

What could you do to make life better for a disabled person?

TRUSTS

Here are some of the things you can do with money saved in a *Pooled Trust* or a [Supplemental Needs Trust](#) for a Disabled Person who relies on [Medicaid](#)

- Automobile or Van purchase
- Accounting services
- Acupuncture/Acupressure
- Appliances: TV, stereo, microwave, stove, refrigerator, washer and dryer
- Bottled water or water service
- Bus pass and public transportation costs
- Camera, film, recorder and tapes
- Clothing
- Clubs and club dues: books, health clubs, service clubs, zoo, advocacy groups, museums
- Computer hardware, software and Internet
- Conferences
- Courses or classes: academic or recreational including supplies
- Curtains, blinds, drapes
- Dental work not covered by Medicaid, including anesthesia
- Down payment on home; security deposit on apartment (careful individual planning required)
- Dry cleaning and laundry services
- Elective surgery
- Fitness equipment
- Funeral expenses, prepaid contract
- Furniture, home furnishings
- Geriatric Care Manager
- Gasoline and maintenance for automobile
- Haircuts/salon service
- Holiday decorations, parties, dinner dances
- Home alarm, monitoring or response system
- Home improvements, repairs, maintenance
- House cleaning or maid service
- Insurance: auto, home and possessions
- Legal fees and advocacy
- Linen and towels
- Massage
- Musical instruments, lessons and music
- Non-food grocery items: laundry soap, bleach, deodorant, dish soap, hand and body soap, personal hygiene products, paper towels, napkins, Kleenex, toilet paper, household cleaning products
- Over-the-counter medications: vitamins, etc.
- Personal assistance services not covered by Medicaid
- Pet and pet's supplies, veterinary services
- Physician specialists if not Medicaid covered
- Private counseling if not covered by Medicaid
- Repair service for appliance, automobile, bicycle, household equipment
- Snow removal, landscaping, lawn service
- Sporting goods/equipment/uniforms/team pictures
- Stationary, stamps, holiday cards
- Storage units
- Taxicab
- Telephone service, cell phone
- Television, direct TV, Cable TV
- Therapy: physical, occupational, speech if not covered by Medicaid
- Tickets to concerts or sporting events for beneficiary and an accompanying companion
- Tools, lawnmowers, snow blowers to perform home maintenance by homeowner
- Transportation: automobile, motorcycle, moped, gas, bus passes
- Vacation, including paying for personal assistants to accompany the beneficiary

There is comfort in knowing that a reserve fund is available for life enhancing activities, and unexpected personal needs.

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