

Housing as a Human Right

Elevating Accessible Solutions

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Who We Are

Widely known as a provider of long-term, residential living for adults with significant physical disabilities, Inglis has been around for almost 150 years.

Over the past 50 years, Inglis has expanded to support the larger community as well.



Mission and Goals

Inglis' mission is to enable people with disabilities to achieve their goals and live life to the fullest.

We work collaboratively with individuals living with a range of disabilities and the senior population to achieve each person's highest quality of life and independence possible.





"When I first moved in, I thought smart home was something that could make my life easier. Voice activation helps and safety is definitely a feature I need."

"Because I only have use of one hand smart home helps me with my blinds, answering door and definitely entertainment."

"Some gaps could be subscription services that I might not be able to afford, my smart TV doesn't have voice input, the blinds are nice but I can't use the cord to move them up and down, and maybe in the future smart bed and or lounge chair would be helpful."

- Brian W.

Inglis Methodist Gardens Resident

Inglis Assistive Tech Solutions



ASSESSMENT



EDUCATION



SUPPORT

The Roadmap for a Smarter Home

Approach Smart Home as a forethought

- Reduce cost by installing pre-construction

Conducted surveys across various housing sites

- What are the needs?

Discuss the plan

- What do you intend to install?

Incorporate technology support across multiple service lines

- Layered support to prevent abandonment



The Roadmap for a Smarter Home (continued)

Critical to have relationship with builder



Create partnership between Maintenance Staff, tenants,
and community-based program



Layered support is needed for adoption



Design decisions must be made with tenant in mind

Inglis Methodist Gardens Architecture & ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGIES

SMART THERMOSTAT



SMART LOCK



VIDEO DOORBELL

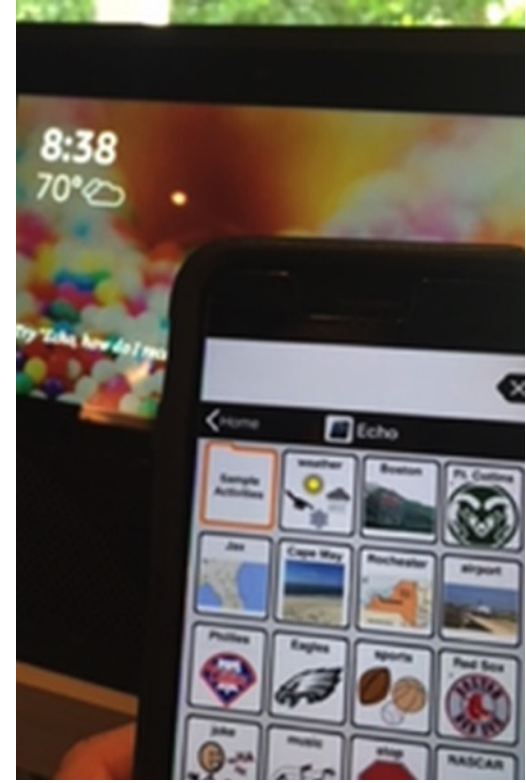
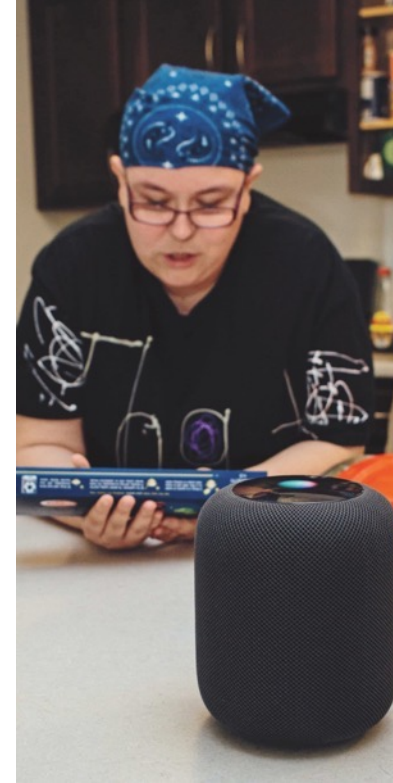
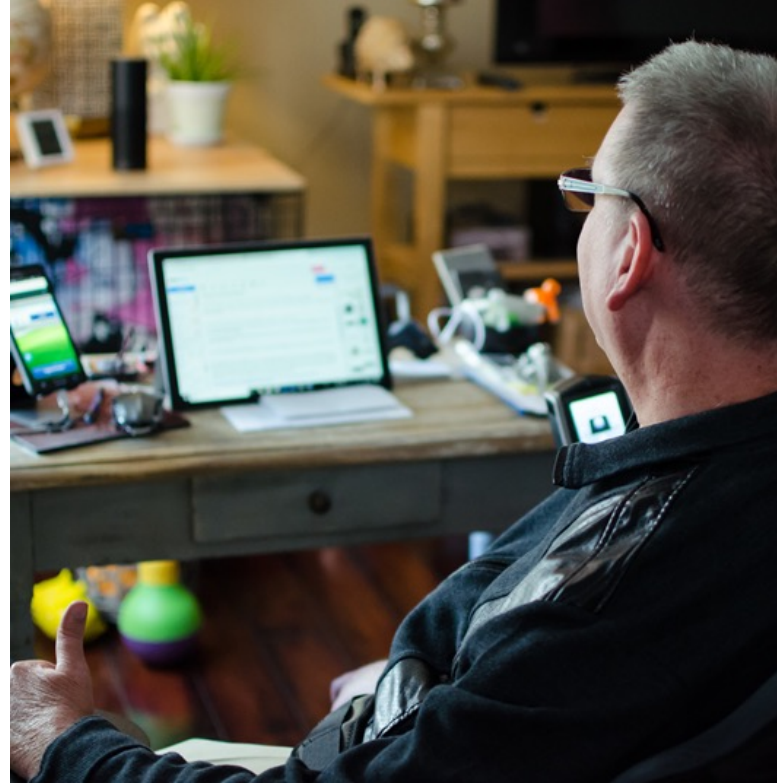


