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## Paralyzed Medina Highland player continues to make steady progress

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A sign showing support for Kory Wiita blows in the wind from the fence of the Highland High football field last November. - (PD file)

Kory Wiita and his family continue the long and arduous recovery process from an injury that changed their lives in a split second.

Wiita, who turned 18 on May 19, was left paralyzed from the waist down 309 days ago in the final football game of the regular season while covering a kickoff for Medina Highland.

The family, which has adopted the phrase "Fighting for a Miracle," has made trips to several rehabilitation facilities, including the Kennedy Krieger Institute in Baltimore, Shriners' Hospital in Chicago and the Step

It Up Recovery Center in Smyrna Beach, Fla.

The family does not grant interviews, but a family spokesperson relayed this message from Wiita's father, Dan, who has maintained a journal on the Caring Bridge website -- [caringbridge.com](http://caringbridge.com) -- since his son's injury:

"Kory continues to make slow and steady progress in his rehabilitation. He is as motivated as ever in the rehab process. The therapists at Kennedy Krieger all mentioned that Kory is making amazing progress from such a nasty injury. It is just slow and a lot of hard work."

Not all the visits dealt with Wiita's physical therapy. The family also visited the Be In Health Center in Georgia, a global outreach ministry that conducts conferences and seminars. Faith has played a huge part in the family's healing process, and the visit to the Be In Health Center helped reinforce their beliefs, Dan Wiita said on an update on Caring Bridge.

In another Caring Bridge post, Dan Wiita reported that his son has made great use of an FES Bike (functional electronic stimulation), which uses a computer to make his muscles help power the arm and leg parts of the bike. He also reported Kory's arm strength is improving and he has gone from lifting 2.5 pounds to 60 pounds on "lat pull downs."

Every improvement is cause for hope. The fight for a miracle continues.

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