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Abbreviations and Legend

AUCC - Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada
CMHC – Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation
HC – Health Canada
HRSDC – Human Resources and Skills Development Canada
INAC – Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
LDAC - Learning Disabilities Association of Canada
LDAO - Learning Disabilities Association of Ontario
MCSS – Ministry of Community and Social Services - Ontario
MCYS – Ministry of Children and Youth Services - Ontario
MHPS - Ministry of Health Promotion and Sport - Ontario
MOHLTC – Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care - Ontario
MTCU – Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities - Ontario
MTO – Ministry of Transportation - Ontario
NEADS - National Educational Association of Disabled Students
VAC – Veterans Affairs Canada
SOCIAL AND GOVERNMENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Canada Pension Plan - Disability Benefits
The Canada Pension Plan Disability Benefits are a monthly payment to eligible recipients. To be eligible applicants must be either; under 65, have stopped working due to a medical condition and have met established contribution levels, or are 65 or older and have had an existing disability since before turning 65 and before your CPP payments began.

Website:  http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/sc/cpp/disability/disabilitypension.shtml

Contact:
Canada Pension Plan
Service Canada - Dominion Public Building
457 Richmond Street
London, ON N6A 3E3
Phone: 1-800-277-9914
TTY: 1-800-255-4786

City of London - Ontario Works (OW)
The Ontario Works Program purpose is to make social assistance clients more employable and to actively support their efforts to prepare for, secure and maintain employment. It also provides basic financial assistance. Ontario Works consists of two forms of assistance: Basic Financial Assistance and Employment Assistance.

Basic Financial Assistance includes assistance provided for the purpose of basic needs (i.e. food), shelter and a monthly drug card. In addition participants may be eligible for: child care expenses; aid with medical, dental, vision, and special dietary expenses; City of London - OW - Discretionary Benefits; and Employment Assistance Expenses (i.e. bus pass) and start-up benefits.

Employment Assistance assists people to become and remain employed. It offers job search support, basic education and training, support for self-employment, substance abuse recovery programs and community employment participation.

Website:  http://www.london.ca/d.aspx?s=/Social_Supports/cssse.htm

Contact:
Ontario Works - London Office
151 Dundas St, 2nd Floor
London, ON N6A 5B6
Phone: 519-661-4520
**City of London - OW - Discretionary Benefits**
The Discretionary Benefits program provides financial assistance towards the cost of special items of extreme need such as eye glasses, emergency dental, dentures, prosthetics, and funerals. Discretionary Benefits is available to social assistance recipients including City of London - Ontario Works (OW) clients and MCSS - Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) - Income Supports clients. Discretionary Benefits may also be available to low income applicants or applicants in receipt of Canada Pension Plan, Old Age Security or Guaranteed Annual Income Supplement. In some cases a "financial needs test" will be required to determine eligibility.

Website:  http://www.london.ca/d.aspx?s=/Social_Supports/cssse.htm

Contact:
Ontario Works - London Office
151 Dundas St, 2nd Floor
London, ON N6A 5B6
Phone:  519-661-5910

**HRSDC - Canada Disability Savings Bond**
Through the Canada Disability Savings Bond, the Government deposits money into your RDSP to help you save. The Government provides a maximum of $1000 each year, with a limit of $20,000 over your lifetime to low and modest income Canadians. Applicants must be 49 years of age or under and be the beneficiary of a current Registered Disability Savings Plan (RDSP) and have a family income of less than $41,544 (as of 2011, updated each year based on the rate of inflation). Unlike the Canada Disability Savings Grant, you do not need to make contributions to the RDSP.

Website:  http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/eng/disability_issues/disability_savings/cdsb.shtml

Contact:
You must apply at the Financial Organization where you have your RDSP.

**HRSDC - Canada Disability Savings Grant**
Through the Canada Disability Savings Grant, the Government deposits money into your RDSP to help you save. The Government provides matching grants of up to 300%, depending on the amount contributed and the beneficiary's family income. The maximum is $3,500 each year, with a limit of $70,000 over your lifetime. Applicants must be 49 years of age or under and be the beneficiary of a current Registered Disability Savings Plan (RDSP) to which contributions are made.

Website:  http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/eng/disability_issues/disability_savings/cdsg.shtml

Contact:
You must apply at the Financial Organization where you have your RDSP.
**MCSS - Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) - Employment Supports**

The Ontario Disability Support Program Employment Supports helps fund employment training and initiatives of eligible applicants. To be eligible, applicants must be 16 years of age or older, be an Ontario resident and have a disability that presents a substantial barrier to employment. Applicants **do not** need to be recipients of ODSP Income Supports to be eligible.


Contact:
Ministry of Community and Social Services
Ontario Disability Support Program
London Regional Office
217 York Street, 3rd Floor
Box 5217
London, ON N6A 5R1
Phone:  1-800-265-4197
TTY:  519-663-5276
Fax:  519-672-4683

**MCSS - Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) - Income Supports**

The Ontario Disability Support Program Income Supports, commonly referred to as ODSP, provides financial support to adults, 18 years of age and older, who have a substantial or severe mental or physical disability, expected to last a year or longer. The disability must impact personal care, social and/or vocational abilities. Both financial and disability eligibility requirements must be met. Income Supports may provide funding for daily expenses; housing expenses; assistive devices; medical, dental and vision expenses; and more. For full details on eligible coverage read the Income Supports program directives on the website.


Contact:
Ministry of Community and Social Services
Ontario Disability Support Program
London Regional Office
217 York Street, 3rd Floor
Box 5217
London, ON N6A 5R1
Phone:  1-800-265-4197
TTY:  519-663-5276
Fax:  519-672-4683
**MCYS - Assistance for Children with Severe Disabilities (ACSD)**

Assistance for Children with Severe Disabilities is a monthly allowance for intended to help compensate for expenses directly resulting from or incurred as a result of the child's disability. These include:

- living expenses (extraordinary transportation, accommodation and meal costs, specialized childcare, clothing, linen and laundry)
- medical expenses (equipment for hearing, vision, or speech; drug costs; medical/surgical supplies; dental costs; diapers; special diet; special shoes),
- and educational and social expenditures (special learning/development equipment; specialized day care; special education; special summer camp fees; parental relief).

Application forms can be obtained directly from a Ministry of Children and Youth Services.


**Contact:**
Ministry of Children and Youth Services
South West Region
217 York Street, Suite 203
P.O. Box 5217
London, Ontario N6A 5R1
Phone: 1-800-265-4197
Fax: 519-672-9510

**MTO - Accessible Parking Permit (APP)**

The Province of Ontario's Accessible Parking Permit (APP) program offers no fee parking permits designed to allow the designated user to access designated spaces throughout the province. In order to qualify for an APP the applicant must meet medical criteria as certified by a health care professional. Information on qualifying conditions and criteria is available at the website or by contacting the Ministry of Transportation.

Website: [http://www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/dandv/vehicle/app.shtml](http://www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/dandv/vehicle/app.shtml)

**Contact:**
Ministry of Transportation
P.O. Box 9800
Kingston, ON  K7L 5N8
Phone: 1-800-387-3445
TTY: 1-866-471-8929

Ministry of Transportation
South-western Region
659 Exeter Road
London, ON N6E 1L3
Phone: 519-873-4100
**Registered Disability Savings Plan**
A Registered Disability Savings Plan is a federally regulated program designed to provide long-term financial security to persons with prolonged and severe mental or physical disabilities. Contributions that are made to an RDSP may be supplemented by payments from the Canada Disability Savings Grant program. To establish an RDSP, a person must first qualify for the federal Disability Tax Credit (DTC).


Contact:
Canada Revenue Agency
Phone:  1-800-959-8281
TTY:  1-800-665-0354

**VAC - Veterans Affairs Disability Pension Program**
Veteran Affairs Canada offers a pension to eligible applicants who you have a medical disability that is related to his/her service. Applicants must be a Canadian Forces (CF) Veteran or a Merchant Navy Veteran of the First or Second World War or the Korean War; a current or former member of the Regular or Reserve Force; or a civilian who served in close support of the Armed Forces during wartime. The amount awarded varies depending on the nature of the disability and the degree to which his/her service time contributed to the disability.

Website:  [http://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/sub.cfm?source=dispen](http://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/sub.cfm?source=dispen)

Contact:
Veterans Affairs Canada       London District Office
Phone:  1-866-522-2122         417 Exeter Road
Email:  information@vac-acc.gc.ca     London, ON N6E 2Z3
**MEDICAL/DENTAL (including medical supplies)**

**A Child's Voice Foundation - Angel Hair for Kids Program**

A Child's Voice Foundation is a registered charity, founded with the purpose of enhancing the physical and emotional well being of any child who is physically or mentally challenged and/or disadvantaged.

A Child’s Voice Foundation's Angel Hair for Kids Program provides wigs to financially challenged children in Canada. For application information, call or write the foundation or visit their website. An email information form is available on their website.


Contact:
A Child's Voice
3034 Palstan Road, #301
Mississauga, ON L4Y 2Z6
Phone: 1-888-837-3354
Email: info@achildsvoicefoundation.com

**A Child's Voice Foundation - Kids Life-line Program**

A Child's Voice Foundation is a registered charity, founded with the purpose of enhancing the physical and emotional well being of any child who is physically or mentally challenged and/or disadvantaged.

A Child’s Voice Foundation's Kids Life-line Program provides funding for otherwise not covered medical and dental treatment, including medical supplies, devices, therapies and transportation costs. For application information, call or write the foundation or visit their website. An email information form is available on their website.


Contact:
A Child's Voice
3034 Palstan Road, #301
Mississauga, ON L4Y 2Z6
Phone: 1-888-837-3354
Email: info@achildsvoicefoundation.com
**Canadian Diabetes Association - Ontario Monitoring for Health Program**

The Ontario Health Monitoring Program is funded by the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care, but is operated by the Canadian Diabetes Association. The program is available to those that are insulin-using or have gestational diabetes. They must have no other coverage for the supplies covered by this program. Qualifying individuals can receive a 75% reimbursement for strips and lancets (to a maximum of $600 annually). The program also covers the lesser of 75% or $75.00 towards the purchase of a blood glucose meter once every five years (75% or $300 for qualifying individuals who are visually impaired towards a talking meter).

Website:  

Contact:  
Ontario Health Monitoring Program  
Phone: 1-800-361-0796  
Canadian Diabetes Association - South Western Ontario Regional Office  
442 Adelaide St. N.  
London, ON N6B 3H8  
Phone: 519-673-1630  
Fax: 519-660-8992

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**Charles Ray III Diabetes Association Assistance Program**

The Charles Ray III Diabetes association offers free diabetes supplies (including glucose meters and testing strips) to individuals with diabetes who are unable to afford the cost. The program also offers insulin pumps and insulin pump supplies at discounted rates. Although this is an American-based program, it is available to Canadians.


Contact:  
The Charles Ray III Diabetes Association, Inc  
P. O. Box 792,  
Apex, NC 27502  
Phone: 919-303-6949
Diabetes Hope Foundation - Interim Medical Assistance Program
The Diabetes Hope Foundation’s Medical Assistance Program assists children living with diabetes whose families are not covered by third party health plans and who struggle to obtain the necessary medical supplies and drugs needed to control their diabetes. Insulin, needles, swabs, glucose monitoring devices, and test strips are not covered by OHIP.

Website: http://diabeteshopefoundation.com/content/interim-medical-assistance-program

Contact:
Diabetes Hope Foundation
6150 Dixie Road, Unit #1,
Mississauga ON L5T 2E2
Phone: 905-670-0557
Fax: 905-565-7296

Easter Seals Ontario - Incontinence Supplies Grant Program for Children and Youth with Disabilities
The Incontinence Supplies Grant Program is for individuals 3 to 18 years of age with chronic, irreversible incontinence resulting from a disability. Some children under the age of 3 may be eligible for funding depending on their diagnosis (for example, Spina Bifida, Prune Belly Syndrome). The program is administered by Easter Seals, however eligibility standards are set by the Ministry of Heath and Long-Term Care. Funding varies based on age and diagnosis (ranging from $200 to $900 annually).

Website: http://www.easterseals.org/services/?load=incontinence

Contact:
Easter Seals Ontario
One Concorde Gate, Suite 700
Toronto, ON M3C 3N6
Phone: 1-800-668-6252 x314
Fax: 416-696-1035
**HABIT - Helping Acquired Brain Injury Treatment**

HABIT provides assistance in funding and paying for necessary treatment for children and youth with brain injuries that otherwise cannot afford it. HABIT was created to assist in funding medical, healthcare, and supportive services for individuals, charitable organizations, and medical facilities with special emphasis on the needs of children and youth with brain injury. For more information on HABIT and to obtain an application visit their website.

Website: [http://www.habitbraininjury.ca](http://www.habitbraininjury.ca)

Contact:
HABIT, c/o Lisa Bradshaw
Box 24136, London, ON N6H 5C4
Phone: 519-672-4942
Email: habit@rogers.com

**HC - Non-Insured Health Benefits Program (First Nations & Inuit)**

The Non-Insured Health Benefits Program is Health Canada's national program to provide medical and health benefits not covered by Provincial Health Care Plans (OHIP). Coverage is available for; a specified range of drugs, dental care, vision care, medical supplies and equipment, short-term crisis intervention mental health counselling and medical transportation for eligible First Nations people and Inuit.


Contact:
Non-Insured Health Benefits, First Nations and Inuit Health, Health Canada
1547 Merivale Road, 3rd floor, Postal Locator 6103A
Nepean, Ontario K1A 0L3
Phone: 1-800-640-0642 (health)
Phone: 1-888-283-8885 (dental)

**Lilly Canada - Patient Assistance Program**

This program will provide insulin to patients demonstrating financial need and without private or governmental health insurance. Individuals must apply through a health professional. When approved a supply (approximately 3 to 6 months worth) will be delivered to the designated Diabetes Education Centre for pick up. If the need is still present, the individual can reapply.

Website: [http://www.lilly.ca/](http://www.lilly.ca/)

Contact:
Ely Lilly Canada - Patient Assistance Program
Phone: 1-888-545-5972
Phone: 1-888-479-7587 x3006 (Information line for Health Care Professionals)
**MedicAlert - No Child Without Program**
MedicAlert has partnered with the Lions Club of Canada to offer free MedicAlert protection to all elementary school aged children regardless of financial resources. Children with potentially life threatening conditions can obtain identification bracelets at no cost. The identification will allow professionals to quickly access medical information in the case of an emergency.

Website:  [http://www.nochildwithout.ca/lcc/en/](http://www.nochildwithout.ca/lcc/en/)

Contact:
MedicAlert Canada
c/o Monica Andrus,
Assistant Manager, Partner Relations
Email:  mandrus@medicalert.ca

**MHPS - Children in Need of (Dental) Treatment (CINOT)**
The Children In Need of Treatment (CINOT) program provides emergency dental care and out-of-hospital anesthetic coverage for low-income children age 17 and under.

Contact:
Middlesex London Health Unit
50 King St
London ON  N6A 5L7
Phone:  519-663-5317 x2231
Fax:  519-663-8235

**MOHLTC - Assistive Device Program - Syringes for Seniors Program**
The MOHLTC - Assistive Device Program has specialized funding available to residents of Ontario aged 65 or older (with a valid health card) who use insulin by injection on a daily basis to regulate diabetes.


Contact:
Ministry of Health and Long Term Care
5700 Younge St., 7th Floor
Toronto, ON, M2M 4K5
Phone: 1-800-268-6021 or 416-327-8804
Fax: 416-314-8721
Email:  infoline@moh.gov.on.ca
**MOHLTC - Healthy Smiles Ontario**

Healthy Smiles Ontario program provides no cost regular dental service to children 17 and under who do not have access to any form of dental coverage (including other government-funded services). Families must satisfy a financial needs assessment.


