Vermont Assistive Technology Funding Guide 2017

A summary of current local and national funding resources for the purchase of Assistive Technology devices and tools.
Assistive Technology Funding Resources

1. **Opportunities Credit Union – The Independence Fund (Alternative Financing Program)**
   - Low interest Loans for the purchase of AT in Vermont.
   - 800-865-8328 or 802-654-4540
   - Website: [Opportunities Credit Union Independence Fund Website](#)

2. **A Guide to Medicaid Funding of Communication Evaluations and Devices**
   - Website: [Guide to Medicaid Funding of Communication Evaluations and Devices Website](#)

3. **The Sue Williams Freedom Fund (SWFF)**
   - Grant funding to support AT for independent living.
   - Vermont Center for Independent Living
   - 800-639-1522
   - email: [vcil@vcil.org](mailto:vcil@vcil.org)
   - Website: [VCIL Sue Williams Freedom Fund Website](#)

4. **The Kelly Brush Foundation**
   - Resource to support adapted recreational opportunities.
   - 802-846-5298
   - email: [info@kellybrushfoundation.org](mailto:info@kellybrushfoundation.org)
   - Website: [Kelly Brush Foundation Website](#)

5. **Vermont Telecommunication Equipment Distribution Program (VT EDP)**
   - Funding for telecommunications equipment for qualified individuals.
   - Website: [VT EDP Website](#)
6. Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired  
   South Burlington | Main Office  
   60 Kimball Avenue, 05403  
   800-639-5861  
   Email: general@vabvi.org  
   Website: VABVI Website

7. Vermont Adaptive Ski & Sports  
   Resources and programming for adapted recreational opportunities.  
   73 Alpine Drive, Pico Mountain  
   P.O. Box 139  
   Killington, VT 05751  
   (802) 786-4991  
   Website: Vermont Adaptive Ski & Sports Website

8. Children with Special Health Needs  
   Resources and services for VT children (Birth- age 21) with complex health conditions.  
   Website: Children with Special Health Needs Website

9. Lions Clubs International Foundation  
   300 W. 22nd St.  
   Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842  
   USA  
   630-468-6901  
   Note: Contact your local Lions Club for individual funding needs  
   Website: Lions Clubs International Website

10. United Healthcare Children’s Foundation, Inc.  
    Foundation that provides medical grants to cover services and equipment not funded by commercial insurance.  
    Website: United Healthcare Children’s Foundation Website
11. HIKE Fund
   Funding source for children’s hearing aids.
   Website: Hike Fund Website

12. Muscular Dystrophy Association
   MDA Clinic- Fletcher Allen Health Care Center
   1 South Prospect St. Burlington, VT 05401
   Website: Muscular Dystrophy Association Website/

13. United Cerebral Palsy
   Website: United Cerebral Palsy Website

14. Association of Blind Citizens
   Provides funds to cover 50% of the retail price of adaptive devices or software for residents of the United States who are legally blind.
   Website: Association of Blind Citizens Website

15. Abledata Assistive Technology Funding Resources
   Compilation of funding resources and helpful links regarding options for paying for assistive devices.
   Website: Abledata Website

16. Family Information Guide to Assistive Technology
   Strategies and resources for funding assistive technology.
   Website: Family Information Guide to AT Website

17. Assistive Technology Industry Association Funding Resources Guide
   Area resources that you can investigate and explore as prospective funding options.
   Website: ATIA Website