

Disability Rights Center of Kansas

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ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY RESOURCE LIST

SUMMARY: Assistive Technology (AT) plays a crucial role in the lives of many Kansans with disabilities, to assist with reading, writing, ambulation and other activities of daily living. The following is a list of online resources and organizations dealing with issues related to AT.

Assistive Technology for Kansans

http://atk.ku.edu/

1-800-KAN-DO-IT (1-800-526-3648)

Assistive Technology for Kansans (ATK) helps persons with disabilities find ways to live and work as independently as possible through the use of assistive devices and services. The primary mission of the project is to engage in activities that are designed to result in laws, regulations, policies, practices, or organizational structures that promote consumer-responsive programs that increase access to assistive technology devices and services.

Kansas Assistive Technology Cooperative

http://www.katco.net/

(866) 465-2826

(620) 341-9002 (voice/tty)

The Kansas Assistive Technology Cooperative (KATCO) was established and is directed by persons with disabilities. As a consumer run organization KATCO's purpose is to help people with disabilities gain economic and functional independence by coordinating and providing financing for the purchase of assistive technology equipment and services.

<u>Kansas Equipment Exchange</u>

http://equipmentexchange.ku.edu/

The Kansas Equipment Exchange (KEE) Program is designed to help more Kansans obtain affordable medical equipment. In cooperation with Medicaid and other agencies, wheelchairs, hospital beds, and other durable medical equipment (DME) that is no longer being used is returned to the program, refurbished, and made available for other Kansans to use. KEE also accepts donated equipment from individuals.

Kansas AgrAbility Program

http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/agrability

The Kansas AgrAbility Project assists people with disabilities who are employed in agriculture. Our goal is to inform, educate, and assist farmers, farm families, and farm workers who have disabilities, so they can continue to work and thrive in their agricultural career.

Lighthouse International

http://www.lighthouse.org/

(800) 829-0500

Founded in New York City in 1905, Lighthouse International is a leading non-profit organization dedicated to preserving vision and to providing critically needed vision and rehabilitation services to help people of all ages overcome the challenges of vision loss. Through clinical services, education, research, and advocacy, the Lighthouse enables people with low vision and blindness to enjoy safe, independent and productive lives.

<u>RESNA – Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of</u> North America

http://www.resna.org/

(703) 524-6686

Our purpose is to improve the potential of people with disabilities to achieve their goals through the use of technology. We serve that purpose by promoting research, development, education, advocacy and provision of technology; and by supporting the people engaged in these activities. RESNA's membership ranges from rehabilitation professionals to consumers to students. All members are dedicated to promoting the exchange of ideas and information for the advancement of assistive technology.

<u>Disability Resource Directory - Assistive and Adaptive Technology</u>

http://www.disability-resource.com/assistive-technology.html

This directory contains a list of links to assistive technology resources including communications, educational, rehabilitation and research institutions as well as manufacturers and vendors.