

Susan ~ The Heart of a Champion

A Champion's Story:

While working as a foster parent trainer for the state of Indiana one of my fellow trainers told me of About Special Kids (ASK) and asked if I would be willing to be a parent mentor. As a mentor, I learned how to listen to what families were really saying and needing. I was able to let families know that they will be ok and that wherever they are emotionally, is ok.

I shifted from parent mentor to ASK champion and now am able to represent ASK at events and share information about the services ASK provides to even more people.

I have been able to meet many families and professionals and have been able to interface and understand service providers better. My understanding of the services available has helped my family and many others.

It's easy to feel overwhelmed and isolated when you're by yourself. Connecting with other families who are going through the same thing you are going through, helps bring a clarity to the situation. When you share with others who are facing similar challenges you are able to help broaden their understanding and change how they approach issues and help them from feeling isolated.

I want everyone to know that ASK is there for them.