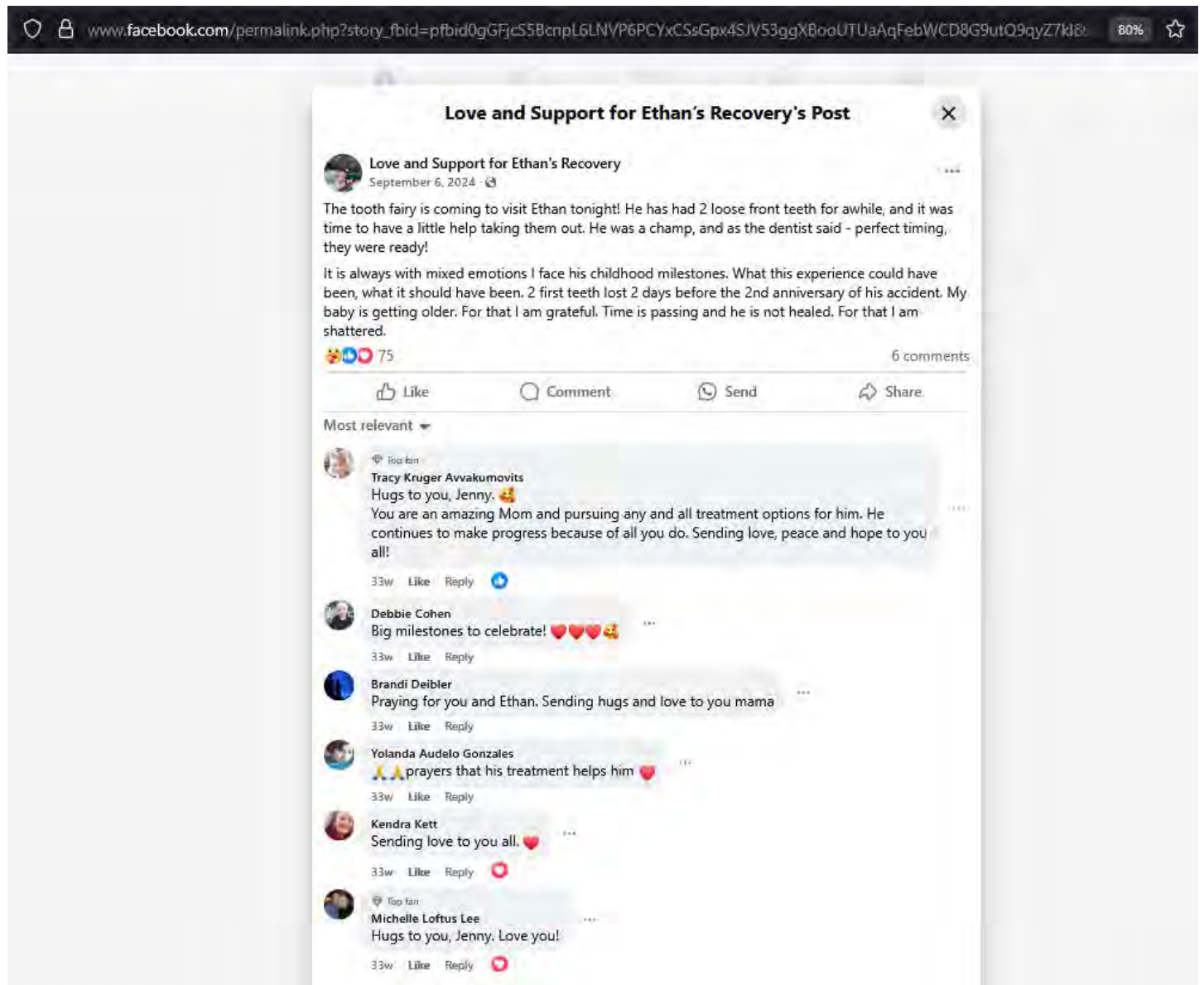
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Subject indicated the "tooth fairy" visiting Ethan





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Post from Subject about it being two years since the incident with photos of Ethan


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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
 September 8, 2024 · 🌐

Two years. It has been two years. It is unfathomable. Two years since my baby giggled, has run as only a toddler full of joy and mischief can run. Two years since my boys have truly played together, two years since I have heard him say mama. It has been two years since I have laughed without feeling heaviness, it has been two years since my soul has felt light. It has been two years.

I never thought we would be here. That this would be our life. Who does? I don't wish it on anybody. And yet, I also feel so lucky, so blessed. So few children survive what Ethan has, so few children make it this far. And he continues to improve for which I am grateful. He has come so far, yet the road ahead seems endless and still so wrought with danger.

He works so hard. We work so hard. We have received so many miracles and many blessings over the last two years. This community – the community that was built in support of Ethan and our family – has been life changing. I see the most amazing acts of kindness from so many of you and am so thankful. My family's world is so much better because of you. And you have stayed with us, for that I am so grateful. Continuing to check-in, support Ethan's therapies financially, take care of our house while we travel, doing emergency HVAC replacements, and holding a prayer / healing circle every single night since the accident without fail. Every.Single.Night. Those 5pm (pacific) texts calling the group to come together help me feel connected, supported, loved. They give me hope for Ethan, security that I am not on my own in the pursuit of his healing. And he is healing.

There are days I wonder if my continued pursuit of treatments to heal Ethan is just a form of denial; the inability to accept this is his life. It may be. But I literally cannot accept this for Ethan, for Aiden, for me. I refuse. My soul shatters at the mere thought, and I shut it down. I also realize that I have an unshakable core belief. That there is always a solution to any problem. I am a planner by vocation, which is perhaps why I have this belief that there is always a path to achieve a goal – one just has to find it. There is a solution to every puzzle. The solution may not yet exist, but it will. And in the meantime, I can keep putting puzzle pieces together, one piece at a time. But I long for the picture to be whole. I am aware enough to know my Ethan from before is not my Ethan now. But I do believe the core of who he is, his personality, his persistence, his love for his family, is still there. And medicine backs me up – MRI scans don't show damage to the parts of his brain where his personality resides. The damaged areas are the parts that let the rest of us experience his personality.

I don't have any more Hail Mary treatment options to pull out of my back pocket. They have all been exhausted. We are now into rinse and repeat, with some small iterations here and there. But there will be more. Medicine is making new discoveries about the brain daily. There are drugs being developed in Canada that allow neural pathways to grow and connect thru the brain lesions caused by his anoxic injury. They may not be available for a while yet, but they exist now. They are coming. And I believe that just scratches the surface; our knowledge of brain injury is increasing exponentially daily. I know more treatments are coming – I just have to find them.

And in the meantime, I love my boys with every fiber of my being. I relish every opportunity to hold them, to love on them, and to be their mom. The grief for all Aiden and I have lost is still so strong on many days, but we are healing, we are moving forward. I try to let the joy in, the happiness, to be present. Some days I need to fake it less. I long for that moment of unfettered joy, of the incredible lightness of being when all is well in your world. I don't know if I will ever have that again. But I can promise that the weight of the loss will not crush me. With my boys by my side, my family, friends, and this community, I know I can carry that weight – because I do not carry it alone.

Ethan has come so unbelievably far, I am so proud of him. Thank you for walking with us these past two years. I am eternally grateful.

Links below if you would like to help contribute to Ethan's recovery, anything helps and is so appreciated.

<https://gofund.me/74d01583>

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Victoria Cottee

I wish I could write something to you that is half as eloquent as how you express yourself about something so difficult. Thinking of you and your boys and wishing I could ...







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Post about going to dinner as a family Caption: We decided to go out to dinner as a whole family Saturday night, including Ethan. It is not easy, but it was great to get out with everyone - and I think he enjoyed it. Quick pix as we were wrapping up (note he didn't like sitting in his wheelchair, so I held him almost the entire meal; he went to Ama at the end and I was able to snap this quick pix). 📷 What's up next for this kid? So much still through the end of the year: MNRI, ABM, 3 week NAPA Rehab (Los Angeles) intensives and PRP (stem cell booster) and another shot to reduce inflammation. Not to mention his daily therapies. He works so hard, we have to keep giving him all the chances and supports we can. Thank you for all of your co tinier supoort, it is so appreciated!

