In Their Own Words:
Living Well With Hearing Loss Across the Lifespan

Children and adults with hearing loss can lead full and fulfilling lives. Here are some of their words:

“[Adrion] was born with difficulties and diagnosed at birth with bilateral conductive loss. We know the challenges ahead, but the joy he brings makes those challenges appear not so tough. He’s taught us how to handle any challenge with a smile. He says his ears are happy when he wears his hearing aids, which inspired me to write my first children’s book.”
–Tyscha Nicole, mother to Adrion

“This is who I am—a kid with a hearing loss who has worked hard to hear and speak. I want to show others that no matter what, hard work pays off!”
–Johnny Reed, age 9

“My hearing loss used to be something that made me feel embarrassed; that I tried to hide and deny. When I finally took the steps to get my hearing aids, my life changed forever and for the better. I want other people who may feel embarrassed to step out of the shadows. I want hearing people to realize that we live among them and we hear differently and approach the world differently.”
–Shari Ascher

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