



Dear Friend,

We hope that you and yours are safe and healthy during this pandemic. While much of the world has seemingly changed overnight, one thing has not: our commitment to help children with speech and/or language disorders take the steps needed to be better communicators as we honor the life and sacrifice of SSG Marc J. Small.



We recognize that the need for speech therapy is not affected by COVID-19, but the ability to receive services is. As we deal with the pandemic crisis, here are the actions Small Steps in Speech have taken to ensure the safety of applicants, volunteers and staff:

- Extension of current grant contracts
- Acceptance of teletherapy, when appropriate
- Extended lead time for 2020 application deadlines
- Postponed the fall 2020 Golf Outing, our largest fundraiser, until 2021
- Debut the virtual “On Your Marc” 5K on August 1, 2020

As one of our committed supporters, you know that children need our help now more than ever. In many cases their paths to improving communication have taken detours and we anticipate a surge in applications once schools reopen and social distancing is no longer required. **We hope that you will consider making a meaningful gift to support our work in the coming year.**

“When Connor began his speech therapy in 2019, he was nonverbal due to apraxia. Thanks to your grant and his speech therapist Rita, he now says two or three phrases and many words. Thank you for helping a little boy discover he has a voice. We will be forever grateful.” Connor’s mom.



We, along with Connor and all of our grant recipients, thank you for your support.

Be well. Be safe.

Sincerely,

Mary MacFarland
President
Mother of SSG Marc J. Small

P.S. As you celebrate this Memorial Day, please keep Marc and all those we have lost in service to our country in your hearts.



All taxpayers can now take an above-the-line deduction for cash contributions of up to \$300.



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