

Help Getting an iPad

Before you start----RESEARCH (devices, APPs, accessories=cost)

1. Self-pay is one way to secure a device. Here are some ideas to make it possible:

- *Have bank automatically deduct funds from your account
- *Home Party (Cookie Lee Jewelry, Longaberger, Pampered Chef, Tastefully Simple, ..)
- *Ask family and friends to give birthday/holiday gifts as iTunes cards
- *Businesses offering percentage for your cause.
- *Community outreach—local newspapers & TV stations
- *Local charities (Boy Scouts, church groups, fraternal organizations, VFW...)
- *Garage Sale (Great items you can sell at www.craigslist.org and www.freecycle.org.)

2. Earn it

*Setting up an account for your individual child and forward site to family and friends. They can donate or purchase items for your cause.

- www.fundrazr.com
- www.gofundme.com
- www.helphopelive.org
- www.lotsahelpinghands.com
- www.makeitfit.org/cookies-4-ipads nonverbal individuals with ASD
- www.supportnow.org

3. Lots of Raffles and Giveaways

*Deadlines always changing and they usually raise funds and then give an iPad. Keep checking back!

- www.facebook.com/ToysAUcrossAmerica

4. Medical Coverage for iPads and/or APPs

*Check your insurance policy's coverage for DME(durable medical equipment), many carriers do not cover a SGD (speech generated device) that is designed to provide other functions. ---Laptops, desktop computer, PDAs and iPads. Guided Access now making it possible to get iPads covered.

* Bulking device, protective case and APPs together for a full package.

*****Use language pertinent to the funding source*****

Medical- stress the “therapeutic nature” of the need and “medical necessity” of device

Educational- stress “academic achievement” and “educational goals”

Vocational- stress “self-sufficiency” goals and potential

5. Writing Assistive Technology into the IEP

****Describe the AT with features needed, NOT by the name of specific device

****Assistive Tech Eval---bring your own device to show benefits

6. GRANTS---application process that usually requires denial of payment from another source, such as insurance. Each has their own specific guidelines and deadlines.

- www.321foundation.com/programs-services/ipad-program.html -- Down syndrome prioritized.
- www.act-today.org
- www.alyssavphillipsfoundation.com must have cerebral palsy
- www.andrewsgift26.com Dauphin, Cumberland, Perry, Lebanon & Lancaster counties in PA
- www.apraxia-kids.org/speech-tablets-for-apraxia/
- www.avenuesforautism.org individuals in NW OH with ASD
- www.dararelief.org
- www.eagf.org social workers in MI can refer
- www.givekidsavoice.org
- www.givingangelsfoundation.org
- www.itaalk.org must have ASD
- www.jakeshelpfromheaven.org must live within 40 miles from Saratoga Springs, NY
- www.jasmynnsvoice.org nonverbal children with autism in SE Michigan
- www.facebook.com/JohnnysRainbowFoundation residents of PA
- www.laughingatmynightmare.com/tech-cessibility
- www.lillysvoice.com non-verbal autistic individuals
- www.mikes-kids.org
- www.mjbfoundation.org Central OH
- www.myasdf.org
- www.mygymfoundation.org
- www.nationalautismassociation.org
- www.oraclehealthfoundation.org
- www.parkerspurpose.net
- www.pkskids.net/giving-grants must have Pallister-Killian Syndrome
- www.specialangelsfoundation.org
- www.teameastonfoundation.org must have autism
- www.thejisellelaurenfoundation.org
- www.themwfoundation.org
- www.theorangeeffect.org
- www.zanesinc.org children and adults with special needs in NE Ohio

***GRANTS for APPs**

- www.itaalk.org/appfacilitator
- www.smallstepsinspeech.org

***AT Resources**

- www.aacfunding.com/funding-101
- www.apraxia-kids.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/2021-App-Guide-Final.pdf
- www.gatfl.gatech.edu/app-finder
- www.tacanow.org/family-resources/obtaining-funding-for-an-aac-device