

January 12, 2026

Silverwood Community Association
Attention: Jennifer Sanders
5988 Forester Pass
Hesperia, CA 92345

Dear Jennifer,

Isack doesn't remember a "before" that felt safe. His earliest years were marked by severe neglect and abuse at the hands of his biological parents. He bounced from relative to relative until eventually entering foster care. Everything began to change when Isack joined Angelina's home at 6 years old.



Angelina has been a **foster mother with A Greater Hope for 12 years, caring for 58 youth** in that time. This experience made her uniquely suited to walk with Isack on a path of healing. He lived with her for two years before officially being adopted. Today, Isack is 15. His adoption journey is a testament to what safety and consistency can do for children. Angelina's family gathers every holiday season, her biological daughters and grandchildren filling the home with laughter. They watch movies, play family games, and create the kind of steady traditions Isack once thought were only for other kids.

At our recent **Holiday of Hope**, Isack recounted those early years. He paused and with tears streaming down his face, looked at his adopted mom, "**Before foster care my life was terrible.**" He continued, "I was first placed with relatives... that type of home was hard. My first Christmas when I was with my mom [Angelina], **I felt really happy because I felt safe.** And I was grateful." Then, with a sobering honesty, he added: "Sometimes, kids like me don't get to escape from that type of family. **I joined a good family and I don't have to be abused anymore.**"

With your help, A Greater Hope served 965 at-risk youth and children in crisis, through our Holiday of Hope. Thank you ever so much for your gift of toys, coats and jackets received on 12/11/2025. Your donation ensures children like Isack to feel seen, experience a safe holiday and know they are loved.

Thank you for your support,

Helena Lopez, CEO

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