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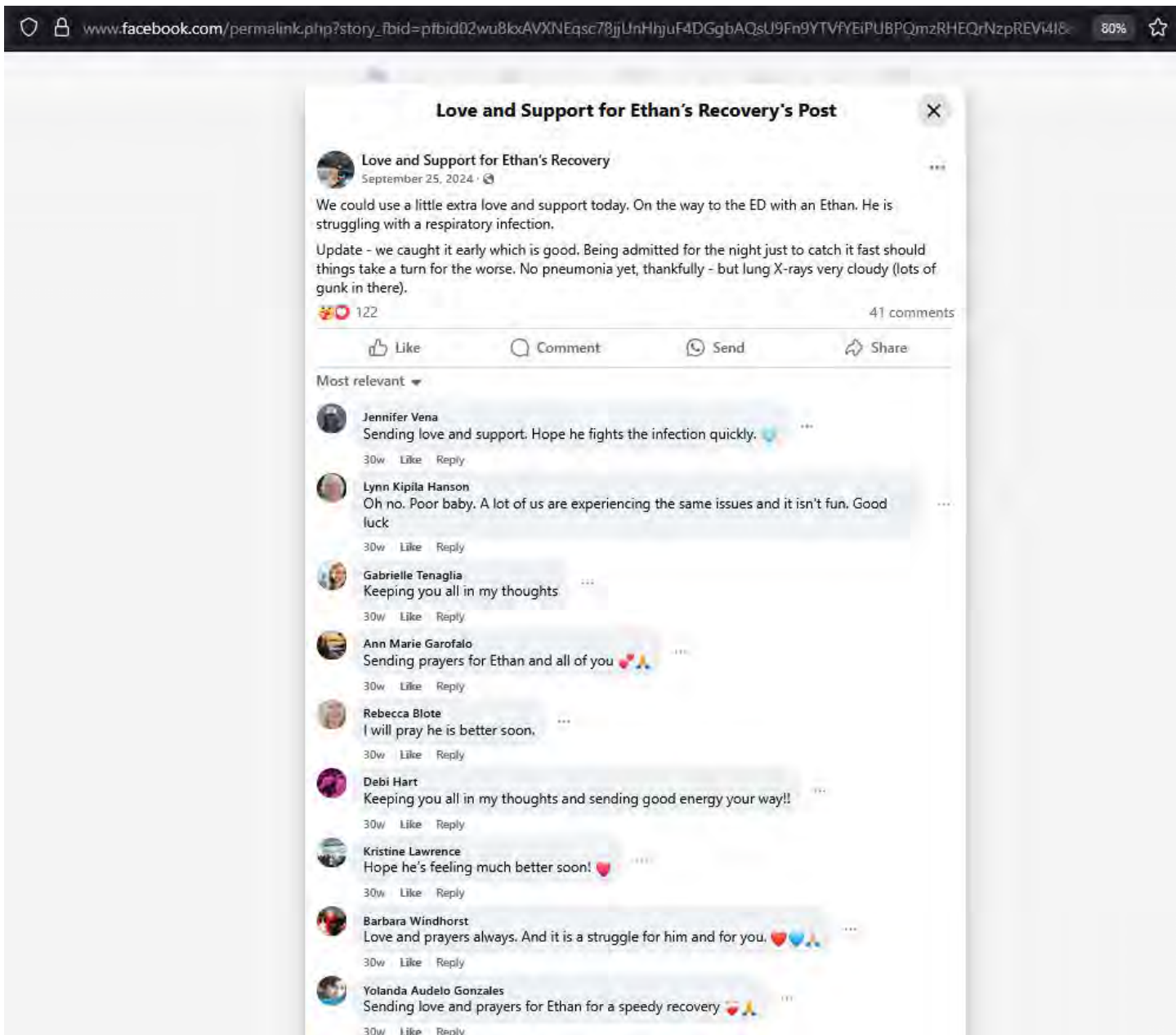
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Post about Subject having to go to the emergency room with Ethan





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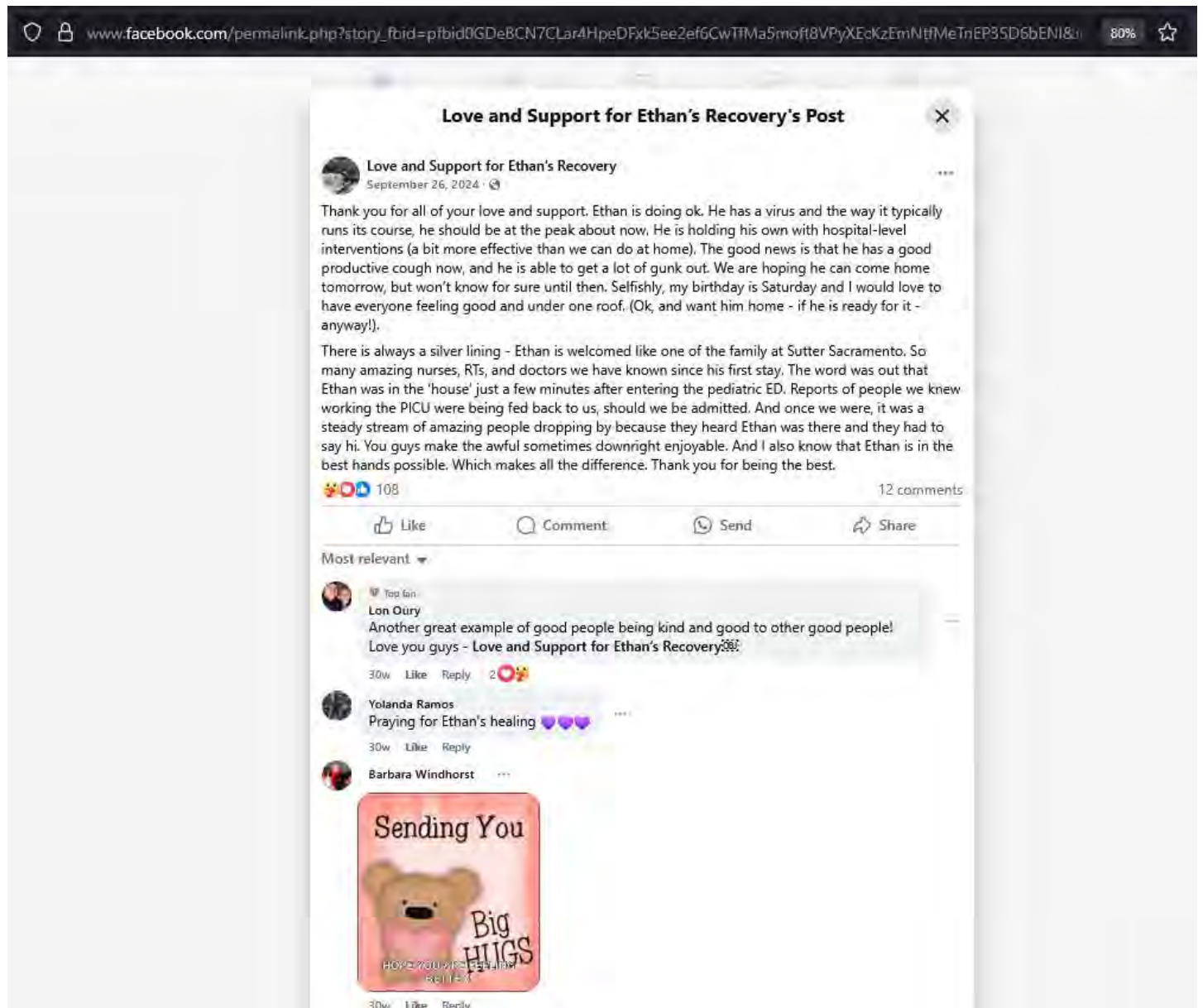
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Post about Ethan being hospital with a virus





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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



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September 27, 2024 · 🌐

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

He looked really good last night. Even started waving goodbye to us. ...

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Lynn Kipila Hanson so sorry I missed you! Thank you again for dinner. It was a Godsend after our crazy week. ...

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After DOI

Photos of Subject with her children at a park Caption: So nice to have both my boys home for my birthday. And Ethan gave me the greatest gift - he slept through the night last night! He is doing so much better after 10 hours of sleep. Still a bit gunky, but so much better! In fact, we took a little family trip to our local playground and had a fun time going down the slide and visiting with some neighborhood kids. Nothing big planned on this milestone birthday, but I try to never take for granted having my family around me. Family and some good pizza - and we have a celebration 🍰. Ok, and the chocolate cake. Can't forget the cake! I would be lying if I said today isn't also hard. There are daily reminders of what life could have been like, what it should have been like. But milestones and days of celebrations sometimes make it even more so. It is part of the path I walk now. Thanks for the bday wishes and support for Ethan and Aiden. Here is to a perfectly wonderful uneventful day.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



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September 28, 2024 · 🌐

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Happy birthday, Jenny! Continuing prayers for you, Ethan and all your family. 🙏🙏

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Janet Nabring-Stager

Happy happy birthday!!!

