

Assistive Technology State Grant Program

Oklahoma ABLE Tech State Plan for FY 2009-2011

The following is a summary of the State Plan. For a copy of the full state plan contact Oklahoma ABLE Tech at 1-800-257-1705 or email: abletech@okstate.edu.

Advisory Council

1. In accordance with section 4(c)(2) of the AT Act of 1998, as amended our state has a consumer-majority advisory council that provides consumer-responsive, consumer-driven advice to the state for planning of, implementation of, and evaluation of the activities carried out through the grant, including setting measurable goals. This advisory council is geographically representative of the State and reflects the diversity of the State with respect to race, ethnicity, types of disabilities across the age span, and users of types of services that an individual with a disability may receive. Includes:
 - a. a representative of the designated Rehabilitation State agency
 - b. a representative of a State center for independent living
 - c. a representative of the State workforce investment board
 - d. a representative of the State educational agency
 - e. other representatives (list below)
 - f. 1 representative from State Department of Human Services
1 representative from State Department of Health
1 representative from a community based organization
 - g. 8 individuals with disabilities that use assistive technology or their family members or guardians:

Budget Allocations

| State-level Activities | Proposed Budget Allocation for Entire Annual Award |
|---------------------------------|--|
| State Financing Activities | \$20,001-\$30,000 |
| Device Reutilization Activities | \$50,001-\$60,000 |
| Device Loan Activity | \$90,001-\$100,000 |
| Device Demonstration Activity | \$70,001-\$80,000 |
| State Leadership Activities | more than \$100,000 |

Activities Performed

| Device Reutilization, Device Loan, and Device Demonstration Activities | Number of Activities Performed |
|--|--------------------------------|
| How many state financing activities do you perform | 2 |
| How many device exchange programs do you support? | 1 |
| How many device reassignment programs do you support? | 1 |
| How many device loan programs do you support? | 1 |
| How many device demonstration programs do you support? | 2 |

State Financing Activities

| State Financing Activities | Activities Performed (select all that apply) |
|--|--|
| Financial loan program | Yes |
| Other program (Specialized Smoke Alarm Distribution) | Yes |

| The Statewide AT Program provides and/or receives the following support | |
|--|-----|
| Provides in-kind support to other entities via an agreement with the Statewide AT Program. | Yes |
| Receives financial support from the state. | Yes |

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| Receives in-kind support from private entities. | Yes |
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| This activity offers the following types of assistance (select all that apply). | |
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| Revolving loans | No |
| Loan guarantees | Yes |
| Low interest loans | Yes |
| Interest buy-downs | Yes |
| Preferred interest loans | Yes |

Describe the other financing activity.

Specialized Smoke Alarm Distribution Program; "Fire Safety Solutions for Oklahomans" is designed to distribute and install free specialized smoke alarms, as well as provide fire safety messages to Oklahomans with disabilities. The project targets people statewide who are blind or have low vision, people who are deaf or hard of hearing, people with mobility impairments, and people with developmental delay. Oklahoma ABLE Tech accepts applications and determines eligibility based on proof of disability. Fire Protection Publications at Oklahoma State University professionally installs either the Silent Call smoke alarm with a strobe light and vibrator or the First Alert smoke alarm that can be tested using a universal remote control. Each person receiving smoke alarms, according to their needs, completes a survey.

Device Exchange – Oklahoma Equipment Exchange

The Statewide AT Program operates the statewide exchange program and does not provide and/or receives any additional support.

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| Describe how transaction happens when a device is exchanged. |
| The transaction is direct consumer-to-consumer. |

Device Reassignment

| Who conducts this activity? Check all that apply. | |
|---|-----|
| The Statewide AT Program | No |
| Other entities (e.g. contractors) – Sooner AMBUCS | Yes |

Sooner AMBUCS operates Share4Life Komputer (ASK) which is a community service program to recycle/repair computers. This program combines donated computers, components and software to put together usable computers for Oklahomans with disabilities to help recipients gain independence by acquiring computers that they would not otherwise have been able to obtain.

