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1 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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Appreciate all that you're so good with housekeeping. Cause I always forget to say is being recorded. So thank you all for joining us again today for the April Mo bdb and you lunch and learn webinar. We have another information packed.

2 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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Webinar ready to share with you guys.

3 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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Um, again these lunch and learn webinars or.

4 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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These webinars are met, um, geared toward families and individuals to help share information with them. That will be a a great impact for them.

5 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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Um, today's topic again is the Missouri assistant technology and David, I didn't realize that you guys had dropped off the word project. So if I happen to say.

6 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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A sense of technology project. Forgive me. So.

7 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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You know, uh, I didn't even know I did that, so okay. All right.

8 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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So, for this webinar, we're going to kick it off with a couple of polling questions that cat has prepared for us.

9 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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And after that, those questions, we're going to get started with introductions, we're going to hear a quick overview of Missouri as a technology.

10 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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We'll hear about the various programs, um, at Missouri set to that system technology. That's why Dave is here today. He's the guru of all of that. So, we're also going to talk about how assistant technology enhances daily life for everyone.

11 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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We're going to touch on the annual power up conference that they hold and if time permits, we'll go ahead and address questions from the participants.

12 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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So, let's go ahead and get started. I think we have our 1st poll coming up.

13 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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We just want to know if you are familiar with the Missouri assistive technology.

14 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
00:01:49.950 --> 00:01:56.580  
And I think there was supposed to be a poll that popped up, but I'm not seeing it.

15 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
00:01:59.610 --> 00:02:07.440  
We just kind of want to get a feel the general feel for the audience to note, you guys have heard about it familiar with it. Maybe access some of the programs.

16 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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And Chad, if that's not working, it's not a problem. We're gonna move on to the next 1 unless you want me to wait.

17 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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Go ahead.

18 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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Okay, so you guys can drop it in the chat. If you want thumbs up, whatever you want to use. The next question we had was if you were aware of the various programs that Missouri has tested, uh, assistive technology has to offer.

19 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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There are a few I know you guys have been around for a while we've accessed you guys in the past.

20 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
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For my family, and the last 1 was, do you, or the person or people that you support use assistant technology?

21 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)

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So we're going to go ahead and get started with introductions. And as you guys, if you've been on this webinar before you probably know a little bit about me, some of you may even be familiar with David.

22 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)

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He's done a lot of webinars too, but I am least in that house and I work with a division of developmental disabilities as the supporting families. Lee.

23 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)

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My husband and I have 2 adult children and 3 grandchildren. Now.

24 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)

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Our youngest daughter has a developmental disability, and she lives at home with us. She actually receiving services through the vision and our.

25 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)

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Local TCM entity so I've been involved in the DB systems in some fashion for the past 30 years at least. So, that's kind of me. In a nutshell. I feel like I've been around forever.

26 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)

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I'm gonna turn it over to David now, cause he's got a lot of great information to share with us and I'm going to pass the box to you, David, and you can control the slides.

27 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Yeah. Okay. Okay. All right. Let's just make sure we can get them up here. Quick.

28 "David Baker" (1390735616)

00:03:55.620 --> 00:03:59.910

All right uh, okay I can't say I'm really familiar with, um.

29 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)

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Webex so we need to do the share screen.

30 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)

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Well, at the very top of the above the blue tab, where it says introduction, you'll see the number 6.

31 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)

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And you should have an arrow left and right. Honestly I'm not seeing this. Okay.

32 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
00:04:17.520 --> 00:04:22.410  
You just tell me and I'll, I'll well, maybe, let's see, I'm sorry.

33 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
00:04:22.410 --> 00:04:32.549  
Yeah, I'm also working off an iPad, which can be a little weird on these things. Okay. I can do the slides for you. So whenever let me know okay.

34 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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You know what? That's a fine example of teamwork and that's what assistive technology often boils down to. So well, good afternoon. Everybody, uh, I'm David Baker.

35 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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I'm director of Missouri assistive technology, and it's certainly a pleasure to be here and have the opportunity to speak in particular with individuals and with families about assistive technology. Um, you know.

36 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
00:04:52.549 --> 00:05:04.574  
Try as hard as we can to reach everybody and so this is a great opportunity to kind of expand. Everybody's understanding of who we are and what we do and how we might be able to assist in your particular situation.

