Vermont Assistive Technology Funding Guide 2018

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
   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
   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 Street  
   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](#)

18. **VT ABLE Act (Achieving a Better Life Experience)**  
   ABLEnow accounts help individuals with disabilities save money to pay for qualified expenses, without being taxed on the earnings – and in most cases, without losing eligibility for certain means-tested benefit programs.  
   Website:  [www.vermontable.com](http://www.vermontable.com)
19. **Home and vehicle modifications for disabled veterans.** Office of Veteran’s Affairs, Benefits and Services.

20. **Grants available for patients with ALS, through the ALS Foundation for Life.**
    or [http://www.alsfoundation.org/](http://www.alsfoundation.org/)