Device Loan Activity

| Who conducts this activity? Check all that apply. | |
|---|-----|
| The Statewide AT Program | Yes |
| Other entities (e.g. contractors) | Yes |

| The Statewide AT Program provides and/or receives the following support (choose all that apply). | |
|--|-----|
| Provides financial support to other entities via an agreement with the Statewide AT Program. | Yes |
| Provides in-kind support to other entities via an agreement with the Statewide AT Program. | Yes |
| Receives in-kind support from the state. | Yes |
| Receives in-kind support from private entities. | Yes |
| Coordinates and collaborates with other entities for the purpose of expanding an existing | Yes |

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| program or service. | |
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How many regional sites is the activity conducted? 8

Device Demonstration Activity

| Who conducts this activity? Check all that apply. | |
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| The Statewide AT Program | Yes |
| Other entities (e.g. contractors) | Yes |

| The Statewide AT Program provides and/or receives the following support (choose all that apply). | |
|---|-----|
| Provides financial support to other entities via an agreement with the Statewide AT Program. | Yes |
| Provides in-kind support to other entities via an agreement with the Statewide AT Program. | Yes |
| Receives in-kind support from the state. | Yes |
| Receives in-kind support from private entities. | Yes |
| Coordinates and collaborates with other entities for the purpose of expanding an existing program or service. | Yes |

Other Device Demonstration Activity - SoonerStart

| Who conducts this activity? Check all that apply. | |
|---|-----|
| The Statewide AT Program | No |
| Other entities (e.g. contractors) | Yes |

SoonerStart professionals provide in-home demonstrations by taking a "kit" of devices to the child's home. Therefore, these demonstrations occur in multiple sites.

State Leadership Activities

Training Activities

| Who conducts this activity? Check all that apply. | |
|---|-----|
| The Statewide AT Program | Yes |
| Other entities (e.g. contractors) | No |

| The Statewide AT Program provides and/or receives the following support (choose all that apply). | |
|--|-----|
| Coordinates and collaborates with other entities for the purpose of expanding an existing program or service. | Yes |
| Coordinates and collaborates with other entities for the purpose of reducing duplication of programs or services | Yes |

Describes where training is primarily provided. At the sites arranged by those receiving the training.

Technical Assistance Activities

| Who conducts this activity? Check all that apply. | |
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| The Statewide AT Program | Yes |
| Other entities (e.g. contractors) | No |

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| The Statewide AT Program provides and/or receives the following support (choose all that apply). | |
| Coordinates and collaborates with other entities for the purpose of expanding an existing program or service. | Yes |
| Coordinates and collaborates with other entities for the purpose of establishing a new program or service | Yes |

Public Awareness Activities

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| Who conducts this activity? Check all that apply. | |
| The Statewide AT Program | Yes |
| Other entities (e.g. contractors) | Yes |

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| The Statewide AT Program provides and/or receives the following support (choose all that apply). | |
| Coordinates and collaborates with other entities for the purpose of expanding an existing program or service. | Yes |

Information and Assistance Activities

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| Who conducts this activity? Check all that apply. | |
| The Statewide AT Program | Yes |
| Other entities (e.g. contractors) | Yes |

Short Term & Long Term Goals

| Access | Education | Employment | Community Living | IT/Telecomm |
|----------------------------|-----------|------------|------------------|-------------|
| a. Long-term Goal | 93.00 | 94.00 | 87.00 | 60.00 |
| b. Long-term Goal Status | | | | |
| c. FY 2007 Performance | 91.01 | 92.45 | 85.79 | 75.00 |
| d. FY 2008 Short-term goal | 92.00 | 93.00 | 85.00 | 50.00 |
| e. FY 2008 Performance | 92.82 | 96.15 | 86.67 | 50.00 |
| f. FY 2008 Status | Met | Met | Met | Met |
| g. FY 2009 Short-term goal | 93.00 | 94.00 | 87.00 | 55.00 |
| h. FY 2009 Performance | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| i. FY 2009 Status | | | | |
| j. FY 2010 Short-term goal | 93.00 | 94.00 | 87.00 | 60.00 |
| k. FY 2010 Performance | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| l. FY 2010 Status | | | | |

| Acquisition | Education | Employment | Community Living |
|----------------------------|-----------|------------|------------------|
| a. Long-term Goal | 95.00 | 80.00 | 77.00 |
| b. Long-term Goal Status | | | |
| c. FY 2007 Performance | 95.52 | 75.56 | 74.05 |
| d. FY 2008 Short-term goal | 94.00 | 77.00 | 75.00 |
| e. FY 2008 Performance | 95.38 | 89.61 | 86.08 |
| f. FY 2008 Status | Met | Met | Met |
| g. FY 2009 Short-term goal | 95.00 | 79.00 | 76.00 |
| h. FY 2009 Performance | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| i. FY 2009 Status | | | |
| j. FY 2010 Short-term goal | 95.00 | 80.00 | 77.00 |
| k. FY 2010 Performance | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| l. FY 2010 Status | | | |

