

# **DO YOU HAVE A HEARING LOSS?**

## **HEARING AIDS ARE NOT THE ONLY SOLUTION, LEARN ABOUT ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES**

**Next Meeting – October 14, 2015**



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**Location:** TechACCESS of RI  
110 Jefferson Boulevard, Suite I, Warwick, Rhode Island

**Time:** 6:00 to 8:00 PM

These workshops are free, no registration is required, however, please call TechACCESS the morning of the demonstration, to confirm the demonstration hasn't been cancelled or rescheduled due to weather, holiday conflicts or other unforeseen circumstances. CART Services will be provided; however, if you need any other special accommodations, please call 3 weeks in advance. For more information, call 401-463-0202.

Assistive listening devices (ALDs) can be a great addition to hearing aids or an inexpensive alternative depending on your needs, by helping you separate the sounds you want to hear from background noise, and by enabling you to hear when the speaker is more than a few feet away. Also, learn how you may be eligible for a FREE adaptive telephone from the RI State Telephone Program (ATEL), Captioning telephone (Captel), as well as, learn about supportive organizations where people with all degrees of hearing loss come together to share and learn – and where it's okay not to hear well.

## **WHY ARE YOU NOT GETTING HELP?**

- \* Unaware of Hearing Loss, Gradually Occurred \*Denial \*Vanity \*Cost
- \*Know you have a hearing loss, but do not realize it is a problem for you or for others
- \*Bad Prior Experience /Friends' or Relatives' Bad Experiences
- \*Fear of Being Seen as "Failing" or Incompetent

## **WHY NOT GET HELP, LIFE CAN BE BETTER!**