37 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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So, if we can move on to the next slide, um, we have 30 minutes here. So I really want to kind of dig in mostly on our program.

38 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Services to get those, that information into everybody's heads but to give just a little bit of background. Missouri assistant technology is what is known as a state assisted technology act program.

39 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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So essentially, what that means is that we are responsible for covering the entire state of Missouri and helping people understand access and.

40 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Acquire assistive technology, which we do through a variety of different means, which we're going to talk about here a little bit.

41 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Um, later on, the other reason I bring this to your attention is the fact that if you move out of Missouri, it's always useful to keep in mind that

there is an equivalent of us in every single state. Plus the territory is like Puerto Rico and.

42 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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If you move, uh, outside the continental United States so we have about 30 minutes here today. Um, and so.

43 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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You know, let's kind of talk about, let's move on to the next slide and let's kind of talk a little bit just a little background on assistive technology itself.

44 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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There are probably about as many different, different definitions of assistive technology is there are people attending this call and I always think it's kind of important to start these conversations and sort of put everybody on the same footing.

45 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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So, we kind of are all working off of the same foundation when we have this discussion. So, there, you know, we hear a lot about assistive technology and the disability.

46 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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The arena these days, it seems to be increasing. There are more programs or more services. There are more funding opportunities. We have more discussions and we have our or our, um.

47 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Plans that we develop and so really what we're talking about when we use the term assistive technology is we're talking about any kind of technology device.

48 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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It can be what, uh, you know, the term assistive technology, or it could be mainstream technology but we're essentially talking about any kind of technology that helps a person with a disability.

49 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Increase maintain, or improve their functional abilities, so that's a really broad category in terms of all the types of things that fit under this term assistive technology.

50 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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It's also really important to keep in mind that assistive technology is not just the devices. Really? When we say, assistive technology.

51 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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We're kind of referring to an umbrella term and so we have the devices and we also need to make sure that when we have this discussion with family with friends with providers, that we're focused on the devices.

52 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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But we're also focused on the services, because both things go hand in hand in order for somebody to flourish when they get technology and.

53 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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When they're using it, so, um, it's super important to to just keep those 2 things in mind services and devices go hand in hand and services are things. Like how are you, how somebody going to be trained on it?

54 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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How am I gonna be get it funded? Can I borrow it from somewhere and try it before I make a commitment to funding and.

55 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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These are all things that we can certainly help you with, in Missouri, assistant technology. So, let's move to the next slide and let's get into the who we are and what we do and we will start by talking about our demonstration centers around the state of Missouri.

56 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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We don't kind of have this innate, uh, built in understanding of what assistive technology is.

57 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Is out there a lot of times we come to it at different stages in our life, and we need to kind of have some place that we can go and we can learn about it. And so part of what we do is we operate a series of demonstration centers around the state right now. We have 12 of them.

58 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Most of them are located in centers for independent living, and they are spread out. So.

59 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Okay, gerardo, Springfield coatesville, um, St, Joseph, Kansas City area.

60 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Um, so they're spread out throughout the state and the whole idea behind the demonstration centers is so that you have some place locally that you can go to and you can sit down with somebody who has a background and assistive technology and kind of.

61 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Talk through the whole world of assistive technology and then hopefully also spend some time, trying some devices comparing and contrasting the devices that you're trying getting hooked up with programs.

62 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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You know, just kind of these are think of the demonstration centers is your gateway to assistive technology. And so at the very.

63 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And I'll show our website and so if you're trying to.

64 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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You know, if you don't know if there's a demonstration center in close proximity to you, I'll show you where on the website you can find that information. So if we move on to the next slide.

65 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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This is our loan program called ATC. It's really critically important, especially when we're using public dollars to make sure that we are getting the right device for the situation.

66 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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When we start to identify assistive technology. A lot of times we start with a discussion around barriers. What is the barrier that the.

67 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Individual is encountering and then we sort of narrow down what devices are available out there that might help them address that barrier.

68 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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But it's really important to make sure that somebody has the ability to try devices in their natural environments before making a final selection. So, if I say, say, I'm a college student, and I have a.