Contact:
Healthy Smiles Ontario Infoline       Middlesex London Health Unit
Phone: 1-866-532-3161                  50 King St
TTY: 1-800-387-5559                   London ON  N6A 5L7

**MOHLTC - Home Oxygen Program**

Home Oxygen Program pays for long-term oxygen therapy and related equipment and supplies for eligible Ontario residents who need them. Your doctor must complete a Home Oxygen Program application form. Visit their website or call the toll-free number for more information.


Contact:
Ministry of Health and Long-term Care
Home Oxygen Program
Phone: 1-800-268-1154

**MOHLTC - Ontario Cleft Lip and Palate/Craniofacial Dental Program**

The Ontario Cleft Lip and Palate/Craniofacial Dental Program provides financial assistance to children and youth, under the age of 18, for specialized medical treatment. The program may cover up to 75% of the cost of treatment (after private dental insurance) by members of the multidisciplinary team. Thames Valley Children Centre is the local designated centre providing service.


Contact:
Thames Valley Children’s Centre
Cleft Lip and Palate/Craniofacial Clinic
Phone: 519-685-8700 x54086
[http://www.tvcc.on.ca](http://www.tvcc.on.ca)
**MOHLTC - Ontario Drug Benefit Program**

The Ontario Drug Benefit Program provides medications listed on the Ontario Drug Benefit Formulary (over 3800 listed) at minimal cost (only reduced dispensing fees apply) to those who qualify. The program supports seniors, residents in care facilities and recipients of social assistance [City of London - Ontario Works (OW), MCSS - Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) - Income Supports, MCYS - Assistance for Children with Severe Disabilities (ACSD)].

Website:  http://www.health.gov.on.ca/english/public/pub/drugs/odb.html

Contact:
Ministry of Health and Long-term Care       Ontario Drug Benefit Program
Phone: 1-800-268-1154                INFO line: 1-866-532-3161
Email: infomoh@gov.on.ca                TTY:  1-800-387-5559

**MOHLTC - Ontario Drug Benefit Program - Trillium Drug Program**

If you or your family spend a large part of your income (4%) on prescriptions, the Trillium Drug Program may help cover the cost. Trillium application kits are available at your local pharmacy or by calling the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care’s toll-free number or by visiting the Trillium Drug Program website.

Website: http://www.health.gov.on.ca/english/public/pub/drugs/trillium.html

Contact:
Ministry of Health and Long-term Care       Ministry Trillium Drug Program
Phone: 1-800-268-1154                Phone: 1-800-575-5386
Email: infomoh@gov.on.ca                INFO line: 1-800-268-1154

**MOHLTC - Ontario Drug Benefit Program - Exceptional Access Program**

The Ontario Drug Benefit Program provides access to medications not listed on the Ontario Drug Benefit Formulary under special circumstances through the Exceptional Access Program. Medical Professionals can complete and submit requests for exceptional coverage on behalf of clients. Each request is considered on its merits.

Website:  http://www.health.gov.on.ca/english/providers/program/drugs/eap_mn.html

Contact:
Ministry of Health and Long-term Care Exceptional Access Program
3rd Floor, 5700 Yonge St. North York, ON M2M 4K5
Phone :  1-866-811-9893
Fax :  1-866-811-9908
Email : EAPFeedback.MOH@ontario.ca
**Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada**
The Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada offers financial assistance through most of its chapters. Assistance is available to offset the cost of purchasing equipment or in the form of 'special assistance' to cover the cost of community services not covered by the Provincial Government. The Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada does not offer assistance for medication, however can support individuals with application to the MOHLTC - Ontario Drug Benefit Program - Exceptional Access Program.

Website:  [http://mssociety.ca/en/help/services.htm](http://mssociety.ca/en/help/services.htm)

Contact:
MS Society of Canada, National Office  
175 Bloor Street East, Suite 700, North Tower  
Toronto, Ontario M4W 3R8  
Phone:  416-922-6065  
Fax:  416-922-7538  
Email:  info@mssociety.ca  
[http://mssociety.ca](http://mssociety.ca)

**Muscular Dystrophy Canada**
The MDAC equipment loan program provides basic medical equipment, on loan, from a stock of recycled devices such as scooters, manual and electric wheelchairs. Some funding assistance may be available for the purchase of new equipment. If a request is made for a device that MDAC does not cover, MDAC staff may be able to suggest other sources of funding.

Website:  [http://www.mdac.ca](http://www.mdac.ca)

Contact:
London and Region Chapter  
Phone:  1-800-567-2873 x172  
Email:  londonchapter@muscle.ca

**OneSight**
OneSight, in partnership with LensCrafters, provides free vision care and eyewear to those in need.

Website:  [http://www.onesight.org/na/#](http://www.onesight.org/na/#)

Contact:
OneSight  
4000 Luxottica Place  
Mason, OH 45040  
Phone:  1-888-935-4589  
Email:  info@onesight.org
**Shriners Hospital (Mocha Shriners)**

The Shrine of North America is an international fraternity of approximately 500,000 members throughout North America, operating a network of 22 hospitals that provide expert, no cost treatment for Orthopaedic Care, Spinal Cord Rehabilitation, Cleft Lip and Palate Repair and Non-Emergency Burn to children under the age of 18. Self referrals are accepted. The Mocha Shriners of London will accept written requests for individual funding for specialized equipment.

Website: [http://www.mochashriners.org](http://www.mochashriners.org)

Contact:
Mocha Shriners c/o The President
468 Colborne Street
London, ON N6B 2T3
Phone: 519- 672-1391
Fax: 519- 672-7723
Email: mochashriners@rogers.com

**S.U.G.A.R. Charity**

S.U.G.A.R. (Support Unlimited Guaranteed for Appliances Required, Assistance for Diabetic Devices) provides diabetic devices and or diabetic needs to individuals who are unable to afford or acquire them by alternative means.

Website: [http://www.sugarcharity.org](http://www.sugarcharity.org)

Contact:
S.U.G.A.R. - Assistance for Diabetes Devices
1235 Fairview St. Suite 161
Burlington ON L7S 2K9
Phone: 905-632-0932
Fax: 905-632-4227
Email: information@sugarcharity.org

**VAC - Veterans Health Care Program**

The Veterans Health Care Program offers qualifying individuals a range of medical services including; medical/hospital/nursing service, prescription drug coverage, dental, vision care, hearing services, and assistive devices. Veterans, former and current Canadian Forces members, RCMP, and some civilians, as well as their survivors and dependants, may qualify.

Website: [www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/department/reports/pia/pia_nvc_health_benefits](http://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/department/reports/pia/pia_nvc_health_benefits)

Contact:
Veterans Affairs Canada
Phone: 1-866-522-2122
Email: information@vac-acc.gc.ca
**War Amps of Canada - Adult Amputee Program**

The War Amps of Canada Adult Amputee Program provides financial assistance to Canadian amputees, age 18 and over, towards the cost of artificial limbs. Child Amputees (under 18 years of age) may receive service through the War Amps of Canada - Child Amputee (CHAMP) Program.

Website:  http://www.waramps.ca/

Contact:
The War Amps - Adult Prosthetics Program
2827 Riverside Drive
Ottawa, ON K1V 0C4
Phone:  1-877-622-2472
Fax:  613-731-3234
Email:  nac@waramps.ca

**War Amps of Canada - Child Amputee (CHAMP) Program**

The War Amps of Canada CHAMP program provides financial assistance to child amputees and their families for artificial limbs, recreational devices, and travel to prosthetic facilities. Contact the CHAMP program for further information.

Website:  http://www.waramps.ca/champ/financial_assistance.html

Contact:
The War Amps of Canada - CHAMP Program
2827 Riverside Drive
Ottawa, ON K1V 0C4
Phone:  1-800-267-4023
Fax:  1-866-235-0350
Email:  champ@waramps.ca

**War Amps of Canada - CHAMP - Jumpstart program**

The CHAMPS Jumpstart program provides computer systems, educational software, adaptive technology and training to children with multiple amputations (already registered in the CHAMP program).

Website:  http://www.waramps.ca/champ/jumpstart.html

Contact:
The War Amps of Canada - Jumpstart Program
2827 Riverside Drive
Ottawa, ON K1V 0C4
Phone:  1-800-267-4023
Fax:  1-866-235-0350
Email:  jumpstart@waramps.ca
ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY AND DEVICES

Adaptech - Free and Inexpensive Adaptive Technology Database
Adaptech, a Canadian company, has compiled a listing of over 150 free or inexpensive (less than $200) adaptive technology programs. These programs cover assisted writing, magnification, screen reading, dictation, alternative mice, adaptive keyboards, scanning and optical character recognition (OCR) programs.

Website: http://www.adaptech.org/en/downloads/fandi

Contact:
Adaptech Research Network
3040 Sherbrooke West
Montréal, Québec H3Z 1A4
Phone: 514-931-8731 x1546
Fax: 514-931-3567
Email: info@adaptech.org

MOHLTC - Assistive Device Program
The objective of the ADP is to financially assist Ontario residents with long-term physical disabilities to obtain basic, competitively priced, personalized assistive devices appropriate for the individual's needs and essential for independent living. ADP covers over 8,000 separate pieces of equipment or supplies in the following categories: prostheses; wheelchairs/mobility aids and specialized seating systems; ostomy and enteral feeding supplies, needles and syringes for insulin-dependent seniors; monitors and test strips for insulin-dependent diabetics (through agreement with the Canadian Diabetes Association); hearing aids, respiratory equipment; orthoses (braces, garments and pumps); visual and communication aids; oxygen and oxygen delivery equipment, such as concentrators, cylinders, liquid systems and related supplies, such as masks and tubing. ADP will cover up to 75% of the cost of these devices. Forms and applications are available from the website provided or by calling the toll free number.

Website: http://www.health.gov.on.ca/english/providers/program/adp/adp_mn.html

Contact:
Ministry of Health and Long Term Care
5700 Younge St., 7th Floor
Toronto, ON, M2M 4K5
Phone: 1-800-268-6021
Fax: 416-314-8721
Email: infoline@moh.gov.on.ca or ccu@moh.gov.on.ca
Ontario March of Dimes - Assistive Device Program
Ontario March of Dimes Assistive Devices Program provides financial assistance for device repair and equipment purchase. Devices include wheelchairs, braces, mobility aids and communication aids for non-speaking adults. Contact the provincial office or Southwest office for further information.

Website: http://www.marchofdimes.ca/EN/programs/adp/Pages/Adp.aspx

Contact:
Ontario March of Dimes
Provincial Office
10 Overlea Blvd.
Toronto, ON M4H 1A4
Phone: 1-800-263-3463
Fax: 416-425-1920
Email: info@dimes.on.ca

Ontario March of Dimes
South West Region
700 Richmond St. Suite 310
London, ON, N6A 5C7
Phone: 519-642-3999
Fax: 519-642-7665

Ontario Federation of Cerebral Palsy - Assistive Device Program
The Ontario Federation for Cerebral Palsy Assistive Devices Funding Program is available to persons with cerebral palsy in the province of Ontario and who have a valid Ontario Health Card. The level of funding assistance may vary based on the cost of the item and the availability of Ontario Federation for Cerebral Palsy funds at the time the request is received. The request for financial assistance must be submitted prior to the equipment/item being ordered or purchased. Labour/installation, delivery, therapy or assessment costs are not funded. Maximum funding is up to $2,500.00 per year per person (not to exceed 25% of total cost per item). The application period for submission of applications will be September 10 to June 1 annually. The following must accompany the completed application:
- copy of ADP approval
- health professionals current authorization
- 2 price quotes form Ontario vendors
- other sources of funding that have been accessed or denied

For more information and an application form please visit the website below or contact the federation.

Website: http://www.ofcp.ca/devices.php

Contact:
Ontario Federation for Cerebral Palsy
Assistive Devices Funding Program
1630 Lawrence Avenue West, Suite 104
Toronto, ON M6L 1C5
Phone: 1-877-244-9686
Email: adfp@ofcp.on.ca
HOME AND VEHICLE MODIFICATION

**Bronwen’s Rainbow Fund**
The Bronwen’s Rainbow fund provides assistance to cover the cost associated with home modifications designed to improve child safety. The fund is managed by the Toronto Community Foundation. No formal website exist currently for this fund.

Contact:
Bronwen's Rainbow Fund
Phone: 416-921-2035
Fax: 416-921-1026

**Chrysler Automobility Program**
Chrysler will provide cash reimbursement, up to $1000, to help cover the cost of installing adaptive driver or passenger equipment on new or leased Chrysler vehicles.

Contact:
Chrysler Automobility Program
Phone: 1-800-265-6908 or contact your local dealer

**CMHC - Homeowner Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program (RRAP)**
This program provides financial assistance to low-income homeowners to undertake mandatory repairs (related to heating, structural, electrical, plumbing and fire safety that ensure a useful life of the home for at least 15 years). The Federal Government has committed to funding RRAPs through 2014.

Website: http://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/co/prfinas/prfinas_001.cfm

Contact:
Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation
Phone: 1-800-668-2642
Email: rrap_ontario@cmhc-schl.gc.ca

**CMHC - RRAP for Persons with Disabilities**
This program provides financial assistance to homeowners and landlords to undertake accessibility work to modify dwellings occupied or intended for occupancy by low-income persons with disabilities. This program supports families with lower incomes.

Website: http://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/co/prfinas/prfinas_003.cfm

Contact:
Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation
Phone: 1-800-668-2642
Email: rrap_ontario@cmhc-schl.gc.ca
**CMHC - RRAP On-Reserve**

This program provides financial assistance to offer financial assistance to Band Councils and Band members to repair substandard homes to a minimum level of health and safety and to improve the accessibility of housing for disabled persons.


Contact:
Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation
Phone: 1-800-668-2642
Email: rrap_ontario@cmhc-schl.gc.ca

Aboriginal Housing - Ontario office
100 Sheppard Avenue East, Suite 500
Toronto, Ontario M2N 6Z1
Phone: 416-218-3341
Fax: 416-250-3202
Email: kcampbel@cmhc-schl.gc.ca

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**CMHC - RRAP for Secondary/Garden Suite**

This program provides financial assistance for the creation of a Secondary or Garden Suite for a low-income senior or adult with a disability. Call the toll-free information line of the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation in Ontario for information. A secondary suite, sometimes called an in-law suite, is a self-contained separate unit (complete with full kitchen, bath facilities, and separate entrance) within an existing home or an addition to a home. A garden suite is a separate, self-contained living unit that is not attached to the principal residence, but built on the same property.


Contact:
Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation
Phone: 1-800-668-2642
Email: rrap_ontario@cmhc-schl.gc.ca

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**Ford Mobility Program**

Open to all Canadians buying a new Ford Vehicle, Ford will grant up to $1,000.00 towards installation of lifts, hand controls and other equipment. Application is made through the dealership where purchased and must be made within 6 months of purchasing a new vehicle. Modifications must be made at a partnering mobility equipment dealer within 6 months of vehicle purchase.

Website:  [http://www.ford.ca/app/fo/en/special_offers/mobility.do](http://www.ford.ca/app/fo/en/special_offers/mobility.do)

Local Partnering Mobility Dealers' Contacts:
Goldline Mobility & Conversions
1759 Trafalgar St.
London, ON N5W 1X4
Phone: 519-453-0480
Web Site: [http://www.goldlinemobility.on.ca](http://www.goldlinemobility.on.ca)

Kino Mobility, Inc.
645-C Newbold Street
London, ON N6E 2T8
Phone: 519-690-2300
Web Site: [http://www.kinomobility.com](http://www.kinomobility.com)
**GM Mobility Program**

Also open to all Canadians, the GM Program will grant $1,000.00 towards the purchase of modifications to a new vehicle, but you have to call their mobility assistance program to find out if you qualify at 1-800-GM-DRIVE. Their web site lists several steps you should follow when purchasing adaptive equipment.

