

**Funding and Financial Supports**

**Please call Resources, Access Brief Services @ 905-427-8862 for further support**

**Government Programs**

<p><a href="#"><u>Special Services at Home</u></a> <b>(SSAH)</b> Phone: 905-440-1090 Toll Free: 1-800-722-1196</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children 18 years and under with developmental or physical disability who are residents of Ontario.</li> <li>• Helps offset costs related to personal development and growth and/or family relief and support.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>Assistance for Children with Severe Disabilities</u></a> <b>(ACSD)</b> Phone: 905-440-1030 Toll Free: 1-800-722-1196</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children under 18 years of age with a severe disability who lives at home (may be eligible to receive help under this program depending on the family's income)</li> <li>• Financial support for low-to-moderate-income families to cover some of the extra costs of caring for a child who has a severe disability.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>Disability Tax Credit</u></a> <b>(DTC)</b> Phone: 416-524-1925</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DTC is a non-refundable tax credit that helps people with disabilities, or their supporting family member, reduce the amount of income tax they may have to pay.</li> <li>• You may be eligible for the DTC if a medical practitioner certifies that you have a severe and prolonged impairment or receive therapy to support a vital function.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>Assistive Devices Program</u></a> <b>(ADP)</b> Phone: 416-327-8804 Toll Free: 1-800-268-6021</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial assistance to Ontario residents with long term physical disabilities for assistive devices essential for independent living.</li> <li>• Ontario residents with a physical disability of six months or longer are eligible.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>Ontario Drug Benefit</u></a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This program provides Ontario residents with financial assistance if they</li> </ul>

<p>Toll Free: 1-800- 575-5386.</p>	<p>have high prescription drug costs in relation to their net household income. The program helps cover the cost of prescription drug products listed on the Ontario Drug Benefit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To be eligible you must be a resident of Ontario, have a valid Ontario Health Card, and do not qualify for drug coverage from another Ontario Drug Benefit source. Also, you must not have private insurance coverage or if you do, the private insurance does not cover 100% of your prescription drug costs.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP)</u></a> Phone: 888-999-1142</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To be eligible for ODSP as a person with disability you must meet the definition of disability under the <i>Ontario Disability Support Program Act</i>.</li> <li>• Being a person with a disability means: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• you have a substantial mental or physical impairment that is continuous or recurrent, and is expected to last one year or more</li> <li>• the direct and cumulative effect of your impairment results in a substantial restriction in your ability to work, care for yourself, or take part in community life</li> <li>• your impairment, its likely duration and restrictions have been verified by an approved health care professional.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>Developmental Services Ontario (DSO)</u></a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To apply for adult developmental services, funded by the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services (MCCSS) through Developmental Services Ontario (DSO), you will need to prove that you have a developmental disability, live in Ontario, and are 18 years old.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>Healthy Smiles Program</u></a> Phone: 905 723-1365, extension 4569 Toll Free: 1-866-853-1326</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A free (government-funded), dental program for children and youth aged 17 and under that provides free preventative, routine and emergency dental services.</li> <li>• To be eligible, your child must be 17 years of age or younger, an Ontario resident and members of the household meet the income eligibility</li> </ul>



	<p>requirement.</p>
<p><a href="#">The Trillium Drug Program</a> Phone: 416-642-3038</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TDP helps Ontario residents aged 25 to 64 (or younger with private insurance) who have high prescription drug costs, but don't qualify for the Ontario Drug Benefit (ODB) program, to access necessary medications.</li> <li>• TDP helps Ontarians who are spending a significant portion of their income (approximately 4% or more) on prescription drugs.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#">Easter Seals Incontinence Grant</a> Phone: 416-421-8778 Ext 314</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Incontinence Supplies Grant is an annual grant, made in two payments, provided to families to offset some of the costs for diapers and certain supplies for incontinence. This program is funded, and eligibility criteria is set by the Ministry of Health.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#">Ontario Autism Program (OAP) – Funding (Register)</a> Phone: 888-444-4530</p> <p><a href="#">OAP Interim One-Time Funding Link</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be registered with OAP</li> </ul> <p>To receive Ontario Autism Program interim one-time funding, your child or youth must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• be under 18 years of age</li> <li>• be a resident of Ontario</li> <li>• have a written diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder (ASD) by a qualified professional</li> <li>• If you are eligible, the ministry will send you a letter to confirm your registration and invite you to complete the application form for interim one-time funding.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#">Kerry's Place Flexible Funding</a> <b>Direct Respite Funding</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Children's Respite Flexible Funding is from the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services to serve as an enhancement for families to access respite services in their community. Families can only apply for these</li> </ul>

	<p>funds once a year and there is no guarantee of the availability of these funds in future years.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children and Youth up to 18 years of age.</li> <li>• Must have official diagnosis and proof of diagnosis is required</li> <li>• Funds will cover respite, camp and recreation fees, social groups and specialized classes and lessons.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>Jordan's Principle</u></a> Call Centre: 855-572-4453</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jordan's Principle is a human rights principle established by the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal (CHRT) to make sure that First Nations children do not face gaps, delays, or denials in accessing government services because of their identity as First Nations children.</li> </ul> <p>A First Nations child under the age of majority in their province or territory of residence can access Jordan's Principle, if they permanently reside in Canada and if the child meets one of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• is registered or eligible to be registered under the <i>Indian Act</i></li> <li>• has one parent or guardian who is registered or eligible to be registered under the <i>Indian Act</i>.</li> </ul>