69 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Stability and I know that my reading load is going to increase and so I want to see what technology's out there that's going to help me. Um.

70 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Address that larger reading load that I'm going to have well, I could borrow several devices out of the program and then I could try, em, make sure that they helped me address my barrier and then later on, I can go. And if I, I can find funding through the appropriate funding source.

71 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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So, think of the program or device loan program is essentially a large library.

72 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Have assistant devices that can be borrowed, uh, to try in various environments for various situations. Everything about is free. Um, we have well, over 1000 devices available through the program.

73 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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We even pay the cost of the shipping to the location and back to us, we try to work through brick and mortar locations, but. but

74 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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We do sometimes loan directly to individuals, depending on the situation but the key thing here is, you know, you want to try devices, you want to try them in natural environments. This is a great way to be able to, um, get your hands on them for various purposes.

75 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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And we, we spent a lot of devices to school districts to be our offices to rehab hospitals.

76 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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To employers, you know, just people who are trying to match up the right piece of assistive technology for the individual. If we move on to the next slide.

77 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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This is another service that we have throughout the state of Missouri, and this is our device for utilization centers across the state. There. You know, a lot of times.

78 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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And there are those things that you need, and maybe it's too cumbersome to try to get them funded or you need them today. So you can do something tomorrow. And so the device for utilize.

79 "David Baker" (1390735616)



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Centers which I believe right now we have 10 or 11 them across the state. Um, they are places that taken used durable medical equipment used assistive technology. They sanitize it.

80 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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They make sure it's safe and they put it back out in the community most often for free. So, if I'm looking for maybe an extra wheelchair that I could.

81 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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You know, transport easily, um, or a bath bench, or a hospital bed, or maybe even an augmentative communication device. Then I would want to be familiar with the device for utilization programs. Um, and so we have the centers.

82 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And then another option that we have is what we call swap and shop, which is a service that is on our on our website.

83 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And so swapping shop, sometimes people have paid out of pocket for a piece of assistive technology, and they want a few dollars, um, or they want to match it up with just the right family or something like that.

84 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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So, swapping shop is like a classified ad service for use durable, medical equipment and assistive technology devices. Like I said, a 2nd ago augmented in communication.

85 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Devices as an example. So these are great things to be kind of put on your radar screen because you may need something now or somewhere down the road. You need that extra piece of assistive technology and, um, so you might reach out to the re, utilization center.

86 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And I saw that there was a question about where these are located, and I will try to answer.

87 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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That when we get to the website part of this discussion, and I'll show you where you can find the 1 that's closest to you. If we move on to the next slide, that will be, um, our alternative finance program.

88 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And these 1st, things I'm talking about are what, um, for our federal reporting is what we call our kind of our core services. So.

89 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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You know, we can, we can introduce you to assistive technology we can provide you with the ability to borrow it to try it. We've set up the re, utilization centers, but sometimes we can't find the funding that's necessary.

90 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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So, we set up a series of alternative finance programs as we refer to them the most. Um, and there's several.

91 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Of these programs, um, but the whole idea behind the state financing activities is to sport individuals and purchasing and acquiring assistive technology and we, if we move on to the next slide,

92 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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we're most often thought of for the financial assistance programs, uh, with our shomi loans programs. And what these are.

93 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Is they are a financial loan so you do have to pay it back but they're a great opportunity.

94 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Um, to if you're in a position to take out a loan, the low interest, they're extremely low interest of all the decisions on who gets a loan and who doesn't is made by a group of individuals. And then the.

95 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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They also take into consideration some of the unique situations that folks have, um, as a result of having a disability and how that sometimes impacts credit.

96 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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So, the types of things that we've done through the Shelby loans program, we do a lot of home modifications through this program. We do Van adaptations. We do, um, adapted vans themselves.

97 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Um, and we do augmented communication devices. So a lot of different things get funded. Do this.

98 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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And it's a great way again. Like I said, to maybe achieve something today. Um, so you can do something else tomorrow and he gets tapped into by quite a few folks across the state.

99 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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But there are 2 aspects of the shomi loans program that I think are a little bit under utilized in Missouri. The 1st, 1 is our workability component of the shomi loans.

