

## How May I Apply For A Loan?

For information and applications write to:

**Equipment Loan  
Fund for the Disabled  
New York State Office of  
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# Equipment Loan Fund for the Disabled

Are You Disabled?

Do You Need

Adaptive Equipment?

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The New York State Office of Children and Family Services' Equipment Loan Fund for the Disabled can help you purchase equipment that will improve the quality of your daily life.



## Who Can Get A Loan?

Disabled residents of New York State are eligible. Money is loaned either directly to the disabled person or to another person responsible for the individual.

## What Types Of Disabilities Qualify?

Persons with a wide range of mental or physical disabilities may qualify under this program. A New York State licensed physician must certify that the individual is disabled.

## What Equipment Is Covered?

Equipment that assists the disabled person to overcome barriers of daily living is covered. Some examples are: Wheelchairs, wheelchair van lifts, ramps, communication devices for the deaf and hearing impaired, prosthetic devices, and devices which allow persons who are blind or visually impaired to discern printed material.

This list is not all inclusive and other equipment would be considered.

## How Are Applications Approved?

Completed applications are reviewed by a loan committee comprised of representatives of various state agencies that serve persons with disabilities.

## What Are The Terms Of The The Equipment Loan?

- Minimum loan of \$500.
- Maximum loan of \$4,000.
- The repayment period is 2 to 8 years, depending on the loan amount, at the discretion of the borrower.
- The interest rate is currently set at 4 percent per year.

**The Equipment Loan Fund for the Disabled is a loan program to assist disabled resident New Yorkers in obtaining essential adaptive equipment they might not otherwise be able to afford.**