



Assistive Technology Guide for New York

This guide has been prepared in an effort to strengthen awareness of Assistive Technology (AT) funding and service programs. If you or someone you know is in need of AT, one or more of the six listings may help you to find and pay for the AT that best meets your needs.

AT Demonstration Programs and AT Lending Programs

You may want to test an item at an AT Demonstration program prior to purchase or see if the item you need can be borrowed, often indefinitely, from a provider.

NYS Justice Center

TRAID Program
161 Delaware Ave.
Delmar, NY 12054
Phone: 800-624-4143

The TRAIID Program funds 12 regional assistive technology centers that provide device re-utilization, demonstration and loans to individuals with disabilities. If you are interested in an one of these options, see the list of centers below, and contact the center that serves your area:

Long Island TRAIID Center (Nassau, Suffolk)

Long Island Communities of Practice

P.O. Box 5013
Montauk, NY 11954
Phone 631-668-4858
Website: www.licop.org/traid.html

- **Nassau Location:**
77 Arkay Drive
P.O. Box 12173
Hauppauge, NY 11788
Phone: 516-396-2500
- **Suffolk Location:**
44 So. Elmwood Ave.

P.O. Box 2143
Montauk, NY 11954
Phone: 631-668-4858
Email: info@licop.org
Website: www.licop.org

**Central New York TRAIID Center (Cayuga, Cortland, Madison, Onondaga, Oswego, Tompkins)
ACCESS NY**

1603 Court Street
Syracuse, NY 13208
Phone: 315-410-3336
Website: www.accesscny.org

**Hudson Valley Regional TRAIID Center (Orange, Rockland, Sullivan, Ulster)
UCP of Ulster County**

250 Tuytenbridge Road, PO Box 1488
Kingston, NY 12402
Phone 845-336-7235 x2173 or x2129
Website: <http://www.cpulster.org/services/traid-program/>

**Genesee-Finger Lakes TRAIID Center (Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Seneca, Wayne, Yates)
Regional Center for Independent Living**

497 State Street
Phone 585-442-6470
Website: www.rcil.org/page/services/loancloset

**AIM Independent Living Center (AIM ILC) (Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Chemung,
Schuyler, Steuben)**

271 East First Street
Corning, NY 14830
Phone 607-962-8225 x133
Website: www.aimcil.com

**Adirondack Regional Technology Center (Clinton, Essex, Franklin, St. Lawrence)
SUNY College at Plattsburgh**

101 Broad Street,
227 Sibley Hall
Plattsburgh, NY 12901
Phone 518-564-3360 or 3366
Website: www.plattsburgh.edu/offices/centers/cisp/artc/

Southern Tier Independence Center (STIC) (Broome, Chenango, Delaware, Otsego, Tioga)
135 East Frederick Street

Binghamton, NY 13904
Phone 607-724-2111 x244
Website: <http://www.stic-cil.org/traid.html>

Center for Assistive Technology, Inc. (Erie, Genesee, Niagara, Orleans, Wyoming)

315 Alberta Drive, Suite 102
Amherst, NY 14226
(716) 836-1350 Voice
Website: www.cat.buffalo.edu/traid

Lower Hudson Valley Technology Center (Putnam, Rockland, Westchester)

Westchester Institute for Human Development

Cedarwood Hall, 4th Floor
Valhalla, NY 10595-1689
Phone 914-493-7364
Website: <http://www.wihd.org/individuals-families-caregivers/assistive-technology/>

Southern Adirondack Independent Living Center (Albany, Columbia, Greene, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Warren, Washington)

71 Glenwood Avenue
Queensbury, NY 12804
Phone 518-792-3537 Voice
Website: www.sailhelps.org/services/equipment/

TRAID Center at Upstate Cerebral Palsy (Fulton, Hamilton, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Montgomery, Oneida)

675 Catherine St.
Utica, NY 13501
Phone 315-292-1968
Website: www.upstatecp.org/lending-and-loan-equipment-library

**Technology Resources Center - NYC (Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens, Staten Island)
United Cerebral Palsy of NYC**

80 West End Ave
New York, New York 10023
Phone 877-827-2666
Website: www.ucpnyc.org

- **Brooklyn Satellite Office**
175 Lawrence Avenue, 1st Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11230
Phone 718-436-7979 x710

Website: [www.ucpnyc.org/site/c.buIWJcNSKnL6G/b.6561427/k.48DE/Assistive Technology Resources.htm](http://www.ucpnyc.org/site/c.buIWJcNSKnL6G/b.6561427/k.48DE/Assistive_Technology_Resources.htm)

AT Re-Use Programs

You may want to see if used and sanitized AT can meet your need.

