

A Polio Survivor's Guide: Funding Resources for Medical & Adaptive Equipment

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Introduction

Living well with a physical disability in the United States is an expensive proposition. Most medical insurance coverage is very limited, sometimes nonexistent, for expenses needed to acquire necessary medical equipment, even ventilators for people who are unable to breathe adequately or wheelchairs for people unable to walk. “Medically Necessary” criteria for coverage are not uniform between plans, co-pays or coverage limitations can be burdensome and spending limitations often lead to poor quality items. Almost no insurance plans contribute to costs for architectural modifications of homes, vehicles, clothing or adaptive equipment that could increase one’s independence, productivity and/or Quality of Life. Consequently, many US citizens with physical impairments feel like they pay an “American surtax on disability”.

This resource guide has been assembled to assist Americans with disabilities, particularly polio survivors with significant motor and breathing impairments, to find financial assistance for the costs of obtaining desired medical equipment and/or environmental adaptive modifications that are otherwise not affordable to them.

Post-Polio Health International (PHI) has a long history as an organization committed to helping polio survivors live independently despite severe post-polio disabilities and their late effects. It has always encouraged polio survivors to take matters into their own hands and to assume personal

responsibility for finding solutions to any barriers they may face to achieve the meaningful lifestyle they desire. It is in this spirit that a team of investigators coordinated by Sunny Roller has produced this compendium of possible resources available to assist people with disabilities obtain the adaptive medical and rehabilitative equipment and environmental modifications they determine that they need. Users will still have a lot of work to do in “selling their needs” to potential funding sources and identifying those local or regional funding sources most likely to be responsive to their needs.

As a physician specialist in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation with over 40 years of experience in helping polio survivors, I acknowledge their frustrations in dealing with our American healthcare system because of its apparent lack of support for people with disabilities in achieving their optimal potential for independence and Quality of Life. I have also witnessed the incredible persistence, creativity and intelligence of polio survivors in coming up with effective unique solutions for overcoming their barriers.

I sincerely hope and expect this resource guide to be of assistance to many people with disabilities who are otherwise limited in achieving their personal goals because of financial barriers to acquiring needed equipment and environmental modifications.

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How To Use This Guide:

- These resources are access points for direct funding or in-kind gifts to meet the medical equipment for mobility and independence needs of polio survivors.
- Medical equipment and assistive technology can include, but are not limited to wheelchairs, crutches, scooters, and respiratory supplies.
- Many of the resources in this guide are Loan Closets. Loan Closets are designed to give people medical equipment for a limited time without charge or at an affordable rate. Many loan closets also offer free equipment exchange programs, alternative funding options, and free equipment to keep.
- If you don't see resources listed in your area, contact the relevant national or state-based resources in this guide for further assistance.
- This guide is not intended to list low-interest loans or product sales. While some resources may be easy to find, others may require more exploration. If you cannot find what you are

looking for online, resource contact information has been included for further inquiry.

- If you know of any resources that are not listed and should be added to this guide, please contact Post-Polio Health International at info@post-polio.org.

Disclaimer:

This information is intended to assist in researching and acquiring medical or mobility equipment, and is in no way an offer or advertisement for a free equipment. PHI does not endorse any of the resources listed below. We are only providing a centralized location to find community resources. Resources listed are based on information we obtained as of October, 2019. If you discover that any of this information is no longer up to date, please contact Post-Polio Health International via email at info@post-polio.org. PHI will be updating this guide on a regular basis.

In some cases, organization descriptions and notes are taken directly from the organization's website in order to give the most accurate description of their services.

Available resources will vary by geographical location and can fluctuate throughout the year.

US National Resources

AARP Foundation

member@aarp.org

1-888-OUR-AARP

601 E Street, NW

Washington DC 20049

AARP Foundation is a national organization that serves vulnerable people 50 and older by creating and advancing effective solutions that help them secure the essentials. Check your local AARP for potential grant opportunities.

aarp.org/aarp-foundation

AMS Vans

questions@amsvans.com

844-294-8267

6275 Lawrenceville Hwy,

Tucker, GA 30084

AMS Vans is an accessible van company that lists various funding assistance resources on their website.

amsvans.com/financing-handicap-vans/resources

Area Agency on Aging

info@n4a.org

202-872-0888

1100 New Jersey Avenue

SE, Suite 350

Washington DC 20003

Area Agency on Aging is a group of statewide agencies that help older adults and people with disabilities live with dignity and choices in their homes and communities for as long as possible. Check your local Area Agency on Aging for potential funding or equipment exchange opportunities.

n4a.org

**Assistive Technology
Industry Association**

info@ATIA.org

312-321-5172

330 N. Wabash Avenue,
Suite 2000

Chicago, IL 60611-4267

Assistive Technology Industry Association is a premier organization for manufacturers, sellers and providers of assistive technology (AT)—products, equipment and systems that enhance learning, working and daily living for persons with disabilities.

atia.org/at-resources/what-is-at

Braun Ability

questions@braunability.com

800-488-0359

631 W 11th St

Winamac, IN 46996

Braun Ability manufactures wheelchair accessible conversion vans, with more than 250 van dealer locations across North America. They provide lists of wheelchair van grants by state on their website.

braunability.com/us/en/help-me-buy/grants-funding/wheelchair-vehicle-grants-and-funding-by-state

**Bryon Riesch
Paralysis Foundation**

info@brpf.org

262-547-2083

N14 W23900 Stone Ridge Dr.
Waukesha, WI 53188

Bryon Riesch Paralysis Foundation is a foundation that offers grants for individual needs which are reviewed quarterly. Funds are limited and they generally cannot support charitable grants over \$10,000. Requests should be for a specific item. Requests from Wisconsin residents are given precedence but are not limited to the state.

brpf.org/charitable-grant-application

Chive Charities

support@chivecharities.org

512-527-3511

98 San Jacinto Blvd
Suite 160

Austin, TX 78701

Chive Charities provides grant funding to people with rare medical conditions, such as post-polio syndrome. They determine a grant amount that may cover essential medical needs such as mobility equipment. Note: Individuals must apply to be approved by their board.

