Phone devices for people with speech disabilities

This information is provided to help Minnesotans who have speech disabilities find vendors that supply adaptive devices for the phone. Before purchasing, we encourage you to see if you are eligible to receive devices through the Telephone Equipment Distribution (TED) Program.

The Minnesota Department of Human Services does not endorse any particular vendors’ products, services or apps.

**Devices for phone access**

**Electronic larynx** device is a hand-held, portable speaking aid that simulates the natural vibrations of speech for people who have lost use of their larynx. It is pressed against the throat, and the person forms words with their mouth.

**Fluency devices** help people who stutter to sound more natural over the phone by providing a continuum sound through the headset.

**Speech amplifying phones** allow people with a low volume voice to increase the volume of their voice on the phone. This helps the people they call to hear them better.

**Speech generating devices** are electronic devices that use eye gaze, text to speech and other technologies give a person with a speech disability control over their voice output.

**TTY (teletypewriter)** device allows the user to type outgoing messages and listen to the other party’s responses, or read responses on the display. A TTY user can call another TTY user directly. They can call anyone who uses a traditional phone through the Minnesota Relay Service. The Minnesota Relay Service provides live communications assistant 24 hours a day to facilitate calls.

**Vendors**

**AbleNet**
Switches
[AbleNet’s website](www.ablenetinc.com)
Store location: Roseville, MN
800-322-0956

**Atos Medical (formerly Griffin Laboratories)**
Electrolarynx, voice amplifiers
[Atos Medical’s website](griffinlab.com/catalog/)
800-330-5969

**Casa Futura Technologies**
Fluency devices
[Casa Futura’s website](casafuturatech.com)
888-FLUENCY (358-3629)

**Dynavox Technologies**
Speech generating devices
[Tobii Dynavox’s website](tobiidynavox.com/en-US/)
800-344-1778

**Harris Communications**
Electrolarynx, fluency devices, speech amplifying phone, voice amplifiers
[Harris’s website](www.harriscomm.com)
Store location: Eden Prairie, MN
800-825-6758 (voice)
800-825-9187 (TTY)

Learn more
Phone: 800-657-3663 voice or preferred relay service
Videophone: 651-964-1514
Email: dhs.dhhsd@state.mn.us
Web: mn.gov/deaf-hard-of-hearing/
**Nu-Vois**
Electrolarynx devices
[Nu-Vois’s website](nu-vois.com) (nu-vois.com)
800-688-6471

**Teltex**
Electrolarynx, fluency devices, speech amplifying phone, voice amplifiers
[Teltex’s website](teltex.com) (teltex.com)
888-515-8120 voice/TTY

**Ultratec**
TTYs
[Ultratec’s website](www.ultratec.com) (www.ultratec.com)
800-482-2424

**Zygo Industries**
Voice amplifiers, speech generating devices
[Zygo’s website](www.zygo-usa.com/usa/) (www.zygo-usa.com/usa/)
800-234-6006

**Mobile applications (apps)**

Mobile applications (apps) are downloaded on your smartphone or tablet, and can meet a variety of communications needs depending on the app you choose.

The following websites provide information about accessibility features and applications (apps) that may benefit you. Accessible apps are available for Android, iOS and Windows devices.

**Android**
- [Google’s guide to Android accessibility features](support.google.com/accessibility/android) (support.google.com/accessibility/android)
- [Raz Mobility’s information about Google accessibility](razmobility.com/built-in-android-accessibility/) (razmobility.com/built-in-android-accessibility/)
- [Raz Mobility’s list of Android apps for accessibility](razmobility.com/android-accessibility-applications/) (razmobility.com/android-accessibility-applications/)

**iOS**
- [Apple’s guide to iOS accessibility features](apple.com/accessibility/) (apple.com/accessibility/)
- [iAccessibility’s information about iOS apps and devices](iaccessibility.com/) (iaccessibility.com/
- [Raz Mobility’s information about iOS accessibility](razmobility.com/ios-built-in-accessibility/) (razmobility.com/ios-built-in-accessibility/)

**Microsoft**
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