

Oklahoma's Assistive  
Technology Act Program  
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Oklahoma ABLE Tech is  
a federal grant program  
located at Oklahoma State  
University in Stillwater.

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**We are pleased to share Oklahoma ABLE Tech's highlights and key activities reported in our 2007 annual report recently published and distributed to Oklahoma's legislators. ABLE Tech serves individuals of all ages and all disabilities in Oklahoma.**

## Oklahoma ABLE Tech Statistics

- Assistive technology (AT) training and awareness events served over 2284 people
- The Alternative Financing Program provided \$481,892 in AT device low interest bank loans assisting 94 Oklahomans with disabilities
- 246 AT devices exchanged from sellers to buyers for a savings of \$87,200
- 401 AT devices recycled and donated to Oklahomans with disabilities for a savings of \$320,800
- 379 AT devices loaned to Oklahomans in "try before you buy" short-term loan program
- 737 AT devices demonstrated to Oklahomans

## Highlights

- ABLE Tech serves individuals of all ages and all disabilities in Oklahoma.
- ABLE Tech and its partners provide 8 AT loan and demonstration sites to give Oklahomans an opportunity to touch, try, and take home AT devices and improve independence in the community, schools, and workplace.
- ABLE Tech provided information technology accessibility training to 1074 state agency and post secondary personnel.
- ABLE Tech provided training on AT devices such as: computers, software, health and safety devices, daily living items, and developmental disability devices.
- ABLE Tech trained individuals and agencies on topics such as funding for AT, laws and policies, accessible information technology, accessible textbooks, education and community transition.
- "Fire Safety for Oklahomans with Disabilities" received 156 applications from individuals with disabilities in 44 of the 77 Oklahoma counties who received 185 professionally installed specialized smoke alarms.
- ABLE Tech's partner, Sooner AMBUCS Share4Life Komputers donated 401 recycled computers to individuals to improve independent living and vocational skills.
- The Special Education Resolution Center settled 87% of special education due process hearing requests, saving an estimated \$330,000 to \$2,100,000 in tax payer dollars.
- Oklahoma AgrAbility has served over 130 farming families in 75 counties to accommodate disability on the farm, provided information and referral to hundreds more, located over \$130,000 in funding for assistive technology through strategic partnerships, especially the Department of Rehabilitation Services; and educated over 120 health and agricultural professionals on disability issues for Oklahoma farmers and ranchers.



Search the inventory:  
<http://oec.okstate.edu/loan>

## Oklahoma AT Center Locations

Over 1400  
 devices!

Career Tech  
 Stillwater  
 405-743-5162

Hearing Loss  
 Association of OKC  
 405-951-8383

Mary K. Chapman  
 Center for  
 Communicative  
 Disorders  
 Tulsa  
 918-631-2913

Total Source for  
 Hearing-loss and  
 Access (TSHA)  
 Tulsa  
 918-823-8742  
 Sorenson: 918-832-8742

Total Health, Stillwater Medical Center  
 Stillwater  
 405-624-6592

AT Center for Blindness  
 and Low Vision  
 Oklahoma City  
 405-522-3442 or  
 Toll Free: 1-800-845-8476

Oklahoma League for the  
 Blind  
 OKC  
 405-232-4644

ABLE Tech  
 Stillwater  
 405-744-9748 or  
 Toll Free: 1-800-257-1705

## Oklahoma ABLE Tech's Annual Information Technology Accessibility Conference



**WHEN:** Monday, June 2 and Tuesday, June 3, 2008.

**WHERE:** Francis Tuttle Technology Center Rockwell Campus, 12777 N. Rockwell Ave. Oklahoma City

Register now for Oklahoma ABLE Tech's 4th annual IT accessibility conference that provides two days of classes designed to help you make electronic and information technology accessible to everyone – including people with disabilities. Join renowned accessibility experts from Knowbility for two days of classes, many of them hands-on, to help you improve your skills and understand both the need and the techniques for inclusive IT design. Visit the Assistive

Technology Expo and sign up for prizes! **Who should attend:** Web developers, IT Managers, policy developers, programmers and anyone else with IT responsibilities. If you believe that the web should empower ALL people, if you need information about how to meet state and federal accessibility mandates, if you are a technologist who wants to understand emerging best practices for the web, this conference is for you.

