

On the morning of February 12, Wyoming State Trooper Parker Smith experienced one of the most terrible calls a law enforcement officer can get – a serious injury vehicle crash involving severe injury to a small child. What makes this crash even more tragic is that when he arrived on scene, he discovered the vehicle was his family's minivan, carrying his wife and two children. Thankfully, his wife, Aby, and four-year-old son, PJ, were not seriously injured.

Two-year-old Christian, however, was seriously injured in the crash and was flown to Scottsbluff, NE and then on to Children's Hospital of Colorado for ongoing, advanced care. Christian sustained a collapsed lung, fractured ribs, jaw, and skull, as well as a multitude of other serious injuries, and was placed on a ventilator. The care he requires is intensive and ongoing. This situation has put considerable strain on the Smith family, who must navigate one parent trying to care for PJ at home, while the other parent is with Christian.

The road to recovery requires hotel stays, meals, and fuel expenses – just to name a few. The stress and uncertainty of this situation is unimaginable.

Anyone who has been around the Smiths know what kind, compassionate, and gracious people they are. Please consider helping them in their incredible time of need so they can put their focus on caring for their "little buddy".

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