## **BORROWING Medical Equipment from Local Loan Closets**

## West Seneca Lions Club 716-608-5364

The West Seneca Lions Club is located at 30 South Ave., West Seneca, NY 14224. They lend equipment to anyone who lives locally, not just West Seneca residents. They have a large storage warehouse in West Seneca and can sometimes keep a few hospital beds. They have wheelchairs, rollator walkers, Hoyer lifts, sit to stand lifts and ramps as well as other medical equipment.

### **Orchard Park Lions Club**

https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/orchard\_park/index.php or google "Orchard Park NY Lions Club"

This loan closet is available for Town of Orchard Park residents only. The pickup and return location is 4295 South Buffalo Street at the Orchard Park Municipal Center. This closet has medical assistance equipment available for short term(60 days) lending. Check the website for contact information.

#### **Boston, NY Lions Club**

716-941-1955 or email bostonlionsclub@gmail.com or message their Facebook page.

This loan closet lends crutches, wheelchairs, hospital, beds, shower chairs, and other medical equipment to those in need without a residency requirement.

## St. Amelia Parish Medical Equipment Loan Closet

716-832-2542 or write to outreach@stamelia.com

This loan closet is located at 200 Saint Amelia Drive in Tonawanda, NY. This is another well-known and highly used local loan closet program. No residency requirement.

Western New York Independent Living 3108 Main Street, Buffalo, NY 14214 Contact Todd Paul at 716-574-8869

https://www.wnyil.org

This agency has a durable medical equipment loan closet. They allow people to borrow items for 90 days depending on what item they need and if they have it available. If an extension is needed after the 90 days that can be arranged. Under certain circumstances, home delivery may be possible. Equipment requests must go through the intake department. Dial the main number and ask the receptionist for intake.

## **DONATING Medical Equipment to Local Loan Closets**

## West Seneca Lions Club 716-608-5364

Call if you are interested in donating equipment. They generally do not pick up donations so you would need to deliver donated items to them at an agreed upon time.

#### **Orchard Park Lions Club**

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Check the website for contact information if you are interested in donating equipment. They generally do not pick up donations so you would need to deliver donated items to them at an agreed upon time. **Orchard Park Lions Club** also collects used Eyeglasses and Hearing Aids as part of a Recycling Program for reuse outside of the USA, to help bring vision to those who have no regular eye care support. This is carried out by various Support Missions and Lions Organizations in places like Central America. Your out of use eye glasses and hearing aids can be dropped off at one of our collection boxes found at Orchard Park Town Hall, Orchard Park Public Library or Orchard Park Post Office. A full list of drop off sites may be found at <a href="https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/orchard\_park/page-10.php">https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/orchard\_park/page-10.php</a>

### **Boston, NY Lions Club**

## 716-941-1955 or email bostonlionsclub@gmail.com or message their Facebook page. Contact if you want to donate eyeglasses, cell phones or medical equipment. They generally do not pick up donations so you would need to deliver donated items to them at an agreed upon

time.

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#### https://www.wnyil.org

This agency does accept donated items. They are not always able to pick up donated items from peoples homes. This is handled on a case by case basis and at the discretion of the ILC Director and the Transportation Director. Donors would need to have clear photographs of the items submitted first via text or email. The items would need to be clean, and working order and with no odors. They would also need to be at the ground level main entrance of the home and pick up would be no contact.

## **INFORMATION ABOUT ASSISTED TECHNOLOGY (not a loan closet)**

## University at Buffalo Center for Assistive Technology (CAT) 716-836-1168

CAT conducts applied research & development and client service programs in Assistive Technology (AT) for persons with disabilities and the elderly.

CAT staff and affiliated faculty provide instruction on Assistive Technology devices and services, conduct focus groups and beta-testing for multiple manufacturers, and internships for graduate students.

CAT's multi-disciplinary client service team provides Assistive Technology assessment and training services to people with disabilities in the eight counties of Western New York. They also receive referrals from other regions when the client's needs are exceedingly complex.



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