To register: Visit our website at [www.accessibility.ok.gov](http://www.accessibility.ok.gov) for more details or call ABLE Tech at 888-885-5588.

## SoonerStart Early Intervention Program



ABLE Tech partners with SoonerStart to help meet the needs of children, ages birth to 3 years, with disabilities. ABLE Tech provides AT demonstration kits for 26 SoonerStart regional offices. The SoonerStart program is provided at no cost to Oklahomans. In 2007, 737 individuals received assistive technology demonstrations with 48% of the demonstrations helping children ages 0-3 through the SoonerStart Early Intervention Program. Approximately 400 assistive technology devices were loaned through the short-term loan program, giving individuals an opportunity to determine if AT would meet their needs.

## Fire Safety Program



"Fire Safety Solutions for People with Disabilities," is designed to distribute and install free smoke alarms, as well as provide fire safety messages to Oklahomans with disabilities. Fire Protection Publications and Oklahoma ABLE Tech, both at Oklahoma State University; have created a partnership to provide specific fire safety messages to people who are deaf, hard of hearing, blind/low vision, or mobility impaired.

ABLE Tech has mailed 267 follow-up surveys to individuals that have received a free smoke alarm through the Fire Safety for Oklahoman's with disabilities program. Seventy-one percent of the surveys were returned with 83% "very satisfied" with the specialized smoke alarms and the installation process. Since the inception of this program in 2004, 768 smoke alarms have been installed in 519 households.

# Camps for Youths with Disabilities

## American Camping Association (ACA), Texoma

The ACA accredits camps that meet standards for health, safety, personnel and programs. The ACA website ([www.acatexoma.org](http://www.acatexoma.org)) provides a camp database that can be searched to locate accredited camps in any area nationwide. For more information, contact the ACA Toll Free: 888-559-2267.

## Apache Tribe Cultural Camp and EPA Camp

Camp Location: Apache Tribe Ceremonial Grounds, Ft. Cobb. This camp is for youth ages 10-18, with and without disabilities. A two-day camping experience that includes outdoor activities, arts and crafts, cultural preservation focus, language classes and instruction in health and preventing substance abuse. Children erect a tee-pee and put up a sweat lodge. For more information, send an email to [apachendnvr@yahoo.com](mailto:apachendnvr@yahoo.com); call Toll Free: 800-851-1253, or write: 510 E. Colorado, Anadarko, OK 73005.

## Camp Aldersgate

Camp Aldersgate is the only place to really get to know the great outdoors with the latest facilities and as few barriers as possible. Located in Little Rock, Arkansas, they offer camps for children and youth who have conditions such as cancer, muscular dystrophy, spina bifida, cerebral palsy, diabetes, arthritis, asthma, epilepsy, kidney disorders, autism, Down's syndrome, and mental retardation. Hundreds of campers come each year from across Arkansas and from surrounding states to enjoy an experience of a lifetime. There are multiple camps throughout the summer. Call (501) 225-1444 for more information or visit their website at [www.campaldersgate.net](http://www.campaldersgate.net).

## Camp Barnabas

A Christian camp for children, teens and adults with medical, physical or developmental disabilities. Located near Purdy, Missouri, camps are available for: Developmental disabilities, physical disabilities, post traumatic burns, blood disorders and oncology, visually and hearing impaired, general medical camp (any medical disability) and adult developmental disability. Call or check the website at [www.campbarnabas.org](http://www.campbarnabas.org) for camp schedules. You can also call the headquarters in Purdy at 417-886-9800 or the camp at 417-476-2565 for more information.

