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### Annual Report



State Fiscal Year

2010



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# 2010 State Fiscal Year A Record Breaker for the Kentucky Assistive Technology Loan Corporation

The 2010 state fiscal year was an incredible one for the Kentucky Assistive Technology Loan Corporation (KATLC). KATLC had a record number of applications, approved loans, amount loaned and number of loans repaid by customers for the state fiscal year.

In 2010, KATLC received 195 applications and approved 118 for a total of \$989,536. This fiscal year was the highest in applications, loans made and the best year for the Corporation in terms of the amount of money loaned. The following table shows how 2010 compares to previous years:

| State Fiscal Year | Applications | Loans      | Amount of Loans |
|-------------------|--------------|------------|-----------------|
| 2010              | 195          | 118        | \$989,536       |
| 2009              | 173          | 107        | \$963,283       |
| 2008              | 138          | 89         | \$726,068       |
| 2007              | 122          | 77         | \$814,333       |
| 2006              | 133          | <b>7</b> 5 | \$576,578       |
| 2005              | 146          | 97         | \$840,673       |
| 2004              | 98           | 48         | \$341,886       |
| 2003              | 126          | 70         | \$458,607       |
| 2002              | 97           | 49         | \$343,810       |
| 2001              | 44           | 13         | \$120,153       |
| 2000              | 59           | 27         | \$273,590       |
| Total             | 1,136        | 652        | \$6,448,517     |

Employees from the Kentucky Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR), Sarah Richardson, Lois Carey and Nanci Soard, continued to provide the staff support for KATLC. Their efficient operation of the program has continued to keep operating costs to a minimum.



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For the second straight year hearing aids were the most requested assistive technology devices in 2010. Vehicle modifications were the second most requested item. Below is a breakdown of the approved assistive technology devices:

| Types of Assistive Technology      | # of Loans | % of  |
|------------------------------------|------------|-------|
|                                    |            | Loans |
| Hearing Aids                       | 72         | 61%   |
| Vehicles and Vehicle Modifications | 34         | 28%   |
| Home Modifications                 | 6          | 5%    |
| Prosthetics                        | 2          | 2%    |
| Vision Aids                        | 2          | 2%    |
| Computers                          | 1          | 1%    |
| Other                              | 1          | 1%    |
| Total                              | 118        | 100%  |

KATLC continues with a two-year agreement with its lending partner, Fifth Third Bank, under which the interest rate is prime rate plus 1.25%. During the 2010 state fiscal year, the interest rate was 4.50%. The agreement expires June 30, 2012.

KATLC participated in 20 exhibits across the Commonwealth representing a diversity of disability groups. KATLC staff provided six presentations on the program to individuals with disabilities and service providers.



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#### COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM CUSTOMERS

KATLC continued using Staying in Touch, LLC to conduct six month surveys of applicants to determine their satisfaction with the program. Here are a few of comments received in the customer's own words.

### Tell us about how you are using the assistive technology and its impact on you and your life.

- Allows me to get to work, travel, etc, and be part of my community.
- My hearing aids have helped me at home as well as in the community.
   Changed every aspect of my life for the better.
- I use it for work and in reading my books. Still learning, I enjoy learning and using it.
- It's an accessible van, without it, I would remain at home, unable to travel.
- We purchased a wheelchair accessible mini-van. We use it to transport our daughter in her power wheelchair – it has changed our lives dramatically! I don't know how we ever did without it!
- I was able to get the hearing aids and they've made a big improvement at work without causing a financial strain.

### What features of this alternative financing program have been most beneficial to you?

- Interest Rate
- My numerous questions were answered when I called several times a day. The person was always friendly.
- The length of the loan was reasonable for a person on fixed income.
- The quick turn around time for approval and the ability to go to Fifth Third Bank and sign the papers at their office.
- I was treated with respect and not made to feel guilty because I could not afford to pay for my hearing aids all at one time.



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#### **DEMOGRAPHICS OF ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY USERS**

#### **Gender**

#### **Gender of Applicants**



■ Male ■ Female

#### **Gender of Borrowers**



■ Male ■ Female



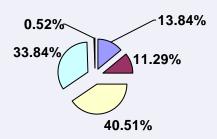
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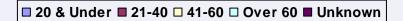
#### **DEMOGRAPHICS OF ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY USERS**

#### **Age**

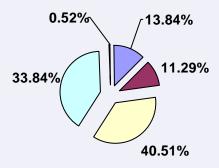
The age of the individuals who would benefit from the assistive technology contained in the loan applications ranged from 5 to 90 years old.

#### **Age of Applicants**





#### **Age of Borrowers**





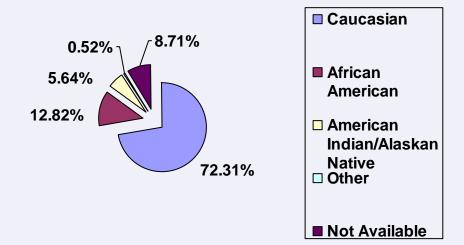


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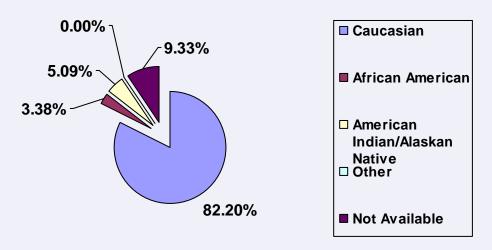
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#### **Ethnicity**

