Carleigh is a vibrant, strong, loving little girl with an unforgettable smile. She loves school, her sisters, and music. We are so grateful to FOCUS + Fragile Kids for helping us get a wheelchair van lift for Carleigh. Not only does she have many medical and therapy appointments, she also loves family adventures (and trips to the mall – she is still a 12-year-old girl!!)

Thank you for helping make this dream a reality for us!

To donate (in any amount!), go to the FOCUS website OR send a check to FOCUS, 3825 Presidential Pkwy, #103, Atlanta, GA 30340 (we love checks, no fees!). Be sure to write “Fund A Need” in the Comments – and feel free to include any fashion advice for Carleigh!

About Wheelchair Accessible Vans. Adding a lift or ramp to a van for a wheelchair is expensive! The van must be ‘converted’ to add the mechanics and weight support needed so the wheelchair can roll onto the lift / ramp and into the van; the floor of the van must be lowered – or the top of the van must be raised so that the person in the wheelchair has head-clearance. This usually means that the van must be ‘cut’ and modified extensively. Once the conversion is done, however, the person can stay in his/her wheelchair for the ride! No lifting person OR wheelchair! The average cost of a conversion is $15,000. This does NOT include the original cost of the van!

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