Penn-Mar Low Intensity Support Services Program

- Low level funding designed to improve an individual or family's quality of life, increase or maintain independence, and participate in their communities.
- The LISS program uses an automated system called the Random Selection Process to select individuals who may be eligible for funding, granting up to \$2000 for services and items to address their needs.
- Accepting applications for Random Selection beginning May 2021
- Penn-Mar LISS Appliaction

RISE for Autism

- The RISE for Autism Mission is to provide community and professional awareness; family support and resources; financial assistance; and a lifetime continuum of therapeutic services to promote confident; competent individuals with Autism Spectrum and Related Disorders.
- RISE for Autism Grant Info

Jill Fox Memorial Fund

- Provides grants to individuals with unmet medical and healthcare needs not paid for by medical insurance, government agencies, health associations, community organizations, public or personal resources.
- <u>http://www.jillfoxfund.org/</u>

United Healthcare Children's Foundation

- Supports the concept of facilitating access to health-related services that have the potential to significantly enhance either the clinical condition or the quality of life of the child and that are not fully covered by the available commercial health benefit plan. The Foundation provides financial assistance toward the family's share of the cost of medical services.
- <u>http://www.uhccf.org/</u>

The MORGAN Project

- A national, community-based organization of volunteers whose mission is to promote awareness and facilitate support of parents caring for their children with special health care needs, and to enhance the Quality-of-Life for these special families
- <u>http://www.themorganproject.org/</u>

The Arc of Maryland

- Offers family and self advocacy leadership programs, training on rights and best practices in the field of developmental disabilities, quality of life surveys, and scholarships for people with disabilities. We provide statewide advocacy leadership at the Maryland General Assembly on behalf of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.
- <u>http://www.thearcmd.org/</u>

The Arc Central Chesapeake Region

• The Arc Central Chesapeake Region provides comprehensive programs, services, and advocacy for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities over the arc of their life.

The Arc is committed to providing people with disabilities the opportunity to live, work, play and fully participate in the world around them. The Arc Central Chesapeake Region provides services in Anne Arundel, Caroline, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Talbot, Somerset, Wicomico, and Worcester counties and employs over 350 staff

<u>http://www.thearcccr.org/</u>

The Lucky Duck Foundation

- We raise money to support families of people with special needs and sponsor other organizations that support them as well. Such organizations are Special Olympics, Surfers Healing, Arc of Howard County, Autism Society of Howard County, and more. Recognizing that drowning prevention and the acquisition of swimming skills are for everyone, regardless of ability and income, we have created the Lucky Duck Foundation Inc. scholarship program to provide financial assistance to students with special needs who wish to learn how to swim
- <u>http://luckyduckfoundationinc.org/</u>

Different Needz Foundation

- The Different Needz Foundation has a mission to provide special needs individuals, families and organizations that support them with money to purchase medical equipment, therapy devices, adaptive toys and/or services
- <u>http://www.differentneedzfoundation.org/</u>

Kinera Foundation

- Kinera Foundation will enhance the quality of life for children with special needs and their families by providing parent support groups, social activities, access to various treatments and therapies, while continuing to support inclusive and community programs
- <u>http://www.kinera.org/</u>

Small Steps in Speech

- Small Steps in Speech assists children with speech and language disorders by funding supplemental therapies and treatments for individuals as well as grants to charitable organizations who serve children with communicative disorders. Our goal is to give children the chance to better express themselves in the world in which we live
- <u>http://www.smallstepsinspeech.org/</u>

Autism Cares

- AutismCares is a one-time grant that helps cover costs associated with critical living expenses on a case-by-case basis. The program pays bills directly to the vendor and does not provide checks for individuals or families.
- <u>http://www.autismcaresfoundation.org/</u>

Danny's Wish

- The Danny's Wish iPads for Autism Campaign provides free iPads to families of nonverbal children with Autism. Through the efforts and support of friends and family like you, Danny's Wish has already provided thousands and thousands of iPads to children, providing the gift of speech and communication
- <u>https://www.dannyswish.org/</u>

Bowen Foundation for Autism

- The Bowen Foundation for Autism is a nonprofit organization that seeks to improve the lives of children with autism in Maryland. Our goal is pretty simple: we award grants to local families who are struggling to pay for needed services to benefit children with autism.
- <u>http://www.bowenfoundation.org/</u>

Children's Medical Services Program

- Children's Medical Services; also called CMS; is a program of the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. CMS can help low-income; uninsured or underinsured Marylanders ages 0-21 years get specialty care for a chronic illness or disability by paying for needed services. CMS can pay for many different kinds of services; such as visits to a specialist; hospitalizations; surgeries; medications; therapies; lab work; x-rays; and medical equipment. CMS does not cover routine check-ups or immunizations; sick visits; emergency services; routine dental care; or mental health services.
- http://phpa.dhmh.maryland.gov/genetics/Pages/CMS_Program.aspx

Maryland Technology Assistance Loan Program

- The Assistive Technology Loan program helps Maryland residents with disabilities and their families qualify for low-interest loans to buy equipment that will help them live, work, and learn more independently."Assistive Technology" is any device that helps a person with a disability live more independently and productively. It includes: Wheelchairs, Motorized Scooters, Braille Equipment, Scanners, Hearing and vision aids, Telecommunications devices for the deaf (TTY), Augmentative communication systems, Environmental control units, Computers and adaptive peripherals, Building modifications for accessibility, Motor vehicles and vehicle modifications, and many other devices. Loans may also be used to pay for training to use equipment, extended warranties, and maintenance plans
- <u>http://www.mdtap.org/</u>