

Resource: Assistive Technology of Alaska



Mission Statement

To enhance the quality of life for Alaskans through assistive technology.

What is ATLA?

ATLA is Alaska's assistive technology leader and Alaska's only comprehensive resource center. For over 22 years, we have provided a wide array of services to help people make informed decisions about the AT that best meets their needs. ATLA is here to help Alaskans of any age with any AT need throughout the state.

Assistive technology is any product or device (off the shelf, modified, or customized) used by a person with a disability to perform tasks more safely and efficiently, or to learn new skills.

ATLA provides information, resources, demonstrations, loans, and the ability to purchase devices and software for:

- Blindness or low vision
- Daily living
- Educational needs
- Environmental controls
- Augmentative or alternative communication (ACC) devices
- Computer access devices and software
- Deaf and hard of hearing

akCanConnect

The akCanConnect program is Alaska's deaf-blind equipment distribution program. akCanConnect ensures that low-income individuals with a combined hearing and vision loss can access the telephone, advanced communications and information services.

How does the program work?

akCanConnect provides telecommunication equipment at no charge to qualified recipients. This includes equipment installation, training, and support to make the most of the technology provided. There is a wide range of hardware, software, and applications available for the varying distance communication needs among qualified Alaskans.

For more information, contact ATLA at **(907) 563-2599**.



NOTE: The appearance of a specific equipment does not mean that it is appropriate for every program participant. Specialists will work with you to identify the equipment that addresses your specific need.

How to get equipment through Alaska's Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program

1 ELIGIBILITY

- Are you either deaf and blind **OR** do you have progressive hearing loss and progressive vision loss?
- Is your annual income 400% below the federal poverty level?
- Are you an Alaska resident?

If yes, go to **application procedure**.

2 APPLICATION PROCEDURE

STEP 1: Eligibility verification

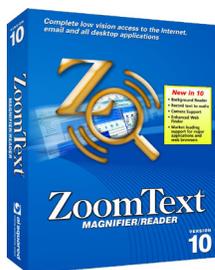
STEP 2: Assessment

STEP 3: Equipment purchase

STEP 4: Training

3 AVAILABLE EQUIPMENT

- Software
- Phones
- Computers
- Mobile devices



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