

**NC Division of Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing  
Hearing Aid Funding Resources List**

	Program	Provision	Qualifications	Application Process
NC State Agency Programs (all ages)	NC DSDHH Equipment Distribution Services	One behind-the-ear (BTE) hearing aid every 6 years (In-the ear (ITE) available due to physical limitation only)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NC residency</li> <li>• Income based</li> <li>• Hearing loss within program parameters in both ears</li> <li>• Need help with telephone communication</li> <li>• Application form and meeting with DSDHH staff</li> <li>• Certification by contracted hearing aid provider</li> </ul>	Call: (800)-851-6099
	NC DSDHH Temporary Loan Services - Hearing Aid Redistribution	Previously used, sanitized behind-the-ear (BTE) hearing aids checked by an Au.D. before being made available.  (normally provides one hearing aid but two may be approved for serious need when available)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NC residency</li> <li>• Must help with hearing on the phone and/or knowing when to answer a phone/videophone</li> <li>• Application form</li> <li>• Hearing aid selection by applicant's chosen hearing aid professional (must have an NC license)</li> <li>• Applicant must pay all fitting costs directly to hearing aid professional (Note: No income limitation)</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Contact the DSDHH Regional Center serving your county and ask to talk with the Hard of Hearing Services Specialist.</a>
	<a href="#">NC Independent Living</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One or two hearing aids</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial need</li> <li>• Hearing loss parameters</li> <li>• Living in or transitioning to the community</li> </ul>	Contact a local NC Independent Living office to apply
	<a href="#">NC Vocational Rehabilitation</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One or two hearing aids</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial need</li> <li>• Must be directly related to an employment goal (including college education)</li> <li>• Hearing loss parameters</li> </ul>	Contact a local office to apply
General Funding (all ages)	<a href="#">Charlotte Speech and Hearing</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One or two hearing aids</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NC residency</li> <li>• Income based</li> </ul>	Call: (704) 523-8027 Contact thru their webpage
	<a href="#">Foundation for Sight &amp; Sound: Help America Hear</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hearing aids every 5 years</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 tier financial requirement system</li> <li>• Application and/or set-up fees</li> </ul>	Call: (888) 580-8886 info@helpamericahear.org Or Apply online
	<a href="#">Foundation for Sight &amp; Sound: Help America Hear Scholarship Program</a>	Two hearing aids to 5 winning applicants per year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High school senior using hearing aids over 3 years old</li> <li>• Must be accepted to college or vocational school</li> <li>• Submit application by annual deadline</li> </ul>	Call: (888) 580-8886 info@helpamericahear.org Or Application and submission directions online
	<a href="#">Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) - Lions Affordable Hearing Aid Project (Lions AHAP)</a>	One or two new hearing aids; possibly some fitting costs through a vendor who can program the hearing aids	Applicants must be sponsored by a local Lions Club	The sponsoring Lions Club should call LCIF at 1-630-571-5466 for directions and current information.
	<a href="#">Miracle Ear Foundation: Gift of Sound</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hearing aids every 5 years</li> <li>Free hearing checks</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Income based</li> <li>• Application fee</li> </ul>	Apply online Or contact your local Miracle Ear office
	<a href="#">National Hearing Aid Project</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One or two hearing aids based on individual need</li> <li>Hearing aids are refurbished</li> <li>Contact to see if taking applications</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial parameters</li> <li>Must be a U.S. resident</li> </ul>	Call: (816) 333-8300 info@hearingcharities.org Or Apply online

