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A Message from Jenny McCarthy Generation Rescue President

It's too common a story, becoming ever more common. A parent sees glimpses of a vibrant young child—their child. They know these glimpses are who their child should always be.

It is my story.

When my son, Evan, was diagnosed with autism in 2005, I was devastated. But, finally, there was a “tangible” place for me to start. That very same night I got on the computer and went to work. It really is work—and since you're reading this, you most likely already know that.

My goal was to learn everything I could about autism and its treatment. I looked far and wide. I dug deep. I like to use a train analogy. There's Train A: You do absolutely everything you can for your child, no matter what anyone tells you. There's also Train B: Woe is me. I'm a Train A person, and when I landed on Generation Rescue's website, I knew I had found my home station.

I read every single testimonial Generation Rescue posted. I tried every single option, followed every single piece of advice. I did this very methodically, and very privately—just me, a mother trying everything to recover my son.


Eventually, wonderfully, I succeeded.

But the journey wasn't over. In profound solidarity with all the families still struggling, I decided to speak up. I wanted to give voice to options too often unspoken, and share hope for victories within reach. My family was given gifts that I wanted to share.

In 2008, I called the people who had given me the best gift of all: JB and Lisa Handley, Generation Rescue's fearless founders. I told them I wanted to do anything and everything I could to help. (Remember, I'm a Train A person!) I became president of Generation Rescue, and I couldn't be prouder.

Generation Rescue—including the website you're visiting—has grown tremendously since I first gratefully discovered it in 2005. Our support of families around the world has taken root in ways I never could have imagined, and our resolve has only deepened.

Whether you're in need at 3PM or 3AM, you have come to the right place. We are here for you, together resolving our heartaches and celebrating our victories. We ride Train A together.

Jenny McCarthy for Generation Rescue x Severly 



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