Website: [http://www.gm.ca/gm/english/corporate/mobility/home](http://www.gm.ca/gm/english/corporate/mobility/home)

Contact:
GM Canada Mobility Assistance Centre
Phone: 1-800-GM-DRIVE (1-800-463-7483)
TTY: 1-800-263-3830

**Kia Mobility Program**

Kia Canada welcomes the opportunity to assist individuals with disabilities or special needs by providing up to $750 towards the purchase and installation of specialty equipment on your Kia vehicle. See your Kia dealer for full details. Some conditions apply.


**Ontario March of Dimes - Home and Vehicle Modification**

Ontario March of Dimes Home and Vehicle Modification Program financial assistance to eligible Ontario residents with disabilities who require modifications to their home or vehicle. Up to $15,000 (lifetime maximum) is available for home modifications. Up to $15,000 (every 10 years) is available for vehicle modifications. Contact the provincial office or Southwest office for further information.

Website: [www.marchofdimes.ca/EN/programs/hvmp/Pages/HomeandVehicle.aspx](http://www.marchofdimes.ca/EN/programs/hvmp/Pages/HomeandVehicle.aspx)

Contact:
Ontario March of Dimes
Provincial Office
10 Overlea Blvd.
Toronto, ON M4H 1A4
Phone: 1-800-263-3463
Fax: 416-425-1920
Email: info@dimes.on.ca

Ontario March of Dimes
South West Region
700 Richmond St. Suite 310
London, ON, N6A 5C7
Phone: 519-642-3999
Fax: 519-642-7665
**Saturn Mobility Program**

Customers will be reimbursed by the Saturn Mobility Program for the cost of aftermarket driver of passenger adaptive aids, including installation, or reinstallation, in an amount up to a maximum of $1000 when such equipment is installed on an eligible Saturn vehicle.

Contact:
Saturn Mobility Program
Phone: 1-800-553-6000

**Toyota Mobility Program**

To help cover the costs of installing adaptive driving aids or mobility assistance equipment, the Toyota Mobility Program offers up to a $1,000 allowance to physically-challenged customers who acquire a new Toyota vehicle. Adaptive driving or passenger equipment includes, but is not limited to, wheelchair or other lift equipment, hand or other driving controls, and lifts or cart storage. Upon verification of the claim, a cheque will be mailed directly to the customer.

Website: http://www.toyota.ca/

**Volkswagen Mobility Access Program**

Volkswagen will refund $1000 on the purchase or lease of a new Volkswagen vehicle if vehicle access equipment is installed.

Website: www.vw.ca/en/shopping_tools/volkswagen_finance/mobility_program.html

See also...
MTO - Accessible Parking Permit (APP)
Property Tax Relief for Residences Built or Modified to Accommodate Persons with Disabilities
Refund of Federal Excise Tax on Gasoline
Specially Equipped Motor Vehicle GST/HST Rebate Application

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**RECREATION AND LEISURE**

**AMICI Camping Charity**

AMICI Camping Charity provides assistance to families demonstrating financial need to provide their child, aged 7 to 16, with a summer camp experience. Apply directly to the charity for assistance with summer camp fees. Families must contribute minimum $60 to camp fees.

Website:  [http://www.amicicharity.org](http://www.amicicharity.org)

Contact:
Amici Camping Charity  
150 Eglinton Ave. East, Suite 204  
Toronto, Ontario  M4P 1E8  
Phone:  416-588-8026  
Fax:  416-486-3854  
email:  info@amicicharity.org

**Autism Ontario – One-to-One Support Worker Reimbursement**

Autism Ontario refunds up to $600 to families of children, up to age 18, with Autism Spectrum Disorders for the cost of a support worker needed for their child to attend a community summer camp or March Break program.


Contact:
Autism Ontario  
1179 King Street West, Suite 004  
Toronto, ON M6K 3C5  
Phone:  416-246-9592  
Fax:  416-246-9417  
[http://www.autismontario.com](http://www.autismontario.com)

Autism Ontario - London  
Salvation Army building  
1340 Dundas Street, East  
London ON N5W 3B6  
Phone:  519-433-3390  
Email:  autismlondon.office@gmail.com  
[www.autismontario.com/london](http://www.autismontario.com/london)
Boys and Girls Club of London

The Boys and Girls Club of London provides structured, scheduled, and drop-in recreational programming. Annual membership fees can be subsidized (Club will cover up to 88% of the cost) based on a sliding scale.

Website: http://www.bgclondon.ca/home.html

Contact:
Boys and Girls Club of London
184 Horton Street East
London, ON N6B 1K8
Phone: 519-434-9114
Fax: 519-432-9306

Canadian Tire - Jump Start Program

The Canadian Tire Jump Start program provides financial assistance to families demonstrating need to help offset registration fees, transportation and equipment, so all children can take part in organized sports and recreation programs. Up to $300 per child, aged 4 to 18 years of age, per session (2 sessions annually), is available.

Website: http://jumpstart.canadiantire.ca/

Contact:
Canadian Tire Jumpstart
2180 Yonge Street, P.O. Box 770, Station K
Toronto, ON, M4P 2V8
Phone: 1-877-616-6600
Email: jumpstart@cantire.com

City of London - Recreation Programs

The City of London encourages residents to take part in community based recreation and leisure activities. Those families and individuals demonstrating financial need can receive a subsidy of up to $150 per person per session (2 sessions annually). This assistance may cover up to 100% of the program registration costs.

Website: http://www.london.ca/d.aspx?s=/Sports_and_Recreation/default.htm

Contact:
City of London - Parks and Recreation
151 Dundas Street, 3rd Floor,
London ON N6A 4L9
Phone: 519-661-5575
Fax: 519-661-5607
**Easter Seals Canada - Access 2 Entertainment**
The Easter Seals Canada Access 2 Entertainment card program allows free admission for support staff accompanying persons with disabilities at various venues and attractions. Some venues may offer reduced rates to the card holder (person with a disability) as well. A $20 administrative cost applies to the card, valid for 5 years.

Website:  [http://access2.ca/](http://access2.ca/)

Contact:
Access 2 Entertainment  c/o Easter Seals Canada
40 Holly St, Suite 401
Toronto, Ontario  M4S 3C3
Phone:  416-932-8382 x227
Email:  a2e@easterseals.ca

**Easter Seals Canada - Disability Travel Card**
The Disability Travel card is identification for a person with a permanent disability which will permit an adult attendant to travel at no cost with the person with a permanent disability. A person with a permanent disability who is unable to travel alone will be granted reduced fares when accompanied by an adult attendant. The person with a disability must apply to the Easter Seals Society by filling out an application. Applications are available on the website provided or by contacting the Easter Seals Society.


Contact:
Easter Seals/March of Dimes National Council
332 Wellington Rd.
London, ON, N6C 4P6
Phone: 519-432-9669 or 1-800-668-6252
Email:  info@dimes.on.ca

**Easter Seals Ontario – Camp & Recreational Choices Program**
The Camp and Recreational Choices Program of Easter Seals Ontario provides up to $500 per child for a recreational experience in Ontario to children with a physical disability between the ages of 5 and 18. Applications become available in mid-December and are processed on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Website:  [http://www.eastersealscamps.org/](http://www.eastersealscamps.org/)

Contact:
Easter Seals Ontario - Recreation Co-ordinator
Phone:  1-800-668-6252 x325
Fax:  416-696-1035
Email:  camp@easterseals.org
**Kidsport Canada**

Kidsport Canada provides financial assistance to families demonstrating need to help offset the cost of registration fees and equipment, so all children have an opportunity to be active and take part in organized sports. Funding is available to youth 18 years of age and under. The application process is completely confidential.

Website:  [http://www.kidsportcanada.ca/](http://www.kidsportcanada.ca/)

Contact:
KidSport Canada
180 - 3820 Cessna Drive
Richmond, BC V7B 0A2
Phone: 604-333-3650
Fax: 604-333-3653

KidSport Ontario
3 Concorde Gate, Suite 313,
Toronto, Ontario M3C 3N7
Phone: 1-866-641-7767
Fax: 416-426-7177
Email: adamv@kidsportcanada.ca

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**Ontario Federation of Cerebral Palsy - Day Program and Vacation Funding Assistance**

The Ontario Federation of Cerebral Palsy offers its members access to funding to cover costs of day programs of assist with vacation expenses. The fund provides up to $1500 for day programs and up to $1500 for vacation expenses per qualifying member per year.

Website:  [http://www.ofcp.ca/vacation.php](http://www.ofcp.ca/vacation.php)

Contact:
OFCP Day Program and Vacation Funding Assistance
Suite 104 - 1630 Lawrence Avenue West
Toronto, Ontario M6L 1C5
Phone: 1-877-244-9686 x223
Email: vacp@ofcp.ca or dayp@ofcp.ca

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**Scouts Canada**

Scouts Canada offers co-ed programming to youth ages 5 to 26. Through Scouts Canada's "No One Left Behind" program, youth registration and additional cost (i.e. uniforms, program costs) may be subsidized. Subsidy recipients are expected to participate in any available fundraising opportunities throughout the year.

Website:  [http://www.scouts.ca/](http://www.scouts.ca/)

Contact:
Scouts Canada - Tri-Shores Council - London Office
531 Windermere Rd.
London, ON N5X 2T1
Phone: 1-866-568-7472
Website:  [http://www.londonscouts.ca](http://www.londonscouts.ca)
**Summer Dreams**

Summer Dreams assists individuals 13 years of age, demonstrating financial need with the cost associated with attending Ontario Camps Association (OCA) summer camps. Applications are due March 1st.

Website:  [http://www.summerdreams.ca](http://www.summerdreams.ca)

Contact:
Summer Dreams
65 Queen Street West, Suite 200
Toronto, Ontario  M5H 2M5
Voice:  416-363-3351

**Tim Hortons Foundation - Send a Kid to Camp**

Provides children in financial need the opportunity to go to a Tim Hortons overnight camp. Participants are selected by a community agency or school working with the local Tim Hortons store owners. Applicants must be under the age of 18 and demonstrate financial need.


Contact:
Tim Horton Children's Foundation
RR#2, 264 Glen Morris Road E.
St. George, ON, Canada N0E 1N0
Tel:  519-448-1248
Fax:  519-448-1415
Registration & Travel Coordinator
Email:  thcf_registrar@timhortons.com

**West Jet - Special Arrangements**

West Jet offers additional seating to persons with disabilities at no additional cost through their One Person One Fair program. The additional seating can be for support or attendant care, or person accommodation for your disability and comfort.

Website:

Contact:
West Jet - General Inquiries
Phone:  1-888-937-8538 (1-888-WESTJET)
TTY:  1-877-952-0100
West Jet Medical Desk
Phone:  1-800-581-9499
Fax:  1-866-737-1202
YMCA of Western Ontario Financial Assistance Program
The YMCA of Western Ontario Financial Assistance Program can subsidize up to 50% of the membership cost to those individuals and families who demonstrate financial need.

Website:  http://www.ymcawo.ca/financial_assistance.html

Contact:
YMCA of Western Ontario
382 Waterloo Street,
London, ON N6B 2N8
Phone: 519-667-3300
SUPPORT SERVICES

INAC - Assisted Living Program
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada's Assisted Living services are provided to registered First Nations individuals with a disability, living on-reserve, and who require care. The program is administered by First Nations officers who assess the financial and social needs of individuals. There are three components to the Assisted Living program: in-home care, foster care, and institutional care (type I and II institutions - see webpage for more information).

Website: http://www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/eng/1100100035250

Contact:
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
Ontario Region
8th Floor 25 St. Clair Avenue East
Toronto, ON M4T 1M2
Phone: 416-973-6234
Fax: 416-954-6329

Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guide Program
The Dog Guide Program meets the needs of three client categories:
- Canine Vision Canada Dog Guide for the legally blind
- Special Skills Dogs of Canada for individuals with physical disabilities
- Hearing Ear Dogs of Canada for the Deaf, Deafened and Hard-of-Hearing

Special Skills Dogs of Canada Dog Guide may be provided to applicants with a legally recognized physical disability. The Lions Foundations Committee bases qualifications for the program on assessment. For the assessment, applicants must submit a video, medical reports and character references with a completed application. Applicants may be asked to participate in an in-home assessment. Successful applicants attend the Lions Foundation of Canada training centre for 19 consecutive days. Special Skills Dogs are provided free of charge to successful applicants but the cost of care following graduation is the responsibility of the applicant.

Website: http://www.dogguides.com

Contact:
Special Skills Dogs of Canada - Lions Foundation of Canada
P.O. Box 907
Oakville, ON, L6J 5E8
Phone: 1-800-768-3030
Fax: 905-842-3373
Email: info@dogguides.com
**MCSS - Special Services at Home**

Special Services at Home (SSAH) is funded by the Ministry of Community and Social Services and administered by Developmental Services Ontario. It helps adults and children with a developmental disability — and children with a physical disability — and their families by paying for special services they need to live at home in the community. These services could include hiring someone to provide lifeskills instruction, or respite.

NOTE: As of April 2012 SSAH for adults will be included as part of the MCSS - Passport Initiative. SSAH for children and youth will remain separate.

Website: [http://www.dsontario.ca/special-services-at-home](http://www.dsontario.ca/special-services-at-home)

Contact:
Developmental Services Ontario  
171 Queens Ave, Ste. 750  
London, ON N6A 5J7  
Phone: 1-877-480-2726  
Fax: 519-673-1509

**MCSS - Passport Initiative**

The Passport Initiative is funded by the Ministry of Community and Social Services and administered by Developmental Services Ontario. It is designed to support young people with a developmental disability to transition to adult services and supports; or adults who have a developmental disability, are no longer in school, and are seeking transition planning and community participation supports. The program provides mentoring, support and planning assistance in the development of a transition plan, and fund necessary to purchase community participation services and supports.

Website: [http://www.dsontario.ca/community-participation-supports](http://www.dsontario.ca/community-participation-supports)

Contact:
Developmental Services Ontario  
171 Queens Ave, Ste. 750  
London, ON N6A 5J7  
Phone: 1-877-480-2726  
Fax: 519-673-1509
**MCYS - Enhanced Respite Funding**

The Enhanced Respite Funding grant is paid to families with a child needing care 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The child must be medically fragile and/or dependant on a technological device. This funding is paid in addition to other respite services. Families may be eligible for up to $3,500 per child, per year. To be eligible for funding, the child must be under 18 years of age, living at home and require intensive care and constant monitoring on a 24-hour basis.

Website: [www.children.gov.on.ca/htdocs/English/topics/specialneeds/respite/index.aspx](http://www.children.gov.on.ca/htdocs/English/topics/specialneeds/respite/index.aspx)

Contact:
Ministry of Children and Youth Services
South West Region
217 York Street, Suite 203
P.O. Box 5217
London, Ontario N6A 5R1
Phone: 1-800-265-4197
TTY: 519-663-5276
Fax: 519-672-9510

**MOHLTC - Attendant Outreach Services**

The Attendant Outreach program provides visitation attendant services to people with severe or serious physical disabilities. The Ministry of Health and Long-Term care funds the Attendant Outreach program, however the program is administered by local Community Care Access Centres (CCACs).

Website: [http://www.ccac-ont.ca/](http://www.ccac-ont.ca/)

Contact:
Community Care Access Centre
London Regional Office
356 Oxford Street West
London, ON N6H 1T3
Phone: 1-800-811-5146
TTY: 1-800-811-5147
Fax: 519-472-4045
**MOHLTC - Self-managed Attendant Services (Direct Funding)**

Direct Funding Program is funded through the Ontario Ministry of Health, enables adults with a physical disability to become employers of their own attendants. Attendants assist with routine activities of living, such as dressing, grooming and bathing. Contact the Independent Living Centre in London for more information.

