

PlayWorks Partners with Variety to distribute adaptive mobility equipment to kids

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Ben Dressman (on bike) gets a new three-wheeler bike from Variety, the children's charity. Also in the photo, Charlie LaVallee, CEO of Variety Children's Charity, Jessica Dressman (Ben's mom) and Mike Lentz, CEO of PlayWorks, watches as Ben rides his new bike. (Ron Rittenhouse/The Dominion Post).

In partnership with PlayWorks, Pittsburgh-based children's charity Variety distributed adaptive mobility equipment — including six adaptive bikes — to area children with disabilities Thursday at Mountaineer Mall.

Variety, which focuses on kids with special needs, expanded its programs to include 12 West Virginia counties. Since then, more than 370 adaptive bikes, adaptive strollers and communication devices have been presented to kids.

PlayWorks provides occupational, physical and speech therapy for children and adults with special needs.

Additional information about applying for the Variety programs can be found at variety pittsburgh.org/applynow or 724-933-0460.

For more information on PlayWorks visit playworkscdc.com.



Kyle Dressman (left) and Jennica Dressman (right) help their son Ben get all safety items ready for the new bike at Play Works in the Mountaineer Mall.