chivecharities.org

CPAP Assistance Program

asaa@sleepapnea.org

888-293-3650

641 S Street, NW, 3rd Floor
Washington, DC 20001-5196

This is a CPAP mask and supply program. Please check their website or contact them to see if a prescription is required for participation and if prescription must be received prior to shipping.

sleepapnea.org/community/cpap-assistance-program

CMMS Deshae

Lott Ministries

deshaelott@hotmail.com

CMMS Deshae Lott Ministries provides quality of life grants to people with various disabilities and needs.

deshae.org/cmms/outreach

Easter Seals

info@easterseals.com

800-221-6827

141 W Jackson Blvd,
STE 1400A
Chicago, IL 60604

Easter Seals is a nationwide organization that provides resources for individuals with disabilities, veterans, seniors and their families.

easterseals.com

Eldercare Locator

aclinfo@acl.hhs.gov

800-677-1116

This is a nationwide search service that connects older Americans and their caregivers with trustworthy local support resources, state by state.

eldercare.acl.gov/Public/Index

Faith-based organizations

For example, Catholic Charities USA, Jewish Funders Network, Lutheran Services in America, Volunteers of America, YMCA, and YWCA.

Most faith-based organizations have discretionary funds to serve the community. Consider contacting your local houses of worship for assistance. We listed a few examples here, but there are several organizations across the nation of all religious creeds with similar missions.

catholiccharitiesusa.org jfunders.org
lutheranservices.org voa.org ymca.net

Good Health Will

info@goodhealthwill.org

970-624-6002

2003 West 8th Street,
Loveland, CO

Good Health Will is headquartered in Colorado, but has a list of national nonprofits on their site that offers medical equipment and assistive technology programs.

goodhealthwill.org/links-to-nonprofits

GoFundMe

[gofundme.com](https://www.gofundme.com)

GoFundMe is a for-profit crowdfunding platform that allows people to raise money online for medical and mobility equipment. Note: Crowdfunding is the practice of funding a project or venture by raising small amounts of money from a large number of people.

[gofundme.com](https://www.gofundme.com)

I Got Legs

info@igotlegs.org

PO Box 32338

Charleston, SC 29417

I Got Legs is a nonprofit organization dedicated to re-enabling people with physical challenges by providing opportunities, programs, and grants that unlock an improved quality of life. Note: Grants are not available for the purchase of new or used vans; funds are available only for vehicle modifications. Grants are disbursed directly to suppliers of the desired equipment or modifications, not to grantees.

[igotlegs.org/i-need-legs](https://www.igotlegs.org/i-need-legs)

Joni and Friends

webadmin@joniandfriends.org

818-707-5664

PO Box 3333,
Agoura Hills, CA 91376

Joni and Friends is a faith-based nonprofit that provides funding for wheelchairs

joniandfriends.org

Keen Footwear

sales@keenfootwear.com

866-676-5336

515 NW 13th Avenue
Portland, OR 97209

Keen Footwear is a shoe company dedicated to making a difference in the lives of others. Note: They may be able to provide custom shoes for feet that are different sizes.

keenfootwear.com

Kiwanis

memberservices@kiwanis.org

317-875-8755

3636 Woodview Trace,
Indianapolis, IN 46268

Kiwanis is an international service organization designed to strengthen communities and serve individuals. Note: Check your local Kiwanis for equipment or funding resources.

kiwanis.org

Lions Clubs

programs@lionsclubs.org

630-571-5466

300 W. 22nd Street,
Oak Brook, IL 60523

Lions Clubs are international organizations designed to raise money for what they deem as worthy causes. All funds raised by Lions Clubs from the general public are used for charitable purposes. Note: Check your local Lions Club for for equipment or funding resources.

lionsclubs.org/en

Low Income Relief

nicole@lowincomerelief.com

PO Box 21
Bucoda, WA 98531

Low Income Relief is a national list of agencies and programs that offer opportunities to loan, borrow, or exchange assistive technology devices and equipment via web-based information exchange by state.

lowincomerelief.com/free-used-medical-equipment

March of Dimes

marchofdimes.org/contact-us

888-663-4637

1550 Crystal Dr, STE 1300
Arlington, VA 22202

March of Dimes primarily helps moms and babies, but continues to respond to PPS inquiries and often refers people to resources for support.

marchofdimes.org

Mightycause

support@mightycause.com

866-437-1952

PO Box 160,
Marianna, FL 32447

Mightycause is an online fundraising software for empowering nonprofits, people, & the causes they believe in. Note: Crowdfunding is funding a project or venture by raising small amounts of money from a large number of people.

mightycause.com/personal-fundraising

Mobility Works

877-275-4907

4199 Kinross Lakes Pkwy,
STE 300, Richfield, OH 44286

Mobility Works is a national chain of wheelchair accessible van providers. They list grant assistance and resources by state on their website. Note: Check mobilityworks in your area for grants and funding resources.

mobilityworks.com/financing/grant-assistance

Modest Needs

[general.questions@
modestneeds.org](mailto:general.questions@modestneeds.org)

844-667-3776

120 E 23rd St, FL 5
New York, NY 10010

Modest Needs offers grants to people who need temporary financial assistance, including assistance with medical equipment needs.

modestneeds.org/for-applicants/apply-for-help

**Muscular Dystrophy
Association**

resourceCenter@mdausa.org

800-572-1717

161 N. Clark, STE 3550,
Chicago, Illinois 60601

MDA's national equipment program helps provide good-condition, gently used wheelchairs and other medical equipment, such as shower chairs, hospital beds, walkers, canes, communication devices, etc. when available and as feasible.

mda.org/care/resource-list/equipment-assistance

Needy Meds

info@needymeds.org

800-503-6897

P.O. Box 219

Gloucester, MA 01931

Needy Meds is a resource dedicated to helping people locate assistance programs to help them afford their healthcare costs, including medical equipment.

