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## West Virginia Technology-Related Assistance Revolving Loan Fund for Individuals with Disabilities

The West Virginia Technology-Related Assistance Revolving Loan Fund for Individuals with Disabilities, commonly referred to as the Revolving Loan Fund, is a statewide loan program for qualified West Virginia residents with disabilities to purchase assistive technology devices or services. The program is established in West Virginia State Code §29-24. When the program was created, the West Virginia Legislature set aside \$100,000 for loans ranging from \$500 to \$5000 for 90% of the cost of the technology-related device or service. As of June 1, 2024, a total of \$55,796.67 is available for the loan program. The interest rate varies depending upon the prevailing prime interest rate. Loans can be approved for payments to last as long as five years.

The Revolving Loan Fund Board manages the fund and was created to consist of seven members appointed by the Governor. At least three appointed Board members must be individuals with disabilities.

A Revolving Loan Fund applicant must be an individual with a disability or his or her representative who demonstrates that the loan will assist one or more persons with disabilities to improve independence, productivity or participation in the community. Applicants will submit a written application and a \$20 nonrefundable fee to the Board.

Revolving Loan Fund applications are available to DRS employees on the DRS intranet. The application can also the downloaded from the DRS website at wvdrs.org. Applications can be reviewed, completed and submitted electronically but a check or money order (payable to West Virginia Division of Rehabilitation Services) for the \$20 application fee must be sent through the U.S. Postal Service to Cristine Watson at the mailing address below.

For additional information regarding the West Virginia Technology-Related Assistance Revolving Loan Fund for Individuals with Disabilities, contact:

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