

Financial Support

For Families Who Have A Child With Special Needs

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Organization	Contact/ Address	Information/Website
Supplemental Security Income	1-800-772-1213 Mount Prospect Social Security Office 705 N. Wheeling Rd Mount Prospect, IL 60056	http://www.ssa.gov/pubs/10026.html Supplemental Security Income provides benefits for Children with Disabilities. Under the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program, a child from birth to age 18 may receive monthly payments based on disability or blindness if he or she has an impairment or combination of impairments that meets the definition of disability for children and the income and resources of the parents and the child are within the allowed limits. The website will help you determine if your child may be eligible to receive benefits
Illinois Life Span/PUNS	To apply call: 1-888-337-5267 or 1-866-376-8446 (TTY)	www.illinoislifespan.org/childrens-services The Children's Support Services waiver allows Illinois to provide home and community-based services and supports for children and young adults with developmental disabilities. The Children's Support Services waiver allows Illinois to provide home and community-based services and supports for children and young adults with developmental disabilities. The first step in applying for services from the new Children's Support Waiver, as well as for other services, is completion of the PUNS form with the child's local Independent Service Coordination agency. See the website for more.
The Arc of Illinois - Family to Family		http://familyvoicesillinois.org The Family to Family website is run by the Arc of Illinois (www.thearcofil.org) and is your statewide health information resource for families of children and youth with special needs.

The Kids Equipment Network	To contact them visit their website or call 630-766-0505 press 8.	www.tken.org/ This is a 501 © (3) not-for -profit organization dedicated to connecting children with special needs, from birth to 21 years of age, who have little or no funding, with needed durable medical and adaptive equipment. They also welcome donations of gently used equipment.
Special “One-of-a-Kind” Experiences for Children with Special Needs		
Icing Smiles	443-420-7096 info@icingsmiles.org	https://www.icingsmiles.org/faqs-families/ This organization provides free, beautiful and extravagant birthday cakes (as well as for other special occasions) for children who have a serious medical condition and who are within two years of their most recent treatment. They also serve children who require frequent or extended hospitalizations and are within two years of their most recent inpatient stay. They also provide cakes for their siblings!!!
Make-A-Wish America	Contact through website	www.wish.org Parents can refer their child if their child has a critical illness (e.g. progressive, degenerative, or malignant) to have a wish granted. (Wishes of some CLA students in the past have included a family trip to Disney World.)