

Get the help you need to live independently

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Holland, MI — For individuals needing assistive technology, affording it in today's economy can be quite a challenge. Often those with disabilities require some assistive technology such as hearing devices, wheelchairs, scooters, vehicle or home modifications or many other types of technologies in order to live independently and maintain quality of life.

The Michigan Assistive Technology Loan Fund (AT Loan Fund) is a joint effort of United Cerebral Palsy of Michigan, Disability Network agencies in Michigan and Option One Credit Union in East Lansing. The program provides low cost, fixed-rate, low interest loans to qualified applicants to finance the purchase of assistive technology devices and/or services. To participate in the program, applicants must be individuals with disabilities, senior citizens or parents or guardians of individuals with disabilities.

The fee to apply for this loan is \$5. There is no minimum amount and the maximum loan amount is \$30,000. Repayment terms can be up to seven years.

Based in Holland, Disability Network Lakeshore has been serving people with disabilities, their families, and the wider Allegan and Ottawa County community since 1992. It is a non-profit organization, providing information, referrals and support to people with a wide variety of disabilities. Its mission is to connect people with disabilities to resources and opportunities while building communities where everyone can participate, contribute and belong.

To receive a loan application, call Disability Network Lakeshore at (616) 396-5326, extension 101. For more information about the organization, visit www.dnlakeshore.org.

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