



ENHANCING LIVES THROUGH THE GIFT OF SOUND



The Miracle-Ear Foundation® serves and supports children and adults who have a hearing loss. Our Gift of Sound program provides hearing aids and hearing support services to families or individuals who have incomes that are significantly limited, who are unable to afford the high costs of quality hearing instruments, and who have exhausted all possible resources for their hearing health. Hearing challenges are unique, every application for service and support are considered on an individual basis. The recommended hearing aid style will depend on a person's specific hearing condition and circumstances.

## **Eligibility Requirements:**

- Applicant must have a hearing loss that requires amplification (hearing aids).
- Applicant has exhausted all resources available for their hearing health; including, but not limited to: insurance, state Medicaid program, VA, vocational rehab, state or local programs, and other charity sources.
- Applicant has been denied financing options available at the Miracle-Ear store.
- Applicant's total household income must be at or below the limit on the chart provided to qualify. Please note this is not the only eligibility criteria, this is only one component of the overall requirements.
- Applicant must possess a family commitment to intervention, rehabilitation, and necessary follow-up services, which is especially important for a child applicant as they grow.

Income
\$25,520
\$34,480
\$43,440
\$52,400
\$61,360
\$70,320
\$79,280
\$88,240

Household

- Applicant must be a resident or citizen of the U.S. or Puerto Rico.
- Repeat adult applicants (19 & older), who still meet all eligibility requirements may reapply every 5 years from when they last received hearing aids from the Miracle-Ear Foundation. Child applicants (18 & younger) may reapply every three years if the family still fits the eligibility criteria.
- Children (18 & younger) must provide a current audiogram (dated within the last 6 months) and medical clearance dated within the last six months, and signed by a physician (MD, ENT).
  While medical clearance is encouraged for adults, a signed medical waiver is acceptable.
- For Adult applicants (19 & older) only; a \$150 non-refundable application is required. It may be either a cashier's check or money order made payable to the Miracle-Ear Foundation.

If you fit within the eligibility requirements and have carefully reviewed the criteria for income, assets and hearing loss, you may be eligible for services from the Miracle-Ear Foundation.