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Kelly Morton

Happy Birthday 🍷 Have a beautiful day 🥰❤️

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Myra Gueco

Happy birthday Jenny!!

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Debi Hart

Sending a HUGE Happy Birthday wish your way, Jenny!!

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Yolanda Ramos

Happy Birthday 🥳🥳🥳🥳🥳

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Judy Brannon Pontious

Happy Birthday!

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Denyce Pao

Happy Birthday. You are so strong

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Heidi Ebbert

Sounds like a day worth celebrating! Happy Birthday!

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Lara Holder

Happy Birthday...seems like a wonderful celebration! 🥳

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Angie Franson

Happy birthday! Hugs to you.

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After DOI

Post about Ethan Caption: Thank you all again for your love and support as Ethan fought off a respiratory illness. It took him a few days to bounce back, but he is back to being as determined as ever! In the last few days, he is vocalizing up a storm, I saw a new arm movement, he has slightly more head control, and all he wants to do is move - sit on his knees and push forward. He needs lots of assistance, but he is initiating all of it. He starts a 5-day ABM intensive today with his buddy Stella. Can't wait to see what this round brings! Quick pick of him sitting on his arms during a recent therapy session - holding his head high!

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



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After DOI

Photos of Subject and family dressed up for Halloween Caption: Halloween is a most favored holiday around here. The count down began 7 months ago, lawn decorations up 6 weeks ago, and family costumes ordered a month ago. Even with both boys not feeling 100%, we had a good time tonight! The dinosaur posse rode at sunset! We have Ama and Papa, Aiden, Ethan, Mama, Taran (Ethan's evening nurse), Rosie (Ethan's daytime nurse who had to come back for the fun!) and Joyce, our great new au pair. She dove into the Halloween spirit with both feet and a lot of face paint! It was so much fun!

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A screenshot of a Facebook post. The post is titled "Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post" and is from a page named "Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery", dated November 1, 2024. The caption reads: "Just got this picture of Ethan. I love it! Had to share." Below the text are two side-by-side photographs. The left photo shows a young boy wearing a green and yellow dragon costume with a hood that has white horns and a single eye. The right photo shows a woman in a brown hoodie holding the same boy in the dragon costume. The post has 132 likes and 11 comments. The first comment is from Yolanda Ramos, dated 25w, saying "Happy Halloween Ethan and family" followed by ten orange heart emojis. The interface includes a close button (X) in the top right, a share icon, and buttons for Like, Comment, Send, and Share at the bottom.







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After DOI

Photo of Subject and Ethan's hand Caption: Ethan just fell asleep on me, and I looked down and saw this. For anyone with awareness of what an anoxic brain injury does to the body, knows the huge significance of this picture. When he first came home, we couldn't pry his hands open asleep or awake. Now this. Miracles.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

November 7, 2024 · 🌐

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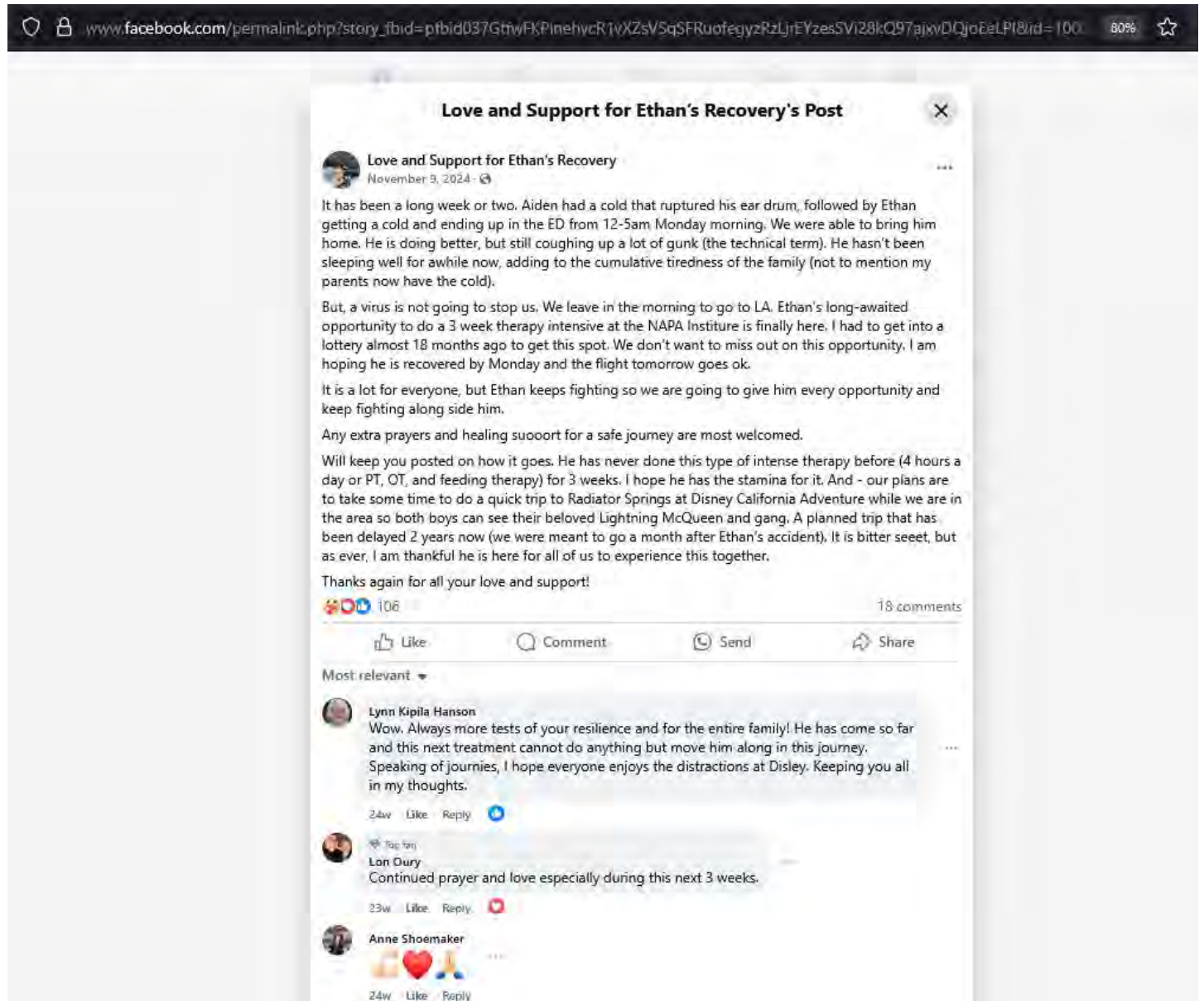
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Post giving an update about Ethan's physical therapy and the family being sick



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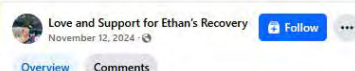
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Video of Ethan at physical therapy Caption: We made it safely to LA. Ethan is rocking his intensive! He LOVES physical movement. Here he is wowing his therapist on day 2! Meanwhile, Aiden had discovered the beach and ocean and has decided 'no more playgrounds' - beach from now on ☺.



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Captured: Apr 28, 2025

After DOI

Video of Ethan driving a toy car at physical therapy Caption: Ethan got to be just a kid today and drive a toy car. It may not look like much, but this is huge. He moved his arm to touch a button that made him move. That is building some strong new neural pathways. And he is having fun. It is so hard to have fun when you can barely make your body move and you can't communicate any more. But today he had fun. This is the why we keep fighting every day. Quality of life. And Aiden is busy living his best life. Off to Santa Monica Pier today with Joyce. Last picture I saw, he was eating a churro with sprinkles longer than his arm ☺. Heaven. A couple of you have sent unexpected financial contributions for Ethan's care this week. I want to thank you so much. It means so much. At this point, Ethan's insurance benefit for OT and PT have run out for the year - so all of his therapies and our travel costs are out of pocket. Your generosity is so appreciated. And as always, I am so thankful for your ongoing love and prayers. They keep us afloat. Thank you again.

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Posted: Nov 21, 2024



Captured: Apr 28, 2025

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Video of Ethan at physical therapy driving a toy car Caption: Ethan continues to work so hard at therapy! He is doing so well, the thought of leaving next week is killing me. A couple of days ago he swallowed some oatmeal! He hasn't since, but he did then. Huge! He could only hold his head up for 9 seconds on day 1. He is now over 3 minutes! He is having more isolated movements to move toys with his hand and following with his head. He woke up at 3am last night and proceeded to do his therapy warm up exercises (arm over his head and bring his knee up to touch it). ☐ He is tracking a big red block visually.

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November 21, 2024 · 🌐

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He drove a car all by himself today!

