

# Thank you!

## Melinda and Melanie

Just weeks after Melinda got her new Big Sister, her guardian passed away. Melinda, only 8 years old, spent the next months shuttling between homes, and was painfully shy. Now, two years later, Melinda is more open, more confident, and much more expressive. For Melinda, her Big Sister's willingness to hang in there through a difficult time made all the difference in the world. And Big Sister Melanie says it's one of the happiest things she's ever done.



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