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Life in the Times of Coronavirus: stories from  
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Coronavirus (COVID-19)

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During this time I found found myself no longer a full time student. No longer a part-time work study employee. No longer a part-time hairstylist. But I have found myself a full-time step-mom. Or T-Dog as she calls me. I have been given the opportunity to learn everything about her in the last 2 weeks. I enjoy seeing my partner in her, seeing his junior growing up and growing up with me. I have learned so much about myself, but about my parents and our relationship through this experience.

I have never intended, or made the choice to become a mother. However, I made that choice when I engaged in this relationship. But become a full time mom inadvertently, randomly, and instantly? never expected that.

I thank this experience for this time

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