He sees four different therapists during his day and they are now

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Video of Ethan at physical therapy Caption: Somehow my original post didn't go through! Today is the last day of Ethan's NAPA intensive. He is rocking it! His therapists are impressed with his progress. No one can tell us us how far he will go, but he is still going and improving. And we are with him all the way. After his 2.5 weeks here, his swallow is faster and stronger, he has better head control, and more isolated movements (per the video). It is hard to leave, but we are all looking forward to being home tomorrow night. We will celebrate Thanksgiving on Saturday, after we have a chance to get settled again. Thank you all for your love and support! We will definitely be back to NAPA!

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Post includes photos of Ethan at physical therapy, of the family at Disneyland, and at the beach



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Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
 December 4, 2024 · 🌐

Finally a minute for a quick update!

Ethan did great at his NAPA therapy. It pained me to leave, he was responding so well. When we came home, his nurses who hadn't seen him in a week or two all commented on how more present he seemed.

And, he is now turning over to his tummy. Not all the way over (legs not quite there yet), but a deeper roll than we have seen. He is also trying to army crawl. He is still stuck and needs a little support getting his trunk up, but he is doing the motions. And even totally on his own has been able to move himself a few inches. Small but huge.

He is being more vocal again. Last night he was sitting in his chair next to me at dinner and he was vocalizing up a storm and hitting my arm. I finally asked him if he wanted me to hold him. He put his 'yes' hand up, and as I worked to get him out of his seat, he lifted his knees/legs and moved his body to try to help. As soon as I held him, he settled right down 😊.

And then he got his advent calendar chocolate and was truly a happy camper. He is working on gnawing in it a bit to get just a little and then swallow it. His swallows are so much more frequent and faster after NAPA too. A long way to go until truly eating, but improvement.

I am sure there is more. I will remember and share then!

I also want to give a huge shout out to my parents who travelled yet again with us, and for Ethan's nurses who took turns coming down to L.A. to help us care for Ethan (particularly as I needed to keep working). You guys are the best!

Thank you again for all your love and support. These therapies and travel costs are all out of pocket (Ethan's PT and OT benefits have been used up by this point in the year, so NAPA was fully out of pocket). It was amazing and we will find our way back there next year!

In the meantime, another trip to his AZ doctor in a couple of weeks for more treatment.

Ethan also got to meet his beloved Lightning McQueen - we made sure to get to Disneykand with him one day to make it happen. I still credit his love for Cars with saving his life (his first response post accident was to a Cars story that I used to tell him). And, he got to go to the beach and sit in a homemade 'sand chair' 😊. His toes also go to touch the water, but it was cold and not sure he found that as fun!

Thank you again for your continued support. It means everything!

Links below if you would like to help contribute to Ethan's recovery. Anything helps and is so appreciated.

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<http://venmo.com/jenny-spruill>



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Sarah Terrell

I was just wondering if you saw that last year Levi from **Light for Levi and Lainey** has SPML surgery to release the tone in his feet. They saw this guy. Do you think this would help Ethan?

<https://www.utmb.edu/ortho/faculty/david-a-yngve-md>

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Sarah Terrell thanks! Yes, we got together in Mexico and talked about his surgery and the success. We have reached out to this Dr. will see if it is appropriate for Ethan. Thanks for reaching out to make sure we knew about it!. I appreciate it!



























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After DOI

Photo of both of Subject's children meeting Santa Caption: Somebodies got to meet Santa for the first time this weekend! They both did great ☺ Extra prayers requested for Ethan tomorrow. He undergoes a procedure under anesthesia. It is minor, but nothing feels minor with him. Thank you!

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Photos of Ethan in the hospital with an update indicating that he had a procedure to scope his lungs and was given, "the green light to downsize his trach one size and try capping." Caption:

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

December 10, 2024 · 🌐

Thank you all for your extra prayers and healing energy today. Ethan did great at his procedure! He was put under anesthesia to scope his lungs and to get a very thorough look at his trachea and a couple other little things.

The good news - almost everything looked amazing ! His ENT and Pulmonologist gave the green light to downsize his trach one size and try capping. We know from doing a very small try at capping a few months ago that he struggles on the inhale. His doctor did find a small collapse of his trachea from the weight of his trach. If Ethan struggles this time, we will book another minor surgery and the doctor will laser out some soft tissue and create space for air to move through. So, we might not yet be through it all, but amazing news about his lungs and everything else (I will take it)!

Capping is one step closer to getting rid of the trach (it caps the trach so he had to breathe thru his mouth - harder to do than you think when you haven't been doing it in awhile). It's a slow slow journey, but so happy for one more small step forward.

In the meantime, here is Ethan with his friend Henry, waiting for his procedure this is morning. As always, the Sutter pediatrics team continues to knock it out of the park!







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Good news!! ❤️❤️❤️

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Yay! Love that he has a friend



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Barbara Windhorst

Prayers for all of you.



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After DOI

Photo of Subject and Ethan on a plane Caption: On our way to Phoenix where we get to see one of Ethan's favorite doctors AND meet one of our virtual kindred souls in person for thr first time. Can't wait to meet you in person! William's Will to Fight!

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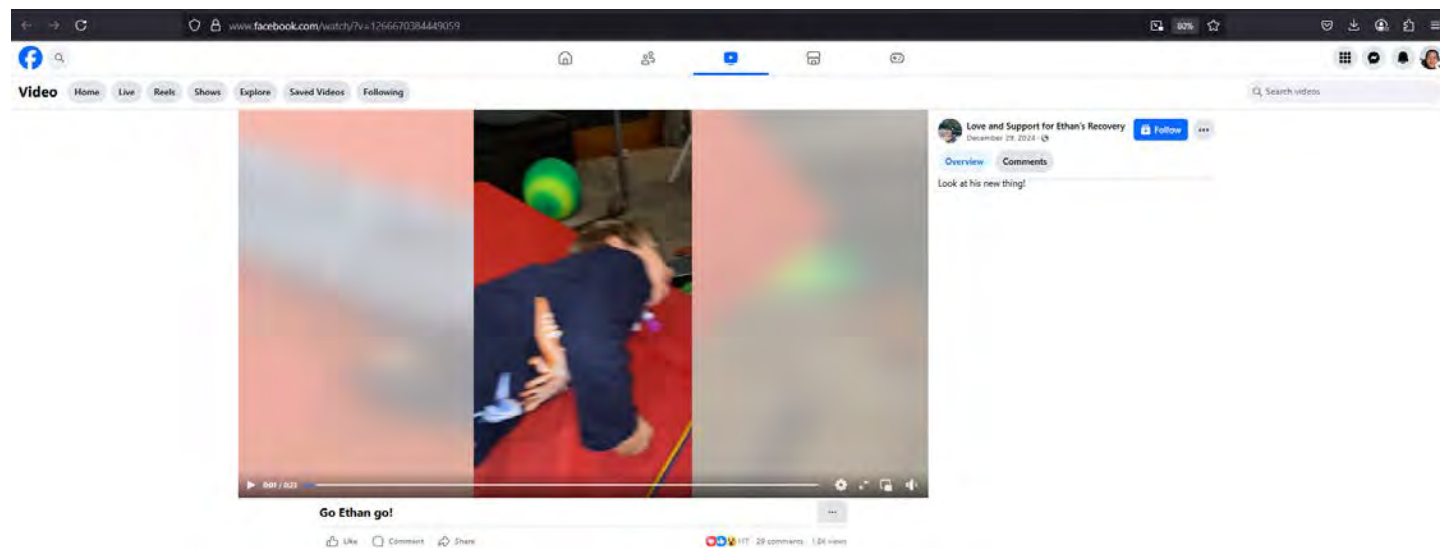
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Video of Ethan Caption: Look at his new thing!



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Subject shared that her and family were traveling to see a doctor in Phoenix, that Ethan received, "...stem cell booster and his second Enbrel shot..." and Ethan and Aiden's 5th birthday party

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

January 11 · 🌐

So much to share, I don't even know where to begin!

It has been a whirlwind - even more so than usual. Ethan, my mom, and I went to Phoenix just before the holidays for a quick overnight trip to see our favorite Dr. P.. To make it even more challenging than usual, my mom's hip needs replacing and it went out a week before the trip, so she and Ethan got wheelchair service through the airport (and were treated like royalty. I was the Sherpa. See the pix for all our carry ons - all medical equipment that had to go on the plane with us so nothing happens to it.

I don't know if it was the Christmas spirit, or what, but this trip we ran into many angels who helped us out. I want to specifically recognize our [Southwest Airlines](#) Captain Dean Lee, who personally helped load us on and off the plane, then walked with us down to our Uber, waited with us, then loaded the Uber (see pix) of our merry band. The wonderful gate agent in Phoenix also helped us out all the way to the curb. I wish I had his name to thank him properly as well.

