

*The following letter is from the mom of an AmTryke recipient. We give away over 50 AmTrykes a year.*

Dear Alison and the entire Lubbock Caprock AMBUCS chapter,  
A BIG THANK YOU for providing my son, Jackson, with an AmTryke tricycle. As you can see from the enclosed pictures, he is having a blast riding bikes with his sisters in our cul-de-sac. Prior to receiving his AmTryke, Jackson would ask for a bike so he could ride with his sisters. Unfortunately, because of his spinal muscular atrophy, he does not have the leg strength to pedal a typical bike and it would break my heart to not be able to make his wish come true. This AmTryke allows him the freedom to chase his sisters. Many, Many Thanks!

*The following letter is from the family of an AmTryke recipient. The Trykes are fun and also increase strength, coordination and flexibility.*

Thank you so much for the generous gift of the Bike. Without your kindness, this would not have been possible. You have put a smile on Kellen's face and given him the opportunity to participate in an activity with his older brother. It has been so great to watch them ride bikes and bond together in this shared activity. Because of this, a child with Spina Bifida is able to experience more of life.

*The following letter is from a family that has a little girl that has had several medical issues. The Club purchased a hearing system for the young girl to improve her ability to hear.*

Thank you so very much for your generosity. You have changed my daughter's life and given her the opportunity to hear and learn. The FM system has already made an amazing difference for her. She is so excited to be able to hear the things that we take for granted. Thank you for your gift to her and your gift to us as a family. It means the world and we will always be thankful for your generosity and kindness.

*The following letter is written to a member of our club and former Therapist of the Year, Alison Chapa. She was Blake's therapist and arranged for him to receive an AmTryke.*

Hi Alison,

I hope your new year is off to a great start. Ours definitely is. Once the snow melted and became warm enough Blake and I went on his first ride through the neighborhood. It was wonderful. Blake was sooooo excited and was taking in the surroundings so much so that he could not stay on the sidewalk. Thank goodness for the pole. I'd stop him and he'd correct his steering, then we'd go on.

I tried everything over the years, putting makeshift pulling devices on the handlebars of his regular trike, pulling him in wagons, Nothing worked and he didn't like anything I tried. He can't keep his feet on pedals and he would be frustrated within 5 minutes of dragging his feet along the ground.

You, Alison and the Caprock Chapter of Ambucs have gifted us with something precious, mobility and an opportunity to interact within our community in a way we've never been able to up until now. I hope you will share my most sincere thanks for this gift, which we will care for and regift as Blake grows.

Most Sincerely,  
Blake's Mom