

WNY Trendy Trikes FAQ

Who We Are:

WNY Trendy Trikes is a **501(c)(3) nonprofit** and **volunteer-run chapter** of National AMBUCS, dedicated to providing adaptive tricycles to children with disabilities. As a new chapter, we currently serve only **Erie and Niagara County residents**.

What is an Amtryke®?

An Amtryke® is an adaptive tricycle designed for individuals with disabilities, offering therapeutic benefits like **improved coordination, strength, and mobility**, while promoting fun and independence. Each tricycle is **custom-built** to meet individual requirements, ensuring a **safe and enjoyable** riding experience that enhances mobility and confidence.

How to Get an Amtryke®

Option 1: Purchase an Amtryke®

Families who do not need financial assistance can purchase an Amtryke® directly from the [AMTRYKE store](#). A **physical therapist evaluation is strongly recommended** to ensure a proper fit.

Option 2: Apply for Financial Assistance

We provide Amtryke® bikes **at little to no cost** for families in need through our **Wish List program**

Wish List Program

1. Physical Therapist Evaluation (Required)

- Every rider must be evaluated by a **licensed physical or occupational therapist** to ensure proper fit and suitability.

2. Wait Time & Availability

- Wait times can be **up to one year** due to **high demand and limited funding**.
- Some Amtryke® models may experience **manufacturer backorders**, which can cause additional delays.
- Once funding is secured, it may take up to three months for an Amtryke® to be built and shipped, plus additional time for assembly. Each bike is custom-built to meet individual needs, ensuring a safe and properly fitted riding experience.



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3. Funding & Fundraising

- Priority is given to families who have been on the list the longest.
- Each rider receives a **personalized fundraising link** to share with family, friends, and their community. **Fundraising is optional but encouraged** to help speed up the process.

4. Is There a Cost to the Family?

- We strive to provide Amtryke® at **little to no cost**. However, in some cases, there may be costs for **shipping or optional upgrades**.
- If financial hardship makes it difficult to cover any costs, please reach out—we will work with you to find a solution.

5. Returning Outgrown Amtryke®

- If your child outgrows their Amtryke®, you can **reapply** to the Wish List for a larger size.
- We **ask families to return outgrown or unused Amtryke®** so they can be refurbished and gifted to another child in need. This allows us to serve more families and make the most of our limited resources.

6. Do You Provide Repairs & Maintenance?

- At this time, we do not offer a **formal repair program**, but we can provide guidance on **maintenance** and share manufacturer resources.
- **National AMBUCS offers helpful maintenance tips and videos** on their website.

7. How to Contact Us

- **Email us at** wnytrendytrikes@gmail.com for updates and assistance.
- **Visit** AMBUCS.org for more information.

Donations & Sponsorships Welcome

WNY Trendy Trikes **relies entirely on donations** to provide Amtryke® bikes to children with disabilities. Every tricycle we gift is made possible through the generosity of **individual donors, local businesses, and community partners**.

If you or someone you know is **interested in supporting our mission, please reach out!**