

## **Guidance Every Step of the Way**

When my family first moved to New Orleans in 2018, I was in denial that my son Maddux was on the spectrum. We wouldn't have known what to do even if it were true because of our financial situation. My husband had gotten a job here and we had just rented a small apartment to raise our new little family, and we didn't have much. We found a place that provided good healthcare for Maddux, and there we met some people who were like "guardian angels" for our family.

One of those people was Ms. Thuy from Families Helping Families of GNO. The doctor at the clinic introduced us to Ms. Thuy to see if she could help us with programs and guidance for our son's autism. Because of our finances, we weren't expecting much. To my surprise, Ms. Thuy showed us so many families that are like us with our son. She introduced us to many resources that are available to kids like Maddux, and she helped us find a good ABA program for him. She took a lot of her valuable time to explain every detail for options we have to help him advance and grow. She guided us every step of the way, like a family advisor.



Maddux is now 7 years old. He is doing exceptionally well from when we first contacted FHF. Ms. Thuy and FHF have helped us immensely; we don't know where we would be without them! We have even reached out to help other families with kids on the spectrum, thanks to help from FHF and our "Guardian Angel"!

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