100 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Program and that is, um, to help people be able to purchase equipment needed to work from home, or at a remote site.

101 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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So, we start thinking about how covid has changed, um, how we work and there may be more opportunities for people with disabilities to become employed. And you're trying to figure out well, how can I get started working remote.

102 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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For this company, or that company, or starting my own business going to workability loan might be something to consider uh, we'll fund assistive technology, but I'll also fund some of the other things that an individual may need to get themselves started.

103 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Um, and then at the very bottom here of this slide, there are the micro loans and so sometimes, um, you know.

104 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Somebody needs to get an iPad in an iPad with an app on it, like, um, you know, an app to help them read or to help them write or some kind of assistant app. But you don't have, you know, 300 dollars.

105 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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And so these micro loan programs are designed to loan you the money so you can get that device. So you can do what it is that you want to do. do

106 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Do and then you pay it back slowly over time and we work with them to fix budgets a lot of times on the show me loans programs. So, a lot of opportunities there to utilize these, the other thing that I often pointed out about show me loans is a great way to build credit.

107 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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And credit is really important. And a lot of times people with disabilities need to build credit.

108 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Because they don't have it or they're trying to improve it and we all know that. Our credit history is always getting checked on and it impacts us when we go out to buy a car or rent a house or purchase a house or something like that.

109 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
00:16:49.704 --> 00:16:58.614  
Um, if we move on to the next slide, a couple of things that I want to make sure are on everybody's radar screen, especially for families that have kids that are school age and.

110 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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The 1st 1 is the assistant technology reimbursement program.

111 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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You know, under school districts have a lot of obligations related to how they educate students with disabilities. And 1 of the things that they are supposed to provide is assistive technologies.

112 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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If it helps the student, um, access the educational curriculum. So the assistant technology reimbursement program, we do in conjunction with the Department of.

113 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Entry and secondary ad, and if a student has assistive technology written into their, and they are being served by a charter school or a public school,

114 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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or maybe they're in a state school for the severely disabled that school can access the system technology reimbursement program to purchase that technology.

115 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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That's written in the, you know, the sooner we can get assistive technology into the hands of students the more likely it is that they will succeed.

116 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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So, if you have a student that's on an AP, or you work in a school, and your school district is not aware of this program. This is a great thing to bring to their attention to help them connect the dots. We.

117 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Um, at any given year, probably around 300 students across the state, get helped with this program. Unfortunately, we're kind of winding it down for this school year, but I know we will have a back up and running next school year.

118 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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So something to kind of keep in the back of your mind, especially if you're a parent and you have a student that has an, the next. next

119 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Program is our kids assisted technology program.

120 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And right now we are, we're out of funds temporarily here for this program, but we assume there will be some additional ones at the start of the next state fiscal year.

121 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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But this is a funding source that we refer to as a funding source of last resort, meaning that if you have exhausted every.

122 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Their funding source that's out there, or maybe you've started put together some funding sources they're kind of falling short to your goal, then you might look into the kid's assistive technology program,

123 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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and it can provide funding for assistive technology for vehicle access modifications, um, for home access modifications for children, under the age of 20.

124 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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So, as we see illustrated here on the right hand side, this young woman had reached an age where she wanted to be able to bathe independently, but due to her disability, it took a bathroom modification to do that.

125 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And we put in some grab bars and, uh, in a tub cut and a few other things and she's able to now.

126 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Achieve that goal of bathing independently and all that was provided through the kid's assistive technology program. So again, if you've exhausted every funding source that's out there. Um, then you might keep this on your radar screen.

127 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And even though we are temporarily out of funds, we will take applications so that we can reach out to people as quick as possible.

128 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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When the funds do become available again, so if we move on to the next slide, uh, talk really quickly about these 3 programs. Um, we have 3, what I referred to as telecommunications access programs.

129 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And so, you know, we all know that the phone and the Internet are super critical to our ability to access services to stay in contact with family and friends to interact with government do our banking, et cetera, et cetera?

130 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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The list goes on, but sometimes those telecommunications things like phones, and our computers can be super difficult for individuals.

131 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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With disabilities to be able to access effectively and efficiently and so we have a tap for telephone program, which provides adapted, um, landline phones, which aren't as common as they used to be.

