

H.I.K.E. Fund, Inc.

Category: Hearing

Website: <https://thehikefund.org/>

Eligibility Criteria

Children from birth through age 20 (some current materials say up to 21) who are U.S. (or Canadian, via HIKE Fund Canada) citizens with documented hearing loss and financial need, verified by a prescription from an audiologist or physician; a household income ceiling (recently cited around \$125,000 gross earned income) applies. Applicants must not have received a HIKE award in the prior 4 years.

Application Process

Request an application from the H.I.K.E. Board Executive Secretary; the completed packet requires a parent/guardian letter, family income/household-size statement, documentation of medical/financial need, and an itemized vendor quote for the requested device.

Timeline / Deadlines

Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis; H.I.K.E. states it aims for a transparent, timely process from receipt of a complete application to an award decision, though no fixed number of days is published.

Additional Notes

Funds hearing aids, FM systems, alerting devices, and similar equipment for roughly 100 children per year; does not fund cochlear implants (internal devices) — external equipment only.