Website: [http://www.ilcla.ca](http://www.ilcla.ca)  

Contact:  
Independent Living Centre London and Area  
433 King Street, Suite 101  
London, ON N6B 3P3  
Phone: 519-660-4667  
Fax: 519-660-6818  
Email: info@ilcla.ca

**National Service Dogs (NSD)**

National Service Dogs is a non-profit charity that trains assistance dogs for children with disabilities. NSD dogs are trained to assist people with:

- **Autism** - Clients as young as five have been paired with dogs. Dogs can be trained to prevent children from running into the street, leaving the home or classroom without supervision. Service dogs also encourage socialization.
- **Physical Disabilities** - Dogs are trained to assist children and adults with lifelong physical challenges such as Spina Bifida, Cerebral Palsy, Multiple Sclerosis as well as other disabilities. Dogs may be able to pull wheelchairs, open doors and retrieve dropped items.
- **Blindness** - Dogs are used to guide blind or visually impaired children as well as children with dual disabilities such as visual impairment, deafness, seizure disorders and physical disabilities. Guide Dogs help lead a person safely.

To apply for a dog, write a one-page letter describing what you and your child’s life is like and how you think a service dog would help. Once the letter is received, NSD will recommend alternatives or send an application for a dog. The waiting list for a dog is generally two years. The cost of a dog is a one-time fee of $125 but the new owner is responsible for all food and veterinary costs. Dog recipients are expected to give back to NSD by assisting in fund raising events. Please visit the NSD website to fill out their online application form and request more information.

Website: [http://www.nsd.on.ca](http://www.nsd.on.ca)

Contact:  
P.O. Box 28009 Preston Postal Outlet  
Cambridge, ON, N3H 5N4  
Phone: 519-623-4188  
Fax: 519-623-9997
**Sean Ryan Children’s Fund**
The Sean Ryan Children's Fund provides financial assistance for respite nursing care only. It is available for families of chronically ill or disabled children. The application is submitted via telephone from a professional (family doctor, social worker, CCAC, etc).

Contact:
Sean Ryan Children's Fund
306 Wilkins St.
London, ON, N6C 5B2
Phone: 519-685-5328
Fax: 519-685-7208

**VON - Special Assistance at Home Program**
This program may provide funding to purchase support and services, which are not available within your community. Applications are to be filled out through VON.

Website: [http://www.von.ca](http://www.von.ca)

Contact:
VON Canada Central Region
7100 Woodbine Avenue, Suite 402
Markham, ON M4S 2Z2
Phone: 905-415-1208
Fax: 905-415-3750
Email: central@von.ca

VON London
Suite 100 - 1151 Florence Street
London, ON N5W 2M7
Phone: 519-659-2273
Fax: 519-659-6191
Email: http://www.vonmiddlesexelgin.com/
TAX BENEFITS

Attendant Care Expenses
You can claim amounts paid for attendant care or care in any of the following places:

- self-contained domestic establishments;
- retirement homes, homes for seniors, or other institutions;
- nursing homes (full-time care);
- some special schools, institutions, or other places; and
- group homes in Canada.

You can claim attendant care expenses that include your share of the salaries paid for care in an establishment that was made to employees performing; food preparation; housekeeping services for a resident’s personal living space; laundry services for a resident’s personal items; health care (registered nurse, practical nurse, certified health care aide, PSW); activities (social programmer); salon services, if included in the monthly fee; transportation (driver); and security for a secured unit.

Website: http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/E/pub/tg/rc4064/rc4064-e.html

Contact:
Canada Customs and Revenue Agency
London Office
451 Talbot Street
London ON N6A 5E5
Phone: 1-800-959-8281
TTY: 1-800-665-0354
Fax: 519-645-4029

Child Care Expense Deductions
You or your spouse or common-law partner may have paid for someone to look after your child who is under 16 years of age or has a mental or physical disability. Generally, the spouse or common-law partner with the lower net income can claim these expenses, but only if they were paid so one of you could earn income, go to school, or conduct research.

Website: www.ccra-adrc.gc.ca/E/pbg/tf/t778/README.html

Contact:
Canada Customs and Revenue Agency
London Office
451 Talbot Street
London ON N6A 5E5
Phone: 1-800-959-8281
TTY: 1-800-665-0354
Fax: 519-645-4029
**Children’s Fitness Tax Credit**

All children age 16 and under are eligible for up to a $500 Fitness Tax Credit Claim for participation in (qualifying) recreation programs that promote health and fitness. Children with disabilities (who receive the Disability Tax Credit) age 18 and under are eligible for an additional credit claim of $500, for a total of up to a $1000 Fitness Tax Credit Claim each year.

Website:  [http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/menu-eng.html](http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/menu-eng.html)

Contact:
Canada Customs and Revenue Agency
London Office
451 Talbot Street
London ON N6A 5E5
Phone: 1-800-959-8281
TTY: 1-800-665-0354
Fax: 519-645-4029

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**Disability Tax Credit T2201**

This is a non-refundable tax credit that you can use to reduce the amount of income tax you have to pay. If you are making a new application for this amount, you have to file a completed T2201 Form- Disability Tax Credit Certificate. If you have already qualified, do not file another form. For more information contact Canada Customs and Revenue Agency's website or phone their toll-free number.


Contact:
Canada Customs and Revenue Agency
London Office
451 Talbot Street
London ON N6A 5E5
Phone: 1-800-959-8281
TTY: 1-800-665-0354
Fax: 519-645-4029
Medical Expense Tax Credit

The medical expense tax credit provides tax relief for individuals. The medical expense tax credit applies to individuals who have sustained significant medical expenses for themselves or their dependants. Please visit the Canada Customs and Revenue Agency’s website for further information and to download an application form.

Website: http://www.ccra-adrc.gc.ca/E/pub/tp/it519r2-consolid/README.html

Contact:
Canada Customs and Revenue Agency
London Office
451 Talbot Street
London ON N6A 5E5
Phone: 1-800-959-8281
TTY: 1-800-665-0354
Fax: 519-645-4029

Property Tax Relief for Residences Built or Modified to Accommodate Persons with Disabilities

Modifications to a residence to accommodate the needs of a person with a disability may be eligible for property tax relief. Where an existing home is renovated (e.g. accessible ramp) or additions are made to the premises (e.g. "granny flat") to accommodate a person with a disability, the value of the "alteration, improvement or addition" is exempt from property taxation. Where a new home is built to accommodate a person with a disability, 10% of the assessed value of the home is exempt from property taxation.

Website: http://www.fin.gov.on.ca/en/publications/bulletins/frost_01infexem.html

Contact:
Ontario Ministry of Finance
Phone: 1-800-263-7965
TTY: 1-800-263-7776
**Refund of Federal Excise Tax on Gasoline**

The Federal Excise Tax on Gasoline program refunds a portion of the federal tax on gasoline bought for use by eligible individuals (or organizations providing service to individuals) who suffer from a permanent mobility disability preventing the use of public transportation.

Website:  [http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/goc/gasoline_tax_refund.shtml](http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/goc/gasoline_tax_refund.shtml)

Contact:
Canada Customs and Revenue Agency
London Office
451 Talbot Street
London ON N6A 5E5
Phone: 1-800-959-8281
TTY: 1-800-665-0354
Fax: 519-645-4029

**Refundable Medical Expense Supplement**

The Refundable Medical Expense Supplement (line 452 of a tax return) provides a credit of up to $1074 to those claiming disability support deductions (line 215) and having an income of at least $3135 after eligible deductions.


Contact:
Canada Customs and Revenue Agency
London Office
451 Talbot Street
London ON N6A 5E5
Phone: 1-800-959-8281
TTY: 1-800-665-0354
Fax: 519-645-4029
**Specially Equipped Motor Vehicle GST/HST Rebate Application**

You can apply to claim a motor vehicle rebate if you paid GST/HST in the purchase of a qualified motor vehicle or if you paid GST/HST in a modification service performed on your motor vehicle. Applications (form GST518) are available on the Canada Customs and Revenue Agency website or can be ordered by telephone.


Contact:
Canada Customs and Revenue Agency
London Office
451 Talbot Street
London ON N6A 5E5
Phone: 1-800-959-8281
TTY: 1-800-665-0354
Fax: 519-645-4029

**Working Income Tax - Disability Supplement**

The Working Income Tax Benefit (WITB) is provided as a refundable tax credit. The WITB will be generally available to individuals 19 and older, not attending school full-time. An additional supplement will be provided for low-income working Canadians with disabilities, as these individuals generally face even greater barriers to workforce participation. Employed individuals who are eligible for Disability Tax Credit T2201 will qualify for the disability supplement of the WITB. Benefits from the WITB will start when the earnings of the DTC-eligible individual reach $1,750. The disability supplement will increase with individual earnings up to a maximum of $250 annually.

Website: [http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/bnfts/wtb/fq_qlfynq-eng.html#q3](http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/bnfts/wtb/fq_qlfynq-eng.html#q3)

Contact:
Canada Customs and Revenue Agency
London Office
451 Talbot Street
London ON N6A 5E5
Phone: 1-800-959-8281
TTY: 1-800-665-0354
Fax: 519-645-4029

See also...
Registered Disability Savings Plan

**NOTE:** No one involved in the production of this document is a tax specialist. Please consult the Canada Revenue Agency, a certified professional accountant or other tax specialist before claiming any of these tax benefits.
PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS AND SERVICE CLUBS

Aviva Community Fund
Started in 2009, the Aviva Community Fund allows groups or individuals to propose community initiatives which could qualify for funding. Ideas are sorted by requested funding (up to $25,000, $25,000 - $100,000, and $100,000+) and posted on the website during the annual campaign. The public then vote to support various projects. The 30 most supported ideas in each funding category, after 2 rounds of voting, are then judged by a panel. The highest ranked ideas in each category will share the $1,000,000 Aviva Community Fund. More than one idea per category may be funded.

Website:  http://www.avivacommunityfund.org/

Contact:
The Aviva Community Fund receives comments or questions through their online form at:  http://www.avivacommunityfund.org/contact-us

Easter Seals
Easter Seals provides financial assistance to families of children and young adults with physical disabilities. The Society awards over $2 million in financial assistance each year. The Society acts as a third party funder and as such has no role in prescribing, recommending equipment, selecting a vendor/contractor or in the relationship between the parent and the vendor. The Society provides funding for:

- Accessibility/activities of daily living equipment (ramps, porch lifts, van lifts);
- bath/toilet aids (shower chair, bath chair, grab bars)
- Communication devices (computers for basic communication for children who cannot talk)
- Environmental aids (hospital beds, touch operated controls)
- Mobility aids (wheelchairs, walkers)
- Orthotics (braces, splints)
- Transportation (van tie downs)
- Camps (Easter Seals camping fees, individual recreational experience)
- Other (rental equipment, meals/accommodations if child is admitted to hospital)
- Oversees the Easter Seals Ontario - Incontinence Supplies Grant Program for Children and Youth with Disabilities

Website:  http://www.easterseals.org

Contact:
Easter Seals - London Office
332 Wellington Rd.
London, ON, N6C 4P6
Phone: 519-432-9669 or 1-800-668-6252
Fax: 519-432-7679
**Elks of Canada - The Elks and Royal Purple Fund for Children**

The purpose of the Elks and Royal Purple Fund for Children is to provide financial assistance for any purpose for the good and welfare of a person prior to attaining his/her 19th birthday when sponsored by a Lodge. The fund also assists charitable programs addressing the needs of children with hearing and speech disorders.

Website:  [https://elks-canada.org/](https://elks-canada.org/)

Contact:
Elks of Canada
National Office (Grand Lodge)
#100 - 2629 - 29th Avenue
Regina SK S4S 2N9
Phone: 1-888-843-3557
Fax: 306-565-2860

**Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire (IODE)**

The mission of IODE is to improve the quality of life for children, youth and those in need, through educational, social service and citizenship programs. To make a request for funding contact your local chapter. Your local chapter can be found by visiting the website or by calling the National Office.

Website:  [http://www.iode.ca](http://www.iode.ca)

Contact:
National Chapter
40 Orchard View Blvd.
Toronto, ON M4R 1B9
Phone: 1-866-827-7428
Fax: 416-487-4417
Email: iodecanada@bellnet.ca
**Jennifer Ashleigh Children’s Charity**

The mandate of the Jennifer Ashleigh Children’s Charity is to assist seriously ill children and their families with special treatment needs, medical expenses and financial assistance. The Jennifer Ashleigh Children’s Charity requests that you investigate all other funding options before making a request. The Jennifer Ashleigh Children’s Charity provides assistance in the following areas:

- Emergency financial relief
- Care giving
- Therapies – excluding Hyperbaric Oxygen, ABA, IBI or RDI Therapy
- Educational programs, materials or instruction
- Computers – specially adapted computer hardware and specialized software to augment a child’s communication and learning
- Medical treatment
- Recreation

Please visit the Jennifer Ashleigh Children’s Charity for their full requirements before applying.

Website:  [http://jenniferashleighfoundation.ca](http://jenniferashleighfoundation.ca)

Contact:
Jennifer Ashleigh Children’s Charity  
10800 Concession 5  
Uxbridge, ON, L9P 1R1  
Phone: 905-852-1799  
Fax: 905-852-0124  
Email: generalmail@jenash.org

**Kin Clubs of Canada**

Kinsmen, Kinette, Kin, and Kinsmen clubs are the country’s largest all Canadian service groups made up of active community volunteers. Members work together to serve their communities’ greatest needs by promoting service, fellowship, family values, and national pride. For more information about requesting funding, contact the clubs by phone, email or write to the national headquarters. The national headquarters does not grant funding but they will be able to provide contact information to local clubs that do grant funding.

Website:  [http://www.kincanada.ca](http://www.kincanada.ca)

Contact:
Kin Canada National Office  
1920 Hal Rogers Drive P.O. Box KIN  
Cambridge, ON N3H 5C6  
Phone: 1-800-742-5546 or 519-653-1920  
Fax: 519-650-1091  
Email: kinhq@kinclubs.ca
**Kiwanis Clubs**

Kiwanis International is a thriving organization of service and community-minded individuals who support children and young adults around the world. Service projects address other needs within the community, such as working to stop substance abuse, helping the elderly, promoting literacy, supporting youth sports and recreation, responding to disasters, and supporting specific persons in need. Kiwanis Clubs generally award funding to charitable organizations but have been known to help individuals from time to time. Contact the club in your area to ask about application procedures.

Website: http://www.kiwanis.org

Contact:
Kiwanis Club of Forest City
PO Box 312, Station B
900 King Street
London, ON N6A 4W1
Phone: 519-472-5165

**Knights of Columbus**

The Knights of Columbus has become the largest lay organization in the Catholic Church. The Order continues to break all previous records for charitable contributions and volunteer service. In the past decade, the Knights donated nearly $1 billion to numerous charitable causes and nearly 400 million hours of volunteer service. Requests for funding must be made in writing. Requests should be sent to the Ontario State Council or to your local council. To find the council in your area, contact the Ontario State Council.

Website: http://www.osc-koc.com

Contact:
Ontario State Office, Knights of Columbus
393 Rymal Rd. W., Suite 201
Hamilton, ON, L9B 1V2
Phone: 1-800-759-0959
Fax: 905-388-8738
Email: stateoffice@ontariokofc.ca
**Lions Club**

Since 1917, Lions clubs have offered people the opportunity to give something back to their communities. Lions clubs have always embraced those committed to building a brighter future for their community. Contact the Lions Club in your area to inquire about funding requests. A club locator is provided on their website.

Website: [http://www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org)

Contact:
London Central Lions Club
PO Box 24121, RPO Westown
London, ON N6H 5C4
Phone: 519-679-0606

**Masonic Foundation of Ontario**

The provincial clubs' mandate is to receive, maintain, manage, control and use donations exclusively for charitable purposes within the Province of Ontario. To apply for funding, send a letter of proposal to the Masonic Foundation of Ontario and a selection committee will review the request.

Website: [http://www.masonicfoundation.on.ca/](http://www.masonicfoundation.on.ca/)

Contact:
The Masonic Foundation of Ontario
361 King Street West
Hamilton, ON L8P 1B4
Phone: 905-527-9105
Fax: 905-527-8859
Email: mel_duke@masonicfoundation.on.ca

**Optimist International of Canada**

Optimist Clubs conduct positive service projects aimed at providing a helping hand to youth. Optimists conduct 65,000 service projects each year, serving six million young people. Optimists also spend $78 million on their communities annually. To find the Optimist Club in your area, visit their website and click on the "Visitors" link followed by the "Club Directory" link.

