



Quarterly Report Oct – December 2019

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Our Mission:
Guide By Your Side provides unbiased, emotional support and resources by trained Parent Guides to families with children who have a hearing loss.

Through IL Hands & Voices fundraising, personal donations and funding through the Illinois Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Program; Illinois Hands & Voices, Guide By Your Side is able to provide free services to families. Families can be referred to the program from providers or call directly to participate.

If you would like to refer a family, request brochures or make a donation please contact the GBYS Program Coordinator, Carrie Balian.

Parent ACHIEVEMENT Awards
Nominations due by March 13th, 2020

Nominee Information:
Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____
Email: _____

Nominator Information: I am a parent I am a professional
Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____
Email: _____

Please mark to certify that the individual you are nominating is a parent of a child with hearing loss.
Please complete all applicable areas below regarding your nominee. Use additional pages if necessary.

- Community involvement: _____
- Accomplishments: _____
- Mentoring others: _____
- Examples of leadership: _____

How long, to the best of your knowledge, has the nominee been serving others? _____
How long have you known the nominee? _____

Nominations will stay on file for two years for future consideration.
You can also complete your nomination online by going to this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZV6PV15>
After we receive the nomination form, both the nominator and nominee will receive notification from Guide By Your Side. All nominations are due by 3/13/20. Online voting will be open 3/23-3/30. The honoree will be notified before 4/3/20. The award presentation will be on 4/26/20 during the Mom's Night Inn event at the Sheraton Hotel in Lisle. The award recipient will also receive a complimentary registration if appropriate to Mom's Night Inn!

Questions?
Please call Guide By Your Side at 1.224.343.1873 or email ilhvgbys@gmail.com.

Please mail the nomination form to: Guide By Your Side, c/o Carrie Balian, 917 Knightsbridge Dr, Island Lake, IL 60042.

Nomination forms can also be sent by email or fax. Email: ilhvgbys@gmail.com Fax: 1.866.695.3880



Do you know a parent of a child who is deaf or hard of hearing that has gone above and beyond in the community or mentoring others that you would like to nominate for our annual Parent Achievement Award? Simply visit our website to complete the form or go to the link below and complete your nomination online!

Use this link for online nominations:
<https://tinyurl.com/vjwkybs>

Program Information:

- 1 Program Coordinator
- 1 Outreach Liaison
- 8 Parent Guides (PG)
 - Located throughout the state
 - Backgrounds vary in communication and amplification opportunities
 - Guides who are native Spanish speakers
 - Parent Guide who is Deaf

Comparison of ages of children enrolled in GBYS from July – Sept vs. Oct - Dec

	July - Sept	Oct - Dec
Birth-1 year old	34%	0%
1-2 years old	16%	0%
2-3 years old	8%	50%
3-6 years old	0%	50%
6 years and older	42%	0%

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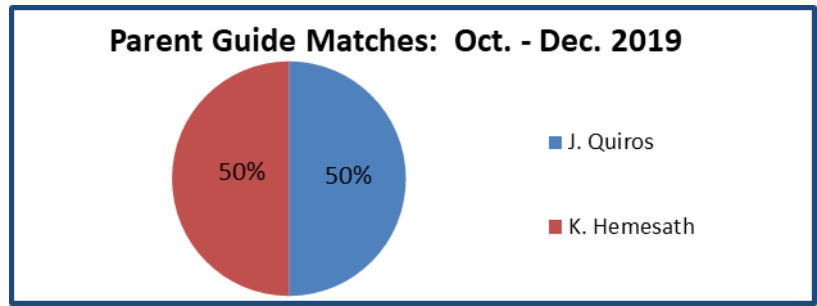
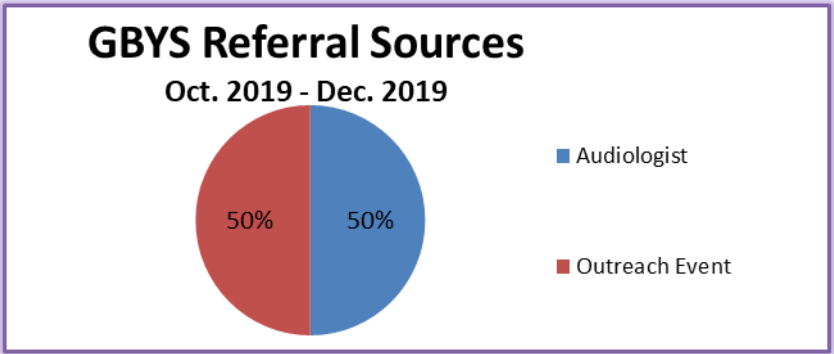
Please make sure you share with families who have children with a hearing loss!





Quarter Reporting for: Oct 2019 – Dec 2019

- 7 Families referred; 2 Families matched
Families referred may opt out of participating or may still be in the process of trying to reach them to enroll them within GBYS.
- **Ethnicity** of the families referred:
 - 50% Caucasian (1 family)
 - 50% African American (1 family)
- **Age** of children enrolled in GBYS:
 - 0% Birth-1 year old
 - 0% 1-2 years old
 - 50% 2-3 years old
 - 50% 3-6 years old
 - 0% 6 years and older
- **Primary Language** in the home:
 - English – 1 family
 - ASL – 1 family
- **Newborn Hearing Screening** results as reported by the parent:
 - Did Not Pass – 1 child
 - Passed – 1 child
- **Gender** of children enrolled in GBYS:
 - 1 male and 1 female
- **Medical History** suggestive of:
 - Condition assoc. with a hearing loss, 0 children
 - No known syndrome or etiology - 2 children
- **Unilateral vs. Bilateral** hearing loss:
 - Bilateral – 2 children
 - Unilateral – 0 children
 - Auditory Neuropathy – 0 children
- **Insurance** information of enrolled families:
 - Private – 2 families
 - All kids/Medicaid – 0 families



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