Ethan struggled with the travel on this trip (didn't like his car seat) but did fine with his appointment. He got a stem cell booster and his second Enbrel shot to help the inflammation in his brain. He may be the first pediatric patient in the country to receive a second dose for this purpose. Along the way, we got to meet our friend William and his parents for the first time in person. Another NFD warrior on this journey.

We didn't see much change on Ethan for a week after we got home, and I thought that was it. The first shot did all it was going to do. Then suddenly Ethan got so loose and calm and started moving a little more quickly, tracking better, and just being more present. It was noticeable. It was celebrated.

All that followed quickly into Christmas celebrations, our Au pair's birthday, and then the boys' 5th birthdays. We did our first kids party and went all out with a bounce house that took up the whole front yard (I was out there in the rain one morning with measuring tape just to make sure it would fit!) lots of pizza and cake.

I also spent the holiday cleaning out my house. After 2 years, the medical equipment all needed a home that wasn't in the middle of the floor, etc. It was exhausting, but needed for my mental health.

And what is a holiday without a little illness? Joyce and Aiden got hit hardest with a respiratory infection on Christmas Eve / Day, followed by me right in time for NYE. Just when I thought Ethan had escaped it, he came down with it. He is making it through, but had some tougher moments earlier this week. He managed to stay home and not need hospitalization, thankfully. Hopefully he has officially turned the corner for the better.

In all of this, we said goodbye to our beloved nurse Taran, who needed to move on with his career. But not without mixed feelings on both sides. He and Ethan have a special bond and we all miss him tremendously. It's taken a bit, but we are starting to ramp up some new nurses and hope to be stabilized with care soon.

As we enter the new year, I want to thank you all again for your ongoing love and support. We cannot make it without you. Ethan continues to improve, but it is so slow. Your prayers, healing energy, and support are such a blessing.

And now onward and forward - Ethan desperately wants to move himself. Here is to helping making that happen this year!



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Bonnie Iversen

Prayers to all of you! Stay strong! ...

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Jackie Legg

Wow! Whirlwind indeed! So many celebrations and signs of progress! I remain in awe of your ability to juggle so many things at once. Sending positive thoughts for your Mom's hip replacement! ...

14w Like Reply



Debi Hart

Happy Birthday to Aidan and Ethan! Hoping your Mom can get her hip taken care of soon. ...

I love the story about Southwest Pilot- Captain Lee...such a small thing but a great impact. Kindness matters! ❤️















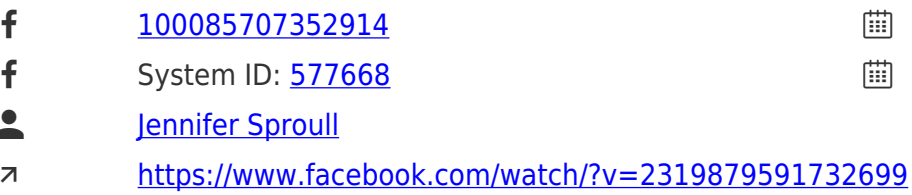












Video of Ethan holding a book Caption: Ethan holding a book and flipping pages in his own today!

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After DOI

Post about Ethan Subject shared that discusses his trach tube, a potential surgery for fixing the partial collapse of his trachea, being in contact with an orthopedic surgeon in regards to correcting his feet, and weekend nursing coverage as Subject's mother needs hip surgery

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

February 6 · 🌐

It's been a roller coaster week. We started the week at an ENT check-up, where Ethan's doctor has routinely made comments like - well, we don't want him to have his trach forever. Amen to that. However, he is having trouble with capping (which blocks the air thru the trach and forces him to breath thru his mouth). He can do the exhale fine (pmv) but can't move the air on the inhale. After his scoping it looks like a partial trachea collapse due to the weight of the trach. We went in expecting him to talk to us about revision options. Instead he hypothesized that Ethan was not able to control his tongue due to low tone stemming from his brain injury, and therefore blocking his airway (the reason he initially got his trach). If that was still the case, he would never be able to remove his trach. It was an awful 5 minutes as this had never been discussed before. We were all working on the long game to get his trach removed.

The dr offered to do a scope right there to see - and thankfully I took him up on it. Ethan was able to control his tongue. Thanks God. It is likely the partial collapse impacting his inhale. A new technique just got approved that has a 50/50 chance of fixing it and is relatively non-invasive. We are going to try it and see if it works. Otherwise, we will have to wait until Ethan grows and that part of his body becomes more rigid.

Then Wednesday, I received a call out of the blue with a leading orthopedic surgeon doing innovative work in a Galveston, TX. I had been connected to him for a couple of months and sending lots of info and videos of Ethan his way. He thinks Ethan is a good candidate for his minimally invasive surgery technique, and he could correct Ethan's feet to about 75%. With that, he could stand on them and even walk if he progresses that far. All this kid does is try to stand up these days But because of the position of his feet, they are crossed and his weight is on the edges or tops of his feet versus the bottom. He can put weight on them (although may hurt) but he cannot truly stand. That is promising. But will also require a week in Galveston plus 4 more day trips over the next month. That is a lot to manage. In the meantime, we meet with his local surgeon to discuss options. Then we will see.

To wrap up the crazy week, my mom just got her hip surgery scheduled for a few weeks from today. So happy for her, but yikes - we don't yet have weekend nursing coverage. To my local friends - I may be reaching out to see if anyone can lend me a hand as we try to figure it out. Will keep you posted!

In the meantime, Ethan keeps chugging along. Out of nowhere today, he is holding a book and flipping pages on his own! Go Ethan!! Slow but steady.

And, I have to share the pix of the boys with our new cat. They got a cuddle this morning before school that made everyone's day (well, everyone other than the cat, that is)! 🐾

Thanks so much for your love, prayers and support!

(Video in the next post as it won't let me share with all this text)!



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Barbara Windhorst

Precious children. The cat looks like he/she is handling it ok. Best wishes and mega prayers that all goes well. ❤️🙏

10w Like Reply



Jen Breininger Fischer

Wowzer... this has been quite the week!!! Positive thoughts and kitty cuddles to all!!

11w Like Reply



Yolanda Audelo Gonzales

Go Ethan just keep that progress going... 🙏🙏🙏

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Joan Kronick Johnson

Medicine never ceases to amaze me and you have an entire team that is supporting you to help Ethan progress everyday. Slow and steady wins the race. Go Ethan!!

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Subject indicated being at the emergency room due to "day 11 of a respiratory infection," for Ethan indicating he was admitted to the hospital Caption: Sitting in the ED today with Ethan. He is on day 11 of a respiratory infection, and is starting to struggle more. Worried it is turning into pneumonia. Just waiting to talk with the doctor to see what we will do. My mom will be back here tomorrow for her hip surgery. We were (bad) joking on the way over that if he is admitted, she should just sleep over in his room - avoid the commute in the morning ☐. Update - they are admitting him. All his viral panels are negative and X-ray does not show pneumonia. But blood work Dora show he is fighting somethingf hard . They are worried about what they hear and his high respiratory rate. They are hitting him with some strong antibiotics and want him to be here tonight to monitor his breathing. Gonna be a long one . . Thank you for all your prayers!

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

February 24 · 🌐

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Janet Nabring-Stager

So hope everyone comes through healthy in the end! Take a deep breath, this situation sounds super stressful!

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Yolanda Ramos

Sending love to you Ethan 🤞

8w Like Reply



Barbara Windhorst

You are such a good mom and a good daughter, all at the same time. Joke was not bad at all. Humor is critical

8w Like Reply



Eric Sproull

I'm laughing at this one for the scheduled surgery sleepover!! Love you all!

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Matt Filer

Praying for you guys today 🙏

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Deborah Lewis Koshansky

🙏🙏🙏❤️

8w Like Reply



Dee Hodgeman Stuart

Hope the doctors have some good news for Ethan.

8w Like Reply



Yolanda Audelo Gonzales

Get well soon Ethan 🙏🙏

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After DOI

Post about Ethan being discharged from the hospital Caption: Thank you all for your prayers. Ethan is home and doing well. Some strong antibiotics and hopefully a good night of sleep tonight and he will be well in the mend. His grandma is also doing well after her surgery today. Recovering at the hospital for a night. They missed being bunkies my one night ☹️. My mom was voting for recovering in the PICU - music therapy and therapy dogs make it a bit more of a fun place. Quick pix of Ethan hanging out in the van with his nurse Rosie as they waited for me to pick up his prescription at a different hospital. I was worried about how he was doing with the wait (it took awhile) only to find out they were having fun playing in the van! He needed to move and groove, and here he is happily sitting up looking out the back of the van!