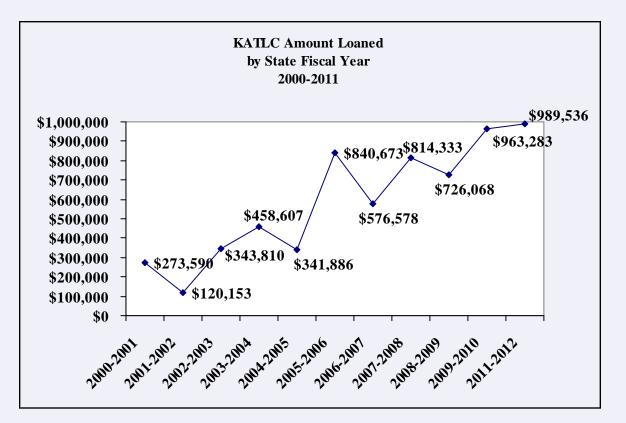
#### **Ethnicity of Applicants**

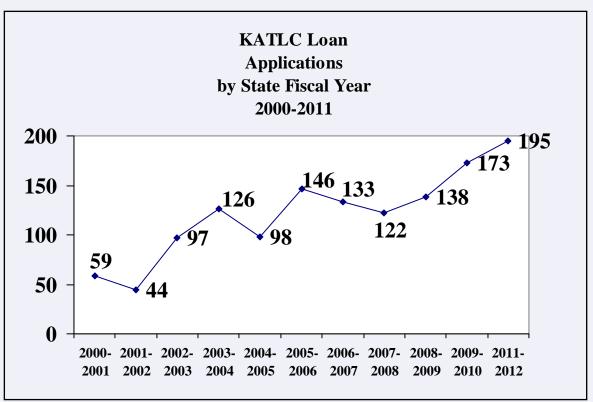


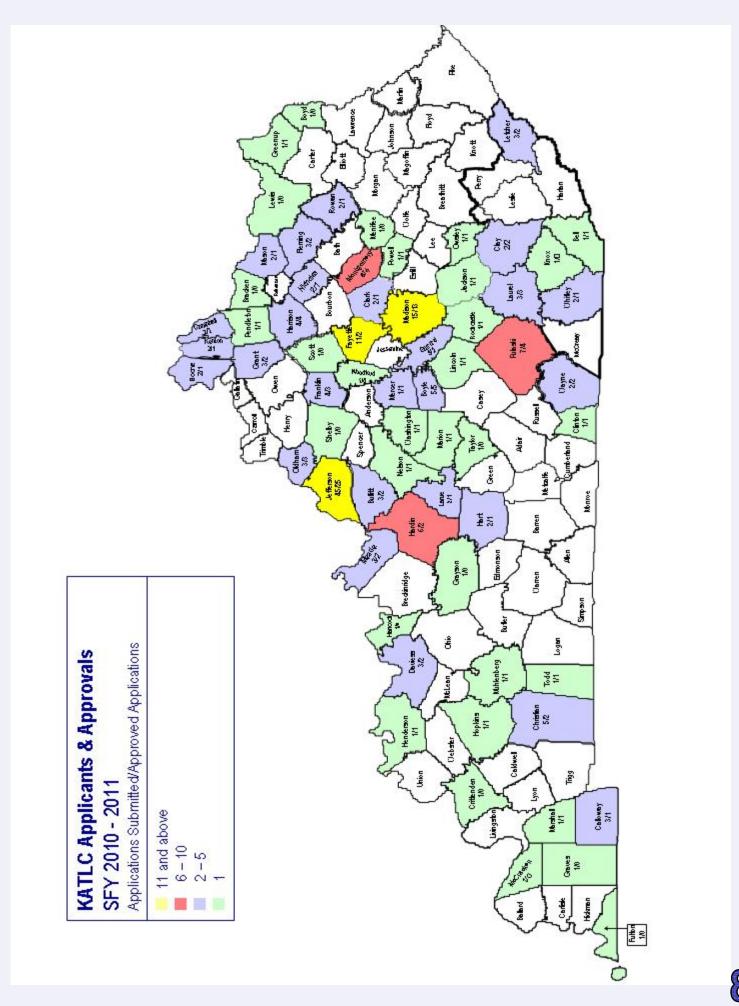
#### **Ethnicity of Borrowers**



#### **LOAN ACTIVITY**









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#### Kentucky Assistive Technology Loan Corporation Annual Financial Report

July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011

#### **Income**

| State General Fund Allotment               | \$<br>75,000.00  |
|--|------------------|
| Interest Income on Deposits for Guarantees | \$<br>34,007.12  |
| Total Program Income                       | \$<br>109,007.12 |

#### **Expenses**

| Total Program Expenses | \$111,057.41 |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Catch Up Payments (17) | \$ 9,454.24  |
| Defaults (12)          | \$ 27,695.24 |
| Operating Expenses     | \$ 73,907.93 |

#### **Accounts Available for Loan Guarantees**

As of June 30, 2011

| Savings Account                     | \$ 162,839.21  |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Certificate of Deposits             | \$1,709,446.23 |
| Total Available for Loan Guarantees | \$1,872,285.44 |

#### **KATLC Loan History**

July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2011

| Loans repaid in state FY 2010              | 97             |
|--|----------------|
| \$ Amount of loans repaid in state FY 2010 | \$972,296.99   |
| Number of current loans outstanding        | 314            |
| \$ Amount of outstanding loans             | \$2,906,991.61 |
| \$ Amount of outstanding loan balances     | \$1,910,097.93 |



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