



NEW TRIER TOWNSHIP - 2021

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANT FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Application for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Checklist for COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANT APPLICATION

IMPORTANT - PLEASE READ

To qualify for a Community Support Grant for Persons with Disabilities, you must be a resident of New Trier Township. See the FAQs Sheet on pages 6-7 for other eligibility requirements.

Please make sure you have completed all items on the following checklist **BEFORE** submitting your application for a Community Support Grant for Persons with Disabilities. Failure to provide all documentation, including the diagnosis and services codes (required), and certification of medical eligibility (if required), will render applicant ineligible for the Grant.

SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION

Check and provide **one item** from the list below:

- SSI or SSDI Award Letter
- Community Alternatives Unlimited (CAU) Letter
- NTHS Transitions Program Letter

- OR -

Provide a completed Certification of Eligibility Form (Page 5)

**POSTMARK
DEADLINE:**

January 21, 2022

Mail your completed application and required documentation,
with a postmark ***no later than*** January 21st, 2022 to:

**New Trier Township
Community Support Grants Program
739 Elm Street
Winnetka, IL 60093
Attn: Jeanne Winsted Rosser**



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Applicant Information

NAME OF APPLICANT (person with disability)

CATEGORY: Adult (18 and older) Child (17 and younger)

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

HOME PHONE

CELL PHONE

OTHER PHONE

E-MAIL

Parent or Guardian Information (IF APPLICABLE)

NAME OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

ADDRESS (if different than above)

CITY

STATE

ZIP

HOME PHONE

CELL PHONE

OTHER PHONE

E-MAIL

Check Recipient

If approved, who should the check be made payable to:

Applicant Parent or Guardian

ALL CHECKS WILL BE ISSUED BY MARCH 31st, 2022.

New Trier Township expresses no opinion on whether the grant is taxable income. Please consult your CPA, accountant, attorney or tax advisors if you have any questions.



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Diagnosis

APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE BOTH A WRITTEN DIAGNOSIS AND DIAGNOSTIC CODES

Please supply a written diagnosis:

Please provide DSM-5 or ICD-10 diagnostic codes, whichever is applicable:

CODES: DSM-5: ICD-10:

Please check all that apply:

- Client of Community Alternatives Unlimited: **REQUIRES WRITTEN CONFIRMATION FROM CAU.**
For written confirmation, contact your CAU Service Coordinator or Joanell Voigt at ivoigt@cau.org or 773-867-4001, or contact Susan Perlik at sperlik@cau.org or 773-867-4003.
- High School Transitional Program: **REQUIRES WRITTEN CONFIRMATION FROM NEW TRIER HIGH SCHOOL.**
For written confirmation, contact Diane Wojcik at wojckid@newtrier.k12.il.us or 847-784-6851.
- Eligible for Federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI) mSocial Security Disability Income (SSDI):
APPLICANTS WHO RECEIVE SSI OR SSDI MUST ATTACH AN AWARD LETTER TO APPLICATION.
- Certification of Eligibility (See Below)

PLEASE NOTE THAT A PHYSICIAN OR LICENSED THERAPIST MUST CERTIFY YOUR ELIGIBILITY BY COMPLETING THE "CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY" FORM FOUND ON PAGE 5 OF THIS APPLICATION.

Briefly describe how this funding will be used in meeting the applicant's and/or family's special needs.
(You may continue on back of page if necessary)



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Agreement

I certify that all the information supplied on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I have read the FAQs Sheet incorporated as part of this application and I understand and agree to the terms and conditions of the community support grants program.

I understand that submitting this application is no guarantee that the funds will be awarded me.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

DATE

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN (if applicable)

DATE

HIPAA Release Authority

I intend and authorize the New Trier Township Social Services Administrator ("Administrator") to be treated as I would be with respect to my rights regarding the use and disclosure of my individually Identifiable health Information or other medical records. I authorize any physician, other health-care provider, Insurance company, and health-care clearinghouse to give, disclose and release to the Administrator, without restriction, all of my individually Identifiable health Information and medical records regarding the past, present or future medical or mental health condition. The authority shall supersede any prior agreement that I may have made with my healthcare providers to restrict access to, or disclosure of, my Individually Identifiable health Information. I further understand and agree that Information disclosed pursuant to this authorization may be subject to disclosure in connection with my application for, or the award of, a grant.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

DATE

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN (if applicable)

DATE



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Certification of Eligibility

If applicable, this form must be completed by a physician or licensed therapist to determine eligibility for the Community Support Grants Program. Upon completion, applicant should return this form, along with the application, to New Trier Township to be postmarked no later than January 21st, 2022.

