

Changing Hands helps make every day independence day.

## Changing Hands Contact Info

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hands

A different kind  
of recycling program



*"I want to thank you for the gift of the Go Chair for my granddaughter. We had the BEST TIME at Hersheypark yesterday! It was truly AMAZING!!! She was able to go on the Super Dooper Looper three times with her Momma, and they also went on the Lightning Racer. We went on more than 15 rides in all!"*

**Honestly, the chair has opened up a whole new world of possibilities for us, and I thank you so, so much."**

*~ Valerie M., Changing Hands recipient*

Changing Hands is an equipment exchange and reuse program of UCP Central PA that is supported in part by TECHOWL. TECHOWL is the Commonwealth's Assistive Technology Act Program at the Institute on Disabilities, Temple University, and is funded through a grant from the Administration on Community Living, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The Changing Hands program is a participant in the Reused and Exchanged Equipment Partnership (REEP), a program of TECHOWL.

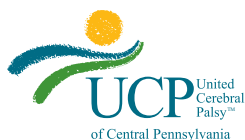


To inquire about current inventory or to donate an item or items, please **contact**:

**Changing Hands / UCP Central PA**  
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For more information about UCP programs and services, call locally: 717-737-3477 call toll-free: 800-998-4827 or visit [www.ucpcentralpa.org](http://www.ucpcentralpa.org)



*Create new life for used equipment...  
and enhance the life of another...  
at the same time.*

## How does it work?

Assistive Technology (AT) is any device or service that increases, maintains, or improves the functional capabilities of individuals with disabilities. *The result?* Greater mobility, control, and independence... at home, at school, at work, and in the community.

*If you or someone you know has a need for home medical equipment or AT devices but has limited insurance coverage or financial resources, you may be able to secure what you need through the **Changing Hands** program.*



We work with local Agencies on Aging and various human service organizations to provide a seamless system of support for individuals who might benefit from receiving restored and refurbished equipment. All equipment is distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. **All is provided free of charge.**

The equipment is redistributed one of two ways:

- The individual picks up the equipment at the *Changing Hands* center.
- If an individual is unable to collect the equipment independently, *Changing Hands* will help identify someone who may be able to assist.

## What equipment?

A partial listing of the types of AT equipment and devices we redistribute on a regular basis includes, but is not limited to:

- walkers
- hoist lifts
- bath seats and toilet seats
- transfer benches and transfer boards
- manual and power wheelchairs
- scooters
- daily living aids (items for eating, dressing, etc.)
- canes and crutches
- adapted telephones
- communication devices
- assistive listening devices
- blind/low vision aids
- adaptive games and recreational devices



### **Changing Hands does not loan equipment.**

If you are awaiting funding approval, you may accept our equipment as your own, and then donate it back to the program once funding for the new equipment becomes available.

## Who is eligible?

Pennsylvania residents of all ages who have a need for equipment, but do not have the financial means or a funding source to obtain it, are welcome to participate in the *Changing Hands* equipment reuse program. Due to liability issues, individuals may be required to provide a prescription or therapist's recommendation to obtain certain items.

*Changing Hands* operates primarily in Central PA. However, donations will be accepted and distributed to anyone throughout the state, as long as suitable arrangements can be made.

## Who can donate?

We accept donations\* from individuals, families, businesses, and other organizations looking to find a new home for perfectly good items they can no longer use.

*If you have home medical equipment or an AT device **that has served your purpose... but still has a lot of life left in it...** please consider\*\* donating it to *Changing Hands*.*

If you have a question as to whether or not we will accept a particular item, *contact us directly as indicated on the back of this brochure.*

*\*All equipment donations are tax-deductible.*

*\*\*Note that we do not accept or exchange computer equipment, stair glides, hospital beds, or power equipment that is non-operational (unless it is due to battery failure).*