Tech Talk Tuesday





SIRIUtilize Your New Bestfriend Siri!





photo of siri asking "What can I help you with?"

photo of Siri saying "Go ahead, I'm listening"

WHAT IS IT?

Siri is a virtual assistant that is part of Apple Inc.'s iOS, iPadOS, watchOS, macOS, tvOS, and audioOS operating systems. In other words, Siri is your bestfriend; your personal assistant at your fingertips.

HOW IT WORKS

Siri can perform many tasks, you just need to ask. Just long press the button for Siri, or simply say "Hey Siri" to start listening. Siri can: Call someone Text someone FaceTime someone Send Email/Read Email Check my voicemails Read messages Open application Take a

MoAT TAP Internet Program



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TAP for Internet program provides to Missourians who cannot use traditional computer equipment, the adaptive computer equipment necessary for basic access to the internet and email. The program provides such equipment as screen enlargement software, screen readers, adaptive keyboards or alternative pointing devices such as trackballs or rollerballs. The TAP-I program provides consumer support during the selection and initial usage of the adaptive equipment.

What are the Eligibility Requirements?

To qualify for the Telecommunications Access Program, the applicant must:

- Be certified by a licensed physician, audiologist, speech pathologist, hearing instrument specialist or qualified agency as unable to use traditional telecommunications equipment or computer equipment due to disability;
- Be a resident of the state of Missouri;
- Have access to basic telephone service for TAP-T; have a computer and internet service for TAP-I. For the TAP Wireless pilot, you must have WiFi access or mobile phone service (depending on selected equipment).
- Meet financial income standards (Generally, the applicant's have an annual adjusted household income under \$60,000 for two people; with \$5,000 being added for each additional dependent.)



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Financial Assistance for Tech Devices

The Missouri Council of the Blind will cover up to 50% of the cost of devices for eligible members through their adaptive technology program. For more information on this program, visit the link below.

MCB Adaptive Technology Program

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Financial Assistance for Tech Devices

The St. Louis Lighthouse for the Blind can cover up to \$2680 of the cost of tech devices for qualifying individuals. For more information, contact the Society at 314.968.9000

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