## Camp Cavett

Located on Lake Texoma at Cross Point Camp, this camp is for children and youth ages 10-18 with debilitating diseases. This is the only camp available for heart, sickle-cell and cystic fibrosis children. It provides a full range of camping activities in which children can participate to the extent they are able. Professional fishing organizations sponsor a fishing day and cookout. Obtain registration and health forms from your local United Methodist Church or by calling 405-271-5758. Visit the website at [www.campcavett.com](http://www.campcavett.com) for more information.

## Campfire USA Oklahoma - Camp DaKaNi Day Camps

These camps are open to all boys and girls pre-kindergarten through 6th grade. Camps provide a variety of outdoor activities, cookouts, arts and crafts, hiking on the newly created Braille Trail and other age-appropriate activities such as canoeing. Contact the Camp Fire Office to inquire about enrollment or accommodations. Visit the website at [www.campfireusa-ok.org/dakani.htm](http://www.campfireusa-ok.org/dakani.htm).

## Central Christian Camp and Conference Center

Located near Guthrie, this camp (sponsored by Make Promises Happen) offers a variety of options for children and adults with disabilities and medical conditions. Camp facilities are also used by other organizations sponsoring camps for children with specific disabilities. For a camp schedule or more information, visit [www.centralchristiancamp.org/image/mph\\_calendar.pdf](http://www.centralchristiancamp.org/image/mph_calendar.pdf) or call Toll Free: 800-299-2811.

## Dale Rogers Training Center

This program provides fun in a safe environment with structured activities, field trips in the community, paid work and recreation. Summer day care program is available for young adults with disabilities, ages 12-21. For more information, visit the website at [www.drctc.org](http://www.drctc.org) or call 405-946-4489.

## Diabetes Solutions of Oklahoma - Camp Endres

A camp for youth with diabetes, ages 8-16, is located at YMCA Camp Classen near Davis. Emphasis is placed on campers having fun while learning age-appropriate self-care and diabetes management skills. Financial aid may be available for those who qualify. For more information about Camp Endres, visit [www.drctc.org](http://www.drctc.org) or call 405-843-4386.

## Loving Hands Ranch Summer Camp

These Christian-based camps in Sulphur, Oklahoma, emphasize character development and include activities such as hikes, nature center visits, swimming, go-carts, horseback riding, field games and cookouts. For more information, visit [www.lovinghandsranch.com](http://www.lovinghandsranch.com) or call 580-622-6085.

## Oklahoma Benedictine Institute on Mental Retardation

Camp Benedictine, located in Shawnee, Oklahoma, accept persons with or without disabilities, ages 8-80. Three-day camps held monthly provide an opportunity for individuals with developmental delays to engage in recreational, educational and pre-vocational activities along with other community members. For more information, call 405-878-5289 or visit the website at [www.nidd.org](http://www.nidd.org).

## Oklahoma Developmental Disabilities Council

This camp, located in Chickasha, Oklahoma, provides high school students with disabilities training in advocacy and leadership, as well as exposure to post-secondary education options and community living supports. Students must be in 10th grade or beyond and have some high school remaining. For more information, call toll free 800-836-4470 or visit [www.okddc.ok.gov](http://www.okddc.ok.gov).

## Oklahoma League for the Blind - Oklahomans without Limits

This is a camping experience for children ages 9-18 who are blind or visually impaired. Camp activities are designed to assist camp participants improve their self-esteem, have positive social interaction with non-disabled peers and experience a wide array of indoor and outdoor activities in an accessible environment. For more information, visit [www.olb.org](http://www.olb.org) or call 405-232-4644.

## Oklahoma School for the Blind

For information about this year's camps, please call toll free 877-229-7136 or visit [www.okrehab.org/students.html#1](http://www.okrehab.org/students.html#1).

## Total Source for Hearing-loss and Access (TSHA)

Total Source offers summer day camps for deaf and hard of hearing children ages 7-13. Youth ages 14-15 can apply for counselor-in-training positions. A deaf education instructor leads camps with volunteers assisting. Activities include speakers and hands-on activities organized around a central theme that is different each year. Sign language and voice communications are used. For more information about camps and programs through Total Source for Hearing-loss and Access, call 918-832-8742 or send an email to [www.tsha.cc](http://www.tsha.cc).