needymeds.org

**National Assistive
Technology Act Tech
Assistance & Training
Center**

marty.exline@ataporg.org

217-522-7985

1020 S. Spring St.

Springfield, Illinois 62704

National Assistive Technology Act Technical Assistance and Training (AT3) Center's mission is to increase access to & acquisition of assistive technologies by individuals with disabilities across the lifespan. They offer a Device Demonstration and Device Loan program. Note: They provide a way to search for assistive technology programs in your state.

at3center.net/stateprogram

**National Council on
Independent Living**

ncil@ncil.org

844-778-7961

2013 H St. NW 6th Floor
Washington, D.C. 20006

The National Council on Independent Living advances independent living & the rights of people with disabilities. Note: this organization may know of more resources for medical equipment in your area.

ncil.org

**National Disability Institute
AT Program**

info@ndi-inc.org

202-296-2040

1667 K Street, NW STE 480
Washington, DC 20006

National Disability Institute AT Program is focused on the financial health & wellness of people with disabilities. They have a program designed to help you find and afford assistive technology:

nationaldisabilityinstitute.org/financial-wellness/assistive-technology-loan-program

They also provide a list of alternative financing options by state:

nationaldisabilityinstitute.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/alternative-financing-programs.pdf

**National Organization for
Vehicle Accessibility**

rcalvert@nova-na.org

304-606-2984

364 Patteson Dr., #322

Morgantown, WV 26505

NOVA provides a mobility assistance grant program that is directed to individuals with disabilities who have secured the majority of the money needed to fund vehicle modification products and just need some additional help to reach their goal.

novafunding.org/grant-program

**National Institute of
Neurological Disorders
and Stroke**

braininfo@ninds.nih.gov

800-352-9424

P.O. Box 5801

Bethesda, MD 20824

The National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke is an Institute within the National Institutes of Health. It is focused on knowledge about the brain and nervous system, and has a section on their website with a way to search for grant funding opportunities.

ninds.nih.gov/Funding

**Post-Polio Health
International**

info@post-polio.org

314-534-0475

4207 Lindell Boulevard #110
Saint Louis, MO 63108

PHI's mission is to collect, preserve and make available research and knowledge to promote the well-being and independence of polio survivors, home ventilator users, their caregivers and families, and to support the health professionals who treat them. Note: PHI offers assistance of up to \$800 for orthotics or modified shoes for polio survivors.

post-polio.org

**Rehabilitation Engineering
and Assistive Technology
Society of North America**

webmaster@resna.org

(703) 524-6686

1560 Wilson Blvd, STE 850
Arlington, VA 22209

Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of North America offers a free, online tool to find highly qualified, assistive technology professionals in your area.

resna.org/about/consumer-and-public-information

**Rifton Equipment
Exchange Programs**

ales@rifton.com

800.571.8198

PO Box 260

Rifton NY 12471

Rifton Equipment Exchange Programs lists agencies and programs that offer opportunities to loan, borrow, or exchange assistive technology devices and equipment via web-based information exchange.

rifton.com/adaptive-mobility-blog/blog-posts/2013/may/lending-libraries-loan-closets

Rotary International

visitors@rotary.org

866-976-8279

1560 Sherman Ave.,

Evanston, IL 60201

Rotary International is a global service organization whose stated purpose is to bring together business and professional leaders in order to provide humanitarian service, including polio vaccinations in an effort to eradicate polio. Note: Check for a Rotary Club in your area for possible grants and funding resources for local polio survivors.

rotary.org/en

**The Administration for
Community Living**

acl.gov/contact

202-401-4634

330 C St SW

Washington, DC 20201

The Administration for Community Living provides resources and information for older adults and people of all ages with disabilities so that everyone can live and fully participate in their communities.

acl.gov

**The Center for Assistive
Technology Act Data
Assistance**

Daria.Domin@umb.edu

617-287-4277

The Center for Assistive Technology Act Data Assistance lists state and territory assistive technology programs.

catada.info

The Mobility Resource

[bmeyer](#)

[@themobilityresource.com](https://www.themobilityresource.com)

866-771-7770

111 Stow Ave., STE 103

Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44221

The Mobility Resource sells accessible vans, and lists disability grants for accessible vehicles and equipment. These grants and other programs could help you finance a wheelchair van, scooter, wheelchair lift, adaptive driving equipment, or other mobility product. [themobilityresource.com/financing-handicap-accessible-vehicles/state-grants](https://www.themobilityresource.com/financing-handicap-accessible-vehicles/state-grants)

The Pass It On Center

[passitoncenter](#)

[@gatfl.gatech.edu](mailto:passitoncenter@gatfl.gatech.edu)

1-800-497-8665

512 Means Street, STE 250

Atlanta, Georgia 30318

The Pass It On Center is a National Collaboration for the Reutilization and Coordination of Assistive Technology [passitoncenter.org](https://www.passitoncenter.org)

Triumph Foundation

info@Triumph-Foundation.org

661-803-3700

17186 Hickory Ridge Ct.,
Santa Clarita, CA 91387

Triumph Foundation provides grants to help individuals get the necessary adaptive equipment for activities of daily living. It is national, but prioritizes Southern California residents.

triumph-foundation.org/outreach/grants-and-equipment

United Way

[networkhelpdesk.admin](mailto:networkhelpdesk.admin@unitedway.org)

@unitedway.org

703-836-7112

701 N. Fairfax Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

United Way is a national organization that helps communities with a focus on education, income and health—the building blocks for a good quality of life. Check for United Way in your area for grants and funding resources.

unitedway.org

You Caring

youcaring.com

You Caring is a free online fundraising resource through crowdfunding. Note: Crowdfunding is the practice of funding a project or venture by raising small amounts of money from a large number of people.

youcaring.com

State Resources

Alabama

Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services - STAR equipment programs

rehab.alabama.gov/contact-us

334-293-7012

602 S. Lawrence Street
Montgomery, AL 36104

Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services - STAR equipment programs partnership with community-based organizations make assistive technology reutilization programs available statewide. Their reutilization programs offer a variety of durable medical equipment. Other assistive technology devices are available with no disability or age restrictions. Note: Check the website for a list of reutilization centers in the state.