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

February 25 · 🌐

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Staci Horn Hughes

Glad to hear that grandma and Ethan are doing well!!

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Carolyn Gavin

Great news all around!

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Linda Oury

Thankful!

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

That is awesome he is able to do those things now! Such a pleasant improvement. I have been meaning to ask if you would like dinner brought up. Let me know. I'll whip up one of my pasta specials. Glad to hear mom and Ethan are doing well.

8w Like Reply 2



Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Lynn Kipila Hanson if it works for you this Sunday, that would be lovely! Otherwise, any time works. Thank you so much!!

8w Like Reply



Lynn Kipila Hanson

Sunday works. early or dinnertime? I actually could do any evening except Thursday.

8w Like Reply



Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Any time on Sunday works. Whatever is best for you. We will have it for dinner.m and can always reheat. Also looking forward to seeing you!

8w Like Reply



Reply to Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery...



Reply to Lynn Kipila Hanson...



Rebecca Blote

Great news they are both doing good and recovering.

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Posted: Mar 05, 2025

Captured: Apr 25, 2025

After DOI

Video of Ethan crawling during what appears to be a physical therapy session Caption: Working on crawling
- longest distance yet, he made it all the way to the end of the second mat!

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Posted: Mar 05, 2025



Captured: Apr 25, 2025

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Video of Ethan Caption: Rolling super fast all on his own!

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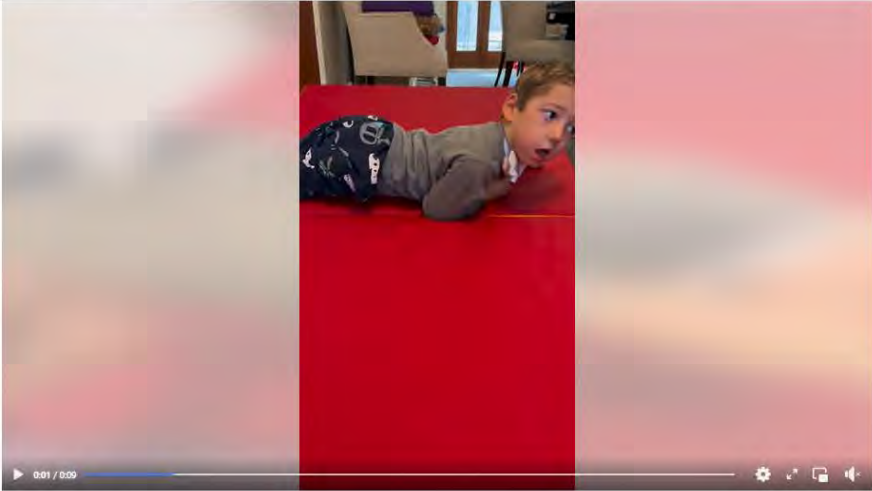
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Posted: Mar 05, 2025



Captured: Apr 25, 2025

After DOI

Post about Ethan indicating he was on an antibiotic for an infection. Within the post there is a photo of Subject with her sons sitting in front of a pool.

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

March 5 · 🌐

Ethan update! He is doing great, so much better after the antibiotic. Now that he is feeling better, he is wowing us with his hard work again. I will post a couple videos of him rolling (fast) and working on crawling - he made his farthest distance yet!

It was so interesting, during his hospitalization last week, he had one of his intensivists from his original stay post accident. He commented that Ethan has already far surpassed his original prognosis. I will take that as a testament to Ethan's hard work, while in my mind I was thinking - you've barely seen what this kid can do - he is one of the most persistent, stubborn, and loving kids I have ever met. My job as his mom is to keep giving him what he needs to stay engaged and heal to whatever extent he can.

As for me, I feel like I am almost recovered from last week. It is amazing how even a brief hospital stay can throw life, sleep, and work so out of whack. And my mom is 'out' rightfully so recovering from her hip surgery last week. It has been an adjustment. We miss her, but are hanging in there with the help of his amazing nursing team and the boys' incredible au pair.

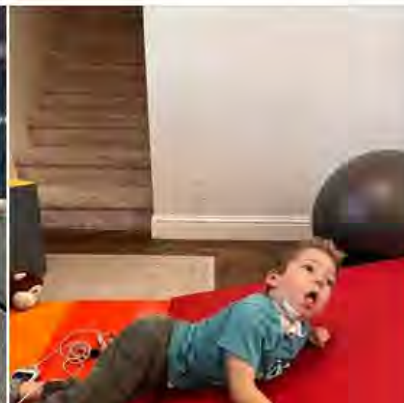
And Ethan has a lot on his plate over the next few months! He will have an ABM intensive in a couple of weeks, a trachea procedure to try to fix the partial collapse, another round of stem cells, SPML surgery out of town to help his legs and feet (with repeated casting visits), MNRI therapy, and his ongoing PT, OT, and speech therapies. That all gets us to July 4th 😊. It's a busy first half of the year!

He is a trooper and I am so thankful. He continues to work so hard, so I am determined to give him every opportunity for healing and independence that I can. And make sure he has a lot of fun and loving along the way. Thank you for your continued ongoing love and support. It is so appreciated and so vital to his recovery journey.

Links below if you would like to help contribute to Ethan's recovery. Anything helps and is so appreciated.

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Barbara Windhorst

Amazing. Prayers are on going. ...

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Tracy Kruger Avvakumovits

Ethan and you are so amazing!! I love reading your updates and seeing the photos. ...

7w Like Reply



👑 Top fan

Cindy B Walker

You always cease to amaze me.

I have no doubt that Ethan gets his drive from you!

He is such a hard worker.

And I'm so glad that even with all of the obstacles y'all have to go through, you still find some time to throw in a lot of love and fun !! ...

Amazing momma!

And grandmaw is a strong woman too! Continued prayers for her healing too.

Love and miss y'all but enjoy always getting updates !💕❤️🙏

7w Like Reply 🙌



Debbie Florek Muller

He looks like a different boy!!! WOOOOO HOOOO!!! Sending well wishes for EVERYONE!! Take care of yourself so you can take care of each other. Love to all. ...

7w Like Reply



Jennifer Delaney Attig

Yay Ethan! It is so good to see you moving 🙌 ...

7w Like Reply



Theresa Reynolds Sayler

Yayyy!! So glad he's feeling better and stronger! Keep up the great work Ethan & team!! ...

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After DOI

Video of Ethan standing Caption: Check out Ethan Friday night! He stood on his own! This is his 5th and last time. I didn't edit the video, so you have to hang in there for about 20 seconds or so before he starts moving. Now to fix those feet! (All in the works!). Go Ethan Go!

