MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MD DISABILITY NETWORK DIRECTORY

Assistive Technology

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To submit an update, add or remove a listing, or request an alternative format, please contact MCCPWD@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Able People Foundation

Email: information@ablepeoplefoundation.org www.ablepeoplefoundation.org

Provide a network where people with disabilities and their loved ones can research, compare, locate and obtain mobility and assistive products, thereby helping them to lead more independent lives. Donate basic mobility products to those without ample funding, insurances or any other resources.

Access Lifts & Service, Inc.

218 Old Padonia Road Baltimore, MD 21030 410-683-2393 (V) 1-866-543-8488 (Toll Free)

www.liftuup.com

Sell and service accessibility equipment for residential and commercial use. Elevators, platform lifts, stairlifts, wheelchair lifts, pool lifts, tub lifts, dumbwaiters, and door operators. Serve MD, DC, DE, and PA.

Am AmRamp

1-888-715-7598 (Toll Free) Email: <u>info@amramp.com</u> <u>www.amramp.com</u>

National provider of wheelchair ramps, portable roll-in wheelchair showers, grab bars, handrails, stair lifts, and automatic door openers. Rent or buy modular wheelchair and mobility scooter ramps for homes and businesses.

Area Access

1-800-333-2732 (Toll Free)

www.areaaccess.com

Sell and install home and commercial elevators, stair lifts, wheelchair lifts, vehicle lifts, and power chairs. Showroom in Manassas, VA.

Atlantic Low Vision, LLC

703-888-7134 (V)

Email: phil@atlanticlowvision.com http://atlanticlowvision.com

Distributor of assistive technology for the visually impaired including macular degeneration and glaucoma. Low vision and Braille products include magnification and screen reading software, desk top, hand-held and video magnifiers, CCTV's, OCR readers and wearable technology. Offer free demonstrations.

Auditory Services, Inc.

Potomac Office

9800 Falls Road, Suite 5 Potomac, MD 20854 301-434-4300 (V)

Silver Spring Office

1734 Elton Road, Suite 104 Silver Spring, MD 20903 301-339-8583 (V)

Email: hearingstaff@auditoryservices.com

www.auditoryservices.com

Audiologist in private practice. Offers hearing assessment (Medicare assignment accepted), hearing aid evaluation and counseling services regarding assistive listening devices. Sell hearing aids, assistive listening devices, and swim plugs.

Auto Assist. Inc.

5002 Lehigh Road College Park, MD 20740 1-877-955-7961 (Toll Free) Email: info@autoassistinc.com

www.autoassist-inc.com

Modification and repair of wheelchair accessible vehicles.

AVRS, Inc.

1509 Vera Avenue Halethorpe, MD 21227 410-242-0057 (V)

Mobility products including scooters, wheelchairs, lift chairs, walker and accessories. Also rent scooters, power chairs and manual wheelchairs.

Bedco Mobility

301-585-0700 (Washington) 410-825-1440 (Baltimore) 1-877-476-1530 (Toll Free)

Email: service@bedcomobility.com

www.bedcomobility.com

Accessibility and mobility equipment including stairlifts, wheelchair lifts, elevators, scooters, lift chairs, ramps, van lifts, ramp vans, scotter lifts, and driving aids. Serve MD, DC, and Northern VA.

Bridging Voices

410-314-9476 (V)

https://maryland.bridgingvoice.org/

Bridging Voices has launched a statewide initiative in Maryland, thanks to a partnership with Maryland Department of Aging. This program will provide Bridging Voice communication services and mobility equipment from the Maryland Durable Medical Equipment Re-Use program free of charge to every ALS patient in Maryland.

Center on Technology and Disability

www.ctdinstitute.org

Designed to increase the capacity of families and providers to advocate for, acquire, and implement effective assistive and instructional technology (AT/IT) practices, devices, and services. Online Open Institute provides information resources, personal and professional development activities, and universal and targeted technical assistance. Funded by the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP).

Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS) Workforce & Technology Center's Rehabilitation Technology Services (RTS)

2301 Argonne Drive Baltimore, MD 21218-1696 410-554-9100 (V) 410-415-9306 (Videophone) 1-888-200-7117 (Toll Free)

Email: wtc.dors@maryland.gov

https://dors.maryland.gov/consumers/WTC/Pages/

Assists individuals with disabilities to select, acquire and use assistive technology to succeed in the workplace and live independently. Examples of AT provided included hand controls for cars, ramps and stair glides for the home, alternative keyboards and mice or screen magnification and screen readers for computers, and specialized computer-based writing tools. Also assist eligible persons with physical, mental or emotional disabilities to get job training and placement and refer to appropriate programs. Office for Blindness & Vision Services provides evaluation and training and case management services to individuals who are blind or visually impaired to help them live and work as independently as possible.

