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I have been coming to camp over 10 years. I have been involved with Association of Horizon in many ways.

I was born with cerebral palsy. My disability effects my legs, arms, and ability to talk. My fine motor control is poor. My form of communication is mostly by typing into my computer or a communication device. I use my computer a lot for e mail, write poetry, and write articles for the camp monthly newsletter. Sometimes I use my computer to communicate my needs and my feelings with others. I'd like to use The Horizon Hope Grant to buy a better word prediction software. A word prediction software is a software that gives you a list of words you may use. If the word that you want to use is on the word list; You can hit the number by the word, then the software will type the complete word for you. The software will help me type faster. Also the program offers the opportunity for me to listen to my writing back for mistakes, or I can communicate with someone while I am on the computer.

I demonstrate Horizon Camp mission by going out in the community talking about camp. I share Association of Horizon posts on social media. I talk with my friends about camp and show them my camp pictures. I encourage my friends to come to camp. I write on facebook how I had a great time at camp. Finally, I am challenging myself to try different activities outside of camp and do them to best of my ability. I tell others about my disability, so they understand my disability at camp, and volunteer at other places. I hope people see me as a person by seeing my art and reading my books

I contributed to Horizon many ways over the years. I had been on the camp committee. I served on the activities subcommittee and write articles for camp monthly newsletter. I have asked for donations for camp. I sold raffle tickets. I try at camp mindful that this is my attendants week also, I want to him to enjoy himself too. I gave an idea for an art show to raise funds for camp. I hope in the future we will do the art show.

Thank you for reading my essay, and your consideration for me to receive The Horizon Hope Grant. If I receive the grant, I can use my computer better.

The prediction software is Word Q v5 Pro. The software cost is \$279