



Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Reuse Resources in Massachusetts

Statewide

REquipment Durable Medical Equipment Reuse Program

REquipment provides free, gently used, refurbished, durable medical equipment such as wheelchairs, scooters, sling lifts, shower chairs, tub benches, standers, and adapted strollers. REquipment is the only reuse program in Massachusetts that refurbishes power wheelchairs. Pick-up and delivery are available (for a small fee). With prior approval, donated equipment may also be collected or dropped off at a reuse partner site (a much faster option). REquipment does not provide or accept donations of canes, crutches, commodes, or disposable medical supplies. Visit dmereuse.org to browse the inventory, request equipment, or donate.

Contact: (800) 261-9841, email info@dmereuse.org

GetATStuff

GetATStuff Massachusetts is a free online exchange service where registered users post assistive technology equipment for sale or donation and look for needed equipment. Pick-up is arranged directly with the seller/donor. Visit getatstuff.massmatch.org to learn more and browse equipment.

Contact: toll-free (877) 508-3974, email info@massmatch.org,

Greater Boston Region

Hospital Equipment Loan Program (H.E.L.P)

H.E.L.P. operates on Saturday mornings only (9:00 am – 12:00 pm) by volunteers from the Masons. DME, such as wheelchairs, rollators, tub benches, hospital beds, sling lifts, canes, commodes, etc., is available to borrow free for home use. Pick up only, no delivery.

Contact: 500 West Cummings Park (rear), Washington Street, Suite 1150, Woburn, (781) 322-1052, smd-help.org.

Quincy Helping Hand

Serves cities and towns around Quincy, MA, with donated DME, including walkers, manual wheelchairs, crutches, canes, commodes, and tub benches.

Contact: (617) 472-9877. Visit repbruceayers.com/helpinghand

South Shore Region

Scituate Etrusco Associates

Scituate Etrusco Associates provides loans of gently used DME such as manual wheelchairs, walkers, canes, and tub seats for use by residents of Scituate, Rockland, Hull, Hanover, Hingham, Cohasset, Marshfield, Norwell, Duxbury, Pembroke, and Kingston. Accepts hospital beds but not power wheelchairs.

Contact: (781) 545-4411, M-F, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm, scituateetrusco1@gmail.com, 1 Common Street Scituate, MA, scituateetrusco.org

Cape Cod

Cape Cod Hospital Equipment Loan Program (H.E.L.P.)

Cape Cod H.E.L.P. loans wheelchairs, rollators, tub benches, hospital beds, sling lifts, canes, commodes, etc., free for home use. Pick up only, no delivery. They are open from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturdays. Operated by the Masons.

Contact: 1989 Falmouth Road (Rt. 128) in Centerville, (774) 552-2299, capecodhelp.org.

Western Region

Stavros Center for Independent Living

Stavros accepts donated DME in Hampden, Hampshire, and Franklin counties. Refurbishes DME and delivers within their service area. Stavros is home to one of the REquipment Reuse Partner centers and also provides a DME loaner program.

Contact: Hector Lebron, (800) 804-1899, or (413) 800-5623, info@stavros.org or hlebron@stavros.org

United Cerebral Palsy of Western Massachusetts

UCP of Western Massachusetts operates a REquipment Reuse Partner center and a loaner program. Accepts and refurbishes donated wheeled mobility and other DME devices in Berkshire County. Provides DME at no cost. Delivery is available.

Contact: REquipment at (800) 261-9841, email info@dmereuse.org, and visit dmereuse.org.

Western Massachusetts H.E.L.P.

Western Mass H.E.L.P. loans wheelchairs, rollators, tub benches, hospital beds, sling lifts, canes, commodes, etc., free for home use. Pick up only, no delivery. They are open from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturdays. Pick up and drop off only (no delivery). Operated by the Masons.

Contact: 72 Broad St, Westfield, (413) 301-3293, email Warpblade@comcast.net, visit westernmasshelp.org/

Franklin County TRIAD

TRIAD's Medical Equipment Loan Program delivers donated medical equipment such as wheelchairs, hospital beds, commodes, canes, walkers, and rollators. All equipment is free of charge.

Contact: 160 Elm Street, Greenfield, MA 01301, (413) 774-4726. Visit fcsoma.us.

Other Organizations Loaning DME in Massachusetts

- **ALS Association of MA**, (781) 255-8884, infoMA@als.org
- **Compassionate Care ALS**, Cape Cod, (508) 444-6775, info@ccals.org
- **Muscular Dystrophy Association of MA**, (866) 249-2834, dspellman@mdausa.org
- **Councils on Aging (COAs)** – Many COAs have small loan closets of DME items. Visit mcoonline.com to find your local COA.

Other Reuse Options

- **Craigslist** – an online community of buyers and sellers of all types of items. Check the Beauty & Health section of Craigslist in your area. Visit craigslist.com.
- **Freecycle** – an online group of local members who donate all types of items for free. Search by zip code to find and join your local Freecycle group at freecycle.org

Other New England Programs

- **Oak Hill DME Reuse (NEAT)**, Hartford, CT, (860) 243-2869, visit assistivetechnology.oakhillct.org/dme to learn more.
- **The Loaner's Closet for Durable Medical Equipment**, Derry, NH, (603) 432-0877 extension 3. Visit comcaregivers.org/loaners-closet.
- **Refurbished Equipment Marketplace**, Concord, NH, (603) 226-2903, visit shoprem.com
- **SPURWINK ALLTECH Recycle Reuse Program**, Portland, ME, (207) 232-6421, email ALLTECHinfo@spurwink.org, visit spurwinkalltech.org/alltech-services/recycle-reuse-program

Programs Providing Access Ramps

Need a ramp to get in and out of your home? Ramps range from simple threshold and portable ramps to ramp systems and custom-made ramps.

AT Regional Centers (ATRCs) provide loaner ramps and advise on the right equipment for individual needs. The service is free. ATRCs are located in Boston, Worcester, and Pittsfield.

Contact: (800) 244-2756 for Boston or Worcester (these centers are operated by Easter Seals for MassMATCH), and (413) 442-1562 for Pittsfield (operated by UCP-Berkshire for MassMATCH). Visit massmatch.org/inventory.

Stavros CIL in Amherst loans portable ramps and has a Home Sweet Home program that builds ramp systems for individual needs.

Contact: Stavros' Home Sweet Home at (413) 256-0473 ex 201. Visit stavros.org/hsh

Programs Accepting and Providing Hospital Beds

Hospital Equipment Loan Program (H.E.L.P) operates in Greater Boston, Western Mass, and Cape Cod. See these regions above for the respective contact information.

Franklin County TRIAD (see above) provides and accepts hospital beds.

The Hospital Bed Project is an electric hospital bed reuse program that serves CT, MA, RI, and parts of NH.

Contact: (860) 558 5064 or email thehospitalbedproject@gmail.com. Visit thehospitalbedproject.org.

Programs Accepting Donated Medical Supplies

Scituate Etrusco Associates accepts donated medical supplies as well as DME Monday - Friday, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm.

Contact: 1 Common Street Scituate, MA. (781) 545-4411, scituateetrusco1@gmail.com, Visit scituateetrusco.org

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