

# MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MD DISABILITY NETWORK DIRECTORY

## Communication Resources

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### **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](mailto:hearingstaff@auditoryservices.com)

[www.auditoryservices.com](http://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.

### **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](http://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](mailto:wtc.dors@maryland.gov)

<https://dors.maryland.gov/consumers/WTC/Pages/default.aspx>

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](http://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.

### **Envision Technology**

4948 St. Elmo Avenue, Suite 303

Bethesda, MD 20814

1-800-582-5051 (Toll Free)

Email: [TheETComp@aol.com](mailto:TheETComp@aol.com)

[www.envisiontechnology.org](http://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](http://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](mailto:hasa@hasa.org)

[www.hasa.org](http://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](http://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, Braille 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](mailto:info@imagemd.org)

[www.imagemd.org](http://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**

12301 Old Columbia Pike, Suite 101

Silver Spring, MD 20904

301-277-2839 (V)

Email: [info@innow.org](mailto:info@innow.org)

[www.innow.org/tech.html](http://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](mailto:jan@askjan.org)

[www.askjan.org](http://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](http://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](mailto:support@knfbreader.com)

[www.knfbreader.com](http://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](mailto:moreinfo@mdrelay.org)  
[www.mdrelay.org](http://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](mailto: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 re-donated 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](mailto:mdtap@mdtap.org)  
Email: [loans@mdtap.org](mailto:loans@mdtap.org)  
Email: [james.whitney1@maryland.gov](mailto:james.whitney1@maryland.gov)  
[www.mdtap.org](http://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](mailto:sales@maxiaids.com)  
[www.maxiaids.com](http://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.

### **NATADS Assistive Technology Acquisition System**

1-800-832-4827 (Toll Free)  
Email: [mdtap@mdtap.org](mailto:mdtap@mdtap.org)  
[www.myatprogram.org](http://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.

**Pass It On Center - National Assistive Technology**

**Reuse Center**

1-800-497-8665 (Toll Free)

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

[www.passitoncenter.org](http://www.passitoncenter.org)

Maintain a national database of assistive technology exchange networks.

**Reach Every Voice**

800 S. Frederick Avenue, Suite 210

Gaithersburg, MD 20877

240-630-1785 (V)

Email: [info@reacheveryvoice.org](mailto:info@reacheveryvoice.org)

[www.reacheveryvoice.org](http://www.reacheveryvoice.org)

Staff work with students of all ages (preK - adulthood) in office to develop communication skills or target specific goals (e.g., working on using a keyboard, building more independence with typing, etc.).

Provide a range of services to support communication practice including individual weekly/monthly support sessions; consultation for home practice; consultation on IEPs; group social and enrichment sessions; live and recorded online courses; and parent and professional skill development.

**TCSA**

8757 Georgia Avenue, Suite 500

Silver Spring, MD 20910

1-855-862-4586 (Toll Free)

Email: [info@tcsaccess.com](mailto:info@tcsaccess.com)

[www.tcsaccess.com](http://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, deaf-blind, 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 post-secondary, and state and local department of rehabilitation agencies.

**Telestream**

301-738-8487 (V)

1-800-977-6678 (Toll Free)

Email: [captioningsales@telestream.net](mailto:captioningsales@telestream.net)

[www.telestream.net/captioning/overview.htm](http://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](mailto:fhc@ttlc.org)

[www.ttlc.org/family-hearing-center](http://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.

**Weitbrecht Communications, Inc.**

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

[www.weitbrecht.com](http://www.weitbrecht.com)

Assistive technology products for people with hearing loss.