



## UP Assistive Technology Center (AT Center)

Serves the Upper Peninsula.

The AT Center provides

evaluations and recommendations for equipment to link an individual's goals with the wide array of devices available for computer access, augmentative communication, environmental control and many other functions. [www.ucpatcenter.org](http://www.ucpatcenter.org)

All Aboard! Michigan



Transportation Advocacy Training

## Transportation Advocacy

All Aboard, the UCP

transportation project, is

working to increase the level of involvement of the disability community in decisions about public transportation and to increase support for public transportation.

## Research

UCP Michigan is affiliated with UCP National and the Cerebral Palsy International Research Foundation, which furthers knowledge about a variety of topics related to cerebral palsy.

## How Can I Help?

**Volunteer** to help out in our office, plan a workshop, testify about disability issues, or organize a fundraiser. If you have time to volunteer, contact us and we'll figure out how you can best help.

**Donate** to UCP Michigan: Our work depends on the contributions of our friends and supporters. Please consider donating to UCP Michigan either directly or through planned giving.



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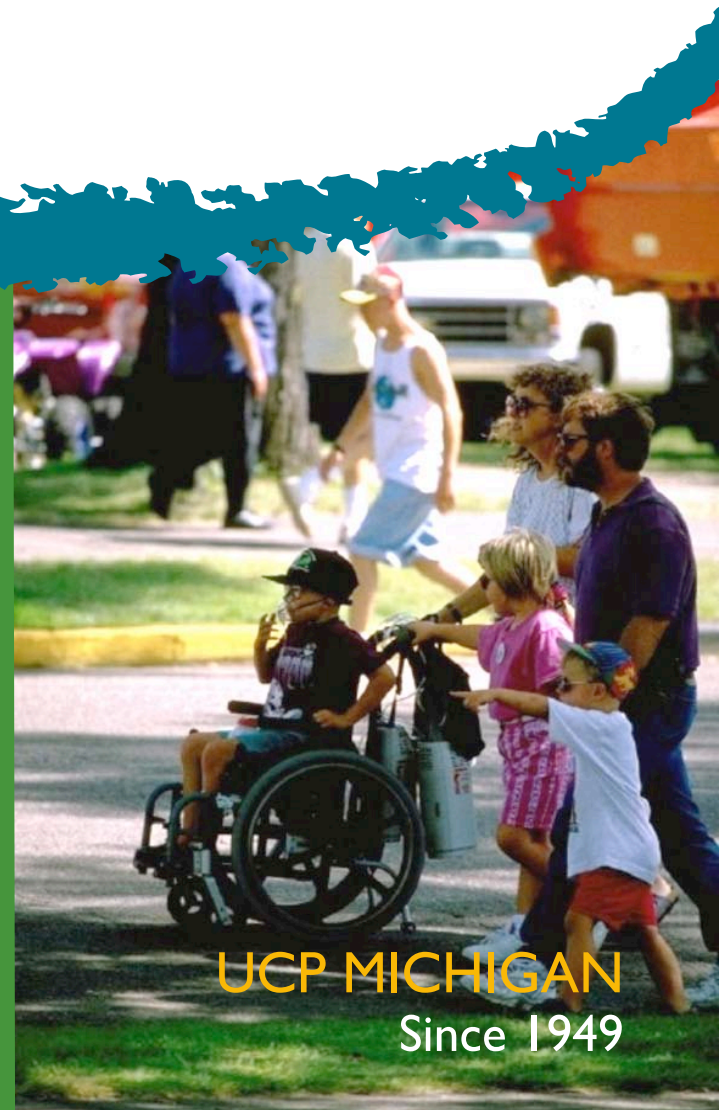
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**UCP MICHIGAN**  
Since 1949

# ABOUT UCP MICHIGAN

## What does UCP Michigan do?

UCP Michigan is a non-profit advocacy organization that works for the productivity, independence and full citizenship of people with cerebral palsy and other disabilities.

UCP Michigan believes that every person with a disability has a right to be a full member of his or her community.



## What is Cerebral Palsy?

Cerebral Palsy is a condition caused by damage to the brain before, during or soon after birth. It affects the motor, or muscle, control of people who have it. It is different for each person, but it can affect movement, speech and, for some people, intellectual abilities.

35,000 people in Michigan have cerebral palsy. It is the most widespread lifetime disability in the country.

## Who will UCP Michigan help?

UCP Michigan has expertise in cerebral palsy, disability rights and disability services. Anyone with cerebral palsy or another disability, or their family, friends and advocates can call UCP for assistance.

# SERVICES & PROGRAMS

## Information and Referral

### UCP provides:

- Up-to-date information about the latest research on the causes and treatment of cerebral palsy
- Strategies for independence of people with cerebral palsy
- Information about housing, special education, employment, public benefits and many other subjects
- Names and numbers of where to go for services
- Written materials - the latest articles, books and research about cerebral palsy and the rights of people with disabilities
- Newsletter for people interested in cerebral palsy and other disabilities.

## Ramps for Independence

If you are a person with cerebral palsy or a family member of a person with cerebral palsy and you are unable to get funding to buy a ramp to enter/leave your home, UCP Michigan may be able to help you.

Contact us for more information.

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## Michigan Employment Loan Fund (MELF)

Provides low-interest loans to persons with disabilities to buy equipment to work. A person can start or expand their own business or they can work from home (telecommute) for an employer.  
[www.michiganloanfunds.org](http://www.michiganloanfunds.org)



## Michigan Assistive Technology Loan Fund (ATLF)

Provides low-interest loans to persons with disabilities and seniors to purchase assistive technology devices and services including scooters, hearing aids, vehicle modifications, home modifications and many more.  
[www.michiganloanfunds.org](http://www.michiganloanfunds.org)

## Government advocacy

UCP Michigan works with the Michigan legislature and state government so that laws and policies incorporate the needs of people with cerebral palsy and other disabilities.



## Work Incentives Planning & Assistance

Provides assistance to people with disabilities who receive Supplemental Security Income and/or Social Security Disability Income to analyze the benefits and risks of going back to work and/or increasing earned income.