Easter Seals Greater Washington-Baltimore Region Assistive Technology Center

1420 Spring Street Silver Spring, MD 20910 301-588-8700 (V)

www.easterseals.com/DCMDVA

Assistive technology assessment and training, computer access, job accommodations and student support, home modification and equipment evaluations and training, and augmentative and alternative communication evaluations and training.

Easy Walking

1-877-549-9711 (Toll Free) Email: info@easy-walking.com

www.easy-walking.com

Creator and distributor of the Up n' Go and the Up n' Free, a partial weight bearing system. The support provided to the user supplements the strength that the user has in their lower extremities. This lifting support can enable users who might otherwise be unable to stand and walk. The Up n' Tread provides body support for gait training and exercise on a treadmill.

Envision Technology

4948 St. Elmo Avenue, Suite 303 Bethesda, MD 20814 1-800-582-5051 (Toll Free)

Email: TheETComp@aol.com www.envisiontechnology.org

Provide affordable, assistive technology solutions and training for individuals with learning difficulties and visual impairments. Serve MD, VA, DC, DE, PA and NJ.

Equipment Connections for Children, Inc.

240-801-9965 (V)

www.equipforchildren.org

Connects costly adaptive equipment from children with disabilities who outgrow the equipment to other children who need it, at no cost to the families. Donated equipment includes standing frames, walkers and gait trainers, bath equipment, adaptive bicycles, therapy equipment including swings, bolsters and benches, adaptive seating, and adaptive strollers. Serves children in Maryland, Virginia and District of Columbia.

Hearing and Speech Agency (HASA)

Harry & Jeanette Weinberg Building 5900 Metro Drive Baltimore, MD 21215 410-318-6780 (V) Email: hasa@hasa.org

www.hasa.org

Assisted listening devices, hearing aids (from standard analog to the latest digital technology), and hearing aid repair. Products available for all ages. Financial aid applications available.

HumanWare Communicator

www.humanware.com/en-usa/home

Assistive technology for people who are blind or have low vision. Innovative products include talking book players, Braille displays, BrailleNote Touch Notetaker, Brailler printers and embossers, computer aids, reading aids, digital magnifiers, and digital vision assistants.

Image Center of Maryland

300 East Joppa Road, Suite 312 Towson, MD 21286

410-554-9134 (V)

Email: info@imagemd.org

www.imagemd.org

Provide home modifications, vehicle modifications and/or assistive technology services to eligible individuals with significant disabilities when needed to achieve the goal of living independently in the community.

Independence Now – Home and Vehicle Modifications / Assistive Technology Program

Jake Clark, Assistive Technology Specialist 12301 Old Columbia Pike, Suite 101 Silver Spring, MD 20904

240-898-2188 (V)

Email: jclark@innow.org www.innow.org/tech.html

This program assists people with disabilities to continue living independently by funding accessibility modifications to their homes or acquire a piece of equipment to increase, maintain or improve their functional capabilities. Can also provide information about a variety of independent living equipment and a list of possible vendors. Serve Montgomery and Prince George's Counties. Must meet a financial needs test and provide a portion of matching funds.

Job Accommodation Network (JAN)

1-800-526-7234 (Toll Free) 1-877-781-9403 (TTY) 304-216-8189 (Text) Email: jan@askjan.org

www.askjan.org

Provide information on assistive technology in the workplace. JAN helps people with disabilities enhance their employability and shows employers how to capitalize on the value and talent that people with disabilities add to the workplace.

Kennedy Krieger Institute Assistive Technology Clinic

801 N. Broadway Baltimore, MD 21205 1-888-554-2080 (Toll Free)

www.kennedykrieger.org/patient-care/centers-and-programs/assistive-technology-clinic

Professionals from the disciplines of speech pathology, occupational therapy, and physical therapy work in conjunction with rehabilitation technology vendors to provide services to clients. Augmentative communication assessment and treatment offered to individuals who are unable to communicate verbally. Assessments include computer access and environmental control issues. Seating and power mobility evaluations offered through Kennedy Krieger Institute's Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy Departments.

KNFB Reading Technology, Inc.