Website: [http://www.optimist.org](http://www.optimist.org)

Contact:
Optimist International of Canada
5205 Metropolitan Blvd. E. Suite 200
Montreal, QC, H1R 1Z7
Phone: 1-800-363-7151
Fax: 514-721-1104
Email: info@oifoundation.org
President's Choice Children's Charity

This charity helps physically and developmentally challenged kids and their families with the financial assistance they need to help pay for expensive equipment, physical therapy and more. Requests for financial assistance require a letter that describes:

- Your child and his or her condition, date of birth, address and phone number
- The family situation
- Funding amount needed (including 2 quotes for the needed equipment)
- How the funding will help
- A letter of diagnosis about the child’s disability
- A letter from a secondary party (e.g. Social Worker, Occupational Therapist)
- Documentation confirming that family income is below $60,000
- Any funds secured or being sought from other sources; or funds that the family is able to contribute

This information should be sent to the charity at the address provided. Please note that the charity currently has a waiting list of about four months. Faxed applications will not be accepted, please only send your application by mail.

Website: [http://www.presidentschoice.ca/childrenscharity](http://www.presidentschoice.ca/childrenscharity)

Contact:
President's Choice Children's Charity
1 President's Choice Circle
Brampton, ON L6Y 5S5
Phone: 1-866-966-9918
Fax: 416-226-8905
Email: pccharity@loblaw.ca

Rotary International

The main objective of Rotary is service — in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world. Rotarians develop community service projects that address many of today’s most critical issues, such as children at risk, poverty and hunger, the environment, illiteracy, and violence. They also support programs for youth, educational opportunities and international exchanges for students, teachers, and other professionals, and vocational and career development. Contact the Rotary Club in your area to inquire about funding requests.

Website: [http://www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

Contact:
Rotary Club of London
785 Wonderland Road South, P.O. Box 29056
London, ON N6K 4L9
Phone: 519-641-1776
Fax: 519-641-6872
**Royal Canadian Legion**

Legions sponsor sports, youth programs, seniors programs, as well as supporting other organizations both financially and by supplying meeting rooms and halls for events. To find the branch in your area, visit their website and use the "Branches" link.

Website: [http://www.on.legion.ca](http://www.on.legion.ca)

Contact:
Royal Canadian Legion  
Ontario Provincial Command  
89 Industrial Parkway North  
Aurora, ON L4G 4C4  
Phone: 905-841-7999  
Fax: 905-841-9992  
Email: info@on.legion.ca

**Tara "Boom" Houston Children's Foundation**

The Tara "Boom" Houston Children's foundation assists families living in Southwestern Ontario that are facing financial difficulties due to a child's life-threatening illness. The child must be 17 years of age or younger. The Foundation will provide financial assistance for:

- Travel expenses for medical treatment
- Accommodation expenses while the child is receiving treatment if the facility is 200 kilometres or farther of the family's home
- Treatment not funded by the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP) or by private insurance held by the family.
- Assistive devices or specialized equipment required as part of the treatment
- Funds to subsidize daily living expenses (mortgage, utilities, groceries) of the primary caregiver(s) should they become unable to work because of caring for their child as a result of their illness

Website: [http://www.tbhcf.com/](http://www.tbhcf.com/)

Contact:
TBHCF  
P.O. Box 20171,  
St. Thomas, ON N5P 4H4  
Phone: 519-631-5359  
Email: info@tbhcf.com
**WISH-GRANTING PROGRAMS**

**A World of Dreams**

This foundation grants dreams to children across Canada under the age of 18 who are terminally, critically or chronically ill. Parents of the child can call, mail or email their request. Contact the foundation for more information.

Website: [http://www.awdreams.com](http://www.awdreams.com)

Contact:
A World of Dreams
6900 boul. Decarie, Suite 3575
Montreal, QC, H3X 2T8
Phone: 1-800-567-7254
Fax: 514-985-9280
Email: info@awdreams.com

**Children’s Wish Foundation of Canada**

The Children’s Wish Foundation of Canada is a federally chartered, non-profit organization dedicated to fulfilling a favourite wish for children afflicted with a high risk, life-threatening illness. Arranging a trip to some far away destination, providing a customized computer for a child with special needs, tracking down a favourite celebrity, or simply finding exactly the right puppy, all are given equal care and consideration. Children are eligible from three years of age and over but under the age of 18 years before the time the request is received. They must be legal residents of Canada and have an illness, which is categorized as a high risk, life-threatening condition. Referrals can be made through a healthcare professional or family; but the wish must be communicated by the parents or legal guardians to the foundation directly. Eligibility is determined by contacting the treating physician for a confirmation of diagnosis. The physician must confirm the child is able to travel. Contact the Ontario Chapter to refer a child. Referrals can also be made on the Children’s Wish Foundation Website. For online referrals information will be forwarded to the local Children’s Wish Foundation of Canada chapter and you will be contacted.

Website: [http://www.childrenswish.ca](http://www.childrenswish.ca)

Contact:
Children’s Wish Foundation of Canada
Ontario Chapter
725 Westney Rd., S., Unit 7
Ajax, ON  L1S 7J7
Phone: 1-800-267-9474
Fax: 905-427-0536
Email: on@childrenswish.ca
Golden Griddle - Grant-A-Wish Program

The primary objective of the Golden Griddle Children's Charities is to grant wishes and financially help terminally ill and children with severe disabilities. Nomination forms are available at all Golden Griddle franchise restaurants or from their website.

Website: http://www.goldengriddlecorp.com/

Contact:
Golden Griddle Children's Charities London Restaurant
505 Consumers Rd. Suite 1000 Golden Griddle
North York, ON, M2J 4V8 1067 Wellington Road South
Phone: 416-493-3800 London, ON
Fax: 416-493-3883 Phone: 519-668-2833
Email: general@goldengriddlecorp.com

Make-a-Wish Foundation

The Make-a-Wish Foundation grants wishes to children ages three to eighteen years of age with a life threatening medical condition. There is no financial eligibility requirement for wish requests to be made. Referrals are accepted from family, friends, medical professionals, teachers and social workers.

Website: http://www.makeawish.ca/

Contact:
Make-A-Wish Canada
Phone: 1-888-822-9474
Email: nationaloffice@makeawish.ca
Email (for referrals): wishreferrals@makeawish.ca

Make-A-Wish Foundation of South-western Ontario
307 Commissioners Road West,
London, ON, N6J 1Y4
Phone: 519-471-4900
Fax: 519-471-4933
Email: swontariochapter@makeawish.ca
**Starlight Children's Foundation Canada**

Starlight Children's Foundation is an international non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for seriously ill children and their families. Working with more than 1000 hospitals, the Foundation provides both in-hospital and outpatient programs and services. The foundation addresses the needs of seriously ill children and their families through six core programs, some directed specifically to the hospital environment, others designed to support a child's eventual return to home and daily routine. Understanding that when a child is sick the whole family suffers, their programs always incorporate the entire family. For more information call or email the foundation.

Website: [http://www.starlightcanada.org](http://www.starlightcanada.org)

Contact:
Starlight Children's Foundation
Ontario Chapter – c/o Wish Program Coordinator
2770 14th Ave., Suite 100
Markham, ON, L3R 0J1
Phone: 1-800-880-1004
Fax: 905-752-7828
Email: info@starlightcanada.org

**Sunshine Foundation of Canada**

The Sunshine Foundation can fulfill individual dreams all year round for children living in Canada. To bring a dream to a child, the national office staff and volunteers must review a formal request. There are four criteria for eligibility. The child must:

- Be 3-19 years of age (not yet turned 20) and have at least the cognitive ability of a three year-old
- Have a severe physical disability or a life-threatening illness
- Be able to formulate his or her dream (this must be the dream of the child) and communicate the dream with or without technical assistance
- Have not already received a dream or wish from a similar organization (however may have participated on a Sunshine Dreamlift)

To refer a child, visit the foundation’s website, email or call the toll-free number.

Website: [http://www.sunshine.ca](http://www.sunshine.ca)

Contact:
Sunshine Foundation
495 Richmond St., Suite 400
London, ON, N6A 5A9
Phone: 1-800-461-7935 or 519-642-0990
Fax: 1-800-461-7475 or 519-642-1201
Email: info@sunshine.ca
EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL (including internships)

**Note:** Application deadlines, scholarship/bursary availability and values may vary annually. For current information please visit the website.

**1800wheelchair.ca scholarship**

1800Wheelchair.ca sponsor an annual scholarship available to Canadian citizens (or those holding a valid student visa) 16 years of age or older who are currently enrolled at an accredited high school, college or university in Canada. There is no requirement for physical disability to qualify, although applicants are expected to demonstrate an understanding of disability issues through a written essay.

Value: $500

Application Deadline: June 30

Website: [http://www.1800wheelchair.ca/scholarship/](http://www.1800wheelchair.ca/scholarship/)

Contact:
1800Wheelchair.ca Scholarship
PO Box 275 Succ. Snowdon
Montreal, QC H3X 3T4

**Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf Scholarship Awards**

The Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf Scholarship is available to students with bilateral hearing loss in the moderate to profound range currently enrolled full-time at an accredited post-secondary institution. Spoken language must be the applicant's primary method of communication. The applicant's hearing loss must have been diagnosed before their fourth birthday. Although this is an American scholarship it is open to Canadians provided they meet the application requirements.

Value: varies; $1000 to $10000 USD

Application Deadline: March (exact date varies annually)


Contact:
College Scholarship Program
AG Bell
3417 Volta Place, NW
Washington, DC 20007
Alliance for Equality of Blind Canadians - Scholarship Program
The Alliance for Equality of Blind Canadians offers two scholarships, The Alan H. Neville Memorial Scholarship and The AEBC Rick Oakes Memorial Scholarship, to blind, Deafblind and partially sighted post-secondary students. Students at undergraduate, graduate (including doctoral levels as well as those in training programs), educational upgrading, and enrolled in the performing arts are encouraged to apply. Applicant are automatically considered for both scholarships and do not need to submit separate applications.

Value: $1000 each
Application Deadline: November 1
Website: http://www.blindcanadians.ca/
Contact:
The Alliance for Equality of Blind Canadians
P.O. Box 20262
RPO Town Centre
Kelowna, BC V1Y 9H2
Phone: 1-800-561-4774
Email: scholarship@blindcanadians.ca

Association for Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired - William and Dorothy Ferrell Scholarship
The Association for Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired (AER) provides scholarships named in honour of William and Dorothy Ferrell, who have been long-time supporters of the association, available to students who are legally blind and are studying for a career in the field of services to the blind or visually impaired. 2 awards are given biannually in even years

Value: $750
Application Deadline: February 15
Website: http://www.aerbvi.org/modules.php?file=article&name=News&sid=506
Contact:
The William & Dorothy Ferrell Scholarship,
AERBVI, 1703 North Beauregard Street, Suite 440,
Alexandria, VA  22311-1717
Phone: 1-877-492-2708
Fax: 703-671-6391
Email: scholarships@aerbvi.org
**AUCC - Mattinson Endowment Fund Scholarship for Disabled Students**

Scholarships are available annually to students with a permanent disability wishing to attend university or to enrol in college academic courses towards full-time studies of a first undergraduate degree. May be renewed upon re-application. Any Canadian degree-granting institution is eligible or community college where the applicant is following a degree program under the college-university transfer system. Candidates must have a minimum average of 75%.

Value: $2,500

Application Deadline: June 1

Website: [http://www.aucc.ca/programs/index_e.html](http://www.aucc.ca/programs/index_e.html)

Contact:
Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC)
Canadian Awards Program,
350 Albert Street, Suite 600
Ottawa, ON, K1R 1B1.
Phone: 613-563-1236
Fax: 613-563-9745
Email: awards@aucc.ca

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**AUCC - Scholarship Program for Students with Disabilities**

The objective of this scholarship program is to encourage Canadian students with disabilities interested in obtaining a first university degree, to pursue university studies.

Value: $5000

Application Deadline: June 1

Website: [http://www.aucc.ca](http://www.aucc.ca)

Contact:
Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC)
Higher Education Scholarships, Program Development Branch,
350 Albert Street, Suite 600
Ottawa, ON K1R 1B1
Phone: 613-563-1236
Fax: 613-563-9745
Email: awards@aucc.ca
**Barney Danson Bursary**

The Barney Danson Bursary will be awarded to a Canadian citizen (or have landed immigrant status for one year or longer) with vision loss for the purpose of attending a Canadian post-secondary institution. The recipient will be determined by the CNIB Scholarship Selection Committee in accordance with its application procedures, with preference given to a student with financial need.

Value: $5000

Application Deadline: April 30


Contact:
Barney Danson Bursary
1929 Bayview Avenue
Toronto, Ontario M4G 3E8
Phone: 416-486-2500 x7622 (Shampa Bose, Research coordinator)
Fax: 416-480-7000
Email: shampa.bose@cnib.ca

**Bloorview School Authority - Maurice Izzard Memorial Award**

To commemorate the dedication of Maurice Izzard, principal at Bloorview MacMillan Centre for eighteen years, his family and friends have established an annual award. This award will benefit a newly graduated student with a physical disability, who plans to pursue post secondary education at university, college or any other centre of post secondary education.

Value: $1,000

Application Deadline: May 28

Website: [http://www.bloorviewschool.ca/scholarships/](http://www.bloorviewschool.ca/scholarships/)

Contact:
Bloorview School Authority
c/o Saryl Jacobson
150 Kilgour Road
Toronto, ON, M4G 1R8
Phone: 416-424-3831
Fax: 416-425-2981
Email: school@bloorview.ca
[www.bloorviewschool.ca](http://www.bloorviewschool.ca)
**Bloorview Shool Authority - "Whipper" Billy Watson Education Bursary**

This bursary was founded by employees of the former Canadian Airlines International. It is awarded to a full-time first year student with a physical disability which severely limits their physical activity. The applicant must be enrolled in an Ontario College of Applied Arts & Technology.

Value: $2,000

Application Deadline: the last Friday in April

Website: [http://www.bloorviewschool.ca/scholarships/watson.php](http://www.bloorviewschool.ca/scholarships/watson.php)

Contact:
Principal/Director
Bloorview School Authority
150 Kilgour Road
Toronto, ON, M4G 1R8
Phone: 416-424-3831
Fax: 416-425-2981
Email: school@bloorview.ca
[www.bloorviewschool.ca](http://www.bloorviewschool.ca)

**BMO Capital Markets Lime Connect - Equity Through Education Scholarship for Students with Disabilities**

The BMO Financial Group/Lime Connect Equity Through Education Scholarship for Students with Disabilities is a program designed to attract talented students enrolled full-time in post-secondary education with an interest in pursuing a career in the financial services industry. Applications are accepted from current sophomore/second year or graduate student at a four-year university in the United States or Canada.

Value: $5000

Application Deadline: May 15


Contact:
BMO Financial Group/Lime Equity Through Education Scholarship Program
c/o Lime Connect Canada
2 Bloor Street West Suite 700
Toronto ON M4W 3R1
Phone: 212-521-4469
Email: info@limeconnect.com
**BMO Financial Group Lime Connect Canada - Scholarship & Internship Program for Students with Disabilities**

The BMO Financial Group/Lime Connect Canada Scholarship and Internship Program for Students with Disabilities is a program designed to attract talented students with disabilities, enrolled full-time in post-secondary education with an interest in pursuing a career in the financial services industry. Successful applicants will receive a scholarship, compete for a paid summer internship and ultimately land a job at graduation as a Financial Services Manager in BMO Financial Group's Personal and Commercial Banking Group. Comprehensive training, coaching and mentoring will all be provided to set you on the path for success.

