

Cody Unser is a very exceptional young woman. She was struck down early in her childhood by Transverse Myelitis, which left her paralyzed from her chest down and confined to a wheelchair. This disability did not stop her drive to live a normal life and to help others with the similar condition she was in.

She created the Cody First Step Foundation, based in Albuquerque, NM, to champion awareness that persons with disabilities can accomplish living an extra-ordinary life. Her partnership with PADI, Newman's Own, the Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation, Paralyzed Veterans of America and various Major Medical Institutions, has allowed Cody to train numerous paralyzed persons the sport of SCUBA Diving.

Her tremendous success in making a difference in the lives of so many people and opening the door to the underwater sport of SCUBA Diving, led to her induction on April 3, 2016 into the Women's Divers Hall of Fame.