347-422-7085 (V)

Email: support@knfbreader.com

www.knfbreader.com

Print to speech application that runs on your iPhone or Smartphone. The app enables the camera to take pictures of printed material, rapidly convert the images into text, and read the text aloud using high quality text-to-speech, TTS. Recognized text may also be read using a connected Braille display.

Maryland Relay Services - State of Maryland

Department of Information Technology Telecommunications Access of Maryland 301 West Preston Street, Suite 1008A Baltimore, MD 21201 1-800-552-7724 (V/TTY) 443-453-5970 (Videophone)

Maryland Relay: 711

Maryland Residents: 1-800-735-2258 (V/TTY) Spanish Line: 1-800-877-1264 (V/TTY)

Email: moreinfo@mdrelay.org

www.mdrelay.org

Provide free service to call TTY users. Distribute free amplified phones, tablets with pre-loaded video chat or captioned telephone programs, ring signalers, TTYs, and other assistive devices to qualified applicants who have difficulty using the telephone. Applications available on-line.

Maryland High-Tech Assistive Technology Reuse Center

7125 Riverwood Drive, Suite D1

Columbia, MD 21046

(within the Howard County Loan Closet)

443-326-9703 (V)

Email: mdtap.at-reuse@maryland.gov

http://mdod.maryland.gov/mdtap/Pages/ATreuse.aspx View online inventory: https://myatprogram.org/home/24 Center operates completely off donations to provide high-tech assistive technology to other individuals at no cost for as long as they need it with the expectation that it will be redonated when the user is finished with the device. Rely solely on donations so what is available will depend on what has been received as donations. A sample of some recently donated equipment: CCTVs/video magnifiers/magnifiers; iDevices; adapted computer keyboards, mice, switches; speech communication devices; amplified telephones; and eye-gaze systems.

Maryland Technology Assistance Program (MDTAP) Assistive Technology Loan Program

Lori Markland, Executive Director

James Whitney, Assistive Technology Clinician

2301 Argonne Drive, Rm. T-17

Baltimore, MD 21218

1-800-832-4827 (Toll Free)

1-866-881-7488 (TTY)

410-554-9233 (Loan Program) 410-554-9276 (James Whitney)

Email: mdtap@mdtap.org Email: loans@mdtap.org

Email: james.whitney1@maryland.gov

www.mdtap.org

Program to obtain loans to purchase assistive technology – any item needed to live, work or learn more independently. Assistive technology includes low-tech aids for daily living, vehicles with wheelchair lifts, special keyboards and software to operate computers, blindness and low vision aids, assistive listening devices, adapted telephones, ramps, and other home modifications, wheelchairs and scooters, and many other products. Contact the program to get an application. The Maryland WorkABILITY Loan Program provides low interest loans to Marylanders with disabilities for items that enable them to work, start small businesses, or telecommute. Items include work-related machinery, modifications for home offices, computers, vehicles, and much more.

Maxi-Aids

42 Executive Boulevard Farmingdale, NY 11735 1-800-522-6294 (V) 1-800-281-3555 (TTY) 631-752-1145 (Videophone) Email: sales@maxiaids.com

www.maxiaids.com

Low vision products, tools and canes for people who are blind, hearing products and devices for people who are deaf, mobility devices, medical devices, household products, computers and technology gadgets, electronic video magnifiers, and watches.

Mobility Solutions

9343 Fraser Avenue Silver Spring, MD 20910 301-650-0035 (V)

1-800-519-0035 (Toll Free)

Email: mobility.solutions.msi@gmail.com

www.1mobilitysolutions.com

Sell and rent scooters, wheelchairs, ramps, vehicle lifts, porch lifts, walkers, and bathroom modifications. Also buy and sell used/demo equipment and accept trade-ins for people on limited budgets. Offer in-home demonstrations.

NATADS Assistive Technology Acquisition System

1-800-832-4827 (Toll Free) Email: mdtap@mdtap.org www.myatprogram.org

Connects people who have disability-related equipment to sell, loan or donate with people who need it. Program is for use by private individuals, not vendors or distributors; however, agencies may list equipment they want to donate or lend for free, not sell. Free service. All device loans are for 5 weeks unless otherwise specified. Must register online to use the site.

National Federation of the Blind -

Free White Cane Program

200 East Wells Street Baltimore, MD 21230 410-659-9314 (V)

Email: freecane@nfb.org

https://nfb.org/free-cane-program

Will provide a free cane to anyone in the fifty states, District of Columbia, or Puerto Rico who is blind or has low vision and who uses or desires to use a white cane in order to travel independently. Individuals may only request one free cane in any 6-month period. Applications available online.