132 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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But, um, then we also have the tap for Internet program, which provides computer adaptations. So, if you meet the qualifiers, which is.

133 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Household income under 60,000 dollars, um, for a family of 2, and you have a computer,

134 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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and you have Internet access if you need an adapted keyboard or text to speech software to help you understand what you're seeing on the screen or an adaptation to the mouse. Um, you know, lots of different computer adaptations are available through that program. program

135 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And so, you know, 1 of the things I often say about tap for Internet is it's a great program to look into if you're transitioning, say, from high school into college, or from college into a job.

136 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Or if you're a family and you have a student that's going to be transitioning into the sort of that next phase and they're going to be very.

137 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And I'm using their computer, um, then this might be something to look into. And then we also have the version of the telecommunications access program for wireless.

138 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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So, cell phones, iPad, and again, as long as it's tied to telecommunications access, then this might be an option to consider for phones for tablets and phones that have.

139 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Patients then make them accessible to individuals with disabilities. Um, and then this next slide real quickly here.

140 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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If any of you are have have a combined hearing and vision loss, what is sometimes referred to as Def, blind or a family member, who has a combined hearing and vision loss.

141 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And we have the icon connect program, which we operate in Missouri for the FCC, and it provides distance communication tools. So some of the things that we might have seen on the last slide and the related training.

142 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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So that individuals who have the combined hearing and vision loss, have equal access to the Internet.

143 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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2 other communication tools as well, and I just wanted to point that out real quick, you know, if you know anybody who has the combined hearing and vision loss,

144 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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it always surprises me how many people in the state of Missouri do have are qualified under the deadline program.

145 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And so word of mouth is usually the best way that we get information out to those individuals. So just keep this 1 in the back of your mind as well moving on to the next slide. Um, just a few more things that we do. It's real challenge.

146 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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For me to kind of keep all this stuff in 30 minutes, but we do a lot of public awareness. So, events like this, where we're talking.

147 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And trying to help everybody understand what we do and make connections between us and maybe what your goals are in life, information and referral. You know, again, I said earlier that we don't have this built in understanding of all these assistant technology tools.

148 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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So, a lot of my conversations with folks start with, I have this situation where, and.

149 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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We will gladly take those calls and emails and start helping. You work through the, the world of assistive technology, and making yourself wiser and understanding how the pieces to go together.

150 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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We do a lot of training, um, to school districts to employers to service providers about how to look at assistive technology, what types of devices are out there.

151 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Um, and then we do a lot of technical assistance where we work with school districts and agencies to kind of help them integrate assistive technology into their services.

152 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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1 thing we're spending a lot of time focusing in, on these days is what we referred to as access, you know, making the, the digital world as accessible as the physical world and.

153 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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So, if that's something that might be of interest to you, um, you know, just again visit our website and learn more, that's kind of the sort of the next wave that we all need to go to is making sure that the the Internet is.

154 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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And the digital world is accessible as it can possibly be as well if we move on to the next slide.

155 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
00:24:17.754 --> 00:24:27.474

Um, I just want to kind of close with a couple of things here. I love this. Quote this quote, has been around since 1991, every single time I look at it it becomes more poignant to me and way back in 991.

156 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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there was a woman who worked for IBM, and they were looking at accessibility issues and people with disabilities and she wrote into this. issues and people with disabilities and she wrote into this

157 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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That they prepared the following phrase that for people without disabilities technology makes things easier for people with disabilities.

158 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Technology makes things possible and all the possibilities that I have seen evolve 4 people with disabilities through technology since 1991. thousand nine hundred and ninety one

159 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
00:24:57.189 --> 00:25:06.754

Is astronomical every single year we see more and more types of things that can help level the playing field for folks and enable them to do more and more.

160 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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And sometimes if we move on to the next slide, you know, sometimes we kind of get all bogged down and thinking about the technology or getting it funded or training somebody. Then we kind of.

161 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
00:25:17.214 --> 00:25:28.974

Lose sight of why we want to focus in, on assistive technology and what is this new technology really is about it's about participation like this young man when they put in the ramp.

162 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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All of a sudden, he could come out of his house with his brothers and he'd be part of their world out there in the community or on the next slide.