Dear Professional:

Your patient/client is applying for the New Trier Township Community Support Grants Program for Persons with Disabilities. We require professional certification that the applicant is eligible. Under the program guidelines, individuals (children or adults) with the following disabilities, who are residents of New Trier Township, are eligible for a financial assistance program offered by New Trier Township:

- Autism Spectrum Disorders:** A disability with disturbances in social interactions, communication, imaginative activity, and activities and interests.
- Developmental and/or Cognitive Delay:** A developmental disability, which impairs adaptive behavior and daily functioning in varying degrees.
- Multiple Impairments:** (1) A developmental disability, which constitutes a substantial disability attributable to intellectual disability, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism or a similar condition, and is expected to continue indefinitely. (2) Multiple disabilities physical, sensory, behavioral or cognitive functioning, which constitute a severe or profound impairment. Development substantially less than expected for the age in cognitive, affective or psychomotor behavior.
- Mental Disorders:** A primary diagnosis according to DSM-5 diagnostic codes including, but not limited to schizophrenia, delusional disorder, schizoaffective disorder, bipolar affective disorder, atypical psychosis or major depression (recurrent). Functioning substantially impaired in areas such as self-maintenance, social functioning, activities of community living or work skills.
- Physical Impairments:** Impairments such as, but not limited to, AVM rupture, epilepsy or other seizure disorders, hearing impairments, MI (heart), paralysis, TIA (stroke), and/or visual impairments.

PATIENT/ CLIENT NAME

DIAGNOSIS: It is mandatory that you supply a written diagnosis.

CODES: It is mandatory that you provide DSM-5 or ICD-10 diagnostic codes, whichever is applicable:

DMS-5:

ICD-10:

PHYSICIAN/ THERAPIST NAME

OFFICE PHONE

DATE PATIENT LAST SEEN

PROVIDER LICENSE #

OFFICE ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

PHYSICIAN/ THERAPIST SIGNATURE

DATE



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Guidelines & FAQs

What Is the Community Support Grant Program for Persons with Disabilities?

Most individuals with a disability live at home and are cared for by their families. Some of these individuals will require family support their entire lives; Their families make not only personal, but also great financial sacrifices to make this possible. This Township program provides financial assistance that helps in meeting some of the special service needs and unusual expenses related to a person with a disability. Each person selected will receive a grant up to \$1,500 based upon the number of applicants.

Why Was the Program Created?

New Trier Township government is committed to identifying and developing initiatives that will enhance the quality of life for residents, with a focus on youth, seniors, and persons with disabilities. The Township has had a strong history of funding service providers (i.e. social service agencies). As part of the Board of Trustees' strategic planning process, a strong desire developed to provide service on behalf of individuals. The Board has investigated the concept of "money following the person." With close to 9% of the Township's population identified in the 2000 U.S. Census as a person with a disability there is a measurable market opportunity. In order to have significant impact it was determined the program would cover a wide range of services.

Who Is Eligible?

Individuals, children or adults, with the following disabilities, are eligible:

Autism Spectrum Disorders: A disability with disturbances in social interactions, communication, imaginative activity, and activities and interests.

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Multiple Impairments: (1) A developmental disability, which constitutes a substantial disability attributable to intellectual disability, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism or a similar condition, and is expected to continue indefinitely. (2) Multiple disabilities physical, sensory, behavioral or cognitive functioning, which constitute a severe or profound impairment. Development substantially less than expected for the age in cognitive, affective or psychomotor behavior.

Mental Disorders: A primary diagnosis according to DSM-5 diagnostic codes including, but not limited to schizophrenia, delusional disorder, schizoaffective disorder, bipolar affective disorder, atypical psychosis or major depression (recurrent). Functioning substantially impaired in areas such as self-maintenance, social functioning, activities of community living or work skills.

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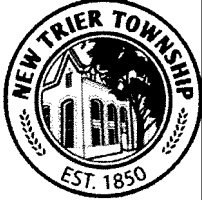
Residency Requirements: All applicants must be a resident of New Trier Township.

Children must:

Live with a biological, adoptive or foster parent -OR- live with a legal guardian.

Adults may:

Live full-time in their own home or apartment -OR- live in a private home with a relative or guardian -OR- live together with as many as three unrelated adults.



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Additional Eligibility Considerations

The person with a disability is eligible for one of the following:

- A client of Community Alternatives Unlimited
- A person who receives Federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Social Security Disability Income (SSDI)
- Enrolled in the High School Transitional Program
- Other: Will require current verification of disability

A physician or licensed therapist will be required to complete the Certification of Eligibility form that appears on page five (5) of the application.

What Services/Expenses Are Covered by The Program?

For children, services might include but are not limited to:

- Respite Care
- Childcare
- Therapy services
- Medical expenses
- Family counseling
- Modifications to make their home more accessible
- Special vehicle or other equipment.

For adults, services might include, but are not limited to:

- Mental health services
- Personal care services (help with dressing, etc.)
- Training and assistance in self-care (help with learning how to dress, cook meals, etc.)
- Habilitation and rehabilitation services
- Services related to finding a job, or supported employment
- Respite care
- Crisis management
- Purchase medicine, nutritional supplements or adaptive equipment
- Modifications to make their home more accessible.

How Will the Program Be Administered?

Interested persons will be asked to fill out an application form that can be obtained by calling or visiting the Township office or downloading an application from the Township website.

Applications must be submitted to the Township office by January 21st, 2022, before 5:00 pm, or postmarked no later than January 21st, 2022. **All participants will be notified by mail by February 28th, 2022.**

Who Will Administer the Program?

New Trier Township Social Services.

How Do I Apply?

- Download an application at the **New Trier Township website:** www.newtriertownship.com
- Call New Trier Township at 847-446-8201 and request an application.
- Visit the New Trier Township Office at 739 Elm Street, Winnetka, IL and pick up an application.
Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00am - 5:00pm.

What Is the Deadline For Submitting An Application?

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED no later than JANUARY 21st, 2022.