



**CEREBRAL PALSY
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Grant Guidelines — Equipment

Objective:

The objective is to assist members with communication, mobility and adapted/specialized equipment that will enhance their growth and skills in personal, educational and social development leading to and increasing opportunities to live a more independent life.

Eligibility:

Any individual who has Cerebral Palsy and is a current paid member of the Association. (Membership year is from September 1 to August 31 and renewal is every September) The member has to be a resident of the Province of Manitoba.

Allocation:

The Grants Committee will bring a recommendation to the Board of Directors who will by motion approve or deny* (see appeal) all Grant requests. Deadline for the grants to be considered is May 31st. Any Grant requests after that date will be considered the following September. If necessary, the Cerebral Palsy Association will assist members in applying to potential matching funders. Members who have not previously received funding will have priority. A member may only apply once per membership year.

Please Note—all requests will expire by 1st August unless an extension has been requested and granted. Please contact the Executive Director if you do require an extension.

An application form for funding is required. **Complete and return it with specific information regarding the item(s) and cost(s). On all requests include GST and taxes if applicable.** Any request over \$1500.00 you will need to include estimates from two (2) different suppliers/companies that distribute the product/equipment needed. You will also have to include a list of different sources of funding or letters of denial.

Provide a cover letter explaining your particular need or situation. **Attach a support letter from one of the following: therapist, doctor, resource/special education teacher, agency or family worker** (i.e. MB Possible, Children's Disabilities Services/Family Services).

We have a limit of \$1000.00 (including taxes) for iPads and computers. The limit does not include adapted/specialized computer equipment (i.e. switches, holders) and specialized computer software program are considered for funding. The Board of Directors is aware that today's computer technology does play a great role in the lives of people with cerebral palsy.

The Executive Director will call to inform you if the funding has been granted or denied. If granted, you will receive a follow up letter explaining the process to access the funds.

*If denied you will receive a letter explaining the appeal process.

Non-equipment Grants are also considered. Contact CPMB for information.