- 1 As Certifying Representative of the Lead Agency for the State of Oklahoma, hereby assure the following.
- 2 The Lead Agency prepared and submitted this State Plan on behalf of the State of Oklahoma.
- 3 The Lead Agency submitting this plan is the State agency that is eligible to submit this plan.
- 4 The State agency has authority under State law to perform the functions of the State under this program.
- 5 The State legally may carry out each provision of this plan.
- 6 All provisions of this plan are consistent with State law.
- 7 A State officer, specified by title in this certification, has authority under State law to receive, hold, and disburse Federal funds made available under the plan.
- 8 The State officer who submits this plan, specified by title in this certification, has authority to submit this plan.
- 9 The agency that submits this plan has adopted or otherwise formally approved this plan.
- 10 The plan is the basis for State operation and administration of the program.
- 11 The Lead Agency will maintain and evaluate the program under this State Plan.
- 12 The State will annually collect data related to the required activities implemented by the State under this section in order to prepare the progress reports required under subsection 4(f) of the Act.
- 13 The Lead Agency will submit the progress report on behalf of the State.
- 14 The State will prepare reports to the Secretary in such form and containing such information as the Secretary may require to carry out the Secretary's functions under this Act and keep such records and allow access to such records as the Secretary may require to ensure the correctness and verification of information provided to the Secretary.
- 15 The Lead Agency will control and administer the funds received through the grant.
- 16 The Lead Agency will make programmatic and resource allocation decisions necessary to implement the State Plan.
- 17 Funds received through the grant will be expended in accordance with Section 4 of the Act, and will be used to supplement, and not supplant, funds available from other sources for technology-related assistance, including the provision of assistive technology devices and assistive technology services.
- 18 The Lead Agency will ensure conformance with Federal and State accounting requirements.
- 19 The State will adopt such fiscal control and accounting procedures as may be necessary to ensure proper disbursement of and accounting for the funds received through the grant.
- 20 Funds made available through a grant to a State under this Act will not be used for direct payment for an assistive technology device for an individual with a disability.
- 21 A public agency or an individual with a disability holds title to any property purchased with

funds received under the grant and administers that property.

- 22 The physical facility of the Lead Agency and Implementing Entity, if any, meets the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) regarding accessibility for individuals with disabilities. Section 4(d)(6)(E)
- 23 Activities carried out in the State that are authorized under this Act, and supported by Federal funds received under this Act, will comply with the standards established by the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board under section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (20 U.S.C. 794d). Section 4(d)(6)(G)
- 24 The Lead Agency will coordinate the activities of the State Plan among public and private entities, including coordinating efforts related to entering into interagency agreements.
- 25 The Lead Agency will coordinate efforts related to the active, timely, and meaningful participation by individuals with disabilities and their family members, guardians, advocates, or authorized representatives, and other appropriate individuals, with respect to activities carried out through the grant.
26. Describe how your program will conform to section 427 of General Education Provisions Act by describing the steps you propose to take to ensure equitable access to, and participation in, your program for students, teachers, and other program beneficiaries with special needs.

The Oklahoma State University will take all the necessary steps to ensure equitable access to, and participation in, all programs and services provided by Oklahoma ABLE Tech as described in the State Plan for Assistive Technology. Specifically, ABLE Tech will ensure equitable access regardless of gender, race, national origin, color, disability or age and will implement the following activities to address potential access barriers:

- 1) All print materials will be available in alternative formats (e.g. Braille, large print, electronic text, and audio) and available in languages other than English as needed.
- 2) All meetings or events will be held in facilities that comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act Architectural Guidelines and communication accommodations (e.g. real time captioning, sign language interpreters. Other language interpreters, etc.) will be provided as needed.
- 3) All web based information will conform with Oklahoma information technology access standards to ensure accessibility to a wide variety of individuals with diverse information processing needs.
- 4) We systemically reach out to people in rural areas, particularly to underrepresented populations such as, farmers, elderly and minority constituencies.