

GREENEBUCS

Greenebucs friends,

Meet Lily, a four-year-old with spina bifida who received an Amtryke earlier this year from Greenebucs.

Lily's mom and local veteran, Sarah, gave a compelling testimony to the many benefits of the Amtryke for her daughter at one of our meetings recently. Sarah said that it is generally expected that children with spina bifida will lose 35% of their physical strength before they enter elementary school. Since receiving her Amtryke and with physical therapy, Lily has lost zero of her strength and even gained strength. Just as important, Lily has gone from a mindset of "I can't" to "I can". Since everything is a challenge for Lily, she said "I can't" when she first tried to ride her Amtryke. As she became able to ride, she transitioned from that frustration to "I can" and a sense of accomplishment and empowerment. With the Amtryke, also comes a feeling of inclusion because she can now join her family on outings on her tryke.



For a family who has a child with a disability, there is always another therapy to go to and another expense to budget for. For a veteran with physical, mental and/or emotional challenges, it is always a struggle to fit in, find a way to exercise, and socialize with peers. In all of these situations, Greenebucs strives to provide Amtrykes that will provide mobility and independence for children and veterans. Being able to be active outside with an Amtryke, has proven to be especially important during the isolation of the pandemic.

Greenebucs has also been able to provide food, clothing and gifts at Christmas for families in need who were referred to us by local organizations. We look forward to making an impact in the community again this year and in 2022.

Since large gatherings, such as our Reverse Raffle, are still not encouraged, Greenebucs faces the loss of its biggest source of donations again this year. In the past years, you have supported us with monetary and material donations. We are asking you to consider, if your circumstances allow, to again make a donation equal to your level of support in 2019.

November 30th is National Giving Tuesday this year. We invite you to donate to Greenebucs at that time or before 2021 comes to a close. Donations may be made at Greenebucs.org or by check to Greenebucs, P.O. Box 1, Alpha, Ohio 45301.

In advance of your donation, we thank you for your commitment to improving lives. We offer our wishes for a safe and healthy holiday season and look forward to sharing future events with you—IN PERSON.

Sincerely,
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