Al.at4all.com

Southern Disability Foundation

Kate.wallace@rehab.alabama.gov

800.782.7656

P.O. Box 1566

Montgomery, AL 36102

Southern Disability Foundation offers alternative finance loans, but may be able to connect you to additional funding resources that do not require repayment.

sdfalabama.com

Alaska

Access Alaska

info@accessalaska.org

800-770-4488

1217 East 10th Ave

Anchorage, AK 99501

Access Alaska is a durable medical equipment loan closet that provides assistive technology and adaptive equipment to individuals with disabilities. Note: They have locations in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Mat-su and Kenai.

accessalaska.org/dme-loan-closet

Assistive Technology of Alaska

atla@atlaak.org

(907) 563-2599

3330 Arctic Blvd., STE 101

Anchorage, AK 99503

Assistive Technology of Alaska (ATLA) is Alaska's only comprehensive assistive technology (AT) resource center. Note: Check their website or contact them for funding resources.

atlaak.org

Arizona

Ability360

info@ability360.org

602-296-0536

5025 E. Washington St., STE

200

Phoenix, AZ 85034

Ability360 has a loan closet for durable medical equipment (DME) in addition to other community resources.

ability360.org/loan-closet

Arizona Technology Access Program

adi.schaeffer@nau.edu

800-477-9921

912 W Riordan Road

Flagstaff, AZ 86011

AzTAP is a statewide program that connects people who have disabilities with assistive technology equipment and resources. Note: Check their website or contact them for community resources.

nau.edu/ihd/aztap

Arkansas

Arkansas Technology Alternative Financing Project

[Henry.Washington@
arkansas.gov](mailto:Henry.Washington@arkansas.gov)

501-296-1663

525 West Capitol Avenue

Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Arkansas Technology Alternative Financing Project is a resource designed to assist Arkansans with disabilities in obtaining assistive technology equipment and services.

[arcareereducation.org/services/arkansas-rehabilitation-services/acce
ss-accommodations/alternative-financing-program](http://arcareereducation.org/services/arkansas-rehabilitation-services/access-accommodations/alternative-financing-program)

Goodwill Health Equipment Loan Program

Marketing@GoodwillAR.org

501-372-5100

7400 Scott Hamilton Drive

Little Rock, Arkansas

Goodwill Health Equipment Loan Program loans medical equipment to Arkansas residents.

[goodwillar.org/programs-and-resources/family-strengthening/health-
equipment-loan-program-help](http://goodwillar.org/programs-and-resources/family-strengthening/health-equipment-loan-program-help)

California

AT Network

info@atnet.org

800-390-2699

1000 G Street, STE 100

Sacramento, CA 95814

The AT Network includes a free information and referral line, device lending libraries, low interest loans, a used device exchange, training programs, public policy analysis and advocacy on behalf of the disability community.

exchange.abilitytools.org

Marin Medical Equipment Recyclers

415-388-8198

3100 Kerner Blvd.,

San Rafael, CA

The Marin Medical Equipment Recyclers is a free medical equipment recycler that gives equipment away to those in need.

marinmer.org

ReCARES

510 251-2273

2619 Broadway,

Oakland, CA 94612

ReCARES accepts donations of durable medical equipment and supplies and gives them to people who need them in Oakland, San Francisco, and Marin.

homecares.org

Colorado

Friends of Man

(303) 798-2342
P.O. Box 937
Littleton, Colorado 80160

Friends of Man works through referring professionals (caseworkers, case managers, health care workers, social workers, counselors, teachers, clergy) who apply on behalf of their patients and clients needing mobility equipment, medical equipment, or assistive technology.

friendsofman.org

CPPO Durable Medical Equipment Fund

[klindsey
@eastersealscolorado.org](mailto:klindsey@eastersealscolorado.org)
(303) 233-1666
393 S. Harlan St. STE 250,
Lakewood, CO 80226

CPPO Durable Medical Equipment Fund provides up to a \$1,000 supplement toward the purchase of durable medical equipment to polio survivors in Colorado.

easterseals.com/co

Connecticut

AZ Pawn Gift of Mobility

FastCash@AZPawn.net

(860)-889-4474

442 East Main Street,

Norwich, CT 06360

AZ Pawn Gift of Mobility collects unwanted motorized wheelchairs and scooters, refurbishes them, and gives them away during the holidays at no cost to people who need and cannot afford them.

azpawngiftofmobility.com

Plan of CT Charitable Trust Grant

info@planofct.org

860-523-4951

P.O. Box 4280,

Hartford, CT 06147

Plan of CT Charitable Trust Grants may be used to purchase any service or resource that serves to enhance the person's quality of life. The distributions that are covered by the trust are wide and varied, and may include medical equipment. Note: They offer additional community resources on their website

planofct.org/resource-links

planofct.org/charitable-trust-grants

Delaware

Delaware Assistive Technology Initiative (DATI)

newcastle.atrc@dati.org

800-870-DATI (3284)

461 Wyoming Road

Newark, DE 19716

DATI offers resources such as an AT Exchange Program. The Exchange features an array of inventory categories, including wheelchairs and walkers, adapted vehicles and lifts, communication devices, computers, environmental adaptations, specialized beds, and aids for daily living. Many items featured on the AT Exchange are also listed at no cost.

dati.org/v3/home.php

District of Columbia (DC)

District of Columbia Assistive Technology Financing Loan Program

sjaffer@uls-dc.org

202-547-0198

220-I Street, STE 130

Washington, DC, 20001

District of Columbia Assistive Technology Financing Loan Program is a city-wide program whose goal is to enhance independence for all District residents with disabilities. Services include an assistive technology resource center, a device loan program, durable medical equipment recycling, and an alternative financing program.

atpdc.org/

Florida

Abilities Foundation

delucia@abilities.org

727-538-7370

2735 Whitney Road

Clearwater, FL, 33760

Abilities Foundation's Home for Independence program provides funding for renovation of existing housing and financial assistance for the purchase of accessible housing.

abilitiesfoundation.com/home.html

Easterseals Equipment Loan Closet

pjones@esvf.org

386-944-7821

1219 Dunn Ave.,

Daytona Beach, FL 32114

Easterseals Equipment Loan Closet is a community resource of equipment intended to support individuals living with short or long term disabilities. All equipment is loaned at no charge.

easterseals.com/necfl/our-programs/senior-services/community-equipment-loan-program.html

Georgia

Atlanta Post Polio Association

appaemail@gmail.com

404-350-7631

P.O.Box 245.