National Rehabilitation Information Center

8400 Corporate Drive, Suite 500 Landover, MD 20785 1-800-346-2742 (Toll Free) 301-459-5984 (TTY)

Email: naricinfo@heitechservices.com

www.naric.com

Library of the National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR). Collect, catalog, and disseminate the articles, reports, curricula, guides, and other publications and products of the research projects funded by NIDILRR. NIDILRR funds more than 250 projects each year that conduct research on a wide range of issues including technology, health and function, independent living, and capacity building.

O'Neill Stairlifts

13609 Middlevale Lane Silver Spring, MD 20906 301-871-0700 (V) 1-888-547-1955 (Toll Free)

Email: oneillstairlifts@live.com

www.ostairlifts.com

Specialize in the installation and service of stairway and wheelchair elevator lifts. Free in home consultations.

Project Lifesaver - Montgomery County Police Department

Police Officer Laurie Reyes, Coordinator 240-773-6525 (V)

Email: laurie.reyes@montgomerycountymd.gov A proactive response to identify individuals within the community who have a propensity to wander due to a diagnosed medical condition such as Alzheimer's Disease, Autism, or Down Syndrome. This program is offered entirely free of cost to the caretakers and participants. Frequent wanderers wear a bracelet that has a tiny VHF transmitter which emits a signal every second.

Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive **Technology Society of North America (RESNA)**

2001 K Street, NW 3rd Floor North Washington, DC 20006 202-367-1121 (V) Email: info@resna.org

www.resna.org

Membership organization for professionals and consumers interested in disability and technology, publications, and referrals for funding.

Response Alert

410-318-8863 (V)

Email: info@responsealert.com www.responsealert.com

Two way voice emergency response systems that offer both safety and peace of mind for the customer and their family. To be worn as a pendant or wrist band that is waterproof.

Statewide Portable Ramp Access Project **Maryland Department of Disabilities**

301-277-2839 (V) Email: info@innow.org

Project loans portable ramps of varying lengths and types, including threshold ramps (for small steps in and around a house), modular ramps ranging from 4 to 12 feet, multifold van ramps, and more.

Marylanders can borrow a ramp for up to 120 days while additional home and vehicle accessibility solutions are identified. Program administered by

Independence Now.

Strategies for Independent Living

Stephen R. Hage, CR 1007 Elm Avenue Takoma Park, MD 20912 301-585-5738 (V)

Email: info@strategiesforindependentliving.com

http://strategiesforindependentliving.com

Work with people of all ages and abilities as informed consumers to create independence and safety in their homes. Services include design and feasibility, home remodeling, and assistive equipment such as handrails, wheelchair lifts, ramps, stair flits, curbless showers, grab bars and shower seats.

TCSA

8757 Georgia Avenue, Suite 500 Silver Spring, MD 20910 1-855-862-4586 (Toll Free) Email: info@tcsaccess.com

www.tcsaccess.com

Specialize in services regarding the assessment, implementation and provision of reasonable accommodations for individuals with a variety of support needs, including but not limited to persons who are: blind, low vision, deaf, hard of hearing, deafblind, as well as those with mobility or cognitive challenges. Work with federal agencies, commercial organizations, international disability organizations, non-profit organizations, public and private educational institutions, elementary through postsecondary, and state and local department of rehabilitation agencies.

Telestream

301-738-8487 (V) 1-800-977-6678 (Toll Free)

Email: captionsales@telestream.net

www.telestream.net/captioning/overview.htm Provides close captioning, subtitling, DVD,

teleprompting systems and more.

Treatment and Learning Centers (TLC) Family Hearing Center

2092 Gaither Road, Suite 100 Rockville, MD 20850 301-738-1415 (V) 301-424-5203 (TTY)

Email: fhc@ttlc.org

www.ttlc.org/family-hearing-center

Offer comprehensive hearing evaluations, counseling, hearing aid sales and services, and assistive listening. For all ages, infants to adults.

Total Mobility Services

Anne Masci, Mobility Products Consultant 5411 Yukon Court, Suite B Frederick, MD 21703 240-490-7840 (V)

Email: annem@tmservices.com

www.tmservices.com

Sell lowered floor minivans and full-size conversion vans. Sell, install and service vehicle lifts and mobility products including seats and driving controls, and accessible home equipment.

Weitbrecht Communications, Inc.

1-800-233-9130 (V/TTY)

www.weitbrecht.com

Assistive technology products for people with hearing loss.