Value: $2,500 + possible paid internship

Application Deadline: January 31


Contact:
BMO Financial Group/Lime Scholarship and Internship Program
c/o Lime Connect Canada
2 Bloor Street West Suite 700
Toronto ON M4W 3R1
Phone: 212-521-4469
Email: info@limeconnect.com

**Brain Injury Association of Canada – Bursary Program**

BIAC a bursary program is open to acquired brain injury survivors in Canada to pursue full-time educational opportunities in an English or French post secondary institution in a recognized program leading to an undergraduate degree, certificate or diploma or recognized apprenticeship/trades programs.

Value: $2000

Application Deadline: April 30


Contact:
Brain Injury Association of Canada
440 Laurier Ave. West, Suite 200,
Ottawa, Ontario, K1R 7X6
Phone: 1-866-977-2492
Fax: 613-782-2228
Twitter: [Twitter.com/biacaclc](http://Twitter.com/biacaclc)
Email: info@biac-aclc.ca
**Canada Pension Plan Disability Vocational Rehabilitation Program**

The Canada Pension Plan Disability Vocational Rehabilitation Program offers vocational counselling, financial support for training, and job search services to recipients of Canada Pension Plan (CPP) disability benefits to help them return to work.

Website:  

Contact:  
Service Canada  
Canada Enquiry Centre  
Ottawa ON K1A 0J9  
Phone:  1-800-277-9914  
TTY:  1-800-255-4786  
Fax:  1-613-941-1827

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**Canadian Braille Authority - The Edie Mourre Transcriber’s Scholarship**

The Canadian Braille Authority has established a scholarship in memory of Edie Mourre, a dedicated Braille transcriber and advocate for access to Braille. The scholarship is available to an individual who meets either of the following criteria:

- Registered to learn English Braille, Nemeth Code, Music Braille, Computer Braille or other Braille systems.
- Registered to participate in a professional development pursuit directly relevant to the transcription of Braille.

Value:  $1000

Application Deadline:  April 1

Website:  http://www.cnib.ca/en/about/awards/scholarships/edie-mourre/

Contact:  
The Canadian Braille Authority  
The Edie Mourre Transcriber’s Scholarship  
C/O Joy Charlton  
1929 Bayview Ave.  
Toronto Ontario, M4G 3E8  
Website:  http://www.canadianbrailleauthority.ca/
Canadian Council on Rehabilitation and Work (CCRW) – Youth Scholarship Program for Students with Permanent Disabilities

CCRW Youth Scholarship Program for Students with Disabilities assists full-time students with disabilities in their pursuit for post-secondary education and training. Applicants must be a high school student entering the first year of studies in a Canadian post-secondary institution at the undergraduate level. Applications are evaluated on community involvement, extra-curricular activities, approach to overcoming barriers, academic performance and educational goals and direction.

Value: $2500

Application Deadline: April 15

Website: www.ccrw.org

Contact:
The Canadian Council on Rehabilitation and Work
One Yonge Street, Suite 1202
Toronto, ON M5E 1E5
Phone: 1-800-664-0925
TTY: 416-260-9223
Fax: 416-260-3093
E mail: info@ccrw.org

Canadian Hard of Hearing Association – Scholarship Program

The purpose of the CHHA Scholarship Program is to offer financial assistance and recognition to hard of hearing and deafened students registered in a full time program at a recognized college or university, in any area of study, with the ultimate goal of obtaining a diploma or degree. Applications will be judged by a number of criteria including academic achievement, determination to cope with hearing loss, and community involvement.

Value: $1,000

Application Deadline: February 1

Website: http://www.chha.ca/chha/scholarships-index.php

Contact:
Canadian Hard of Hearing Association Scholarship Program
2415 Holly Lane, Suite 205
Ottawa, ON K1V 7P2
Phone: 1-800-263-8068
Fax: 613-526-4718
TTY: 613-526-2692
Email: scholarship@chha.ca
**Canadian Hemophilia Society (CHS) – James Kreppner Memorial Scholarship**

The James Kreppner Memorial recognizes that a sound education is of utmost importance (particularly for those who might not be able to succeed in a vocation requiring strenuous physical labour). As scholarships are awarded for academic merit and are generally recognized as such in both the academic and business communities, the successful applicant for the Canadian Hemophilia Society scholarship must demonstrate superior academic achievement; an average of at least 80%, or a GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, upon graduation from secondary school.

Value: $4000

**Application Deadline:** April 30

**Website:** [http://www.hemophilia.ca/en](http://www.hemophilia.ca/en)

**Contact:**
Canadian Hemophilia Society
Scholarship and Bursary Program
400-1255, University Street
Montreal, Quebec H3B 3B6
Phone: 1-800-668-2686
Email: chs@hemophilia.ca

**Canadian Hemophilia Society (CHS) – Bursary Program**

Recognizing that not all prospective students show outstanding academic achievement in secondary school, and acknowledging the fact that some students find it extremely difficult to afford a post-secondary education, the Canadian Hemophilia Society offers a non-academic bursary to those who demonstrate financial need.

Value: $4000

**Application Deadline:** April 30

**Website:** [http://www.hemophilia.ca/en](http://www.hemophilia.ca/en)

**Contact:**
Canadian Hemophilia Society
Scholarship and Bursary Program
400-1255, University Street
Montreal, Quebec H3B 3B6
Phone: 1-800-668-2686
Email: chs@hemophilia.ca
**Canadian Hemophilia Society (CHS) – Mature Student Bursary Program**

The purpose of the Mature Student Bursary program stems from recent changes in economic realities that have made many Canadians seriously look at new careers. Many persons with hemophilia or their spouses have had to leave their field of employment because of illness caused by either HIV, Hepatitis C (HCV), or the stress simply associated with living in a home that has been affected by the trauma of disease. But these changes often mean that further education is desirable or essential. With that in mind, the CHS has established a mature student bursary for those students, 30 years of age or older, returning to or beginning a course of studies at any post-secondary institution demonstrating a financial need.

**Value:** $4000

**Application Deadline:** April 30

**Website:** [http://www.hemophilia.ca/en](http://www.hemophilia.ca/en)

**Contact:**
Canadian Hemophilia Society Scholarship and Bursary Program
400-1255, University Street
Montreal, Quebec H3B 3B6
Phone: 1-800-668-2686
Email: chs@hemophilia.ca

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**Canadian Paraplegic Association – Copnick/Hilliard Scholarship**

The Copnick/Hilliard Scholarship goes to a student with a physical disability enrolled at the post-secondary level in Canada. The Copnick/Hilliard Scholarship is granted annually in memory of the late Morton Copnick and Craig Hilliard through a fund endowed by members of their families. The purpose of this scholarship is to assist students with a Spinal Cord Injury to advance their post secondary education.

**Value:** $500

**Application Deadline:** August 15


**Contact:**
Canadian Paraplegic Association
1101 Prince of Wales Drive, Suite 230
Ottawa, ON K2C 3W7
Phone: 613-723-1033
Email: info@canparaplegic.org
**Canadian Wheelchair Sports Association - Ada Mackenzie Memorial Foundation Scholarship**

The Ada Mackenzie Memorial Foundation (AMMF) was set up in memory of Miss Ada Mackenzie, who was one of Canada’s premier female amateur athletes who passed away in 1971. The aim of the Foundation is to provide financial assistance to athletes with a disability. Funds are available to wheelchair athletes attending an educational institution to assist them in their competitive endeavours. The applicant must be a member in good standing with the CWSA.

Value: Varies

Application Deadline: November 2

Website: [http://www.cwsa.ca/files/ada-mac-2009-e.pdf](http://www.cwsa.ca/files/ada-mac-2009-e.pdf)

Contact:
Canadian Wheelchair Sport Association
2255 St. Laurent Blvd., Suite 108
Ottawa, ON, K1G 4K3
Phone: 613-523-0004
Email: dlane@cwsa.ca

**Candlelighters Childhood Cancer Support Program (CCCSP) - Ottawa Senators Alumni Bursary**

Many families face a huge financial burden when dealing with childhood cancers as often one parent stops working to spend time with and care for their child. Having a part time job to save money for post secondary education is often not an option for a teen dealing with cancer either. CCCSP Inc. is dedicated to making education accessible. Part of that commitment includes the Ottawa Senators Alumni Bursary, that will ease the financial requirements of post-secondary education. Applicants must be 17 to 24 years of age and must have been treated for some form of childhood cancer, or still be on treatment. Your family is a member family of CCCSP Inc.

Value: $1,000

Application Deadline: March 31

Website: www.candlelighters.net

Contact:
Candlelighters Childhood Cancer Support Programs Inc.
311 Richmond Road, Suite 201
Ottawa, ON, K1Z 6X3
Phone: 613-715-9157
Fax: 613-715-9158
Email: information@candlelighters.net
**CanLearn - Assistance Plan for Borrowers with Permanent Disabilities (RAP-PD)**

Students with permanent disabilities who are having difficulty paying back their student loans are eligible for the Repayment Assistance Plan for Borrowers with Permanent Disabilities. RAP-PD makes debt repayment easier for students with permanent disabilities by allowing them to pay back what they can reasonable afford. Under RAP-PD: loan payments are based on family income, family size and disability related expenses; loan payments can not exceed 20% of their income (on loans covered by RAP-PD); and no student with a permanent disability should have a repayment period longer than 10 years.

Website: [http://www.canlearn.ca/](http://www.canlearn.ca/)

Contact:
CanLearn  
National Student Loans Service Centre  
Phone: 1-888-815-4514  
TTY: 1-888-815-4556  
P.O. Box 4030  
Mississauga, ON, L5A 4M4  
Email: info@canlearn.ca

**Centennial Flame Research Award for Persons with Disabilities**

This monetary award is offered each year to a person with a disability to enable him or her to conduct research and prepare a report on the contributions of one or more Canadians with disabilities to the public life of Canada or the activities of Parliament. The applicant must submit an outline in any medium of his or her proposed research project dealing with the contributions of a Canadian or Canadians with disabilities to public life in Canada or the activities of Parliament. The outline must explain the significance of these contributions and describe how the research will be undertaken.

Value: varies annually ($5500 for 2011)

Application Deadline: May 29

Website: [http://www.parl.gc.ca](http://www.parl.gc.ca)

Contact:
Centennial Flame Research Award For Persons With Disabilities  
Standing Committee on Human Resources Development and the Status of Persons With Disabilities  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6  
Phone: 613-996-1542  
TTY: 613-943-8399  
Fax: 613-996-1962
**Centre for Addiction and Mental Health - Client Learning Fund**

Clients who are receiving mental health or addiction services at CAMH may be eligible for funds for educational and training courses, textbooks and supplies, or starting their own business.

Website: [http://www.camh.net/index.html](http://www.camh.net/index.html)

Contact:
Centre for Addiction and Mental Health  
1001 Queen Street West  
Toronto, ON M6J 1H4  
Phone: 416-535-8501  
Email: info@camh.net

Local Contact:  
CAMH - London  
Phone: 1-888-495-2261

**CNIB - Martha Guest Memorial Bursary**

This Bursary will financially assist students with vision loss to continue their post-secondary education and/or support adult learners pursuing upgrading towards higher education. Recipients are selected by the CNIB Student Award Committee in consultation with the Guest Family.

Value: $500

Application Deadline: October 30

Website: [http://www.cnib.ca/en/](http://www.cnib.ca/en/)

Contact:
Student Award Committee  
CNIB Vancouver Centre  
100-5055 Joyce Street  
Vancouver, BC V5R 6B2  
Phone: 604-431-2121
**CNIB – Ross C. Purse Doctoral Fellowship**

The Ross C. Purse Doctoral Fellowship encourages and supports theoretical and practical research and studies at the postgraduate or doctoral level, in the field of vision loss in Canada. The fellowship is awarded for research in the social sciences, engineering, or other fields of study that are immediately relevant to the field of vision loss. Applications will be considered from persons studying at a Canadian university or college, or at a foreign university where a commitment to work in the field of vision loss in Canada for at least two years can be demonstrated. Preference will be given to graduates of a Canadian university or college. On the completion of the program, one copy of the thesis must be forwarded to the Secretariat's administrative secretary, to be kept in the CNIB Sherman Swift Reference Collection.

Value: up to $12,500

Application Deadline: April 2

Website: [http://www.cnib.ca/en/research/funding/ross-purse/](http://www.cnib.ca/en/research/funding/ross-purse/)

Contact:
CNIB
Grants, Awards & Scholarship Program
1929 Bayview Avenue
Toronto, ON M4G 3E8
Phone: 416-486-2500 x7622 (Shampa Bose, Research Coordinator)
Fax: 416-480-7000
Email: shampa.bose@cnib.ca

**Community Living Ontario - Anne Stafford Light Up The Future Bursary**

Community Living Ontario offers the Anne Stafford 'Light Up The Future' bursary to applicants 18 years of age or older with an intellectual disability to pursue a personal development opportunity, including formal education or a personal interest course.

Value: $1000

Application Deadline: February 28

Website: [http://www.communitylivingontario.ca/about-us/awards](http://www.communitylivingontario.ca/about-us/awards)

Contact:
Anne Stafford “Light Up the Future” Bursary
Community Living Ontario
240 Duncan Mill Road, Suite 403
Toronto ON M3B 3S6
Email: awards@communitylivingontario.ca
**Diabetes Hope Foundation - Scholarship Program**

The Diabetes Hope Foundation Scholarship is available to applicants with diabetes pursuing post-secondary education. Applicants are selected based on a number of factors including academic achievement, extra-curricular involvement and personal essay. Multiple year scholarships may be available.

Value: varies

Application Deadline: varies; mid-March

Website: [http://diabeteshopefoundation.com/content/scholarship-program](http://diabeteshopefoundation.com/content/scholarship-program)

Contact:
Diabetes Hope Foundation  
6150 Dixie Road, Unit #1,  
Mississauga ON L5T 2E2  
Phone: 905-670-0557  
Fax: 905-565-7296

**Epilepsy Ontario - OBCL Epilepsy Scholarship Awards**

The OBCL Epilepsy Scholarship is awarded to 16 to 29 year-old students with epilepsy based on an application that includes an essay on how epilepsy impacted their lives.

Value: $1,000

Application Deadline: May 31

Website: [www.epilepsyontario.org](http://www.epilepsyontario.org)

Contact:
Epilepsy Ontario  
1 Promenade Circle, Suite 308  
Thornhill, ON, L4J 4P8  
Phone: 1-800-463-1119  
Fax: 905-764-1231  
Email: info@epilepsyontario.org
**F.J.L. Woodcock/Sir Arthur Pearson Association of Warblinded Scholarship Foundation**

At the 1989 Reunion of the Sir Arthur Pearson Association of War Blinded, members voted to establish a permanent foundation. Through this foundation scholarships will continue to be provided to blind students in perpetuity. Students who have not more than 20/70 vision after corrections, and who are continuing either their vocational or academic education are eligible for a F.J.L. Woodcock/Sir Arthur Pearson Association of War Blinded Scholarship.

Value: Varies annually

Application Deadline: April 30

Website: [http://www.cnib.ca/en/about/awards/scholarships/](http://www.cnib.ca/en/about/awards/scholarships/)

Contact:
CNIB
Attn: Shampa Bose, Selection Committee
F.J.L. Woodcock/Sir Arthur Pearson Association of War Blinded Scholarship Foundation
1929 Bayview Avenue
Toronto, Ontario M4G 3E8
Phone: 416-486-2500 x7622
Fax: 416-480-7000
Email: shampa.bose@cnib.ca

**Google Lime - Scholarship for Students with Disabilities**

The Google Lime Scholarship for Students with Disabilities is open to applicants with a visible or non-visible disability entering their third or fourth year of a computer science or engineering (or closely related field). Selected students will also be invited to attend the annual Google Scholars' Retreat at the Googleplex in Mountain View, California.