163 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Assistant technology's about education I talked about, and I talked about how school districts borrow a lot to, uh, incorporate assistive technology into the educational curriculum. And if we can address that barrier in this case, a vision barrier for this young woman.

164 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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So that she has equal access, then she's going to go on to do greater and better things than.

165 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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He might've even dreamed she was going to do, or if we move on to the next slide, it's about employment.

166 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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We level the playing field and the employment arena through assistive technology for people with disabilities and, like, in this picture here, we have Jim who's blind but he uses a screen reader,

167 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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but it gives him equal access to all the information that his other colleagues were doing in their office, it just involves a little bit of technology to get him there. So he could.

168 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Be employed, and he could be a productive member and have a contribution that he was making to an employer, or in the next slide. Um, it's also about independent living, you know, assistive technology is something that goes all the way through the lifespan.

169 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And it's really, you know, we pay a lot of attention to it when folks are younger, but it's equally as important when they're old.

170 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And they want to live independently, and there are ways that they can increase their access to independence through the use of assistive technology.

171 "David Baker" (1390735616)

00:26:50.014 --> 00:27:02.644

And then the 1 thing that we are in the next slide that we are beginning to understand more and more is the role that assistive technology places, um, provides us as we age we all want to age with dignity. And in.

172 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Own homes a lot of times and assistive technology can be a critical part of that. So really all that, you know, those are the reasons we do assistive technology.

173 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Those are the outcomes we want, and it's part of the lifespan and we always need to kind of keep that in mind how critical it is to help us be successful and independent um, is completely and totally as we can.

174 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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So, the very last slide.

175 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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I said that I was going to draw us to the website, which is 80 dot Gov. And the easiest orientation that I can do, and hopefully answer some of the questions that we're in the chat on the left hand side.

176 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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This is our homepage, as I believe it looks right now on the left, or on the right hand side. There you will see a list of all the programs.

177 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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So I talked about ATC, I talked about the recycle and reuse centers around the state and the telecommunications access programs and and you click on any 1 of those, and it'll take you to the, to the related pages that we'll outline, you know,

178 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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if there are any steps in the application, or who the programs for and then I.

179 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Times, I suggest that people go to the site, because there's a series of catalogs on there. So, if you're relatively new to assistive technology, and you don't really know what's out there, those catalogs make sort of a nice cheat sheet where you can get familiar with a lot of the devices that are out there.

180 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Um, and so 1 thing, uh, on the far right hand side, we're a little hemmed in.

181 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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Um, by the way that we set up our website, but you'll see that right below the darker blue, where it says Missouri assist new technology, there's a lighter blue bar, and it has a series of dropdown menus that come off of it on the far right. Hand.

182 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
00:28:39.144 --> 00:28:44.784

Side is a resources tab, and if you click there and a lot of times people don't quite pick up on.

183 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
00:28:44.809 --> 00:28:46.874

There is actually a funding guide.

184 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
00:28:47.204 --> 00:29:01.964

There are so many more funding sources and there used to be, but it's kind of still kind of a, you know, if I have X and I'm certain age that I might qualify for this program and we try to keep all that information up to date and like I said, there's a funding manual there,

185 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
00:29:01.964 --> 00:29:04.784

so if that's something you're struggling with, you might take some time to get from.

186 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
00:29:04.809 --> 00:29:11.549

Familiar with that and I see that we are up here against the 1 o'clock. So I believe I had 1 more slide.

187 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
00:29:12.204 --> 00:29:21.084

And I will look in the chat here, this is all my contact information. So if you're copying that down, um, I will quickly go through the chat.

188 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
00:29:21.564 --> 00:29:31.524

Um, so Joanne asked earlier where the centers are located and it looked like she was referring to the reuse centers. Um, double checked me on the website.

189 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
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But if I remember correctly, the locations would be Kansas City, accessibility, medical, the independent living center and kirkersville, which is rail in Gallatin, which is access to.

190 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And Hannibal, which is Niels in St Louis area paraquat in Farmington area life, Cape gerardo.

191 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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As a reuse center, uh, and Springfield, I believe, are all of our current reused centers I might have missed 1 or 2 there.