## Assistive Technology “Hands-On” Opportunities Benefit Oklahomans with Disabilities

Oklahoma ABLE Tech and partners operate assistive technology (AT) device demonstration and short-term loan programs to increase accessibility to AT. The Assistive Technology inventory is available and searchable online at <http://oec.okstate.edu/loan>.

### Oklahoma ABLE Tech Program, Stillwater

Open safety caps easily; useful for those with tremors, arthritis, or limited hand strength; marked in Braille. Drug stores, \$3.95.



### Career Tech

Rocking T Knife. Cuts by rocking the knife on food. Comfortable wooden handle shaped to fit the hand. Easy to use for people with a weak grasp. The safety edge, stainless steel blade may be sharpened with a knife sharpener. Household dishwasher safe. Maxi-aids, \$23.



### Visual Services of the Department of Rehabilitation Services, Oklahoma City

The AT Center at DRS Visual Services loans a device called an adjustable ergonomic keyboard. This keyboard allows you to adjust the two alphanumeric sections both horizontally and vertically to suit your individual body requirements. EnableMart, \$129.95.



### Hearing Loss Association of Oklahoma City, Integris Third Age Life Center.

Tune in with the Sony TV/Weather/AM/FM Radio Walkman. Perfect for an intense workout, this product features 25 Memory Preset Tuning (5TV/5Weather/10FM/5AM), 5 Direct Key Preset Memory, an LCD Digital Display with a Clock, and a Local/Distant (DX) Switch that provides optimal reception of both close and distant radio stations. HearMore, \$29.95.



### Oklahoma League for the Blind, Oklahoma City

The Oklahoma League for the Blind is a good resource serving a large audience ranging with needs of low vision to blindness. One of the products they offer is the slicing helper for cutting tomatoes. The unit holds a tomato and slicing guides indicate where to make each cut giving even slices with this slicing aid. LS&S, \$5.95.



### Mary K. Chapman Center for Communicative Disorders, University of Tulsa

The center has several types of toys that are used with capability switches, making it possible for children with disabilities to be active participants in play time and to learn cause and effect. Pressing the yellow textured switch on the front of the “Twinkler” device sends sparkles flying around the dome while simultaneously playing music and lighting up. It can also be activated with an external capability switch. Enabling Devices, \$107.95.



### Total Source for Hearing Loss and Access, Tulsa

TSHA offers a product called the Cell Phone Amplifier MHA 100. This amplifier is ideal for cell-phone users in noisy environments or for people with hearing loss. Amplifies up to 24dB. Sound Clarity, \$39.95.



### ASK - AMBUCS Share 4 Life Computers

The ASK program donates computers to people with disabilities. Almost 4,500 computers have been provided to disabled people since 1994. Individuals may apply by writing to: Sooner AMBUCS, P O Box 118, Norman, OK 73070, calling 405-360-1521 or printing the application from <http://www.soonerambucs.org/>.



### Total Health

Total Health and ABLE Tech partner to provide Am Trykes, which are therapeutic tricycles suitable for children approximately 3 to 9 years of age. Three trykes are available with either a bucket or a saddle seat and come with an appropriate helmet.





Join us for AgrAbility Awareness Day on May 5, 2008 at the Oklahoma State Capitol in Oklahoma City from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. The Oklahoma AgrAbility Project is seeking state funding.



