How does having a sibling with a disability affect GIRLS & WOMEN?

Growing Up

Siblings of children with disabilities are 3 times more likely to:

- Feel Sad, Nervous or Afraid
- Have Difficulties at School
- Have a Functional Impairment

Nationwide, there are more than 1.3 million child caretakers serving sick or disabled siblings, parents, or aging relatives.

Growing Closer

Family caregivers are the largest source of long term care services in the U.S.

The need for family caregivers continues to rise while families become smaller. Two thirds of U.S. adults expect to be caregivers in the future.

Growing Older

Having a sibling with a disability means planning and saving for your sibling's future, as well as your own.

Women caregivers are 2.5 times more likely to live in poverty and 5 times more likely to receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI).

76% of sibling caretakers make less than $50,000/year.

Growing Older

Adult SIBLINGS

Adult siblings become the next generation of caregivers when parents are no longer able. Most often, the oldest female sibling becomes the caregiver.