## Charitable Organizations and Other Funding Options

<p><a href="#"><u>Ability Online Shine On</u></a> Phone: 416-650-6207</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ability Gives is a Canadian equipment grant program for members of Ability Online who have a child with a disability or complex medical condition under 18 years of age.</li> <li>• Applicants must be active members of Ability Online for a minimum of 3 months and be willing to post their child's story and picture on the website.</li> <li>• Only one equipment application/request per family.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>Jennifer Ashley Foundation</u></a> Phone: 905-852-1799 Ext. 32</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding for housing and meal support, vehicle repairs, Accommodations, transportation to and from hospital or treatment centre, prescribed</li> </ul>

	<p>medication, disposable medical supplies, mobility aids, assessment and session fees for rehab therapy because of a major medical event, sibling childcare, respite care for the child, 1:1 in the home.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A major medical event has occurred, and child requires a hospital stay of 2 weeks or more. This event is greatly impacting family routine and finances.</li> <li>• Total gross household income must be \$65,000 or less.</li> <li>• Must be 18 years or younger, living in Ontario, a permanent resident or Canadian citizen.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>Dayforce Cares (Formerly Ceridian Cares)</u></a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An employee-driven charity that helps people get access to basic needs like food, clothing, and essential household items. We also help people pay for products and services that contribute to their well-being, like medical and mobility support, children’s programs, camps, athletic programs, medical devices and therapies.</li> <li>• Applicant must be 18 years of age or older and a Canadian resident.</li> <li>• For the Basic Essentials grant type, recipient must be at or below the “low income cut off before tax” level</li> <li>• For the Quality-of-Life grant type, annual income must be at or below the “medium total income in their province or territory” as defined by stats Canada.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>Ontario Federation for Cerebral Palsy</u></a>  <b>Assistive Devices Program</b>  Phone: 416-244-9686</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This program provides financial assistance for equipment for individual members of the OFCP for persons with cerebral palsy of all ages in Ontario.</li> <li>• Member’s total eligibility amount is 25% of the total cost of equipment per multiple applications up to \$2000 every two years.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>Aaron’s Apple</u></a>  Phone: 647-430-5933</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The primary goal is to help families cope with overwhelming medical costs.</li> <li>• Helps families bridge the financial gaps so they do not have to refuse expensive medical treatment.</li> </ul>



<p><a href="#"><u>Easter Seals Ontario Access 2 Program</u></a> Phone: 416-932-8382</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The award-winning Access 2 Program is a collaborative partnership between Easter Seals and over 500 movie theatres, cultural attractions, entertainment venues, and recreation facilities across Canada. Designed for people of all ages who have a permanent disability and require the assistance of a support person, the goal of the Access 2 Program is to improve social inclusion and provide access to entertainment, cultural and recreation opportunities and experiences without any added financial burden.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>Easter Seals Ontario – Equipment Funding</u></a> Phone: 416-421-8146</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Helps cover the cost of equipment that is required by children and youth with a physical disability.</li> <li>• Must be under the age of 19 years old and registered with Easter Seals Ontario.</li> <li>• Must be a legal resident of Ontario and have a valid Ontario Health Card.</li> <li>• Have a permanent physical disability that restricts independent mobility.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>Canadian Tire Jumpstart</u></a> Phone: 844-937-7529</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial assistance to cover costs to access sports and other physical activities.</li> <li>• Families must meet specific criteria outlined on the website.</li> <li>• Ages of 4 to 18 years old are eligible.</li> <li>• The maximum amount of funding per application is \$300.00</li> <li>• Programs should be a minimum of five weeks in duration and include at least one session per week.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Autism Ontario</b> <a href="#"><u>1:1 Summer Support Worker Reimbursement Fund</u></a> Phone: 416-246-9592</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The One-to-One Summer Support Worker Reimbursement Fund is available to Ontario families of autistic children or youth who retain the services of a one-to-one worker to accompany their child to a camp or program or out on community outings.</li> <li>• Maximum reimbursements of \$600, per child or youth, (up to 18th birthday) will be made to subsidize services between July and August.</li> <li>• A minimum of 500 children from across Ontario are expected to receive reimbursement. Reimbursement will be provided based on a random selection made from all eligible applicants who apply.</li> </ul>

<p><a href="#"><u>For The Love of a Child</u></a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contributes to the cost of various services and equipment.</li> <li>• Funding helps bridge the gap between government funding and private insurance.</li> <li>• The family must complete the application form and send a doctor's note confirming diagnosis and a quote for the requested item, therapy or camp fees.</li> <li>• Apply online.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>Starlight Children's Foundation of Canada</u></a> Phone: 416-642-5675</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Starlight provides opportunities in the form of activities, tickets, events, wishes to children who are seriously ill.</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>Children's Wish Foundation</u></a> Phone: 905-839-8882</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grants that support individualized wishes to children with life threatening illnesses</li> <li>• Children and youth 3 to 17 years old.</li> </ul>