PASS It On

National AT Reuse Centers: used equipment available.

<http://passitoncenter.org/>

AT Funding Sources

You may want to see if you qualify for funding to help you to purchase AT.

Simply dial “211” or “311” on your phone to ask about Assistive Technology and services available in your community.

- **New York City: phone: 311**
<http://www1.nyc.gov/311/>
- **Long Island (Nassau and Suffolk): phone: 211**
<http://www.211longisland.org/cms/>
- **Hudson Valley Region (Westchester): 211**
<http://www.hudson211.org/cms/>

State & Federal AT Support Services

These programs provide access to funding for AT programs through a variety of means. All programs have different eligibility requirements.

Agrability

AT for agriculture or farming environment.

<http://agrability.org/COI/archive.cfm>

ACCES-VR

Provides Assistive Technology for employment and training.

<http://www.acces.nysed.gov/vr/do/locations.htm>

ARISE

Home Modification services.

<http://www.ariseinc.org/advocacy-accessibility/home-modification-program/>

Assistive Technology Program (TRAID)

Coordinates AT services and equipment exchange.

<http://www.justicecenter.ny.gov/services-supports/assistive-technology-traid/locations>

Association of Blind Citizens

Grant to cover 50% of the retail price of adaptive devices or software.

http://www.blindcitizens.org/assistive_tech.htm

AT Reuse Centers

National AT Reuse Centers: used equipment available.

<http://passitoncenter.org/locations/SearchResults.aspx>

Autism Speaks

Computer Apps for persons with Autism.

<https://www.autismspeaks.org/autism-apps>

Commission for the Blind

AT training in Consumer's Home, Work, School

<http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/cb/assistiveDatabase.asp>

Free currency reader: [For more information about the U.S. Currency Reader Program, visit the website of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing at:](#)

<http://www.moneyfactory.gov/uscurrencyreaderpgm.html>

Equipment Loan Fund

Provide low interest loans from \$500 - \$4,000.

NYS Office of Children and Family Services

52 Washington Street, Room 201 South

Rensselaer, NY 12144

Phone 518-474-0197

<http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/cb/equiploanfund.asp>

Crime Victims Compensation

Possible compensation for prosthesis or equipment.

http://www.troopers.ny.gov/CONTACT_US/Crime_Victims/

Center for Assistive Technology; State University of New York at Buffalo

Evaluations and consultations for ages 3 – 21.

<http://cat.buffalo.edu/>

Department of Communicative Disorders and Sciences

Resources and research related to communication and speech.

<http://aac-rerc.com/>

Center for Assistive Technology and Environmental Access (CATEA)

AT Products & Vendors.

<http://assistivetech.net/>

Disability Rights New York

Protection and Advocacy for AT; will provide legal representation to obtain AT through Medicaid, to support employment or to support an educational goal.

<https://www.disabilityrightsny.org/>

Phone: 1-800-993-8982

Dollars & Sense

A guide to help navigate the funding streams of Assistive Technology.

<http://gatfl.org/ds/>

Phone: 1-800-497-8665

ICanConnect

Free communication technology and training for individuals who have significant combined vision and hearing loss and meet federal income guidelines.

<http://www.icanconnect.org/>

Federal Employers

Federal employers may be able to take advantage of the services offered by the [Computer/Electronic Accommodations Program](#).

Housing & Urban Development (HUD)

Home Modification assistance.

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/topics/home_improvements

Job Accommodation Network

Searchable Online Accommodation Resources (SOAR).

<http://askjan.org/soar/disabilities.html>

Phone: 1-800-526-7234

Muscle Movement Foundation

Provides physical, financial, and emotional accommodations to families affected by neuromuscular disease in the United States. The applicant's diagnosis, annual household income, outside agency support, and intended use of grant will be evaluated prior to the approval of accommodations.

<http://www.musclemovementfoundation.org/>

Phone: 302-501-6631

Neighborhood Housing Services/ New York City

Funding / grant: home emergency loan program

<http://www.nhsnyc.org>

Phone: 212-519-2500

Neighborhood Legal Services Assistive Technology Projects

Funding of AT Manual Series.

