



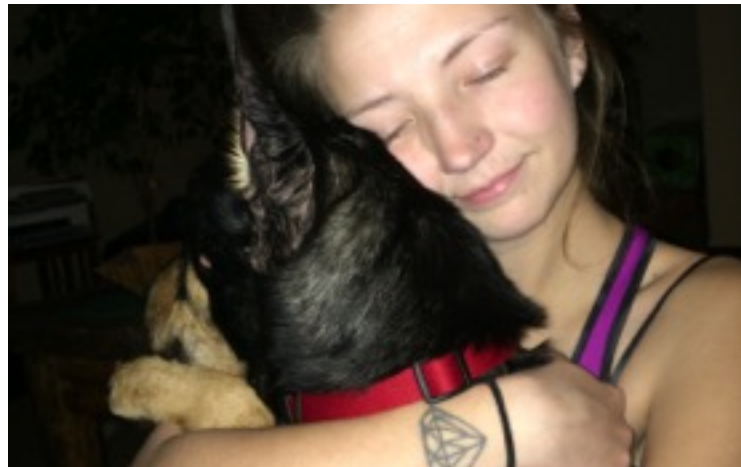
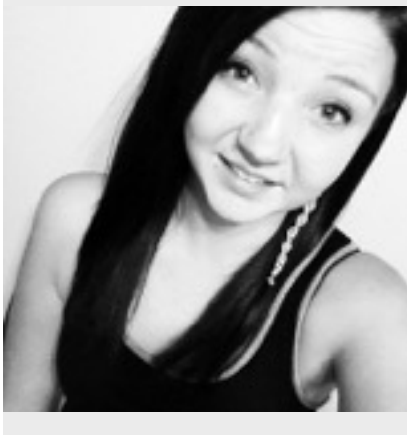
**Our Mission:**

*Uniting communities and families living with Cystic Fibrosis by raising awareness, providing emotional and financial assistance, encouraging health management and inspiring life experiences.*

**Cody Quote:**

*“Cystic Fibrosis is what I have, it is not who I am”*

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#CysticFibrosis



**Morgan’s sStory -Pet Lover**

Morgan is 19 years old and was born and raised in Bozeman, MT. She currently works for Mister Green Clean, enjoys her co-workers, and loves her free time. She spends a lot of time with her pets. She was diagnosed with Cystic Fibrosis upon birth and was flown to Salt Lake City to Primary Children’s Hospital. She was at Primary for 6 weeks so she could heal from her surgery: **Morgan had meconium ileus, which means her intestines had twisted and separated before birth. This can happen due to the thick and sticky mucus that is present in the digestive system of people with Cystic Fibrosis.**





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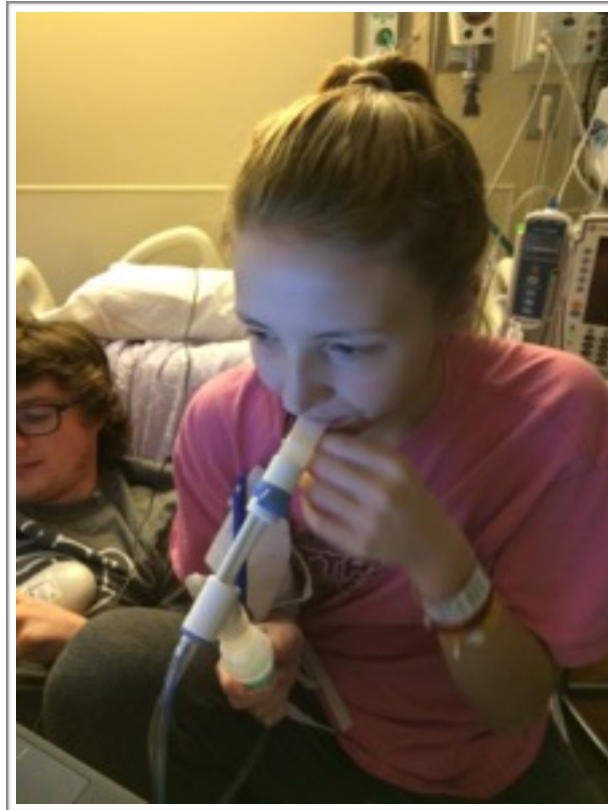
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living with Cystic Fibrosis.***

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Morgan was admitted to the hospital at the beginning of February this year mainly gastrointestinal issues with secondary lung infections.

The hospital stays are often for 10-14 days.



Morgan has one sibling, her brother Logan. Logan does not have Cystic Fibrosis, but he could be a carrier of the gene. Both of Morgan's parents are carriers of the gene and do not have Cystic Fibrosis. They both reside in Gallatin County. Any time there is a diagnosis of a family member with Cystic Fibrosis it is difficult to comprehend, but there are many more resources for support now than there were in 1996. Morgan and her family depend on The Cody Dieruf Benefit Foundation to help her with funding her medical treatment and special activities.

I asked Morgan if she would write a short "blurb" for me to put in this newsletter. She said "I don't know what to say". I can understand that. How do you explain that when you are a toddler and your Mom has you taking pills, inhaling medicine and pounding on your chest...that you thought everyone had to do that? And as you start kindergarten, and grade school, and middle school... you realize that not everyone is the same. It gets harder and harder when you start missing school and going to school with tubes and needles. Some people are not so kind and ridicule those who are different. Morgan struggled through her earlier teenage years. She is now managing her health, her medicine, and her happiness quite well.

