

# Ohio Support Programs + Agencies



Search “Ohio Long-term Services and Supports Waiver Programs” to find an organized summary of State waiver assistance programs. Two good sites are:

- <https://medicaid.ohio.gov/FOR-OHIOANS/Programs/HCBS-Waivers>
- <http://medicaidwaiver.org/state/ohio.html>

## Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

*Is my child eligible?* <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/text-eligibility-ussi.htm>

## Ohio-Based Resources

**Olmstead Rights- Ohio Disability Resources and Advocacy Organizations** contains many helpful resources and links to government agencies and disability rights organizations in Alabama: including, but not limited to

- Disability advocacy
- Home health services
- Home care
- Nursing aide services
- Medicaid
- Accessing other community resources to help people with disabilities

**Assistive Technology of Ohio** helps Ohioans with disabilities learn about to acquire assistive technology; devices, equipment or services that assist individuals with disabilities function independently in the areas of work, home or school.

**BrainLine** resources, information, and support to anyone whose life has been affected by brain injury.

**Brain Injury Resource Center's** services and resources reflect the best practices in the field of Traumatic Brain Injury services, resources, and supports.

**Brain Injury Association of Ohio** is a statewide advocacy and education organization to improve services and supports to Ohioans with brain injury and their families, to promote prevention and to advocate for advances in research, legislation, and program development.

**Brain Injury Association of Ohio Support Groups** listing of support groups in Ohio for those affected by brain injury.

**Disability Rights Ohio** advocates for the human, civil and legal rights of people with disabilities in Ohio. Disability rights Ohio serves as Ohio's Protection and Advocacy (P&A) system and Client Assistance Program (CAP).

**Morgan & Weisbrod: Disability Benefits Application Help** attorneys board certified in disability law to help apply for Social Security Disability Benefits.

**Nisonger Center** of Ohio State University provides assistance to people with disabilities, families, service providers and organizations to promote inclusion in education, health, employment, and community settings.

**Ohio Benefits (Cash Benefits)** apply for healthcare, childcare, food and cash benefits.

**Ohio Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation (BVR)** provides individuals with disabilities services and supports necessary to help them attain and maintain employment.

**Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities** offers residential services and support to individuals with disabilities, with the goal of helping them to continue to live in their community or home.

**Ohio Department of Medicaid** is a state/federal program that pays for medical and long-term care services for low-income pregnant women, children, certain people on Medicare, individuals with disabilities and nursing home residents.

**Ohio Division of Disability Determination** instructions and process of applying for Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits through the Social Security Administration (SSA).

**Ohio Legal Rights Service (OLRS)** is an independent state agency and the federally and state designated Protection and Advocacy system and Client Assistance Program for children and adults with disabilities in the State of Ohio. The mission of OLRS is to protect and guarantee the human, civil, and legal rights of Ohioans with disabilities.

**OhioHealth Rehabilitation Hospital Brain Injury Program** medical services for rehabilitation after brain injury.

**Ohio Statewide Independent Living Council (OSILC)** is responsible for promoting full access and independence of people with disabilities in the communities of their choosing. OSILC works to provide a statewide network of independent living services and

supports so that people with disabilities can independently live, work, and participate in their communities.

**Ohio Valley Venter for Brain Injury Prevention and Rehabilitation** improves the lives of people who experience traumatic brain injury, and their families and communities, by creating and disseminating new knowledge about the course, treatment and outcomes relating to their condition.

**Ohio Works First** Temporary Assistance to Needy Families or welfare; cash assistance program that provides state funded financial aid to help pay a wide variety of bills.

**Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities** is a state government agency that serves Ohioans with disabilities so that they may achieve quality employment, independence, and Social Security disability determination outcomes.

**The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center Traumatic Brain Injury Network** coordinates resources and services for patients who suffer from brain injuries and substance abuse.

# Non-Profit Resources

**Team Luke Hope for Minds** enriches the lives of children with a brain injury and gives hope to families through support and education.

**Arc of Ohio** advocates for human rights, personal dignity and community participation of individuals with developmental disabilities through legislative and social action, information and education, local chapter supports and family involvement.

