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Hi, I am a single mom of 3 (their dad visits once in a while). My oldest child Freddy is 28 yrs. Out of my house lives his wife and child, my 2 daughters Sophia 24 yrs., Celina 11 yrs. and granddaughter Gigi 18 months, live at home with me. We rent a house in San Mateo.

I have been working for the same company for 10 yrs. I love work. Being a single mom I ALWAYS budget.

Last year was a very bad year. My daughter Sophia was shot San Francisco while she was picking up her fiancé at work. It was a mistaken identity (the detective told us). Sophia's fiancé was killed and Sophia was left paralyzed from the waist down. After months in the hospital she was able to come home. Our lives changed forever. And I automatically became a 2nd mom to my granddaughter Gigi.

My day goes as followed: wake up, get my daughter Celina up for school, get the baby Gigi dressed, make a light breakfast for Celina and Gigi, cereal and fruit. Walk Celina to the school. Come back make breakfast for me/Sophia and Gigi. Clean up any messes around the house, help Sophia shower. 2 days a week Sophia has physical therapy. Make calls to Sophia's doctor or other places she need to call. Sophia has a lot of pain. It is very hard for me to see her in so much pain but she is a very strong lady.

I get ready for work and Sophia's caretaker comes over while I'm at work. I only work part-time since the shooting.

When I get off work I pick up my daughter from after school care. Go home make dinner. After dinner clean and wait until Gigi goes to bed before cleaning some more. There is always something to be done at my house.

When I'm at work I relax. I have a great family support. They are always there when we need them.

BUT I need a relaxing break once in awhile. I just never take the time to pamper myself.

Sincerely,

Cynthia