SMART SWITCHES



SMART BLINDS





Smart Homes Made Simple

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Tracy Beck, Lending and Operations Director
Pennsylvania Assistive Technology Foundation

PATF Programs & Services



Information and assistance about assistive technology (AT), funding resources, and vendors



Financial loans for AT



Financial education

PATF helps Pennsylvanians of all:

+ AGES

+ INCOME LEVELS

+ DISABILITIES

+ HEALTH CONDITIONS

What is Assistive Technology (AT)?

Any device or service that can help a person with a disability or older adult do the things they want to do.





SmartHomesMadeSimple.org

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Smart Homes Made Simple

Your Guide
to Smart Home
Technology



Smart Homes Made Simple Self-Assessment Tool

This is all about you! Answering the following questions is a good first step as you consider what kind of smart home technology you would like. Use your answers as a guide when consulting with support team members and professionals to help steer the planning of your smart home.

1. Daily or Routine Activities at Home

Select the activities below where you need or want support. Use the blank spaces to add activities that aren't already listed. This is meant to be a starting point for discussion with your team and to direct your research on what smart home technology might work for you. Keep in mind, there are a variety of ways to accomplish many of the items listed below, including using your voice, a motion sensor, using an app on a phone (locally and also remotely), or setting up automations where the action is triggered by another event.

Communication

- Make calls (voice and/or video)
- Send messages (voice and/or text)
- Intercom between rooms
- Make announcements throughout home
- Send and receive email
- _____

Control of the Environment

- Turn on/off lights
- Turn on/off fan
- Make coffee
- Adjust thermostat
- Open/close exterior/interior doors
- Open/close blinds
- _____

Entertainment

- Listen to podcasts, music, and/or audiobooks
- Get the news
- Hear jokes
- Watch cable TV
- Stream TV/movies/video content
- Play video games
- _____

Telehealth and Health Monitoring

- Make video/phone calls with your doctor
- Organize your medication
- Set reminders to take medication
- Monitor your vitals (weight, blood pressure, blood glucose level, etc.)
- _____

