

# Need access to telecommunication services? We can help.

## Technology Assistance Program (TAP)

The Technology Assistance Program (TAP) is offered by the Virginia Department for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (VDDHH). The program provides specialized telecommunication equipment to qualified Virginia residents who need different equipment. Deaf and Hard of Hearing Specialists work with qualified residents one-on-one to help each person find the solution that best fits his or her communication needs.



Solutions include: Amplified Telephones, Captions Telephones, Voice Carry-Over Telephones, Hearing Carry-Over Telephones, Personal FM Systems and Signalers (Alarm Clocks with Bed Shaker and Loud Ringers, Doorbells and Telephone Ringers).

To qualify for TAP, you must be Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Deaf-Blind, or have difficulty speaking. You must also be a Virginia resident and meet income eligibility requirements that are based on household income and family size. While there are no age restrictions, all applications from minors must be co-signed by a parent or legal guardian. Virginia Veterans with hearing loss or difficulty speaking, upon providing documentation of their Honorable Discharge (form DD-214 or NGD-22), automatically qualify for TAP equipment at no cost.

## How Do I Get Started?

Call or visit the office near you to apply. To find the office in your community or to learn more, call 800-552-7917 (Voice) or visit [www.vddhh.org/equipment.htm](http://www.vddhh.org/equipment.htm).



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