**Cerebral Palsy Group** General information on CP as well as support resources.

**Cerebral Palsy Guidance** General information on CP as well as financial assistance resources.

**Cherished Creations** Dream requests for children with serious illnesses.

**Chive Charities** Funding for rare medical conditions, veterans with medical-related needs, first responders & emergency assistance organizations & underfunded special needs education initiatives.

**Children's Wish Foundation International** Grants for wishes for children under 18 who have been diagnosed with a life-threatening medical condition.

**Clayton Dabney Foundation for Kids with Cancer** Last wishes, gifts, special events, family travel & financial assistance for families with children in the last stages of terminal cancer.

**Different Needz** Grants for people with developmental disabilities for equipment and medical services.

**Do It For The Love** Grants live concert wishes for people with life-threatening illnesses, children with severe challenges & wounded veterans.

**Dream Foundation** Volunteer-driven wish-granting organization that serves children ages 3-18 who have a critical or chronic illness.

**Easter Seals** offers a variety of services to help people with disabilities address life's challenges from child development centers to physical rehabilitation and job training for people with disabilities.

**First Hand Foundation** Financial Assistance.

**Fund It Forward** For anyone with a diagnosed disability or medical condition in need of medical devices or equipment.

**Granted Wish Foundation** Sports/Athlete specific wishes for people with a physical disability age 5-25.

**iHOPE** - The International Academy of Hope is a highly specialized brain injury school in New York City funded by the Sarah Jane Brain Foundation (SJBF). The mission of SJBF is to change the world for children, youth and young adults who suffer from brain injury and other brain-based disorders by improving services, training and research in this country and beyond.

**Make A Wish Foundation** grants the wish of a child diagnosed with a life-threatening medical condition in the United States and its territories.

**Mclindon Family Foundation** Gives adaptive bikes to children with disabilities.

**Modest Needs** Short term critical-need financial assistance for those who do not qualify for traditional assistance because of income level.

**National AMBUCS, Inc.** is creating mobility and independence for people with disabilities by therapeutic tricycles to individuals unable to operate a traditional bike, awarding academic scholarships for therapists, and

performing various other forms of community service.

**National MS Society** Resources, support and programs for those living with multiple sclerosis.

**National Patient Travel HELPLINE** Provides assistance and referral to the best source of charitable medical air transportation help.

**National Organization for Vehicle Accessibility** small grants to help complete accessible van purchases after other funding has been secured.

**Northeast Ohio Brain Injury Foundation** was formed to support survivors of brain injuries and their families through research, information and educational activities to increase public awareness regarding the prevention, care and treatment of brain injuries and to provide advocacy and support for survivors of brain injury and their families.

**People First of Ohio** helps people with disabilities learn how to become self-advocates, so that they can voice their needs and rights with people in their communities.

**Ragan's Hope** helps parents of children with catastrophic injuries by providing financial, emotional and spiritual support, in the name of Christ.

**Ray Tye Medical Aid Foundation Grants** for in-hospital life-saving treatments and surgeries for those who do not have medical insurance.

**RxAssist** Provides information on financial support organizations that help with the cost of prescriptions.

**Single Mothers Grants** provides financial assistance for utility bills, childcare, college, medical bills, medications, rent assistance, buying a home and more.

**The Determined Parents Foundation** grants money for things like co-pays, deductibles and items insurance only partially covers or does not cover at all.

**The Special Needs Alliance** helps individuals with disabilities, their families and the professionals who serve them.

**The Sunshine Foundation** Grants special dreams to children, ages 3-18, who are chronically or seriously ill, physically challenged or have been abused.

**United Ability** is a non-profit that provides innovative services connecting people with disabilities to their communities and empowering individuals to live full and meaningful lives; particularly through building skills, education, and employment opportunities.

**UnitedHealthCare Children's Foundation - Family Grants** -UHCCF grants provide financial help/ assistance for families with children that have medical needs not covered or not fully covered by their commercial health insurance plan.

**Wheelchairs 4 Kids** Wheelchairs, home & vehicle modifications, and devices for children with limited mobility.

**Casey's Circle** A nonprofit dedicated to helping families of children with special needs find ways for their kids to be kids first - patients later. This is done by providing tools, education, resources and opportunities to help improve the quality of life or medically complex children, their families and their providers, while also strengthening their circle of care.