AgrAbility helps meet the needs of Oklahomans involved in agriculture. Oklahoma AgrAbility supports the rehabilitation and assistive technology needs of Oklahomans with disabilities who face barriers to participating in agriculture. AgrAbility fills a gap in services and resources available to rural families by:

- Assessing agricultural work sites and tasks
- Providing information and advice about farm and home modifications to increase accessibility and living independently
- Referring families to local service providers
- Providing peer support
- Conducting informational and educational workshops

For more information call (405) 744-2398, toll free: (888) 885-5588 (voice/tty). Email: [ability@okstate.edu](mailto:ability@okstate.edu) and website <http://agrability.okstate.edu/>



The Special Education Resolution Center (SERC) works collaboratively with the Oklahoma State Department of Education (OSDE) to help parents and school districts resolve disputes regarding the special education of students. Through innovative programs, SERC assists parties to resolve their differences at the earliest stage possible. In those instances where the parties are unable to resolve their dispute, SERC provides a fair and impartial hearing system. Fair, impartial and knowledgeable hearing officers conduct administrative hearings to settle the differences of the parties in a timely manner. This process is an assurance Oklahoma makes to its schools and families that Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) in the least restrictive environment will be available to Oklahoma children.

### Assistive Technology Loan Assists Individual in Payne County



The Oklahoma State Department of Career and Technology Education partners with Oklahoma ABLE Tech to offer a device demonstration and loan program to Oklahomans with disabilities. The AT Center is located in Stillwater, but provides services to all tech centers and is open to the public. Approximately 140 devices are available for loan. Call ABLE Tech for more information.

A 56-year-old woman from Payne County with multiple-sclerosis wanted to be more active in her yard and garden. She needed a handy gardening tool to help her reach into garden beds and trim branches on low trees and shrubs. She tried "Extend A Hand" ergonomic garden tools, which are a set of four hand garden tools that fit in an ergonomic holder so you use your arm and shoulder to dig instead of your wrist. This ergonomic garden tool set includes a trowel, three prong

rake, hoe and a saw and they all fit in a holder. It is very simple to switch attachments, and each attachment fits sturdily and securely when it is in place. Since trying the tools, she has purchased them and now has the ability to work in her own garden and yard.

The Oklahoma Equipment Exchange is a free program to help Oklahomans with disabilities acquire affordable, used equipment. Log on to the Equipment Exchange website or call ABLE Tech to list your devices or inquire about a product at 1-888-885-5588. Below is a list of items currently for sale or FREE on <http://oec.okstate.edu>.

**Daily Living**

- Bath Chair
- Bath Chair
- Bath Seat - Portable (Child's)
- Blue Gel Hospital Bed Overlay
- CPAP, healthdyne tranquility plus
- Commode, Bedside commode, FREE
- Commode - Bedside
- Feeder Tray - Electric Self-Feeder
- Full Body Large Mesh Sling #1
- Home-Care Lift (Electric)
- Hospital 'Blue Pads'- NEW, Never Used
- Hospital Bed - Electric
- Hospital Bed - Electric
- Hospital Bed - Invacare
- Hospital Bed - Invacare Electric
- Hospital Bed-Invacare Electric Bed
- Hoyer Patient Lift, INVACARE, Never Used
- Hydraulic Lift - In-home, Invacare
- Mattress, SenTech Stage IV 3000
- Mattress-Demafloat Low Air Loss Bed Cushion
- Offset Trapeze Bar-Octagon Tube, Invacare
- Oximeter- NELLCOR-BENNETT
- Patient Lift - Electric (NEW), Never Used
- Roll In Shower Chair, Rifton, FREE
- Shower chair, Tilt in Space Plus
- Swivel Clamp & Bracket, Invacare
- Talking Blood Glucose Meter
- Trapeze Bar - (for hospital bed), Invacare
- Walker, FREE

**Recreation, Sports, and Leisure**

- Handicapped bicycle, HAVERICH

**Vision**

- Traveller Portable Magnifier CCTV
- CCTV Smart View 3000

**Vehicle Modification and Transportation**

- Portable hand controls for vehicle
- Scooter lift for auto
- Van - 1996 GMC Savanna
- Van - 1998 GMC Savanna with Millennium lift by Braun
- Van - 1999 Windstar Mini Van with lift
- Wheelchair Lift for Van, Braun Millennium Series L955
- Wheelchair Ramp, Tilt-O-Rack, Excellent, For Sale
- Wheelchair-Scooter Lift for Pickup Truck, PVI-1100
- Wheelchair-Scooter Lift for Vehicle (7 available)

