



Autism Grants 2024

With deductibles and other insurance costs resetting on 1/1/2024 for many families, we have compiled a list of information about grants that are offered to help offset costs related to caring for a child with autism. Some of the grants are for specific things and others can be used for anything that insurance does not cover. This could include copays, coinsurance, or items, materials, or services that are excluded from your coverage.

We hope this is a useful resource and please feel free to share with anyone you believe may benefit.

Grants Available Anytime:

Autism Diagnostic Evaluation Grant – Provides scholarships for diagnostic testing to financially disadvantaged families with children between the ages of 18 months and 18 years old. We will provide financial assistance ranging from \$500 - \$1,500 per child to help pay for the cost of diagnostic testing for Autism Spectrum Disorder. <https://form.jotform.com/232456387135157>

C.A.R.E. Foundation (California Autism Resource & Evaluation Foundation) – Helps families with medication, autism diagnosis/evaluation, therapy sessions (including speech, OT & ABA), or autism summer camps – www.careautismfoundation.com/family-funds/

Cerner Charitable Foundation – Covers a variety of needs related to children’s healthcare needs. <https://www.cernercharitablefoundation.org/request-funding/#funding-criteria>

First in Families - NC – Offers funding for a variety of support needs. Must reach out to your local chapter. *Onslow County* listed below:
910-792-9146 910-538-9426 or email: TMoeller@arcnc.org

Modest Needs – Helps families experiencing a financial crisis including medical expenses – www.modestneeds.org

National Autism Association – Give a Voice Program. Provides communication devices to individuals with autism who are non-verbal or minimally verbal and whose communication challenges put them at risk of injury or harm <https://nationalautismassociation.org/family-support/programs/naas-give-a-voice-program/>



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United Healthcare Childrens Foundation – Grant available for children 16 years and younger for up to \$5000. / year and can be awarded multiple times up to that amount in a 12 month period.. There are other criteria for eligibility and more information here <https://www.uhccf.org/apply-for-a-grant/eligibility-requirements/>

ASDF – Program iPad – This organization offers iPads to families with children with autism. <https://myasdf.org/project/ipad-for-kids-program/>

CGMA Special Needs Grant – Provides financial assistance to active duty coast guard members, reimbursement up to \$3000 every 5 years. <https://mycgma.org/programs/special-needs-grant/>

My Gym Foundation – nonprofit that helps children in need financially with equipment or services such as medical equipment, gym classes, sensory items, etc <https://www.mygymfoundation.org/apply-for-a-gift/>

Special Angels Foundation – Special Angels Foundation provides support in obtaining therapies, equipment and resources to families raising children with special needs. <https://specialangelsfoundation.org/apply-for-a-grant/>

Grants available during specific months:

January:

Small Steps in Speech - (DEADLINES: 02/01, 05/01, 08/01, 11/01) This program provides funding for speech therapy. It does not fund iPads or ABA therapy – <https://static1.squarespace.com/static/63df086b686ac83bfab02668/t/65bd31834be6e4252e853119/1706897795451/01-2024+revised-individual-application.pdf>

February:

The Orange Effect Foundation – (DEADLINES: 02/01, 05/01, 08/01, 11/01) This program provides funding for speech therapy and speech technology items - <https://theorangeeffect.org/grant-application/>

MyGOAL - Offers a yearly grant for individuals with autism. Submit applications at the beginning of the year and decisions are made mid-July. <https://mygoalinc.org/mygoal-autism-grant-program/>

March:

Varghese Summersett PLLCA Autism Scholarship – This program provides \$500.00 scholarships for the needs of the child which can include iPads, summer camp, etc. - <https://versustexas.com/autism-scholarship>

Maggie Welby Foundation - Provides scholarships for individuals to attend private school / can be used for educational needs. <https://www.maggiewelby.org/scholarships-grants>



April:

Special Interest Fund (DATES AVAILABLE: 04/01-05/01, 05/01-06/15, 09/01-10/15) Helps children with autism access nontraditional programs and activities and interventions. Awards between \$500 and \$2000. Per child

<https://know-autism.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Special-Interest-Fund-Application-2022.pdf>

Arts for Autism: Arts Access Grant and Community Access Grant. These grants are for individuals with autism or organizations that serve individuals with autism in order to increase access to art programs or community programs .<https://www.artsforautism.net/grants>

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ASDF Programs – Scholarships are available for various summer camp programs – <https://myasdf.org/project/summer-scholarship-program/>

NSW Kids Program – The Seal Foundation - for Navy Seal families only – Covers direct educational, diagnostic testing, services, and tutoring/mentoring – <https://www.sealkids.org/request-help>

Tuition and Therapy Assistance Grant - (DATES AVAILABLE- 05/01-06/15, 09/01-10/15) Offers scholarships between \$1000. And \$7500. To help with therapeutic treatments and interventions.

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August:

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ASDF – Program Gift Cards – This organization offers gift cards to families with children with autism. Opens 10/02. Click on the program tab to investigate the various options

<https://myasdf.org/project/holiday-gift-card-program/>

November:

No grants identified.

December:

No grants identified