Value: $5000

Application Deadline: May 15

Website: [www.limeconnect.com/opportunities/page/google-lime-scholarship-program](http://www.limeconnect.com/opportunities/page/google-lime-scholarship-program)

Contact:
Google Lime Scholarship for Students with Disabilities
c/o Lime Connect Canada
2 Bloor Street West Suite 700
Toronto ON M4W 3R1
Phone: 212-521-4469
Email: info@limeconnect.com
IBM Lime Connect Canada - Scholarship & Internship Program for Students with Disabilities

The IBM Lime Connect Canada Scholarship and Internship for Students with Disabilities is open to applicants with a visible or non-visible disability entering their fourth year of a computer science, software engineering or information technology related field. Successful applicants will also complete a paid summer internship.

Value: $5000 + paid internship

Application Deadline: varies; mid-November

Website: http://www.limeconnect.com/opportunities/page/ibm-lime-connect-canada-scholarship-internship-program

Contact:
IBM Lime Connect Canada Scholarship & Internship for Students with Disabilities
c/o Lime Connect Canada
2 Bloor Street West Suite 700
Toronto ON M4W 3R1
Phone: 212-521-4469
Email: info@limeconnect.com

INFUSION Canada - Bursary Program

INFUSION Canada offers a bursary to childhood cancer patients or survivors demonstrating financial need registered in an accredited Canadian college or university.

Value: $2000

Application Deadline: March 1

Website: http://www.infusioncanada.org/programs/bursary.html

Contact:
INFUSION Canada
Bursary Program
P.O. Box 21022
1051 Wonderland Rd South
London, ON N6K 0C7
Email: bursaries@infusioncanada.org
**Joubin/Selig Scholarship Fund**

The Joubin/Selig Scholarship fund is available to undergraduate students with a mobility disability enrolled in colleges and universities in Ontario. The fund is managed by the Toronto Community Foundation. No formal website exist currently for this scholarship. Check with your school's financial aid office or use an online search engine for current information.

Value: up to $5000

Application Deadline: varies; early spring

Contact:
Joubin/Selig Scholarship
Toronto Community Foundation
33 Bloor Street East, Suite 1603
Toronto, Ontario M4W 3H1
Fax: 416-921-1026

**Justin Eves Foundation - Minds in Motion Award**

The primary goal of the Justin Eves Foundation is to assist post secondary students with their education through scholarships. Students may apply for assistance for up to two years of their course of study. Applications are available on the website. Call or email the foundation for more information.

Value: $3000

Application Deadline: April

Website: [http://www.justinevesfoundation.com](http://www.justinevesfoundation.com)

Contact:
199 Bay St., Suite 2901
Commerce Court West P.O. Box 322
Toronto, ON M5L 1G1
Phone: 416-586-0085
Fax: 416-586-0050
Email: info@justinevesfoundation.com
**LDAC - Carol Thomson Memorial Fund Scholarship**

Carol Thomson Memorial Fund Scholarship encourages students with learning disabilities to pursue a program of study at a Canadian public college, private college or undergraduate university program. Candidates must be diagnosed with a documented learning disability as their primary disability. LDAC does not recognize ADHD as a learning disability.

Note: This scholarship was suspended for 2011 - check website for future availability

Value: $1000

Application Deadline: May 15

Website: [http://www.ldac-acta.ca](http://www.ldac-acta.ca)

Contact:
Learning Disabilities Association of Canada (LDAC)
250 City Centre, # 616
Ottawa, ON K1R 6K7
Phone: 1-877-238-5332
Fax: 613-235-5391
Email: info@ldac-acta.ca

**LDAC - Donald Cummings Apprenticeship and Industry Training Scholarship for Students with Learning Disabilities**

The Donald Cummings Apprenticeship and Industry Training Scholarship for Students with Learning Disabilities encourages Canadians with learning disabilities to pursue an apprenticeship or occupational training programs for a career in the trades area. This scholarship is designed to recognize trainees with a learning disability in a trade, or in a designated occupation. Candidates must be diagnosed with a documented learning disability as their primary disability. LDAC does not recognize ADHD as a learning disability.

Value: $500

Application Deadline: May 15

Website: [http://www.ldac-acta.ca](http://www.ldac-acta.ca)

Contact:
Learning Disabilities Association of Canada (LDAC)
250 City Centre, # 616
Ottawa, ON K1R 6K7
Phone: 1-877-238-5332
Fax: 613-235-5391
Email: info@ldac-acta.ca
**LDAC - Joanna Townsend Applied Arts Scholarship**
Awarded to a student with learning disabilities who demonstrates an interest in pursuing a Canadian education and/or career in any of the various applied arts programs including the performance of music (instrumental or vocal), drama, dance and the creativity of visual art such as fine art (sculpture, painting), illustrations, including animation, film and graphic design. Candidates must be diagnosed with a documented learning disability as their primary disability. LDAC does not recognize ADHD as a learning disability.

Value: $1000

Application Deadline: May 15

Website: [http://www.ldac-acta.ca](http://www.ldac-acta.ca)

Contact:
Learning Disabilities Association of Canada (LDAC)
250 City Centre, # 616
Ottawa, ON K1R 6K7
Phone: 1-877-238-5332
Fax: 613-235-5391
Email: info@ldac-acta.ca

**LDAO - Gloria Landis Memorial Bursary**
The Gloria Landis Memorial Bursary has been established by the Learning Disabilities Association of Ontario (LDAO) in memory of Gloria Landis "for her significant and sustaining contribution to and achievements within LDAO on behalf of individuals with learning disabilities." This bursary is open to mature students (over 25 years of age) with a documented learning disability who are entering their first year of a program.

Value: $1000

Application Deadline: June 15

Website:

Contact:
Learning Disabilities Association of Ontario
365 Bloor Street East,
Suite 1004, Box 39,
Toronto, ON, M4W 3L4
Phone: 1-877-238-5322
Fax: 416-929-3905
Email: library@ldao.on.ca
[http://www.ldao.on.ca](http://www.ldao.on.ca)
**LDAO - Roy Cooper Scholarship**
The Learning Disabilities Association of Ontario (LDAO) offers an annual scholarship award in the name of a long serving LDAO Board Member, Roy Cooper. Mr. Cooper spent his working life in the engineering/physical sciences field and, as a parent of an adult with learning disabilities, has spent over 30 years volunteering at the local, provincial and national levels of the Learning Disabilities Association. He will take an active role in the awarding process. Recipient must be a high school student who has a documented Learning Disability and will be attending a University or College, majoring in an engineering and/or physical sciences discipline. To apply for the Roy Cooper Scholarship, please contact any of the LDAO's local chapters.

Value: $1000

Application Deadline: May/June (varies annually)

Website: [http://www.ldao.ca/aboutLDAO/aboutLDAO.php#contact](http://www.ldao.ca/aboutLDAO/aboutLDAO.php#contact)

Contact:
Learning Disabilities Association of Ontario
365 Bloor Street East, Suite 1004, Box 39, Toronto, ON, M4W 3L4
Phone: 1-877-238-5322
Fax: 416-929-3905
Email: library@ldao.on.ca
Website: [http://www.ldao.on.ca](http://www.ldao.on.ca)

LDA London Region
Phone: 519-438-6213
Email: ldainfo@ldalondon.ca
Website: [www.ldalondon.ca](http://www.ldalondon.ca)

**Lilly-MDAO Moving Lives Forward Scholarship**
The Mood Disorders Association of Ontario is proud to partner with Eli Lilly Canada to provide the Lilly-MDAO Moving Lives Forward Scholarship. Awarded to a student diagnosed with a mood disorder (a major depressive disorder to bipolar disorder, who is currently receiving medical treatment).

Value: $2,000

Application Deadline: April 24

Website: [http://www.mooddisorders.on.ca](http://www.mooddisorders.on.ca)

Contact:
Mood Disorders Association of Ontario
36 Eglinton Ave. West, Suite 602
Toronto, ON M4R 1A1
Phone: 1-888-486-8236
Fax: 416-486-8127

Website: [http://www.mooddisorders.on.ca](http://www.mooddisorders.on.ca)
**Microsoft Scholarship Program**

A Microsoft scholarship provides an advantage so you can pursue studies in computer science and related technical disciplines. It all adds up to achieving your primary goal's to make a real difference in the software industry. Selection is based upon: eligibility; quality of application; displayed interest in the software industry, financial need and commitment to leadership. Applicants must be a student with a disability, enrolled full time in a Bachelor's degree program in computer science, computer engineering, or a related technical discipline such as electrical engineering, math, or physics at a 4-year college or university.

Value: varies, up to full tuition

Application Deadline: varies; Mid-March


Contact:
Microsoft Corporation
One Microsoft Way
Redmond, WA 98052-8303
Email: scholars@microsoft.com

**MTCU - Aird Grant**

This scholarship is intended to help students with physical disabilities to study full time at a recognized Ontario postsecondary institution. It is hoped that the award will encourage a special talent of lifelong interest. The scholarship is granted each year to two applicants who demonstrate outstanding scholastic achievement, motivation, and initiative. Each successful applicant receives $2,500. The application is available at the website provided.

Value: $2500

Application Deadline: April 30


Contact:
Aird Scholarship Selection Committee
Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities
Student Support Branch
P.O. Box 4500, 189 Red River Road, 4th Floor
Thunder Bay, ON P7B 6G9
Phone: 1-800-465-3957
Fax: 807-343-4248
**MTCU - Bursary for Students with Disabilities (BSWD)**
The Bursary for Students with Disabilities provides financial assistance to full and part-time students to help with the additional costs of attending postsecondary education, incurred because of a disability. This bursary is available to full or part-time students with a permanent disability who are eligible for either a Canada-Ontario Student loan or a Part-Time Canada Student Loan. Applicants must have additional education-related expenses that result from your disability and are not covered by another agency. An application form is available on the website.

Value: up to $2000

Application Deadline: variable, depending on length of study

Website: [http://osap.gov.on.ca](http://osap.gov.on.ca)

Contact:
Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities
Student Support Branch
P.O. Box 4500, 189 Red River Road, 4th Floor
Thunder Bay, ON P7B 6G9
Phone: 1-800-465-3957
Fax: 807-343-4248

**MTCU - Bursary for Students with Disabilities Attending Out-of-Country Postsecondary Institutions**
This bursary is available to Deaf, deafened and Hard-of-Hearing students attending post-secondary education out-of-country where the language of instruction is American Sign Language (ASL) or Langues de Signes Québécoises (LSQ).

Value: varies

Application Deadline: variable, depending on length of study

Website: [http://osap.gov.on.ca](http://osap.gov.on.ca)

Contact:
Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities
Student Support Branch
P.O. Box 4500, 189 Red River Road, 4th Floor
Thunder Bay, ON P7B 6G9
Phone: 1-800-465-3957
Fax: 807-343-4248
**MTCU - Canada Study Grant for High-Need, Part-Time Students**

This program makes grants available to eligible postsecondary students with a permanent disabilities taking part-time studies (20-39% of a full course load). Application forms are available from the financial aid offices at Ontario universities and colleges of applied arts and technology or the Student Support Branch, Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities. Applications must be received by December 31 of the student’s current academic year.

Value: unspecified

Application Deadline: December 31

Website: [http://osap.gov.on.ca/](http://osap.gov.on.ca/)

Contact:
Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities
Student Support Branch
P.O. Box 4500, 189 Red River Road, 4th Floor
Thunder Bay, ON P7B 6G9
Phone: 1-800-465-3957
Fax: 807-343-4248

**MTCU - Canada Study Grant for High-Need Students with Permanent Disabilities**

High-need, full-time students with permanent disabilities may be eligible to receive up to $2,000 per loan year to help meet education (e.g., tuition, books and supplies) and living costs. To apply for a loan, you must fill out an OSAP Application for Full-Time Students. Applications are available online or from the financial aid office of the post-secondary institution you plan to attend. Applications must be received by December 31 of the student’s current academic year.

Value: up to $2000

Application Deadline: December 31

Website: [http://osap.gov.on.ca/](http://osap.gov.on.ca/)

Contact:
Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities
Student Support Branch
P.O. Box 4500, 189 Red River Road, 4th Floor
Thunder Bay, ON P7B 6G9
Phone: 1-800-465-3957
Fax: 807-343-4248
**MTCU - Canada Study Grant for Students with Permanent Disabilities**
The Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada's Canada Study Grant for Students with Permanent Disabilities provides non-repayable financial assistance to students to help meet the costs of equipment and supplies related to their participation in postsecondary education which is incurred because of a disability. Eligible students can receive up to $8000 per loan year. Applications are available at the website provided, from the office for students with disabilities at the school you plan to attend and from the Student Support Branch of the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities. Applications must be received by December 31 of the student's current academic year.

Value: up to $8000
Application Deadline: December 31
Website: [http://osap.gov.on.ca/](http://osap.gov.on.ca/)
Contact: Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities
Student Support Branch
P.O. Box 4500, 189 Red River Road, 4th Floor
Thunder Bay, ON P7B 6G9
Phone: 1-800-465-3957
Fax: 807-343-4248

**National Bank of Canada - Bursaries and Summer Employment Program for Students with Physical or Sensory Disabilities**
Since 1989, National Bank has offered Michel-Houle bursaries, a bursary and summer job program for post-secondary students with physical or sensory disabilities. The aim of the program is to help these young people continue their studies while gaining relevant work experience. Under this Program, the Bank awards two $5,000 bursaries together with a paid 12-week summer job for university students and one $2,500 bursary together with a paid 10-week summer job.

Value: $2,500 - $5,000
Application Deadline: February 5
Website: [http://www.nbc.ca/bursaries](http://www.nbc.ca/bursaries)
Contact: National Bank of Canada
600 de la Gauchetiere O. 8th Floor
Montreal, QC, H3B 4L2
Email: scholarship@bnc.ca
**NEADS - Equity Through Education Awards**

The NEADS Equity Through Education Award is being offered to encourage full access to post-secondary education for persons with disabilities who often have greater barriers to participation in higher education and extra costs because of their disabilities. Students must be registered in a post-secondary institution and provide documented proof of registration. The award will be offered to outstanding applicants, who meet the criteria of the program. The awards will be paid directly to the post-secondary institution (in the students’ accounts) that the recipients are attending to defray the cost of tuition fees for post-secondary study.

Value: $3000

Application Deadline: March 1


Contact:
NEADS Equity Through Education Scholarships
C/O Scholarship Committee
National Educational Association of Disabled Students (NEADS)
Rm. 426 Unicentre, Carleton University,
Ottawa, ON  K1S 5B6
Email: etes@neads.ca

**NEADS - Holly Bartlett Memorial Award**

The Holly Bartlett Bursary is being offered to encourage full access to post-secondary education for persons with disabilities who often have greater barriers to participation in higher education and extra costs because of their disabilities. Students must be registered in a post-secondary institution and provide documented proof of registration. The award will be offered to outstanding applicants, who meet the criteria of the program. The awards will be paid directly to the post-secondary institution (in the students’ accounts) that the recipients are attending to defray the cost of tuition fees for post-secondary study.

Value: $1000 per academic year

Application Deadline: March 1


Contact:
Holly Bartlett Memorial Award
c/o National Educational Association of Disabled Students (NEADS)
Rm. 426 Unicentre, Carleton University,
Ottawa, ON  K1S 5B6
**Ontario Federation of Cerebral Palsy (OFCP) – Eric Waldron Scholarship Award**

The OFCP’s Board of Directors offers the Eric Waldron Scholarship Award to a student with a disability who is attending their 2nd year of university. Eric Waldron was a member for many years of the OFCP board of directors. This scholarship is not automatically offered annually. Check with OFCP for availability.

Value: $2,000

Application Deadline: July 15

Website: www.ofcp.on.ca

Contact:
Ontario Federation for Cerebral Palsy
1630 Lawrence Avenue West, Suite 104
Toronto, ON M6L 1C5
Phone: 1-877-244-9686
Fax: 416-244-6543

**Ontario March of Dimes - Wade Hampton Employment Training Bursary**

No one embodied the spirit and vision of Ontario March of Dimes more than Wade Hampton, a WWII veteran, refused to be held back by the effects of polio. He was passionate about the importance of employment for people with disabilities, and eventually became Chief Executive Officer of Operation Reliance Inc., a program that helped people with disabilities secure regular employment. The bursary is available to any Ontarian with a physical disability whose plan for professional development requires at least one formal training course, and who requires financial assistance.

