

## Application Process

- Visit the TDDP website ([www.disabilities.temple.edu/tddp](http://www.disabilities.temple.edu/tddp)) for the application, the list of available equipment, and other information.
- Download an application or call to request that one be mailed to you.
- Carefully complete the application and include the following information:
  1. Certification of Disability (Section 2 of Application)
  2. Copy of your current landline phone bill
  3. Copy of proof of income
  4. Copy of proof that you live in Pennsylvania
- Mail all materials to TDDP at the address listed on the front of the application.

*The application offers complete directions for paperwork.  
All information is kept confidential.*



- TDDP staff can help you determine which device may be appropriate and can arrange an in-person demonstration at your regional Assistive Technology Resource Center. You can also borrow one or more phones to try in your home through Pennsylvania's Assistive Technology Lending Library ([www.disabilities.temple.edu/atlend](http://www.disabilities.temple.edu/atlend)).



## PENNSYLVANIA'S Telecommunication Device Distribution Program

A program of  
**Pennsylvania's Initiative on Assistive Technology  
(PIAT)**  
Institute on Disabilities at Temple University  
1755 N. 13th Street  
Student Center Room 411 S  
Philadelphia, PA 19122

Implemented in conjunction with  
PA Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR)  
and PA Public Utility Commission (PUC)

Created through Act 34 of 1995

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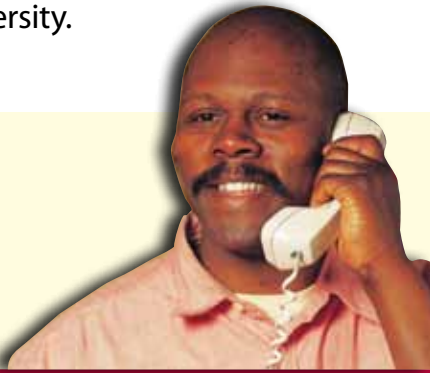
**FREE**  
**TELEPHONE EQUIPMENT FOR  
PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES**



## PENNSYLVANIA'S Telecommunication Device Distribution Program (TDDP)

provides FREE, specialized equipment to eligible Pennsylvanians who have disabilities which prevent them from using regular telephone equipment.

Created in 1995 as a result of Act 34, the TDDP is implemented by Pennsylvania's Initiative on Assistive Technology (PIAT), a program of the Institute on Disabilities at Temple University.



**Contact the TDDP  
if you are not sure about  
the equipment you need.**

**TEL: 800-204-7428 (voice)  
866-268-0579 (TTY)  
215-204-3330 (voice)**

**FAX: 215-204-6336**

**EMAIL: [TDDP@temple.edu](mailto:TDDP@temple.edu)**

**WEB: [www.disabilities.temple.edu/tddp](http://www.disabilities.temple.edu/tddp)**

## Eligibility Requirements

You must meet *all* the following requirements:

1. Be a Pennsylvania resident with a disability that prevents you from making and/or receiving phone calls independently
2. Be six years of age or older
3. Be an Individual gross income at or below 200% of the federal poverty level
4. Have existing landline telephone service
5. Be able to learn how to use the requested device(s)



Type of Equipment Available	Featured Function
AMPLIFIED TELEPHONES	make the incoming voice louder and have adjustable ringer volume
VCO (VOICE CARRY OVER) TELEPHONES	allow you to speak to the other person and read what they are saying
TTYs (TELETYPEWRITERS)	allow you to type and read telephone conversations
HCO (HEARING CARRY OVER) TELEPHONES	allow you to hear what is being said; you type your message
CAPTTEL TELEPHONE	allows you to speak to the other person and read and hear what they are saying
OTHER TYPES OF TELEPHONES	include speaker phones, voice activated dialer, hands-free headset phone and picture phones
SIGNALING DEVICES	use sound, lights, and/or vibration to alert you when the telephone rings