



This is a Grant Program that has been established and is managed by the Massachusetts State Council Knights of Columbus.

Details

It is intended to assist persons with mental retardation regardless of age and the physically handicapped children who have not reached 20 years of age for appropriate items, assistive devices and/or equipment.

Grants also may be made for specialized equipment to non-profit organizations caring for these people.

There is no restriction as to race, creed, sex or national origin.

There is a \$5,000 maximum grant for an individual.

Exceptions would be for:

Hearing Aids \$ 4,000 (max)
(\$ 2,000 per aid)

Ramps, Van & Star Lifts \$ 7,000 (max)

There is a three-year waiting period between grants for any individual or group.

NOTE: THERE ARE NO COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH APPLYING FOR OR RECEIVING A GRANT.

Charity Fund

Massachusetts State Council
Knight of Columbus

How to apply for a Grant

Any family wishing to apply for consideration for a Grant needs to:

A) Obtain and collect the following information:

1. Name of individual or organization
2. Address
3. Date of birth of the individual
4. Complete description of the request
5. 2 quotes from 2 separate vendors:
 - Quotes need to be on vendor stationary.
 - Quotes cannot be copies from a catalog page
 - If this item is so specialized that there is only one vendor, then that explanation needs to be made
6. The exact dollar amount being requested
7. Medical certification from a medical doctor describing the nature of the handicap and the need for the requested item/equipment.
8. For van lifts or conversions:
 - * Certification of condition of the vehicle by an appropriate authority
 - * Proof of ownership (copy of registration)
9. For home ramps and stair lifts:
 - * Proof of ownership of the property (copy of tax bill from town)
 - * If rental, Landlord/tenant agreement
 - * Quotes for ramps must include a copy of contractor Mass License
 - * Copy of design specifications in compliance with State and Local Building Codes

B) Mail this information to

Grand Knight
Knights of Columbus
Bishop Ruocco Council
P.O. Box 65
Chelmsford, MA 01824

Special Needs Information Brochure

Further Details

For Non-Profit Organizations:

A specific written proposal showing qualified use of grant money, together with its most recent fiscal statement are required.

The following items are not covered by this fund:

- Camper ships
- Medical Expenses
- Salaries
- Tuitions
- Motor Vehicles (Vans)
- Computer Hardware
- Insurance & Warranties

Very Important

Application for Funds cannot be accepted for reimbursement of already purchased item/equipment or paid services

Retain a copy of your submission.

For general or contact information go to:
<http://www.massachusettsstatekofc.org>