Value: $1,500

Application Deadline: July 31

Website:
www.marchofdimes.ca/EN/GrantsAwards/OntarioVolEmpCom/Pages/WadeHampton.aspx

Contact:
Awards Selection Committee
Ontario March of Dimes
10 Overlea Blvd.
Toronto, ON M4H 1A4
Phone: 1-800-263-3463
Fax: 416-425-1802
Email: awardscommittee@marchofdimes.ca
**Rixon Rafter & Judge Brian Stevenson Scholarship Fund**
The Rixon Rafter & the Judge Brian Stevenson Scholarship Funds both award scholarship funds to legally blind Canadians pursuing post-secondary studies with strong career aspirations. Grants will be made based on financial need, academic achievement, and career goals. Application forms are available from C.N.I.B. Divisional Offices or the W. Ross Macdonald School in Brantford.

Value: varies, $300 - $500

Application Deadline: September 30

Website: [http://www.disabilityawards.ca/](http://www.disabilityawards.ca/)

Contact:
The W. Ross Macdonald School
Bursary Committee
350 Brant Avenue
Brantford, ON, N3T 3J9
Phone: 519-759-0730
Fax: 519-759-4741

**Sabrina Shannon Memorial Award**
The award is dedicated to the life of Sabrina Shannon, an inspirational teenager who tragically suffered a fatal anaphylactic reaction in 2003. Her parents, Mike Shannon and Sara Shannon, have kept Sabrina’s spirit alive by advocating for safer school environments. Sabrina’s Law, landmark legislation passed in Ontario in 2005, continues to influence school board policies in Canada. Applications will be evaluated on a submission essay (500 - 1500 words) which describes your efforts to raise awareness about severe allergies and anaphylaxis in your school or community. Applications will be considered for Canadian students under the age of 25.

Value: $1,000

Application Deadline: June 15

Website: [http://www.whyriskit.ca](http://www.whyriskit.ca)

Contact:
Anaphylaxis Canada
2005 Sheppard Ave. E., Suite 800
Toronto, ON, M2J 5B4
**Shaw Media – Internships for Students with Permanent Disabilities**

The Shaw Media Internships for Students with Permanent Disabilities are a series of internships designed to encourage and aid Canadian talent in establishing or furthering a career in the Canadian broadcast industry. These annual internships reflect Shaw Media’s commitment to the diversity of talent and perspectives that comprise our ever-changing Canadian culture. These internships are open to Canadians with a permanent disability who are currently enrolled in, or have been accepted to and will be attending full-time studies at an accredited Canadian post-secondary institution in the field of broadcasting or journalism.

Value: $10,000

Application Deadline: March 12

Website: http://shawmedia.ca/careers/internship.asp

Contact:
Shaw Media
121 Bloor Street East, Suite 1500
Toronto, ON, M4W 3M5
Phone: 1-877-345-9195
Fax: 647-776-2801
Email: corporate.inquiries@shawmedia.ca

**Soozie Couter Scholarship**

The Soozie Couter "Sharing a Brighter Tomorrow" Hemophilia Scholarship Program was named as such to recognize Soozie Courter, a valued and respected friend of the hemophilia community who passed away in 1999. To be eligible, students must have either hemophilia A or hemophilia B and be a high school senior, or have a high school diploma or graduate equivalency diploma (GED), or be currently enrolled in an accredited vocation/trade school, university, or community college.

Value: $5,000

Application Deadline: July 15

Website: http://www.embracelife.ca/en/community_support/scholarship/

Contact:
Hemophilia Scholarship Program,
QD Healthcare Group,
Attn: Sam Malhotra,
One Dock Street, Suite 520,
Stamford, CT 06902
Phone: 1-888-999-2349
Spina Bifida & Hydrocephalus Association of Ontario - Dr. E. Bruce Hendrick Scholarship Program

The Dr. E. Bruce Hendrick Scholarship Program was established to encourage and support students with spina bifida and/or hydrocephalus to develop independence and responsibility for their own future educational directions; and to assist students to pursue higher education with the ultimate goal of obtaining a degree or graduate certificate or diploma.

Value: Varies

Application Deadline: Last business day of April

Website:
www.sbhao.on.ca/programs-services/scholarships-bursaries/hendrick-scholarship

Contact:
Spina Bifida & Hydrocephalus Association of Ontario
Dr. E. Bruce Hendrick Scholarship Program
555 Richmond Street West
P.O. Box #103, Suite #1006
Toronto, ON M5V 3B1
Phone: 1-800-387-1575
Email: provincial@sbhao.on.ca

Sun Life Financial - Peer Support Scholarship

The purpose of the peer scholarship is to assist peer volunteers with a Spinal Cord Injury to advance their post-secondary education in the disability field. Applicants must be involved in volunteer or peer support work.

Value: $1,000

Application Deadline: August 15

Website:

Contact:
Scholarship Selection Committee
Canadian Paraplegic Association
1101 Prince of Wales Drive, Suite 230
Ottawa, ON K2C 3W7
Phone: 613-723-1033
Email: info@canparaplegic.org
**TD Finance Lime Connect Canada - Scholarship Program for Students with Disabilities**

The TD Financial Lime Connect Canada Scholarship program is open to third and fourth year undergraduate students with a visible or non-visible disability in Canada pursuing an undergraduate degree in accounting, finance, actuarial science, mathematics and/or business. Selected recipients will also be offered a paid summer internship as a Financial Analyst with TD Bank Financial Group.

Value: $2500 + paid internship

Application Deadline: varies; mid-January


Contact:
TD Financial Lime Connect Canada Scholarship Program for Students with Disabilities
c/o Lime Connect Canada
2 Bloor Street West Suite 700
Toronto ON M4W 3R1
Phone: 212-521-4469
Email: info@limeconnect.com

**TD Securities Global Technology & Operations Lime Connect Canada - Scholarship & Internship for Students with Disabilities**

The TD Securities Global Technology & Operations Lime Connect Canada Scholarship & Internship program is open to undergraduate students with a visible or non-visible disability in Canada completing their final year of an undergraduate degree in business. Selected recipients will also be offered a paid summer internship as a Wholesale Banking Services Associate with TD Securities.

Value: $2500 + paid internship

Application Deadline: varies; early-January


Contact:
TD Securities Global Technology & Operations Lime Connect Canada Scholarship & Internship Program for Students with Disabilities
c/o Lime Connect Canada
2 Bloor Street West Suite 700
Toronto ON M4W 3R1
Phone: 212-521-4469
Email: info@limeconnect.com
**Terry Fox Humanitarian Award Program**

The Government of Canada initiated the Terry Fox Humanitarian Award Program on behalf of the Canadian people in recognition of the achievements of Terry Fox. The program encourages Canadian youth to seek the ideals of Terry Fox; demonstration of good citizenship and humanitarian service, perseverance in overcoming obstacles, the pursuit of academic excellence, and the pursuit of excellence in amateur sport, fitness and health.

Value: $7000

Application Deadline: February 1

Website: [http://www.terryfoxawards.ca/index.html](http://www.terryfoxawards.ca/index.html)

Contact:
Terry Fox Humanitarian Award Program
AQ 5003, Simon Fraser University
Burnaby BC  V5A 1S6
Phone: 778-782-3057

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**UCB Inc. - UCBeyond Scholarship Program**

UCB Pharma Canada, a division of UCB Inc., is dedicated to creating unique programs and tools to aid Crohn's disease patients in reaching above and beyond the boundaries of their disease and fulfilling their educational ambitions. The UCBeyond Scholarship is available to individuals diagnosed with Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis seeking an associate's, undergraduate, or graduate degree from a Canadian university, a diploma or certificate from a Canadian college, or enrolled in a trade school educational program;

Value: $5,000

Application Deadline: June 30


Contact:
2008 UCBeyond Rheumatoid Arthritis Scholarship Fund
c/o Chrome Communications Inc.
2000 Argentia Road - Plaza 1 Suite 260
Mississauga, ON L5N 1P7
Phone: 905-567-1406
Email: info@chromecommunications.ca
Wayne and Walter Gretzky Scholarship Foundation
In honour of their outstanding commitment to young Canadians with vision loss, the Walter and Wayne Gretzky Scholarship Foundation was established in 1996. Each year, it presents scholarships to eligible students with vision loss who are planning to study at the post-secondary level.

Value: $3000 to $5000

Application Deadline: May 31

Website: http://www.cnib.ca/en/about/awards/scholarships/wgs/

Contact:
Walter and Wayne Gretzky Scholarship Foundation
955256 Canning Road
R.R. 2, Paris, ON, N3L 3E2
Phone: 519-458-8665
Fax: 519-458-8609
Email: Kim.Kohler@cnib.ca

Zajac Foundation Scholarship
This scholarship was named, at the request of the Zajac Foundation, to honour their late sons who were both tragically killed in separate sporting accidents. The fund is held and administered by the BC Centre for Ability Foundation. Applicants be 16 to 25 years old, have a physical, neurological and/or developmental disability and be registered in post-secondary education (credited courses leading to a degree, diploma or certificate) or a structured training program

Value: $400

Applicants Deadline: August 30

Website: http://www.centreforability.bc.ca/?page=80

Contact:
Zajac Committee
c/o BC Centre for Ability
2805 Kingsway
Vancouver, BC, V5R 5H9
Email: info@centreforability.bc.ca

Thank you to the National Educational Association of Disabled Students for their significant contribution to this section. For information on additional scholarships, bursaries or internships available to persons with disabilities available outside London and across Canada visit www.neads.ca.
FAMILY EDUCATION (free courses related to disabilities for families)

Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA)
CMHA routinely runs support groups and educational sessions/series for family members of those living with a mental health disability. To be notified of events throughout the community (both offered directly by CMHA and other organizations) ask to be added to their email distribution list.

Website: http://www.london.cmha.ca

Contact:
CMHA - London-Middlesex Branch
648 Huron St.
London, ON N5Y 4J8
Phone: 519-434-9191
Fax: 519-438 1167
Email: mailbox@london.cmha.ca

Community Living London - Sibshops
Community Living London offers "Sibshops", a series of workshops designed for siblings of children who have special needs. They provide siblings an opportunity to interact with others in a safe and fun environment. Siblings can share stories, feeling and experiences. For more information contact a family support worker at CPRI.

Website: http://www.cll.on.ca/

Contact:
Community Living London
190 Adelaide St. S.
London, ON N5Z 3L1
Phone: 519-686-3000
Fax: 519-686-5490
**CPRI**

CPRI offers a series of specialized clinical services. Each service provides support and education to family members, care givers, schools and the community. Clinical services offered include:

- Attachment Consultation and Education Services (ACES)
- Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Clinic
- Brake Shop (for Tourette's Syndrome)
- Dual Diagnosis
- Emotional Disorders
- Mood Disorders
- Selective Mutism
- Sexual Behaviours

For more information on educational opportunities, contact CPRI or visit their upcoming events on their website.

Website:  [http://www.cpri.ca](http://www.cpri.ca)

Contact:

Child and Parent Resource Institute (CPRI)

600 Sanatorium Road

London, ON N6H 3W7

Phone:  1-877-494-2774

TTY:  519-858-0257

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**Hadley School for the Blind**

Hadley School for The Blind offers free distance education courses to blind or low-vision individuals and their families. Courses range from academics, communication, and medical/disability related, to social skills, recreation and life skills. A fee applies to course offered to professionals.

Website:  [http://www.hadley.edu/](http://www.hadley.edu/)

Contact:

The Hadley School for the Blind

700 Elm Street

Winnetka, IL 60093-2554 USA

Phone:  1-800-323-4238

TTY:  847-441-8111

Fax:  847-446-0855

Email:  [info@hadley.edu](mailto:info@hadley.edu)
**Thames Valley Children Centre (TVCC)**

TVCC offers a series of educational opportunities to families. Topic range from finances to medical need, education to community involvement. Visit TVCC's calendar of events on their website for a current list of opportunities.

Website:  [http://www.tvcc.on.ca/](http://www.tvcc.on.ca/)

Contact:
Thames Valley Children's Centre  
779 Baseline Rd.E.  
London, Ontario N6C 5Y6  
Phone:  1-866-590-8822  
Fax:  519-685-8689
MISCELLANEOUS

Ontario Centre for Excellence for Child and Youth Mental Health - Dare to Dream Program

The Dare to Dream Program funds youth-driven, individual or group project that promote awareness of mental health issues in the province of Ontario. Applicants must be 18 years of age or under. Individual applicants can receive up to $1000; groups can receive $5000 to fund their projects. Successful applicants will work under the guidance of a Dare to Dream adult mentor.

Website: http://www.daretodreamprogram.ca/

Contact:
Dare to Dream Program
Attn: Tammy Youssef
The Centre for Excellence for Child and Youth Mental Health at CHEO
401 Smyth Rd.
Ottawa, ON K1H 8L1
Phone: 1-866-282-7601
Email: grantsandawards@cheo.on.ca

Places of Worship
Check with your local place of worship. Many may have funds available to help congregation members in need.

Private Benefits and Personal Insurance
Contact your personal insurance company to inquire about assistance for the cost of equipment not covered by the Assistive Devices Program. Most other funding sources will request that you investigate this first.
OUT OF REGION RESOURCES

For The Love of a Child (Durham region)
For The Love of a Child concerned with improving the quality of life for children with special needs, living in Durham Region. Their mandate is to help families in need, through financial assistance and to encourage community understanding.

Website:  http://www.fortheloveofachild.com/

Contact:
For The Love of a Child
784 Taunton Road East
P.O. Box 78039
Oshawa, ON  L1H 7K5
Phone:  Donna Dunlop – 905-725-7411

Friends in Motion (Windsor/Essex)
Friends in Motion is a medical rehabilitation assistance program for children and adult demonstrating a financial need.

Website:
http://www.motionspecialties.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=14&Itemid=34

Contact:
Phone:  Cindy Fuerth, 519-252-2011 x205
Email:  cfuerth@themotiongroup.com

MOHTLC - Northern Health Travel Grant (Northern Ontario)
The Northern Health Travel Grants help pay some of the travel related costs for Northern Ontario residents who must travel at least 100 kilometres one-way for medical specialist or designated health care facility services that are not locally available.  The NHTG Program provides an accommodation allowance of $100 per eligible trip to patients whose closest specialist or designated health care facility able to provide the required services is at least 200 kilometres one-way.


Contact:
Service Ontario
Phone:  1-866-532-3161
TTY:  1-800-387-5559
Tender Wishes (Regional Municipality of Niagara)

Tender Wishes grants wishes to children under the age of 18 years of age living in the Regional Municipality of Niagara who have been diagnosed with a potentially life-threatening disorder or illness. The child may not have received a wish granted by any other WISH-GRANTING PROGRAMS.

Website:  http://www.tenderwishes.org/

Contact:
Tender Wishes Foundation
P.O. Box 824
Niagara Falls, ON  L2E 6V6
Phone:  905-371-0300
Fax:  905-295-7866
Email:  wishes@tenderwishes.org

Far more funding resources exist outside the London-Middlesex area than those included above. This document intends to provide a comprehensive list of funding available locally.
This document was compiled by Michael Dawthorne, in collaboration with the City of London’s Accessibility Advisory Committee. We wish to express our sincere gratitude to Thames Valley Children's Centre (TVCC), the National Educational Association of Disabled Students (NEADS) and wheelchair.ca for their significant contributions and cooperation in the development of this compilation.

If you want this information in alternate formats or to contribute additional information or identify incorrect, missing or outdated information please contact:

City of London’s Accessibility Advisory Committee
300 Dufferin Avenue, PO Box 5035
London, Ontario, Canada
N6A 4L9
Phone: 519-661-2500 x5475
TTY: 519-661-4889
Email: accessibility@london.ca
Website: http://www.accessibility.london.ca