Cumming, GA 30028

Atlanta Post Polio Association DME access identifies and works with community resources to address the needs of post-polio people, in addition to education and other services.

atlantapostpolio.com

Friends Of Disabled Adults And Children

fodac@fodac.org

866-977-1204

4900 Lewis Road

Stone Mountain, GA 30083

Friends Of Disabled Adults And Children provides refurbished equipment and services for adults and children with disabilities to improve their overall quality of life.

fodac.org

Hawaii

Assistive Technology Resource Centers

monty@atrc.org

808-532-7111

200 N. Vineyard Blvd., STE 430

Honolulu, HI 96817

ATRCs are federally funded nonprofit groups working to link disabled Hawaii residents with assistive technologies. Inquire about securing financial aid, and learn about the AT Exchange Program.

atrc.org

Idaho

Idaho Assistive Technology Project

idaho.at4all.com/Accounts

1-800-432-8324

1187 Alturas Drive

Moscow, ID 83843

Idaho Assistive Technology Project is an equipment exchange for people with disabilities.

idaho.at4all.com

Hands of Hope Northwest

handsofhopew.org/contact-us

(208) 461-1473

1201 S. Powerline Rd.

Nampa, Idaho 83686

LINC Idaho

info@lincidaho.org

208-336-3335

1878 W Overland Rd

Boise, ID 83705

Illinois

Devices 4 the Disabled

supportd4d.org/Contact-Us

773-870-1553

1333 W Devon Ave, STE 260,

Chicago, IL 60660

Hands of Hope Northwest loans equipment, but may be able to offer additional equipment resources.

handsofhopew.org/what-we-do

LINC Idaho is a Boise area DME loan and giveaway program. LINC Idaho also has Twin Falls and Caldwell locations.

lincidaho.org/program/technology-durable-medical-equipment-loans

Devices 4 the Disabled provides pickup, refurbishing, and delivery of used durable medical equipment to those in need. When the person no longer needs the equipment, it is returned and redistributed again.

supportd4d.org

Great Lakes Loan Closets

loanclosets.org/contact

P.O. Box 19614,
Kalamazoo MI, 49019

Great Lakes Loan Closets is an organization designed to help residents of Michigan, Wisconsin, Northern Indiana, and Northern Illinois find organizations that lend medical equipment for minimal or no cost.

loanclosets.org

Illinois Care Planning Council (ILCPC)

careillinois.net/a1_IL_request

(800) 989-813

ILCPC lists companies and individual providers on this website who help families with products and services for care, including medical equipment.

careillinois.net/list08_IL_home_medical_equipment.htm

Shirley Ryan AbilityLab

national@sralab.org

1-844-355-ABLE

355 E Erie St,
Chicago, IL 60610

Shirley Ryan Ability Lab lists medical equipment loan programs across Chicago and surrounding suburbs.

sralab.org/lifecenter/resources/lending-closet-directory

Indiana

Great Lakes Loan Closets

loanclosets.org/contact

P.O. Box 19614,
Kalamazoo MI, 49019

Great Lakes Loan Closets is an organization designed to help residents of Michigan, Wisconsin, Northern Indiana, and Northern Illinois find organizations that lend medical equipment for minimal or no cost.

loanclosets.org

Iowa

Iowa Compass

iowacompass.org/contact

1-800-779-2001
100 Hawkins Dr. #S295
Iowa City, IA 5224

Iowa Compass provides information about services and supports for Iowans with disabilities, their families and service providers, including a medical equipment loan closet.

iowacompass.org

Kansas

Assistive Technology for Kansans

atkapps@ku.edu

620-421-8367

2601 Gabriel

Parsons, Kansas 67357

Assistive Technology for Kansans connects people with disabilities and health conditions of all ages with assistive technology. They offer refurbished devices, loan options, and funding resources.

atk.ku.edu

Kentucky

Project CARAT

info@projectCARAT.org

1-800-327-5287 911

Joe Clifton Dr,

Paducah, KY 42001

CARAT takes donated medical equipment and assistive technology, and redistributes it to people who need it.

katsnet.org/projectCARAT

Louisiana

Louisiana Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs)

SBBuchert@goea.la.gov

(877) 340-9100

P. O. Box 61

Baton Rouge, LA 70821

ADRC is a primary source for comprehensive and current information and help. Check their website for disability grants for accessible transportation.

goea.louisiana.gov/index.cfm?md=pagebuilder&tmp=home&pid=3&pnid=0&nid=1

Louisiana Assistive Technology Access Network (LATAN)

cpourciau@latan.org

800-270-6185

3042 Old Forge Drive, Suite D

Baton Rouge, LA 70808

LATAN's driving purpose is to help elderly and disabled Louisiana state residents acquire assistive technology that facilitates a more meaningful and independent lifestyle. It offers a variety of services, and may help you find the most promising disability grants for a wheelchair van.

latan.org

**Louisiana Statewide
Independent Living Council
(SILC)**

jessica.lewis@la.gov

(225) 219-7553

1201 North Third Street
Suite G-219
Baton Rouge, LA 70804

SILC provides information when you're seeking financial aid to pay for your accessible vehicle or conversions and equipment.

