



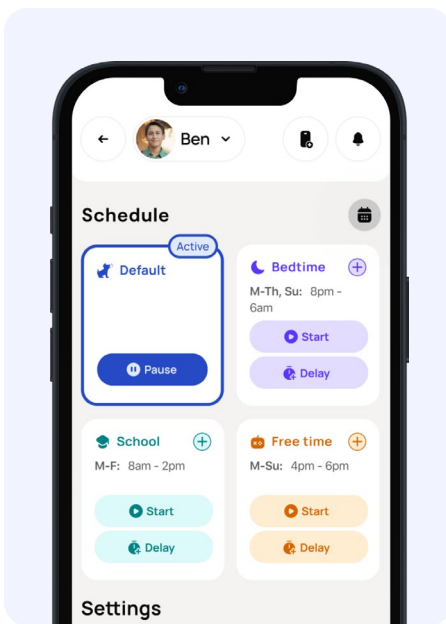
For OhioRISE care coordinators

Help youth build safer independence with a Bark Phone or Bark Watch

Bark devices give youth a safer way to communicate, participate in their communities, and build independence — while families and care teams receive tools that support safety and social-emotional well-being.

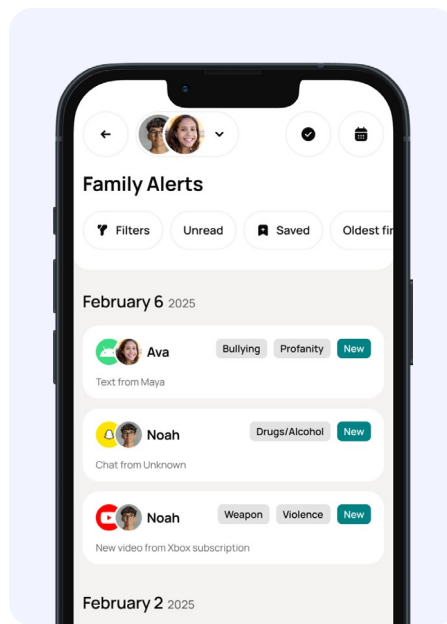
The Bark Phone and the Bark Watch may be requested through OhioRISE Customized Goods & Services, using up to \$1,500 in annual flex funds, when the device is tied to goals in the youth's Child and Family-Centered Care Plan.

HOW BARK CAN SUPPORT CARE-PLAN GOALS



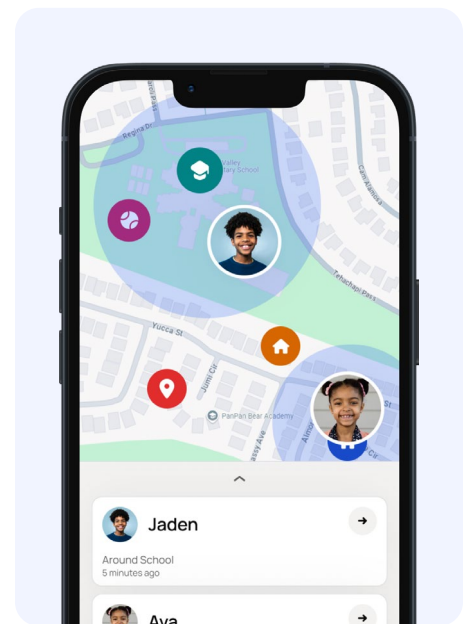
Routines & healthy technology use

Customizable app access, web filters, contact approvals, and screen-time schedules create structure around technology use and reinforce routines established in the care plan.



Social-emotional well-being

Bark monitors digital communication for concerns such as bullying, depression, sexual content, and predatory behavior, helping caregivers recognize risks and intervene earlier.



Safety and stability

GPS location tracking, virtual boundaries, emergency SOS, and reliable talk and text help families respond quickly and maintain connection — including during elopement or other safety concerns.

OUR PRODUCTS



Bark Phone

A fully customizable smartphone built for safety. Parents control which apps are installed, who can be contacted, and when the phone can be used.

- ✓ Approve every contact and app download
- ✓ Activity monitoring across texts, images, web browsing, and apps, with alerts across 30+ categories
- ✓ Customizable, structured screen time schedules that support ISP goals
- ✓ Real-time location tracking with safe zone alerts
- ✓ Customizable filters block harmful content and limit apps

Bark Watch

A simple, focused device for younger kids — built for staying connected and no distractions.

- ✓ GPS location tracking
- ✓ Contact management
- ✓ Emergency SOS feature
- ✓ No internet, social media, or browsers

WHO IT'S A FIT FOR

Consider Bark when an OhioRISE enrollee's Child and Family-Centered Care Plan includes goals related to:

- Home or community safety
- Social-emotional well-being
- Safe communication and relationships
- Community participation
- Greater independence with appropriate supports
- Technology routines or behavioral stability

Basic requirements: The youth must: Be enrolled in OhioRISE and eligible for Ohio Medicaid; Have a documented care-plan goal the device can support; Meet OhioRISE Customized Goods & Services requirements; Remain within the federally approved cost limit

HOW TO REQUEST A DEVICE

1 Identify the care-plan goal

Determine how the Bark device will support safety, social-emotional well-being, community participation, or independence.

2 Choose the appropriate device

Select the Bark Phone or Bark Watch based on the youth's needs and level of independence.

3 Submit the request form

The care coordinator or designated agency representative completes Bark's electronic request form.

4 Add the invoice to the care-plan submission

Bark provides a 12-month invoice for the device, software, cellular service, and applicable taxes. Submit the invoice and Child and Family-Centered Care Plan to Aetna for review.

5 Set up and implement the device

After approval, Bark ships the device to the family and provides setup support and recorded training.

REAL-WORLD IMPACT

91% of families reported **tangible improvements** within 3–6 months of using Bark

"It's helped my son feel more like a teenager. He **struggled with social skills, but now he connects with friends** and feels included. It helps us to talk about social interactions. It's a great tool to teach social skills." —Parent of child with Autism