

Ability Tools Proposal for AT Carryforward Funds

The ATAC has requested that the Ability Tools program develop a list of expenditure options based on emerging and reoccurring needs of the AT community. The following options were put together based on the \$300,000 AT carryforward funds available. Funding allocated to these options would be expended during the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

OPTION A:

AT Specific Tool Kits for Device Lending Demonstration Centers

Ability Tools contracts with eleven Device Lending Demonstration Centers, (DLDC). The Ability Tools office also has a small Device Lending Demonstration Center, making a total of twelve in the state. Each center is expected to participate in 100 outreach activities/events annually. Youth and seniors with disabilities are among the communities considered underserved. If funded, Ability Tools would purchase three different types of AT Tool Kits, Tools for Education, Tools for Senior and Tools for Daily Living, for each DLDC. Tool Kits would be used for outreaches catered for specific underserved communities and be able to demonstration how tools can work together in a diverse ways to increase independence. The details provided below offer the specific devices and tools (AT) in each toolkit and prices per item.

Tools for Education

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>COST</u>
Accessible Calculator	
Reizen jumbo talking calculator with Alarm	\$25.76
Smart Pens	
C-Pens Reader Pen	\$250.00
Livescribe Pen (with smart notepad)	\$171.05
Computer Accessories & Software	
Ipad	\$400.00
Dragon Naturally Speaking App- Free Demo	
Co: Writer App- Free Demo	
ZoomText- NOT Available in App store	
Accessible keyboard	\$69.57
Ergonomic Mouse's	

Big Track 2.0	\$69.95
Head Mouse Nano	\$995.00
PC USB Foot Switch Keyboard Pedal	\$8.69
List of Educational Apps updated quarterly	
Early Education and Cognitive Development	
Primary Education apps –Math, Money and Time	
Primary Education apps – Language	
Primary Education apps – Science, misc	
Durable Rolling Toolbox (Physical Kit)	\$180.00
Total estimated cost of Tools for Education Toolkit	\$2,170.02
Total estimated cost to fund all 12 DLDC locations	\$26,040.24

Tools for Seniors

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>COST</u>
Pocket Talker	\$189.00
Voice amplifier	\$28.90
Amplified alarm clock with bed shaker	\$35.99
Dressing Aids (5 piece set)	\$29.95
Button hooks	\$8.95
Shoe horns	
Sock assists	
Reachers/ Grabbers	\$16.97
Pocket magnifiers (Low tech and digital)	
Low tech 10X magnifier	\$4.99
3X Large Reading Magnifying Glass w/ light	\$24.95
4.3 inch Digital Aid Magnifier, Koolertron Handheld	\$149.99
Pill Organizers	
Large Print	\$4.99
Digital w/ alarm	\$7.89
Durable Rolling Toolbox-	\$180.00
Total estimated cost of Tools for Seniors	\$682.57
Total estimated cost to fund all 12 DLDC locations	\$8,190.84

Tools for Daily Living

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>COST</u>
Kitchen	
Multi-Use opener tool	\$12.90
Auto can opening tool	\$18.97
Adaptive cutting boards	\$28.95
Adaptive eating utensils	
Weighted spoons, forks, knives-	\$25.45
C-straps for existing utensils-	\$18.00
Adaptive Pen and Pencil holders	
Ball grips	\$10.81
C-straps	\$10.00
Multi-day pill box (possibly large print)- (2 different types)	\$20.38
Smart wall outlets	\$19.71
Book holders/ Stands	\$9.98
Can transfer bar (Handy bar)	\$12.99
Grabber	\$16.97
Adaptive Nail Clipper	\$10.30
Assistive dressing device	\$29.95 (5 piece set)
Button hooks	\$10.49
Zipper hooks	
Dressing sticks	
Durable Rolling Toolbox	\$180.00
Total estimated cost of Tools for Daily Living	\$428.20
Total estimated cost to fund all 12 DLDC locations	\$5,138.40
Grand total of 3 kits per DLDC (12) locations	\$40,000

Option B:

California has selected to provide “demonstrations” as a part of AT Act services for the first time. Demonstrations compare the features and benefits of a particular AT device or category of devices for an individual or small group of individuals. The purpose of a device demonstration is to enable an individual to make an informed choice.

Ability Tools is requesting that carryforward funds be used to bring together Independent Living Center AT Advocates for demonstration training. The training would include an experienced trainer who has expertise in providing demonstrations to a diverse skill level audience of AT professionals. Carryforward funds would be used to secure the trainer, meeting space, accommodations, materials, supplies and travel expenses for AT Advocates. Funds would also cover the cost of recording and archiving the training for future purposes, such as new staff training when needed.

Demonstration Training Budget

Certified and/or experienced trainer	\$2,500.00
Materials and Supplies	\$300
Training Access Accommodations (ASL, etc)	\$2,000.00
Travel for AT Advocates	\$5,000.00
Recording and archiving	\$1,500.00
Total	about \$9,000.00

Option C:

Each contracted Device Lending Demonstration Center (DLDC) is required to spend a minimum, of \$1,000 in AT device purchases. Buying new and updated equipment is a critical component of promoting independence and self-sufficiency in the disability community. Without expanding inventory many centers are unable to increase their loan capacity and reach their full potential. Ability Tools is requesting that \$60,000 in carryforward funds be allocated for the purposes of new and updated equipment for each DLDC.

\$5,000 per DLDC **Total \$60,000**

Option D:

Use carryforward funds for more than one or all options described above.

Total of all options about **\$118,000**