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	<a href="#">Starkey Cares- Neighbors in Need</a>	Hearing aids	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•All ages</li> <li>•Income based</li> <li>•Starkey hearing aids only</li> <li>•\$300 cost for qualifying participant</li> <li>•Must go to an in-network Starkey Cares clinic</li> </ul>	<p>Call: (855) 686-2202 Or Email: starkeycares@starkey.com</p>
Partial Funding	<a href="#">AARP</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One or two discounted hearing aids for AARP members</li> <li>Contact directly for specific procedures</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Income based</li> </ul>	<p>Call: 1(888) 687-2277 Text: 1 (833) 259-2277 Online chat option</p>
	<a href="#">Audient</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One or two hearing aids</li> <li>Participating provider network</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Income based</li> </ul>	<p>Call: 1(866) 956-5400, Ext. 2</p>
	<a href="#">First in Families of North Carolina</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One or two hearing aids</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The household must have at least one member with a TBI, a developmental disability/delay, or severe &amp; persistent mental illness</li> <li>• Income based</li> </ul>	<p>(919) 251-8368 Email: info@fifnc.org</p>
	<a href="#">Self Help Credit Union Assistive Technology Loan</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hearing aids</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Income based</li> </ul>	<p>Call: Tammy Pereboom (704) 566-2899, Ext. 2</p>
	<a href="#">TPA Scholarship Trust for the Hearing Impaired</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hearing aids</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Income based</li> </ul>	<p>Call: (636) 724-2227 Or Email: support@tpahq.org</p>
Children's Funding	<a href="#">Carolina Children's Disorders Program CCCDP</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hearing aids</li> <li>• Assistive listening devices</li> <li>• Cochlear Implants</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under 21</li> <li>• Income and need based</li> </ul>	<p>Call: (919) 419-1449</p>
	<a href="#">The HIKE Fund, Inc.</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any device for Deaf/Hard of Hearing that helps communication</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under 20</li> <li>• U.S. Citizen</li> <li>• Income based</li> </ul>	<p>Call: (712) 325-0812</p>
	<a href="#">Miracle Ear Foundation: Gift of Sound</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hearing aids</li> <li>Free checks</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 18 years old and younger</li> <li>• Income and need based</li> <li>Every 3 years</li> <li>Referral by medical provider</li> </ul>	<p>Contact your local Miracle Ear office</p>
	<a href="#">NC Beginnings Grants to Parents Program</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hearing aid fitting and/or repairs</li> <li>• FM systems</li> <li>• Etc.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Birth - 22 years</li> <li>• Income based</li> </ul>	<p>Call: 1(800) 541-4327 Or Email: raleigh@ncbegin.org</p>
	<a href="#">Oracle Health Foundation</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assistive technology equipment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 18 years and younger</li> <li>• Income based</li> <li>• No existing medical insurance</li> </ul>	<p>Call: (816) 201-1569</p>
	<a href="#">The UnitedHealthcare Children's Foundation</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hearing aids</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 16 or younger</li> <li>• Income based</li> <li>• Must have a SSN</li> <li>• Must have primary insurance coverage under a commercial plan</li> </ul>	<p>Call: 1(855) 698-4223 Or Email: uhcccustomerservice@uhc.com</p>
Veteran's Funding	<a href="#">Disabled American Veterans Financial Assistance Program</a>	Need-based financial aid	DAV Members	<a href="#">Local Chapter Contact Links</a>
	<a href="#">NC American Legion Temporary Financial Assistance Program</a>	Need-based financial aid	Legion Members and active service members	<p>Call: 919-832-7506 Email: info@nclegion.org</p>

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	<a href="#">NC Heroes Fund Financial Assistance Program</a>	Need-based financial aid	NC Veterans and active service members	Call: 888-777-0955 Email: info@ncheroes.org
	<a href="#">Semper Fi &amp; America's Financial Assistance Fund</a>	Need-based financial aid	Veterans and active service members	Call: 760-725-3680 Application: <a href="https://thefund.org/contact-us/">https://thefund.org/contact-us/</a>
	<a href="#">VFW Members Local / State Chapter Relief Fund</a>	Need-based financial aid	VFW Members, active service members, and their families	Call: 919-828-5058 Email: surgeon@vfwmmc.com Email: qm@vfwnc.com
	<a href="#">Veteran Health Administration</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hearing aids (based on service)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Talk with the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) or a Veterans Service Officer at the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA)</li> <li>• Helpful Video</li> </ul>	Apply by phone [ @Qualifications ] Apply Online Print Form 10-10EZ and take to closest VA Clinic Ask Veterans Service Officer for assistance Call: 888-777-4443
	<a href="#">Veterans of Foreign Wars Unmet Needs Program</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial aid grants of up to \$1,500 to assist with basic life needs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grants are for veterans, service members, and their families</li> </ul>	Call: 1(866) 789-6333 Or Email: unmetneeds@vfw.org
<b>Miscellaneous Resources</b>	Assistance may also be available from civic organizations, faith-based organizations, private insurance providers, and various hearing aid offices.			