



Assistance for Children with Severe Disabilities (ACSD)

This program provides financial support to families to cover additional costs in caring for a child with a disability. Eligible families may receive between \$25.00 and \$500.00 a month to help with disability-related costs.

Eligibility

To be eligible, your child must be 17 years of age and younger, live at home and have a disability. Eligibility for ACSD, and the amount of assistance you receive is based on a combination of factors:

- Your household income
- Size of your family
- Severity of your child's disability
- Extraordinary costs related to your child's disability

Submitting Your Application

 Apply online by clicking <u>here</u>, or download a paper copy <u>here</u> to complete and mail to your local regional office. Peel Region's local regional office is located at:

> 6733 Mississauga Road, Suite 200 Mississauga, Ontario L5N 6J5

- You have 90 days to complete and submit your online application. After 90 days, you will no longer be able to access your application and you will be required to complete a new application.
- You can only submit one application for your child. Submitting duplicate applications will result in delays in processing your application.

Covered Services

Depending on your household income, the size of your family and your child's disabilityrelated costs, the ACSD program may provide between \$25 and \$580 a month to help with costs such as:

- Travel to doctors' appointments, hospitals and other appointments related to the child's disability
- Special shoes and clothes
- Parental relief such as respite

In addition to getting monthly financial support through the ACSD program, children with severe disabilities may also receive coverage for:

- An assessment for an assistive device and/or the consumer contribution for a device provided under the <u>Assistive Devices Program</u>
- Batteries and repairs for mobility devices
- <u>Prescription drugs through OHIP+</u>
- Dental care through <u>Healthy Smiles Ontario</u>
 program
- Hearing aids and vision care, including eyeglasses

Need Support with Your Application?

<u>Visit our Special Needs and Community</u> <u>Programs Calendar to find upcoming sessions</u>