**Mobility, Seating & Positioning**

- Bath Stool - Like New, Excellent Condition
- Chair-Tumbleform, FREE
- Folding Power Chair, Merits Feather
- Power Chair, Freestyle F11, Never Used
- Power Chair, Jazzy Select
- Power Wheelchair, Invacare Storm TDX5
- Power Wheelchair - Pride Jazzy 600
- Power chair, Jet1
- Powerchair-Permobil C-300 Electric
- Scooter- Scooter Store
- Shower, Commode Transfer Chair
- Vertical Wheelchair Lift (Elevator)
- Walker - 4 Wheeled
- Walker-Child , Kaye Products
- Wheelchair & Van Lift- Quantum Jazzy 1402
- Wheelchair - Elec Jazzy 1143
- Wheelchair - Electric
- Wheelchair - Electric
- Wheelchair - Electric Jazzy, Pride
- Wheelchair - Electric Merits P3201
- Wheelchair - Electric Jazzy, Pride
- Wheelchair - Electric Merits P3201
- Wheelchair -Pediatric Electric
- Wheelchair Recliner-Tracer , Invacare
- Wheelchair-Quantum 600 Elec Rehab

**Environmental Adaptations**

- Automatic Door Opener #3
- Ceiling lift with track motors, Horcher
- Portable Ramps, Handi-Ramp

**Items Needed:**

- Bath Seat, Child/pediatric, Need a fiber mesh bath seat
- AlphaSmart, to help a student with severe writing deficits
- Adult Stroller, for community outings
- Color cards of nouns and/or verbs for therapy use
- EZ-Bathe system
- Lift Chair – Recliner
- Lift Mesh Sling – For Hoyer Lift
- Power heavy duty wheelchair, will be used in outdoor terrain
- Stair Chair Lift
- Scooter, Electric
- Mini Van - with lift
- Wheelchair – Heavy duty

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<http://okabletech.okstate.edu>

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## Resources and Events



Seretean Wellness Center  
REAL SOLUTIONS FOR REAL PEOPLE

Oklahoma ABLE Tech AT Demo and Loan Program; <http://okabletech.okstate.edu>  
AT Equipment Exchange Program; <http://oec.okstate.edu>  
AgrAbility; <http://agrability.okstate.edu/>  
Fire Safety; [http://www.ok.gov/abletech/Fire\\_Safety](http://www.ok.gov/abletech/Fire_Safety)

### April 23: Langston University PT Students Training, Stillwater

ABLE Tech presentation for Langston University Doctoral PT students to  
learn about electronic aids for daily living.

### May 5: AgrAbility Awareness Day, Oklahoma City

Hold the date for AgrAbility Awareness Day at the Oklahoma State Capitol  
from 1-4 p.m.

### May 21: Oklahoma Aging Conference, Midwest City

ABLE Tech will provide a presentation about assistive technology for aging.

### May 22: Workforce Oklahoma Partners Conference, Oklahoma City

ABLE Tech will have an exhibit featuring AT for employment and provide  
a presentation about accessible computing, which includes tips for dealing with age  
related problems in Windows XP and Vista.

### June 2-3: OK ABLE Tech IT Accessibility Conference, Oklahoma City

The conference will be held at Francis Tuttle Technology Center Rockwell  
Campus. To register: Visit our website at [www.accessibility.ok.gov](http://www.accessibility.ok.gov) for more  
details or call ABLE Tech at 1-888-885-5588.

### June 5-8: 9th Annual Endeavor Games, Edmond

This event is for athletes with physical disabilities and hosted by the  
University of Central Oklahoma. This is a nationally recognized competition event  
similar to the Paralympics. Contact Shelly Ramsey at 405-974-3151. More  
information is also available at: <http://www.ucok.edu/endeavorgames>.