ilru.org/projects/silc-net/silc-directory-results/LA

Maine

**Maine Department of
Education's Maine CITE
Program**

info@mainecite.org

207-621-3195

26 Gabriel Drive
Augusta, ME 04330

The Maine CITE Program provides individuals with assistive technology resources, including an equipment reuse program where you may buy, sell, or donate used equipment. Their programs include physical store locations and online services.

mainecite.org/equipment-reuse

Maryland

Baltimore County Department of Aging

410-887-2594

611 Central Avenue,
Towson, MD 21204

Baltimore County Department of Aging is a Baltimore County resource for people who are age 60+. Contact them about their equipment loan program.

baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/aging/programsandservices/advanceevents.html

Department of Disabilities Maryland Technology Assistance Program

info.mdod@maryland.gov

800-832-4827

2301 Argonne Drive, Rm T-17
Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Department of Disabilities Maryland Technology Assistance Program offers access to assistive technology devices and services, along with resources in various locations.

mdod.maryland.gov/mdtap/Pages/MDTAP-Home.aspx

**The Loan Closet of
Howard County**

[loancloset@](mailto:loancloset@howardcountymd.gov)

howardcountymd.gov

10-313-0369

8775 Cloudleap Court,

STE 11

Columbia, MD 21045

The Loan Closet of Howard County provides refurbished durable medical equipment and resources to all Howard County residents and caregivers to improve their overall quality of life.

howardcountymd.gov/Departments/Community-Resources-and-Services/Office-on-Aging-and-Independence/Loan-Closet

Massachusetts

GetATstuff Massachusetts

info@massmatch.org

877-508-3974

600 Washington Street

Boston, MA 02111

GetATstuff Massachusetts is an online public database that reflects the inventory of devices currently available. Look for assistive technology devices for sale or free in and around Massachusetts.

getatstuff.massmatch.org

Michigan

Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation

info@aaacf.org

734.663.0401

301 North Main Street,
Suite 300

Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation connects people in the Ann Arbor area to resources, and sometimes offers grants for needs such as medical equipment.

aaacf.org

Creative Mobility Group

info@creativemobilitygroup.com

888-998-4264

7740 Clyde Park Avenue SW
Byron Center, MI 49315

The Creative Mobility Group provides new and used wheelchair accessible vans. They also offer modifications and other medical equipment rental. Contact them for finance and rebate options. They have locations in Detroit and Grand Rapids.

creativemobilitygroup.com

Faith In Action

dougsmith@faithinaction1.org

(734) 475-3305

603 S. Main St.

Chelsea, MI 48118

Faith In Action is an organization with a free medical equipment closet: Donated durable medical equipment is made available to anyone on an as-needed basis.

faithinaction1.org/programs-services

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Kalamazoo MI, 49019

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loan closets.org

Michigan Disability Rights Coalition

MDRC@mymdrc.org

800-578-1269

3498 E.Lake Lansing Rd, STE 100

East Lansing, MI 48823

Michigan Disability Rights Coalition help find resources for assistive technology. Provides access to an assistive technology exchange program and funding resources.

copower.org

VAD Cares

help@vadcares.org

313.444.6344

28446 South River Rd

Harrison Township, MI, 48045

Wheelchair Seating Service Michigan Medicine

877-868-8889

2850 S. Industrial Highway,

STE 200,

Ann Arbor, MI 48104

Family Network of Wyoming

fntw.org/contact-us

616.885.9919

1029 44th St SW

Wyoming MI 49509

VAD Cares established a fund to provide financial assistance to people with neuromuscular diseases in need of items or services related to their disability such as medical equipment, home adaptations, and vehicle modifications.

vadcares.org

Wheelchair Seating Service - Michigan Medicine gifts allow Wheelchair Seating to provide medical equipment and devices such as bath and toileting equipment that are beyond insurance coverage.

homecare.med.umich.edu/Wheelchair-Seating-Service

Family Network of Wyoming provides an inventory of durable medical equipment that they loan out to individuals and families with financial need.

fntw.org/services/medical-equipment

Minnesota

Access North Center for Independent Living of Northeastern Minnesota

sheri@accessnorth.net

888-625-1401

118 East Superior Street

Duluth, MN 55802

Access North Center for Independent Living of Northeastern Minnesota provides information and referrals for assistive technology services and devices. Contact them for more information.

accessnorth.net/assistiveTech/assistiveTechServices.html

MN State AT Funding

star.program@state.mn.us

651-201-2640

658 Cedar Street

St. Paul, MN 55155

MN State AT Funding (STAR) provides device loan options.

mn.gov/admin/star/program-services/device-loan

Mississippi

Mississippi START'S Device Reutilization Program

projectstart@mdrs.ms.gov

601-853-5249

P.O. Box 1698

Jackson, MS 39215

Mississippi START'S Device Reutilization Program is a program that accepts donations of lightly used durable medical equipment. The devices are refurbished to high quality standards and provided free of charge to Mississippians with disabilities or chronic health care issues.

msprojectstart.org/device-reutilization

Missouri

Midwest Special Needs Trust

Grants@MidwestSpecialNeedsTrust.org

1 (877) 239-8055

P.O. Box 7629

Columbia, MO 65205

Midwest Special Needs Trust gives grants up to \$1500. People can reapply for additional funding every 12 months. It is designed for low-income individuals, and can be used for medical equipment, transportation needs, and many other independent living needs.

midwestspecialneedstrust.org/

Missouri Assistive Technology

info@mo-at.org

816-655-6700

1501 NW Jefferson St.
Blue Springs, MO 64015

Missouri Assistive Technology offers resources to recycle and reuse DME, and provides AT assistance programs
at.mo.gov/information-resources-publications/funding.html

Montana

MonTECH

montech.ruralinstitute.umt.edu/who-we-are/contact-us

877-243-5511

29 McGill Hall, University of
Montana
Missoula, Montana 59812

MonTECH provides an equipment loan program allowing individuals to try a device without financial commitment.
montech.ruralinstitute.umt.edu/equipment-loans-reuse

