



CNIB Specialized Technical Equipment Program Approved Product List

A program to provide consumer products and assistive technology to Albertans with significant vision loss.
Equipment funding is supported by a grant from the Alberta Aids to Daily Living Program,
Ministry of Health

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**CNIB SPECIALIZED TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT PROGRAM (STEP)
APPROVED PRODUCT LIST**

CONSUMER PRODUCTS - LOW TECH AIDS

Subject to COST SHARE

CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCT/SERVICE	QUANTITY FREQUENCY LIMIT	MANUFACTURER'S MAXIMUM INVOICE COST
Recording Equipment	Digital Player	1/5 years	\$525.00
Organizers	Labeler	1/5 years	\$300.00
Writing Aids	Braille Tape Writer	1/5 years	\$75.00
Calculating Aids	Talking Calculator	1/5 years	\$150.00
	Large Print Calculator	1/5 years	\$150.00
Watches	Braille/Tactile Watch	1/5 years	\$260.00
	Low Vision Watch	1/5 years	\$120.00
	Talking Watch	1/5 years	\$145.00
Clocks	Low Vision Clock	1/5 years	\$140.00
	Talking Clock	1/5 years	\$120.00

Note: Consumer Products-Low Tech Aids invoiced below \$50 are not funded by STEP.

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Health	Talking Bathroom Scale	1/5 years	\$150.00
	Talking Kitchen Scale	1/5 years	\$150.00
	Talking Blood Pressure Monitor	1/5 years	\$200.00
	Talking Glucometer	1/5 years	\$550.00
Phones	Large Button Phones	1/5 years	\$200.00
Color Identifier	Color Identifier	1/5 years	\$250.00
Thermostat	Talking Thermostat	1/5 years	\$200.00
Safety Devices for Hearing Impaired	CO2 Monitor	1/5 years	\$300.00
	Sound Monitor	1/5 years	\$300.00
	Smoke Alarm	1/5 years	\$300.00

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CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCT/SERVICE	QUANTITY FREQUENCY LIMIT	MANUFACTURER'S MAXIMUM INVOICE COST
Magnifiers	Magnifiers (NOTE 1)	over 3 years	\$400.00
Glasses	Half	1/3 years	\$300.00
	Hyper-Ocular	1/3 years	\$300.00
Loupes	Illuminated or Non-illuminated	1/3 years	\$300.00
Monocular	Telescope	1/3 years	\$300.00

Notes:

1. If recommended by a Low Vision Specialist, a portable CCTV may be substituted for a magnifier. STEP will only fund up to the allocated maximum of \$400, and the applicant will be responsible for all costs over and above the allocated maximum.
2. Low Vision Aids invoiced below \$40 are not funded by STEP.

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CONSUMER PRODUCTS - DEAFBLIND

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CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCT/SERVICE	QUANTITY FREQUENCY LIMIT	MANUFACTURER'S MAXIMUM INVOICE COST
Watches	Vibrating	1/5 years	\$300.00
	LP Watch	1/5 years	\$300.00
Clocks	Vibrating Alarm Clock/Bed Shaker	1/4 years	\$300.00
	Braille Clock/Bed Shaker	1/4 years	\$250.00
Alerting Systems and Accessories	Transmitter/Receiver/Tactile Smoke detector, Doorbell Signaler, Pager, Telephone Monitor, Sound Monitor, CO2 Monitor, Remote Receiver, Sleep Alert Charger, Door Announcer, Motion Pad	1/5 years	\$2,000.00 for entire system including accessories
Communication Devices	Amplified/Large Print phone	1/5 years	\$300.00
	Large Print TTY	1/5 years	\$1,500.00

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	Videophone	1/5 years	\$700.00
	Face to Face Communication System	1/5 years	\$1,600.00
	FM System	1/5 years	\$1,600.00

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ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY- HIGH TECH

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CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCT/SERVICE	QUANTITY FREQUENCY LIMIT	MANUFACTURER'S MAXIMUM INVOICE COST
CCTV	Closed Circuit TV Reader	1/5 years	\$5,000.00
Computer Software	Large Print Software	1/5 years	\$1,000.00
	Text to Speech Software	1/5 years	\$2,000.00
	Optical Character Recognition (OCR)Software	1/5 years	\$2,000.00
OCR Devices	OCR Dedicated Device	1/5 years	\$3,500.00
Braille	Braille Displays	1/5 years	\$8,000.00
Note Taking Devices	Braille and Speech	1/5 years	\$6,500.00
Braille	Manual, Jumbo or Electric	1/5 years	\$1,500.00
GPS	Talking GPS	1/5 years	\$1,500.00

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CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCT/SERVICE	QUANTITY FREQUENCY LIMIT	MANUFACTURER'S MAXIMUM INVOICE COST
Communication Devices	Deafblind Communicator	1/5 years	\$11,500.00

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