192 "David Baker" (1390735616)

00:29:59.344 --> 00:30:11.434

And something I forgot to say is that a lot of times we have extra durable medical equipment, or maybe it's this new technology, we no longer need you're looking for some place to put it you might consider donating it to reuse center or putting it into the swap and.

193 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And then.

194 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Uh, somebody had asked Angela had asked about, um,

195 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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I assume you're referring to are those for school use only or can they take them at home that always has to be addressed between the school district and the school and but we encourage

196 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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anything that is.

197 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Through to be taken home, if it's going to be used for educational purposes at home. But again that has to be addressed by the school. And Dustin. I see you're on here and on my own is also a demonstration center and a reuse center for us.

198 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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And I had forgotten that. And then Eileen had also put the I've got several people on here that I.

199 "David Baker" (1390735616)

00:30:55.509 --> 00:31:02.609

Fantastic. So, anyway, um, a little over the time and Lisa will hand it back over to, you.

200 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)

00:31:02.609 --> 00:31:12.059

Oh, my gosh, that was amazing. And I am so sorry that we were locked in the 30 minutes, but you did a great job getting through all those slides. Um.

201 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)

00:31:12.059 --> 00:31:20.219

We've used, uh, on on personal level with my daughter, we've used the assistant technology folks before, and I highly recommend them and we've always.

202 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)

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Recommended that they go check out the website and try to push those those programs out to folks. I know there was a a question too about, um.

203 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)

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Whether it was some of the program specifically tied to DD or if they for the elderly as well.

204 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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We serve, yeah, we serve all ages all disabilities, um, through our sometimes programs are going to be tied to certain age groups.

205 "David Baker" (1390735616)

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Like, for instance, um, the is tied to school age children, but, you know, overall, um, a lot of our programs and services.

206 "David Baker" (1390735616)

00:31:56.539 --> 00:32:01.859

Especially just the information referral and the training types of things all ages is all the disabilities.

207 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)

00:32:02.874 --> 00:32:17.214

Good stuff, so we address the questions, but I'll just real quickly say, may 23rd will be our next, Missouri and new webinar. So Mark your calendars again from whoops. I'm sorry it should be 1230 to 1. not 12.

208 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)

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so mistake on the on the slide there at 1230 to 1 on May 20. on may twenty

209 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)

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Sorry.

210 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)

00:32:23.304 --> 00:32:35.784

Thank you, David I appreciate it. We dropped the links in the in the chat, and I also just want to remind folks real quickly that you do

webinars for the Missouri open door the no wrong door project that we have.

211 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
00:32:36.114 --> 00:32:42.564

And there are a ton of, um, videos, or I recorded webinars there that they can go check that out. And.

212 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
00:32:42.649 --> 00:32:46.289

I highly recommend that they do. I went in and tried to.

213 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
00:32:46.289 --> 00:32:51.689

See, if I can collect that address for folks see if I can drop in the chat.

214 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
00:32:52.014 --> 00:33:05.634

Yeah, and, um, right we, we work with the for human development and do a series, a monthly webinar series called the Missouri open door series, which is kind of a combination of they're charging the life force and assistive technology.

215 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
00:33:06.024 --> 00:33:11.094

And, um, if anybody's interested, actually, the next 1 is tomorrow afternoon at 1230. thirty

216 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
00:33:11.689 --> 00:33:20.279

And everybody's interested, drop me an email, and I will get you hooked up with the right person there. So you can go see the old ones or sign up for the forthcoming ones.

217 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
00:33:20.279 --> 00:33:27.629

Yeah, and you're starting a new series too as well right? Is if there's something with benefits a new yes.

218 "David Baker" (1390735616)  
00:33:27.629 --> 00:33:34.289

They have, I'm not part of that, but that would be great for people to tune into as well. Benefits are always a big issue.

219 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
00:33:34.289 --> 00:33:47.904

Yeah, they are Thank you so much I appreciate your time and I'm sorry that we're locking out on 30 minutes now, but we 5 minutes over. That's not bad. Right? That's a lot of information to get through. I appreciate it very much. Thanks. Very much. Good to Alex.

220 "Lisa Nothaus" (541304320)  
00:33:49.649 --> 00:33:53.100

Thank you. Bye. Bye. Bye.