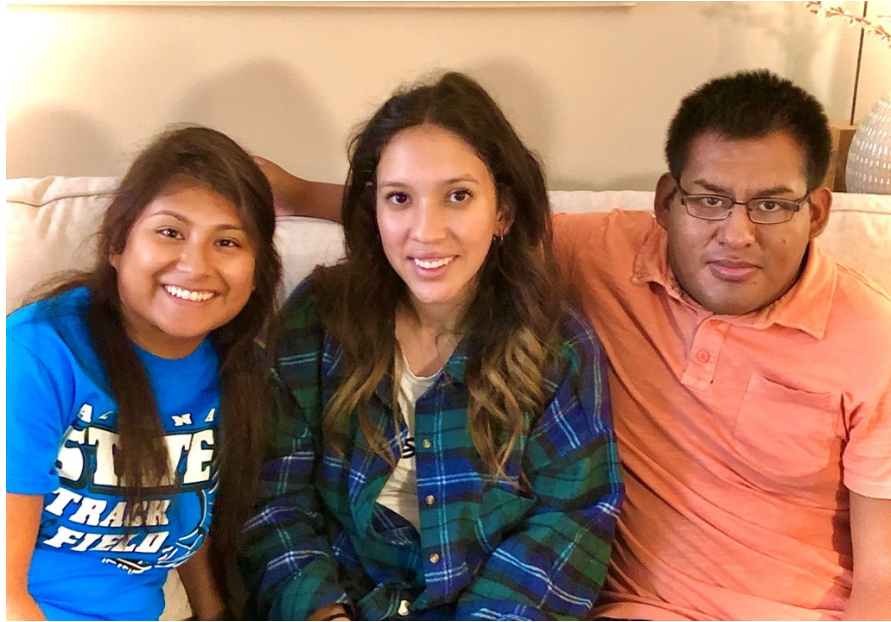


Stories of Impact – Ryan’s Experience



Ryan (right) with his sisters, Emily (middle) and Maria (left).

When our son turned 18, due to some difficult behaviors, we decided we needed to look for another place for him to live. After looking at two different organizations, Ryan decided he wanted to live and work at Horizons Unlimited. He liked the group home and the redemption center appealed to him. Although there have been some challenges along the way just like there are for many young adults, Ryan has flourished in the Horizons environment. He really enjoyed working in the Horizons’ recycling center until that closed. Since then, he has worked a few jobs in the community and has worked part-time for Dyno Oil Company (now Brew Oil) for several years. Ryan is well-known in Emmetsburg, and we are often amazed at how many people he knows. He enjoys going out to eat with his friends and during the summer you will often find him fishing at the lake with a friend or two. Ryan has had a lot of great staff over the years. You can tell who his favorites are because those are the ones he likes to kid around with. That includes Horizons’ CEO! Ryan can choose how he spends his time, and he often chooses to spend part of the weekend with his family. Annually, he goes on a fishing trip to Canada with his Uncle Don which is a highlight for him. We are thankful that Horizons has been a great fit for Ryan.

Kevin & Sandy, Ryan’s parents