

# Assistive Technology For People With Disabilities

Disability Rights Louisiana (DRLA) is a statewide non-profit agency providing **FREE** legal services, advocacy, and other supports to people with disabilities of all ages.

## WHAT IS ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY?

Assistive technology includes any technology that could help you be more successful in school or work, live more independently, improve your health, drive, or otherwise address needs related to your disability.

#### **SERVICES**

Disability Rights Louisiana can provide the following services related to assistive technology:

- Legal Advocacy
- Systems Advocacy

- Assistance with Self Advocacy
- Information and Referral

# **EXAMPLES OF ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY**

- Wheelchair
- Eye glasses
- · Walker or cane
- Tablet computer to assist with communication
- Video relay system
- Prosthetics or orthotics
- Braille display

- Specialized bed/mattress
- Seating and positioning aids
- Oversized keyboard or mouse
- Magnifiers
- Emergency Alert System
- Programs to assist with using a computer
- Sip and puff device

## RECENT SUCCESSES

- DRLA helped a person with physical disabilities obtain a Braille display from Louisiana Rehabilitation Services so that he could complete the tasks required to be promoted at work
- helped a person with an intellectual disability obtain a communication device for use in school
- helped a person with a physical disability file a legal appeal to receive a Medicaidfunded specialized wheelchair lift
- helped a person with a physical disability obtain a motorized wheelchair
- helped a tenant with disabilities obtain modifications to his apartment to make it more accessible.

If you need help, call:

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