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March 9 · 🌐

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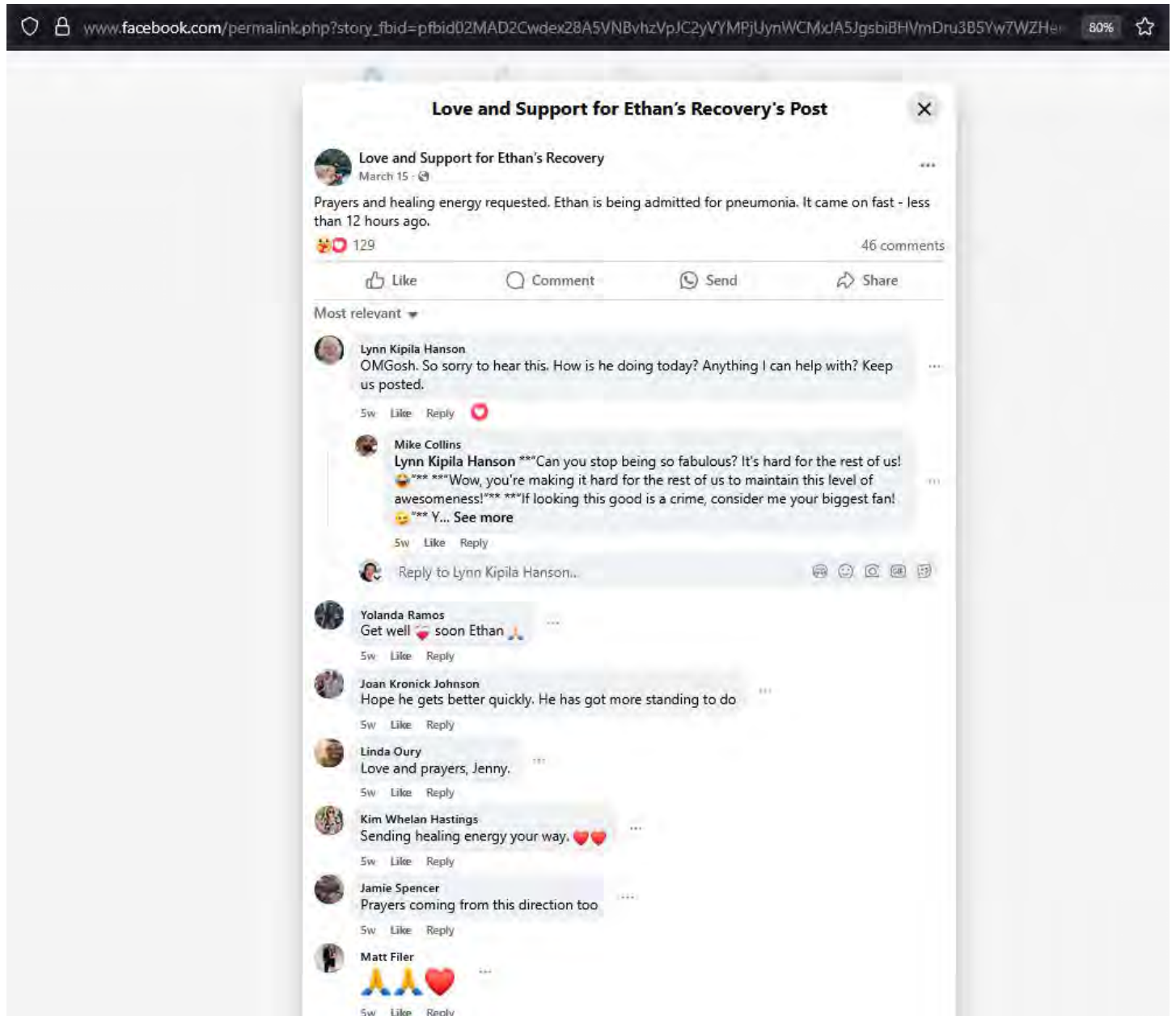
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Post indicating Ethan was admitted to the hospital for pneumonia





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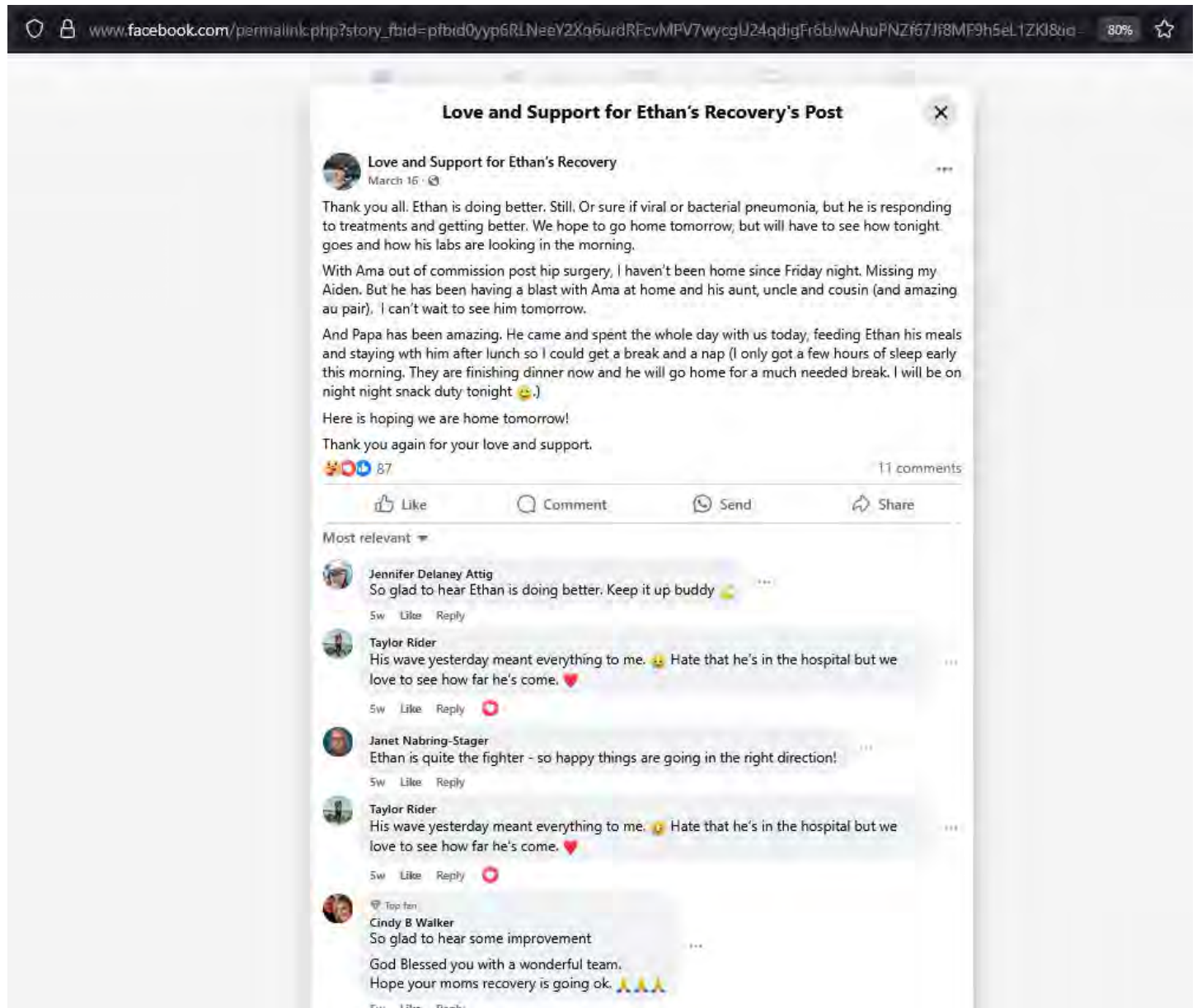
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Post about Ethan recovering from pneumonia





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Post about Ethan getting to leave the hospital Caption: We are coming home today!! Doing much better. Still needs a little extra respiratory help, but we can manage at home. So thankful for our amazing Sutter team. Just wish we could see you all and catch up over lunch instead of an inpatient stay ☹️ But before we go, we got visits from a couple Of our favorite folks (you know who you are!). One being Feather, the amazing therapy dog! She snuggled up while Ethan finished his breakfast (which she thought smelled pretty good) ☺️

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery
March 17 · 🌐

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Kendra Kett
Awesome! Love seeing Ethan with Feather! ...

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Carolyn Gavin
So happy to hear you are headed home!! ...

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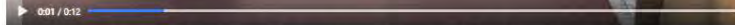
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Video of Ethan Caption: Ethan is doing so much better! He still has a cough (and a good cough at that), but is chill and sleeping well. In fact, he is rocking it this week during his ABM therapy. Check out these legs - legs that until a few weeks ago were so tight they were always crossed like scissors (think mermaid tail). Now check this dude out. Go Ethan Go!



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Posted: Mar 27, 2025



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After DOI

Post about Ethan rolling over by himself Caption: Guess who surprised everyone by turning over onto his tummy all by himself for the first time!! GO Ethan!!

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery's Post



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March 27 at 10:09 PM · 🌐

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Guess who surprised everyone by turning over onto his tummy all by himself for the first time!! GO Ethan!!



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Posted: Apr 28, 2025



Captured: Apr 30, 2025

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Photo of Ethan on an airplane with the caption indicating they were traveling to Phoenix Caption: Sitting in my big kid harness on the plane to Phoenix today. I am quite the jet setter - doing a day trip to see my favorite Dr. P! More stem cells and other good stuff on the docket!