Nebraska

Assistive Technology Partnership

atp@nebraska.gov

402-471-0734

3100 23rd Street, Suite 5,
Columbus, NE 68601

Assistive Technology Partnership assists Nebraskans with disabilities, their families, educators, service coordinators, employers and a host of agencies to learn about and use assistive technology. ATP is a state agency in the Department of Education.

atp.nebraska.gov/services/equipment

Help Adult Services

402-341-6559

1941 South 42nd St.,
STE 200
Omaha NE 68105

Help Adult Services is a program that loans equipment and provides access to assistive devices like bath chairs, crutches, wheelchairs, and hospital beds.

helpadultservices.org/HELP.html

Nevada

Care Chest

carechest.org/site/contact-us

(775) 829-CARE

7910 N. Virginia St.

Reno, NV 89506

CARE Chest's programs provides medical equipment to low-income Nevadans.

carechest.org/site

New Hampshire

Assistive Technology in New Hampshire

assistive.technology@unh.edu

603.862.4320

10 West Edge Drive, Suite 101

Durham, NH 03824

Assistive Technology in New Hampshire provides statewide assistive services such as equipment demonstrations, loans and refurbishing/reuse options.

iod.unh.edu/projects/assistive-technology-new-hampshire-atinnh

New Jersey

The Polio Network of New Jersey

info@PNNJ.org

201-391-0745

110 Chestnut Ridge Rd

Montvale, NJ 07645

PNNJ offers grants to assist polio survivors in the state of New Jersey.

pnnj.org

Disability Rights New Jersey

advocate@drnj.org

800-922-7233

210 South Broad Street, 3rd Floor

Trenton, New Jersey 08608

Disability Rights New Jersey provides device demonstrations, loans, a reuse program and more.

drnj.org

Pluckemin Presbyterian Church Medical Equipment Ministry

office@ppch.org

908-658-3346

The Equipment Ministry collects equipment donation and makes them available to those who need help. The equipment is loaned out at no cost, for as long as it's needed, and returned when you are done.

ppch.org/get-involved/medical-equipment

New Mexico

Back in Use

info@goadelante.org

505.341.7171

1520 1st Street NW,
Albuquerque, NM 87109

Back in Use relies on donations of durable equipment to pass on to people in need.

goadelante.org/disability-services/assistive-equipment-biu

New York

Community Helping Hands

office.chh@gmail.com

716-487-1488

31 Water Street
Jamestown, NY 14701

Community Helping Hands provides medical equipment FREE of charge to those in need.

chhny.org/ministries/medical-supplies

**Technology Related
Assistance
for Individuals with
Disabilities**

ohweb@health.ny.gov

800-624-4143

401 State Street

Schenectady, NY 12305

TRAID helps persons with disabilities to obtain needed assistive technology services and devices.

health.ny.gov/publications/0548/the_triad_program.htm

RCAL Loan Closet

845-331-0541

727 Ulster Avenue

Kingston, New York 12401

RCAL Loan Closet provides medical equipment on loan to individuals who cannot afford to buy their own or whose insurance does not cover the cost.

rcal.org/services/equipment-loan-closet

North Carolina

Medical Loan Closet

828-692-9005

1225 7th Ave E,

Hendersonville, NC 28792

Medical Loan Closet is a nonprofit organization that provides durable medical equipment at a minimal cost for up to 90 days to any resident of Henderson County in need of assistance.

medicalloancloset.org

Senior Services

info@seniorservicesinc.org

336-725-0907

2895 Shorefair Drive

Winston-Salem, NC 27105

Senior Services lists medical equipment loan closet across the state, among other resources.

seniorservicesinc.org/resources/directory/medical-equipment-and-loan-closets

North Dakota

North Dakota Association For The Disabled, Inc.

grandforks@ndad.org

800-532-NDAD

2660 S. Columbia Road

Grand Forks, N.D. 58201

North Dakota Association For The Disabled, Inc. assists people with disabilities obtain medical equipment and supplies in North Dakota.

ndad.org

North Dakota Assistive Technology

floyd@ndassistive.org

800-895-4728

3240-15th Street South,

STE B

Fargo, ND 58104

North Dakota Assistive Technology hosts demonstrations, a loan program, a reuse program and financing programs. They also provide grants to help people afford the technology they need.

ndassistive.org/services

Ohio

Assistive Technology of Ohio

atohio@osu.edu

800-784-3425

1314 Kinnear Road

Columbus, OH 43212

Assistive Technology of Ohio is a federally funded nonprofit organization that is part of the College of Engineering at The Ohio State University. If you need funding for a device, they might be able to direct you to helpful resources.

atohio.org

MS Loan Closet

ohawebmaster@nmss.org

800-344-4867

6155 Rockside Road

STE 202

Independence, OH 44131

The Ohio MS chapter provides assistance with mobility and funding resources.

nationalmssociety.org/Chapters/OHA

Medical Equipment Loan

[easterseals.com/noh/
who-we-are/contact-us/](https://easterseals.com/noh/who-we-are/contact-us/)

440-324-6600

2173 North Ridge Rd,

STE G

Lorain, OH 44055

Easterseals Medical Equipment Loan helps individuals and caregivers during a time of need by providing equipment free of charge for up to 90 days.

easterseals.com/noh/our-programs/adult-services/medical-equipment-loan.html

Oklahoma

Oklahoma ABLE Tech Device Reuse Program

abletech@okstate.edu

800-257-1705

3325 North Lincoln Boulevard

Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Oklahoma ABLE Tech Device Reuse Program serves any Oklahoman who is in need of durable medical equipment (DME), regardless of income.

okabletech.org/guide-to-all-services/device-reutilization/oklahoma-durable-medical-equipment-reuse-program

Oregon

Access Help

ckline@accesshelps.org

541-779-6691

3661 Lear Way,

Medford, Oregon 97504

Access Help loans medical equipment at no cost to residents who have short-term needs. They may offer additional resources for long-term needs.

