



KENTUCKY COMMISSION ON THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING

## **KENTUCKY HEARING AID RESOURCES**

### **Audiology Associates – (2 locations)**

Bob Manning, Audiologist

(1) 2101 Nicholasville Rd., Ste. 104

Lexington, KY 40503

(859) 277-0491

(2) 1428 North Lake Drive

Prestonsburg, KY 41653

606-263-1552

<http://www.kyhearing.com/>

### **Western KY Hearing Aid Bank**

Trover Clinic

200 Clinic Drive

Madisonville, KY 42431

1-800-733-2312

Serves: Caldwell, Christian, Hopkins

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### **Kentucky Assistive Technology Loan Corporation**

KY Assistive Technology Loan Program

275 East Main Street, 2E-K

Frankfort, KY 40621

1-877-675-0195

[EDU.katlc@ky.gov](mailto:EDU.katlc@ky.gov)

<http://katlc.ky.gov>

The KATLC operates a low-interest loan program funded by both private and public money to help Kentuckians with disabilities obtain assistive technology to improve their independence or quality of life. Included are hearing aids and other communication devices.

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### **Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Central Office**

Cabinet for Human Resources Building

275 East Main Street

Mail Stop 2E-K

Frankfort, KY 40621

(800) 372-7172 (V/TTY)

The Department of Vocational Rehabilitation may provide a hearing aid if it is needed for employment or school.

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### **U.S. Military Veterans**

If you have served in the military, then you may be able to receive some assistance from the nearest Veterans Affairs office.

## National Hearing Aid Resources

### **Miracle-Ear Foundation**

5000 Cheshire Parkway N

Plymouth, MN 55446

1-800-234-5422

[www.miracle-earfoundation.org](http://www.miracle-earfoundation.org)

### **Hear Now**

6700 Washington Ave S

Eden Prairie, MN 55344

1-800-328-8602

[www.starkeyhearingfoundation.org](http://www.starkeyhearingfoundation.org)

### **Audient Program**

EPIC Hearing Healthcare

3191 W. Temple Ave Ste. 200

Pomona, CA 91768

1-866-956-5400 x2

[www.audientalliance.org](http://www.audientalliance.org)

### **Easter Seals**

233 South Wacker Drive, Suite 2400

Chicago, IL 60606

800-221-6827

[www.easterseals.com](http://www.easterseals.com)

### **Foundation for Sight and Sound**

P.O. Box 1245

Smithtown, NY 11787

631-366-3461

[www.foundationforsightandsound.org](http://www.foundationforsightandsound.org)

### **Travelers Protective Assoc. of America**

3755 Lindell Boulevard

St. Louis, MO 63108

314-371-0533

<http://www.tpahq.org/>

### **hi HealthInnovations**

3022 Momentum Place

Chicago, IL 60689

1-855-523-9355

[www.hihealthinnovations.com](http://www.hihealthinnovations.com)

## **Children ONLY**

### **KY Commission for Children with Special Health Care Needs**

310 Whittington Parkway, Suite 200

Louisville KY 40222

(502) 429-4430

(800) 232-1160

<http://chfs.ky.gov/ccshcn/>

### **First Hand Foundation**

2800 Roackcreek Parkway

Kansas City, MO 64117

816-201-1569

<https://applications.cerner.com/firsthand/default.aspx>

### **Graceful Sounds**

Post Office Box 938

Jackson, TN 38302

615-320-7700

Business Manager: Tara Boosey

### **Disabled Children's Relief Fund**

P.O. Box 89

Freeport, NY 11520

516-377-1605

<http://www.dcrf.com/>

### **Hike's Fund, Inc.**

10115 Cherryhill Place

Spring Hill, FL 34608

352-688-2579

[www.thehikefund.org](http://www.thehikefund.org)

## **Lions Affordable Hearing Aid Project (Lions-AHAP) Fact Sheet**

Hearing impairment is one disability issue that has actually gotten worse in the past several decades. Hearing loss affects 278 million people worldwide. When people are not able to pay the high cost of quality hearing aids—which cost an average of US\$3,600 each and are often not covered by insurance—they are left with poor-functioning hearing aids, or, even worse, in silence.

Thirty-six million Americans have hearing loss, and the 7 million Americans who cannot afford hearing aids have become an underserved population. Lions and LCIF are working to address this issue through a pilot program of the Lions Affordable Hearing Aid Project (AHAP).

Lions have worked for many years to help the hearing impaired, collecting thousands of hearing aids and volunteering thousands of hours for hearing-related service projects. LCIF has awarded 124 grants totaling US\$5,021,448 for hearing-related projects around the world.

Through the Affordable Hearing Aid Project, Lions are reaching hearing-impaired people of limited income in almost every community in the United States. AHAP's continuum of care model involves providing high-quality, low-cost hearing aids as well as services of hearing care professionals to conduct tests, fit the aids and provide follow-up care. Since 2009, 768 hearing aids have been provided to people who otherwise could not afford them.

### **How does AHAP works?**

Local Lions clubs work with individuals to determine their eligibility (based on income) and arrange testing by a partner hearing care professional. The Lions club communicates with Lions AHAP to request and arrange shipping of the hearing aid(s). The selected hearing care professional then ensures proper fit of the aid, and provides follow-up care to make adjustments as needed.

Website: <http://www.lcif.org/EN/our-programs/humanitarian-efforts/hearing/>

For more information, contact your local Lion's Club to see if they participate in the program. To contact your local club, check out <http://www.kylions.com/> for more information.

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Also, you may check with other local Civic Organizations

- Knight of Columbus
- Shriners
- Kiwanis
- Rotary Club