



EQUIPMENT & NEEDS LIST

In Australia, it is estimated that a child is born with cerebral palsy every 18 hours. Our Equipment Sponsorship Programme is one of the many ways that you can work with us to help make a positive difference to the lives of these children, adults and their families living with cerebral palsy and like disabilities in Western Australia.

100% OF YOUR DONATION WILL GO TOWARDS PURCHASING AN ITEM ON THIS WISH LIST TO BENEFIT PEOPLE LIVING WITH CP

Children's Therapy Services needs a Cast Saw - \$6,126 **Listed July 09**
The application of casts is a successful long term treatment method which is used to help stretch the growing muscles and enable a better range of motion. The Centre's current saw is unsafe and urgently needs replacing.

Motomed Viva 2 - \$15,911 **Listed Oct 09**
The Motomed long arm trainer is an exercise bike which can be easily accessed by individuals in wheelchairs to strengthen their legs or arms. The training cycle race and analysis software will help to motivate the child and keep track of their progress over time. The Motomed would be a benefit for people with CP following surgery.

Meywalker - \$6,880 **Listed Nov 09**
The Centre's Stepping Out Clinic provides a unique service to people of all ages with disabilities. The Clinic is in urgent need of a Meywalker to use as a loan and trial walker. As walkers are very expensive it is important clients have access to loan equipment to trial for suitability before they commit to purchasing their own walker.

Vantage Lite Voice Output Device - \$7,809 **Listed Nov 09**
This innovative device will be used to support the training of communication supporters (family, school, therapists) for client's trialling and learning to use a Unispeak language representation system. Research shows that successful implementation of a communication device is significantly more when communication supporters are confident and competent users of the system.

D'arcy needs a Medium Meywalker - \$5,652 **Listed Mar 10**
Fourteen year old D'arcy from Mt Hawthorn has cerebral palsy and is in urgent need of a new Meywalker. She has outgrown her current walker and has ongoing problems with foot pain and blisters on her right foot from the boots rubbing. The new Meywalker will be vital in keeping D'arcy walking and maintaining the strength in her legs for many years to come.

Bianca needs help to run like the wind - Cheetah Legs - \$11,735 x 2 **Listed Apr 10**
They say you have to crawl before you can run which is exactly what this brave 6 year old from Ellenbrook did at her last school carnival to come a heroic last. Her mum said never again, she is determined with our help to purchase a pair of Cheetah legs for her sports minded daughter. These spring type legs are specially designed for running.

Ben needs a manual wheelchair to get around - \$5322**Listed May 10**

Twelve year old Ben from Hillarys has outgrown his tired manual wheelchair and is in urgent need of a new one. The new manual wheelchair can be transported easily to give him greater access to community and family outings.

Connor needs modifications to his quad bike - \$1919**Listed May 10**

Thirteen year old Connor from Tuart Hill is a motorbike enthusiast. He has recently acquired a quad bike which was self funded by his parents. To allow Connor to change his gears, use his clutch and brakes independently a number of mechanical modifications will need to take place. These modifications will permit Connor to participate competitively in local race meets and competitions allowing him to be fully integrated into the wider community.

Daniel needs a Bambach Saddle Seat - \$1166**Listed May 10**

Fourteen year old Daniel from Gosnells has been trialling a Bambach Saddle Seat. The saddle shaped seat has promoted and encouraged Daniel's spine into an upright position with minimal effort and stress. With increased postural support Daniel did not fatigue as easily and his attention and concentration improved. To enable Daniel to stay focused and continue learning he requires his very own specialised saddle seat.

Bridget needs a customised bike - \$525**Listed Jun 10**

Three year old Bridget from Hamersley requires a customised bike to help strengthen the left side of her body. As she grows this added strength will give her a more symmetrical and normalised gait pattern and help reduce long term pain and stiffness. The trike will also give Bridget the freedom to enjoy rides with her friends and family and give her greater access to the wider community as she approaches her kindy and school age years.

Meuris Club Chair - \$4565**Listed Jun 10**

CP Tech, The Centre's Consultancy Service, requires a Meuris Club Chair for people accessing their Services. Clients are often required to wait for long periods of time while their wheelchairs are being repaired or serviced. The Meuris Club Chair would help keep clients safe and comfortable during this wait period. The chair can also be used as a safety transport seat to transport clients home should the wait period be extensive.

Emily needs safe transport straps - \$884.40**Listed Jul 10**

Six year old Emily from Kingsley needs wheelchair restraint straps and static harness for the family van to keep her safe while travelling in her wheelchair.

Star Bowling Team T-Shirts - \$500**Listed Jul 10**

A group of young bowlers have joined together on a weekly basis to play ten pin bowling. Physical activity is important for all children especially children with a disability. Their coach has recommended an incentive like a Star Bowler t-shirt to be awarded each week to encourage children to try their hardest. She believes this initiative will further develop the children's team spirit and encourage them to keep active.

Kaisah requires a computer package - \$525**Listed Jul 10**

Five year old Kaisah from Duncraig is keen to learn and to further develop her enthusiasm. Kaisah requires an adapted mouse, keyboard and literacy software package to assist her with her written communication skills.

Kathy needs an electric bed with head and leg lift - \$4602**Listed Jul 10**

Kathy is a 62 year old Tuart Hill woman who lives independently. She uses elbow crutches for short distances and a traymobile to carry cups, meals and general items around her home. Kathy urgently requires an electric bed with head and leg lift to assist her with managing her disability. Although cerebral palsy isn't a progressive disorder, many find that the normal ageing process significantly affects their level of physical ability due to their disability.



Nathan needs a wheelchair with custom insert - \$4459

Listed Jul 10

Twelve year old Nathan from Manning needs a wheelchair with custom insert as he has outgrown his current chair. Nathan fatigues easily when walking and requires a wheelchair to allow him to better access to the community with his family and friends. The insert will also provide postural support when out and about.

Fletcher needs a custom trike -\$950.40

Listed Jul 10

Three year old Fletcher from Aubin Grove requires a modified trike for trunk support. Fletcher trialed a trike for 2 weeks and used it constantly. This trike will help Fletcher both socially and physically as it will strengthen his legs and trunk as well as giving him the chance to participate in bike riding activities with his friends.

Key facts about Cerebral Palsy

- Cerebral palsy is a permanent physical condition that affects movement
- It can be as mild as just a weakness in one hand, ranging to an almost complete lack of movement.
- There is no pre-birth test
- It is a permanent condition
- It is non-progressive, however can be a changing condition
- There is no known cure
- Incidence and severity are on the increase
- Worldwide more than 15 million people have cerebral palsy
- There are 20,000 people with cerebral palsy in Australia, 2,000 of these live in WA
- In Australia, a child is born with cerebral palsy every 18 hours

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