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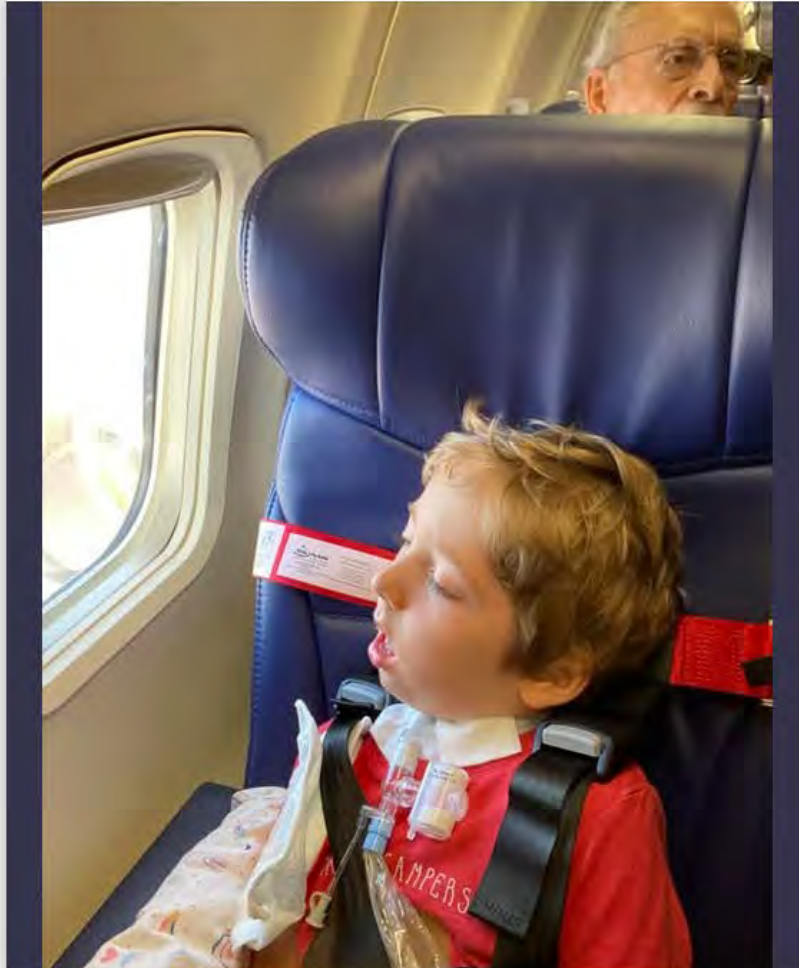


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Hilary Rice

What a difference treatment has made just in the ease of travel! Hope today's trip goes smoothly and continues Ethan's awesome progress. ...

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Lynn Kipila Hanson

That is so impressive to see him sitting up in the seat! Great job little man. Best wishes for a fruitful trip. ...

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Karla Furlano Berra

Love seeing him sitting in his big kid harness!!!! ❤️ ...

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Deborah Lewis Koshansky

Best wishes for a successful trip! ...

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Cindy B Walker

Praying for another successful visit ...

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Barbara Windhorst

My guy. Keep flying high. ...

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Jennifer Delaney Attig

Safe travels ❤️ ...

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Yolanda Audelo Gonzales

Best wishes on all his treatments 🙏🙏❤️ ...

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Judi Arcuri

🙏🙏🙏 ...

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Tracy Kruger Avvakumovits

So awesome! Prayers for a safe trip and continued progress! 🙏❤️ ...

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Kaitlin Casado

💙🙏🙏 ...



Renee Plett

I hope the trip and treatment go well for you Ethan!

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Kathy Taylor

Wishing the best!!!

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Lon Oury

Awesome- what an improvement to travel normally. Well done Ethan!

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Christy Burley-West



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Debi Collins Dallas



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Kendra Kett

Way to go, Ethan!

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Jen Breining Fischer

Only good thoughts and healthy outcomes to follow!!! Flyin' in style... love it!! 🥳

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Linda Oury

Excited for this healing opportunity. Praying for more gains.

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Rachel Cheng

You guys can try the Testa Seat for Ethan. Works well in the airplane. Light For Levi And Lainey had a custom one made for Levi.

1d Like Reply



Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Rachel Cheng thanks! I saw that. We have a firefly that looks very similar, I know others have used it this way too. It's not FAA approved, though, so didn't want to get stuck if it became a thing. He did ok with the harness. Honestly, he hates the car seat and anything keeping him in his seat 😊.

1d Like Reply



Rachel Cheng

<https://www.neurocytonix.com/>

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Rachel Cheng

Another treatment for repairing the brain. . .

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Author

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Rachel Cheng thanks. We have been there twice!

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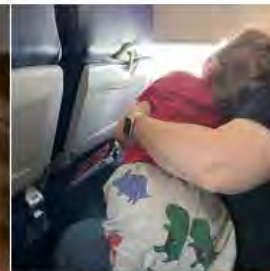
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Thank you all for your we wishes and support! It was a super long day, but we made it! Ethan did great. Not always a happy camper, but who is on a day like this?

We got to see our friend William at Dr P's and spent a lot of time with our favorite doctor! He did another round of stem cells, peri-spinal injection of enbrel, and for some work on his hips. He is excited to get his hands on Ethan's hips, legs, and feet after his SPML surgery in early summer to get them even further along!

We are not sure if we have reached the limit of what the Enbrel will do. We will see over the next couple of weeks if Ethan seems to experience any changes

A few more pix of our trip for fun! Thank you again everyone for your love and support. It means the world!











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Kathy Taylor

Long day!

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Top fan

Cindy B Walker

He's such a trooper. Happy or not. Lol.

Hoping he always continues to progress. 🙏🙏🙏 Miss yall. 🍷

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Author

Love and Support for Ethan's Recovery

Cindy B Walker miss you too!

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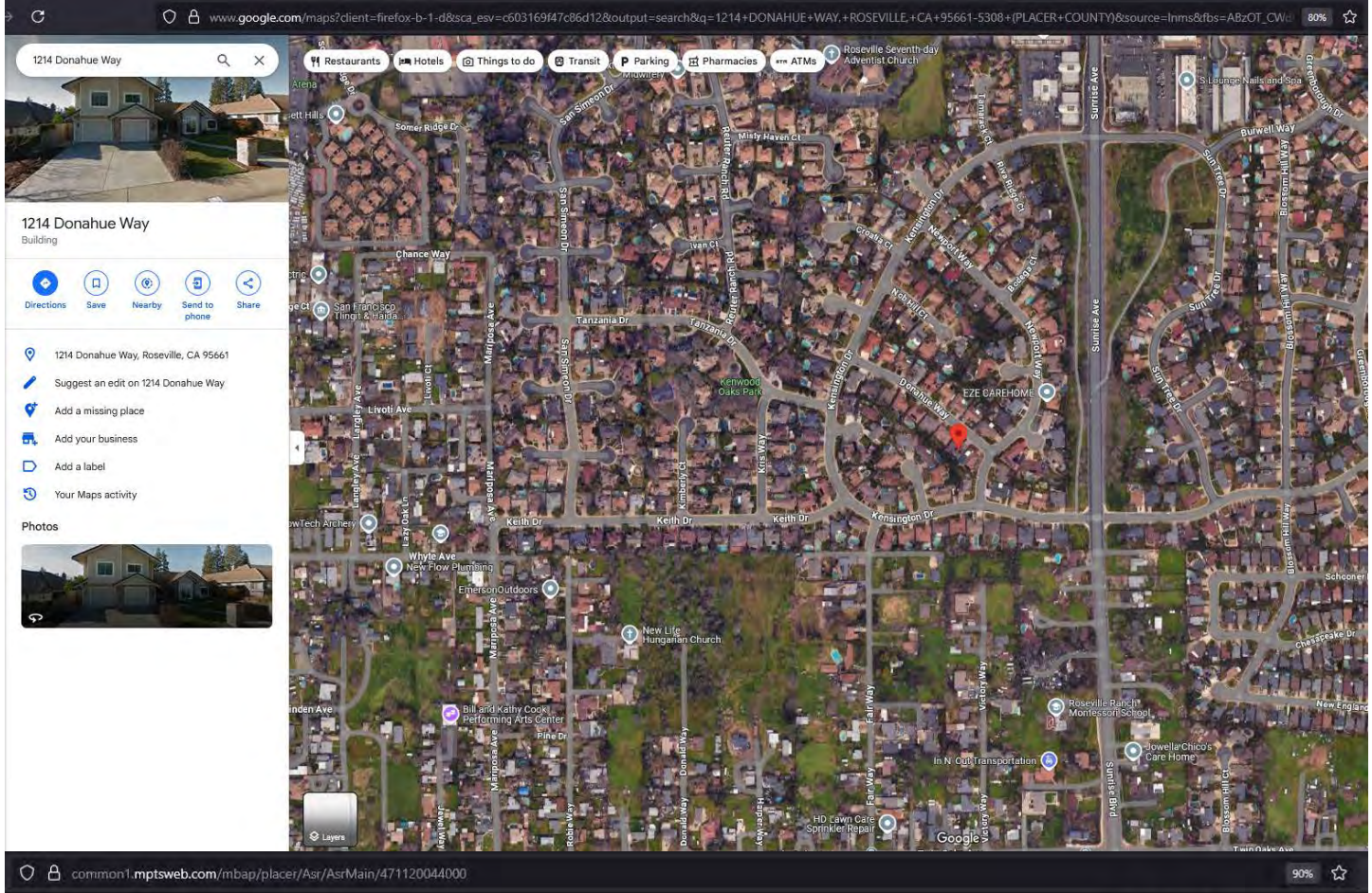
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