

## CATCHING UP: MORE WONDERFUL DECISION-MAKERS SIGN THEIR SDMAS

Just as the pandemic slowed us down, the re-opening of New York has brought a number of SDMA signings over the past weeks: here are three of note. They are diverse in many ways, but all have loving families and supporters who are committed to providing them the support necessary to make their own decisions (or, as Pritam says, to be “in the driver’s seat”) and to live their best lives.

Thomas is 49 and lives in Brooklyn. He may be the first of our Decision-Makers to choose his pastor as a supporter, because she is a trusted person in his life, but perhaps also because he is hoping to become an assistant Sunday School teacher!



*Thomas's mom and Thomas*

*Thomas's pastor and supporter*

Pritam, in his late 20s, lives in Jamaica, Queens, loves traveling with his family, and is very proud of his job at TJ MAXX. He’s one of our special CUNY connections, as his facilitator, Drew, teaches in the Occupational Therapy Assistant Program at LaGuardia Community College with whom we partnered in training a number of student facilitators.



*Pritam, foreground, and supporters*



*Pritam's facilitator Drew*

Matt joined SDMNY through our Long Island site, which is not surprising, since he attends Adelphi University, studying Statistics and Data Analysis, and living on campus during the school year. Over the summer, he keeps busy working at his local CVS.



*Matt with his parents and supporters*

**CONGRATULATIONS THOMAS, PRITAM AND MATT, AND ALL  
YOUR SUPPORTERS AND FACILITATORS!**