<http://www.nls.org/Disability/NationalAssistiveTechnologyProject>

Phone: 716-847-0650

Neighborhood Legal Services

Funding Presentations:

- [Funding AT for the Blind](#)
- [Non-traditional Funding Sources for Assistive Technology](#)

New York State School for the Blind

Assistive Technology Resources: Tutorials and Tips for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

<http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/nyssb/departments/atc2.html>

Phone: 585-343-5384

Nursing Home Diversion Waiver

Environmental Modification Services for home & vehicle; one of several AT waiver programs.

https://www.health.ny.gov/facilities/long_term_care/waiver/nhtd_manual/index.htm

Plan for Achieving Self-support (PASS)

SSA work support for SSI/SSDI beneficiaries that may extend benefits to fund assistive technology related to employment goals.

<http://www.passonline.org/>

(User can obtain password and complete official PASS form.)

- Newsletter and policy brief on PASS:
http://www.nymakesworkpay.org/docs/MIG_Newsletter_2.2/revised%202012/MIG_Newsletter_2.2_2012%20Updates.pdf and <http://www.nymakesworkpay.org/docs/PASS-1.3.pdf>

PASS It On

National Assistive Technology Device Reutilization Coordination and Technical Assistance Center.

<http://passitoncenter.org/>

Phone: 1-800-497-8665

Partnership On Employment and Accessibility Technology (PEAT)

Information and guidance for AT users, employers and AT vendors.

<http://www.peatworks.org/action-steps>

Rebuilding Together

Find local home modification programs and resources.

<http://rebuildingtogether.org/>

Rehabilitation Engineering Research Center on Technologies

Assistive technology research, development and training supports.

<http://www.techsage.gatech.edu/>

Phone: 1-404-385-2564

RESNA

Blog for discussing the selection of appropriate AT devices and financing.

<https://atpdc.wordpress.com/>

United Cerebral Palsy

Elise Bellows Fund for assistive technology.

<http://ucp.org/findaffiliate/>

Wheeling Forward

Wheel chair provision and adaptive sporting clinics.

<http://wheelingforward.org/about/>

Phone: 646-450-0077

Veterans' Administration

AT, home and vehicle modification available; consult with local VA office.

<http://www.benefits.va.gov/BENEFITS/factsheets/serviceconnected/Auto.pdf>

Loan Programs

Individuals with disabilities can apply for a loan to borrow money to pay for AT devices. These AT loan programs may allow individuals with disabilities to borrow money at reduced interest rates or with other favorable terms. If you are in need of additional funds for AT, you may apply for a loan from one of the following providers:

National Disability Institute

AT Loan Program; provides financial education and AT loans ranging from \$500 - \$30,000.

<https://www.nationaldisabilityinstitute.org/financial-wellness/assistive-technology-loan-program/>

Phone: 202.449.9521

Bank of America Access Loans

Offers single-loan financing for purchase of new or used cars, vans or light-duty trucks and necessary adaptive equipment.

<https://www.bankofamerica.com/auto-loans/access-loans/disability-access-loans.go>

800-215-6195 (Voice); 866-345-1248 (TTY)

Neighborhood Housing Services of New York City, Inc.

Home Emergency Loan Program (Project HELP); provides emergency loans up to \$20,000 for home owner residents of New York City.

<http://www.nhsnyc.org/index.php/en/>; Phone: 212-519-2500

Vehicle Modification Rebate Programs

These programs offer cash reimbursement for newly purchased or, in some cases, leased vehicles to help offset the cost of installing adaptive driver or passenger equipment.

Chrysler Automobility Program

<http://www.chryslerautomobility.com/>

Phone: 800-255.9877

Ford Mobility Motoring Program

<https://www.fordmobilitymotoring.com/>

Phone: 800-952-2248

Honda Mobility Assistance Program

<http://automobiles.honda.com/images/information/mobility/mobility-reimbursement-application.pdf>

G M Mobility Reimbursement Program

<http://www.gmfleet.com/overview/mobility-vehicles.html>

Phone: 800-323.9935

Lexus Mobility Program

<http://www.lexus.com/pdf/models/LexusMobilityForm.pdf>

Phone: 800-255-3987

Mobility by Volvo Program

http://volvo.custhelp.com/app/answers/detail/a_id/8927/related/1

Phone: 800-803-5222

National Mobility Equipment Dealers Association: Rebate Programs

<http://www.nmeda.com/?gclid=CNDopMrKs8gCFUyPHwodec8KkQ>

Phone: 866-949-8341

National Highway and Traffic Safety Association (NHTSA)

Information on vehicle modification and list of resources including manufacturer rebates and reimbursement options.

<http://www.nhtsa.gov/cars/rules/adaptive/brochure/brochure.html#Anchor-Choose-14210>

Toyota Mobility Program

<http://www.toyotamobility.com/>

Phone: 800-331-4331