Personal Assistant / Organization / Productivity

- Find and follow recipes
- Make shopping lists
- Make to-do lists
- Order house supplies and/or groceries
- Create reminders
- Set alarms
- Manage your calendar
- Search the internet
- Manage your bank account
- Check the date/time
- Check the weather
- Check public transportation schedule
- _____

Remote Supports from a Caregiver

- Remote check-ins from family, friends, or caregivers
- Remote view of inside and outside the property
- Remote control of thermostat
- Remote control of door lock and creation of virtual "keys"
- Remote communication with visitors outside the door
- Remote monitoring of health vitals
- Remote alerts of intruders or hazards in the home (such as smoke, fire, carbon monoxide, water leaks, or stove left on)
- Remote alerts when medication is taken
- Remote alerts when you leave the property
- _____

Financial Loans for Assistive Technology

Mini-Loan Pilot Program

- \$100 to \$7,000
- 0% interest, zero fees
- \$20/month minimum payment

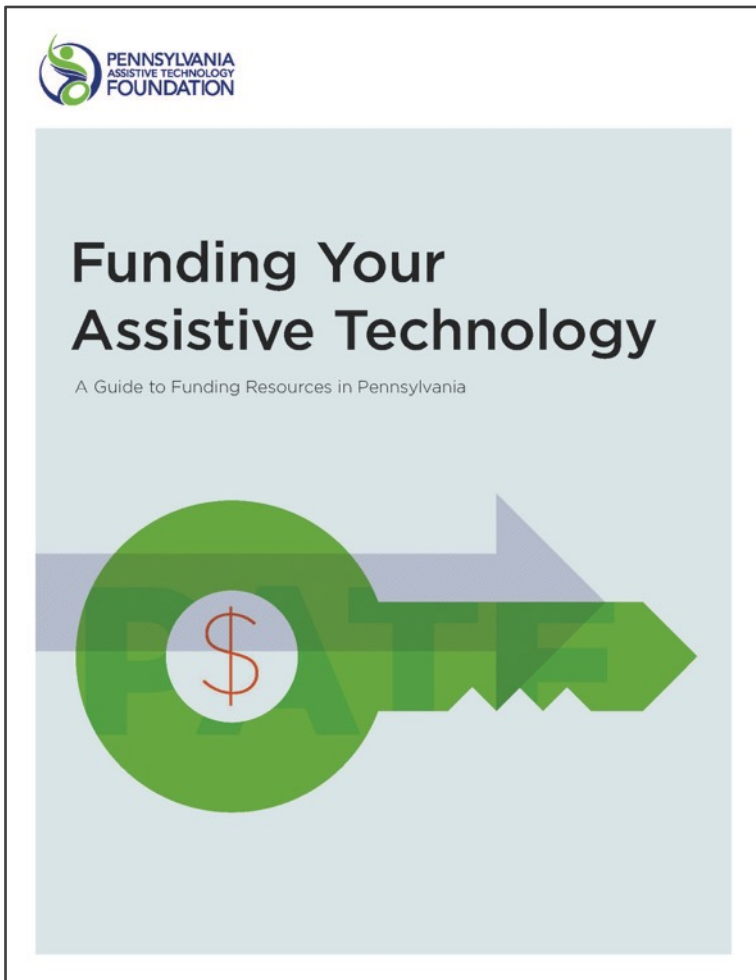
Low-Interest Loan Program

- \$7,001 and above
- 3.75% interest, zero fees
 - Non-Guaranteed up to \$60,000
 - Guaranteed up to \$35,000



PATF may be able to offer a partial grant in conjunction with a Mini-Loan (current mini-grants are for: tablets, vision AT for borrowers who are blind or low-vision, and any AT for low-income borrowers, except computers).

PATF's Funding Guide for Assistive Technology



- Considerations for selecting your AT
- Create your funding strategy
- Learn about over 50 funding resources in PA
- Tips for appealing decisions and denials

*Funding Your Assistive Technology:
A Guide to Funding Resources in Pennsylvania*

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