accesshelps.org/medicalequipment

Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania Assistive Technology Foundation

patf@patf.us

484-674-0506

1004 West 9th Avenue

King of Prussia, PA 19406

PATF links people of all ages and abilities to funding resources in Pennsylvania for assistive technology.

patf.us

Help Hope Live

helphopelive.org/contact

800.642.8399

100 Matsonford Road

Radnor, PA 19087

Help Hope Live is a fundraising tool for the medical expenses insurance doesn't cover. Another form of crowdsourcing.

helphopelive.org

Institute on Disabilities:

Tech Owl

atinfo@temple.edu

800-204-7428

1755 N 13th Street,

Room 411S

Philadelphia, PA 19122

Institute on Disabilities - Tech Owl is a free statewide service for people with disabilities, their families, friends, service providers and other interested individuals who can sell, buy, or donate assistive technology. They also have the option to loan assistive technology for free.

techowlpa.org

Rhode Island

Robert J. Allen Medical Equipment Distribution Center

rifreemason@rimasons.org

401.451.0184

222 Taunton Ave.,

East Providence, RI 02914

Robert J. Allen Medical Equipment Distribution Center offers a wide variety of equipment free of charge on a first come first serve basis.

rimasons.org/programs/73-robert-j-allen-medical-equipment-distribution-center

South Carolina

South Carolina Assistive Technology Program

Carol.Page@uscmed.sc.edu

(803) 935-5263

The South Carolina Assistive Technology Program is a federally funded and part of a national network of technology-related assistance programs that provide the devices that increase, maintain or improve functional capabilities.

scatp.med.sc.edu

South Dakota

DakotaLink

Merrinfo@dakotalink.net

605-271-5074

3411 S Center Ave

Sioux Falls, SD

DakotaLink is South Dakota AT4ALL's online recycling and reuse exchange as it provides additional support services.

sd.at4all.com

Tennessee

United Cerebral Palsy of Middle Tennessee

Margaret_Eighmy@ucpnashville.org

615-242-4091

1200 9th Avenue North,

STE 110

Nashville TN 37208

UCP provides durable medical and adaptive equipment to people throughout Tennessee, regardless of their diagnosis.

ucpmidtn.org/programs-and-services/equipment-exchange

Texas

DME Exchange of Dallas

saustindmeexchange@gmail.com

214-997-3639

12015 Shiloh Road,
STE 130

Dallas, TX 75228

DME Exchange of Dallas serves Dallas County residents with used medical equipment. You must meet income and residency requirements to receive assistance.

dfwdmeexchange.org/equipment/need-equipment

Elderly Or Disabled Living

info@elderlyordisabledliving.com

817-576-2584

P.O. Box 821177

North Richland Hills, TX 76182

Elderly Or Disabled Living provide possible financial assistance to lower income elderly or disabled individuals, if chosen.

elderlyordisabledliving.com/registerforfree

Utah

Utah Assistive Technology Foundation

utahatp@gmail.com

800-524-5152

6855 Old Main Hill

Logan, UT 84322

UATF helps Utahns with disabilities of all ages obtain loans and grants to purchase assistive technology.

uatf.org/financing

Vermont

Vermont Assistive Technology Exchange

dail.atinfo@vermont.gov

800-750-6355

280 State Drive

Waterbury, VT 05671

Vermont Assistive Technology Exchange is a free site for individuals to exchange gently used durable medical equipment.

vt.at4all.com

Virginia

The F.R.E.E. Foundation

roanoke@free-foundation.org

540-777-4929

1489 East Main Street
Salem, VA 24153

The F.R.E.E. Foundation provides assistance to people who need mobility equipment, but don't have the insurance ,and can't afford to buy it.

free-foundation.org/application

Washington

Meyer Medical Equipment Center

bridge@bridgemin.org

(425) 885-1008

12356 Northup Way
Bellevue, WA 98005

Meyer Medical Equipment Center helps people with a wide range of medical needs. They accept new and gently used equipment, and give it to those in the community who would not otherwise be able to obtain it.

bridgemin.org/medical-equipment

Washington Access Fund

info@nwaccessfund.org

206-328-5116

1437 South Jackson Street,
STE 302

Seattle, WA 98144

Washington Access Fund provides funding to people with disabilities in Washington & Oregon to purchase assistive technology and achieve greater independence.

nwaccessfund.org

West Virginia

West Virginia Assistive Technology System Loan Library

wvats@hsc.wvu.edu

800-841-8436

959 Hartman Run Road
Morgantown, WV 26505

WVATS is a loan program that allows people with disabilities to borrow equipment and try it in their natural environments (home, school, workplace, etc.). They also offer an option to find used devices for free or low-cost.

vll.cedwvu.org

Wisconsin

Bryon Riesch Paralysis Foundation

info@brpf.org

(262) 547-2083

N14 W23900 Stone Ridge Dr,
Waukesha, WI 53188

Bryon Riesch Paralysis Foundation offers grants for individual proposals that are reviewed quarterly. Funds are limited and they generally cannot support charitable grants over \$10,000. Request should be for a specific item. Requests from Wisconsin residents are given precedence but are not limited to the state.

brpf.org/charitable-grant-application

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loanclosets.org

Wyoming

Wyoming Aging and Disability Resource Center

1-800-442-2766

2300 Capitol Ave 4th Floor,
Cheyenne, WY 82002

The Wyoming Aging and Disability Resources Center website is designed to help connect older adults and people with disabilities to a variety of helpful information and services. They may be able to connect people to donate medical equipment or financial resources. adrcwyoming.org

Wyoming AT4ALL

watr@uwyo.edu

888-989-9463

1000 E. University Ave,
Dept. 4298
Laramie, WY 82071

Wyoming AT4ALL lists assistive and adaptive equipment options in Wyoming through Wyoming Assistive Technology Resources (WATR) and the Anna Maria Weston Therapeutic Equipment Lending Library. Search for assistive and adaptive equipment, available for loan, make a direct request for equipment, or locate previously owned devices available for reutilization. wy.at4all.com

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