

Accessibility, Communication, and Funding Resources

[Vermont Assistive Technology Program \(VATP\)](#)

VATP works to increase awareness and knowledge, and to change policy and practice, to assure technology is available through all services to Vermonters with disabilities.

- [Assistive Technology Try-out Centers](#) - The core services offered by the Assistive Technology (AT) Try-out Centers are information and assistance, equipment demonstration, public awareness, training, and technical assistance. All areas of accessible solutions are addressed, including communication, activities of daily living, learning and cognition and sensory access.
- Access AT: <https://atp.vermont.gov/org-services/access-at>
- Funding: <https://atp.vermont.gov/resources/funding>
- ATP Funding Resources (Document): https://atp.vermont.gov/sites/atp/files/documents/AT_Funding_Resources.pdf
- [Products for people with hearing and vision loss](#)
- [Products for people who are deaf or hard of hearing](#)

[Vermont Center for Independent Living \(VCIL\)](#) - The Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL), a nonprofit organization directed and staffed by individuals with disabilities, works to promote the dignity, independence, and civil rights of Vermonters with disabilities. They provide information, referral and assistance, and manage a number of programs that offer assistance around assistive technology and accommodations.

- Sue Williams Freedom Fund <https://vcil.org/?s=funding>

[Telecommunication Equipment Distribution Program \(VTEDP\)](#) - A program funded by the state of Vermont to help income-eligible Vermonters who have trouble using a telephone and need adaptive equipment.

[DAIL Shared Living Accessibility Modification Reimbursement Process](#)

Provider Agencies may be reimbursed up to \$1,000.00 per Participant in a Shared Living Home for costs incurred for implementing home modifications within the 45-day timeline requirement.

Vermont Developmental Disabilities Services Division

- [Facilitated Communication Resources](#)
- [Training and Technical Assistance for Facilitated Communication](#) - Brief summary of the types of training and technical assistance recommended to produce qualified, competent facilitators.
- [Vermont Communication Task Force](#) - The Vermont Communication Task Force (VCTF) provides information, education, training and resources to people with disabilities, family members, service providers and community members.

- [Equity Funding Committee](#) - The Equity Funding Committee assists in the management of new caseload funding when Designated Agencies and Specialized Service Agencies are applying for developmental services funding on behalf of a new or existing service participant. Equity funding must be requested according to the Vermont System of Care Plan (SOC) requirements.
- Public Safety Funding - Public Safety funding priority is managed through the [Public Safety Funding Committee](#). Public Safety funding must be requested according to the Vermont System of Care Plan (SOC) requirements.

[Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired \(VABVI\)](#)

The Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (VABVI) is the only private agency to offer training, services, and support to visually impaired Vermonters. “Our mission is to enable Vermonters who are blind or visually impaired, to be more independent, cultivate adaptive skills and improve their quality of life.”

[Division for the Blind and Visually Impaired \(DBVI\)](#)

A Division of the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living (DAIL) that provides vocational rehabilitation and independent living services to eligible Vermonters who are blind and visually impaired.