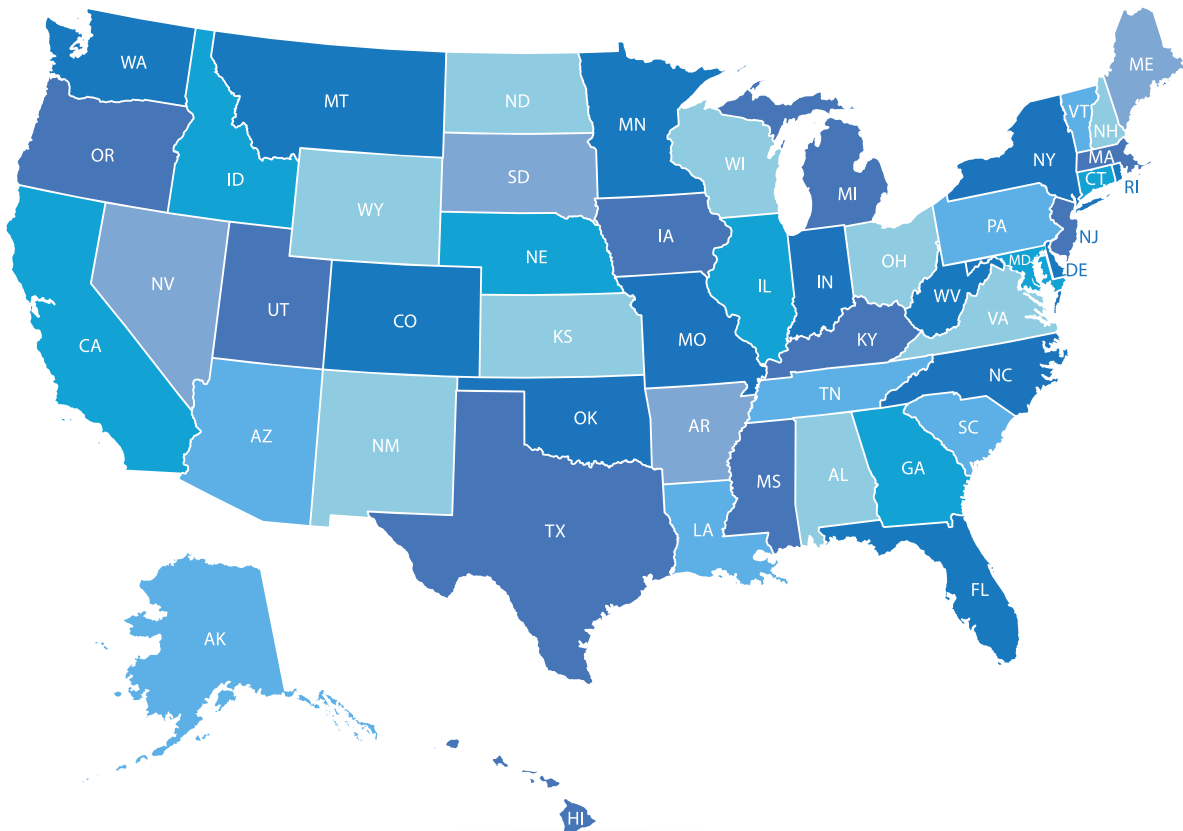




VISION CENTER
OF EXCELLENCE

GUIDE TO STATE RESOURCES

For the Visually Impaired,
their Families, and their
Health Care Providers



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INTRODUCTION

The Vision Center of Excellence (VCE) developed this guide to assist Service members, Veterans, and their families in seeking blind and low-vision resources. This guide is meant to be a compliment to the advice of your ophthalmologist, optometrist, and other eye care professionals. This resource is provided for your convenience, and is by no means a complete listing of blind and low-vision resources available.

Each resource has a descriptive summary, list of services provided, and any contact information that was available at the time of publication. The guide is organized by state, with resources listed by where they reside. Some resources may provide their services beyond their physical location.

The appearance of any non-U.S. Government resource in this guide does not constitute endorsement by VCE. VCE does not exercise editorial control over all the information you may find from these resources. Links to these resources are provided consistent with the purpose state above.

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ALABAMA ACADEMY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

The Alabama Academy of Ophthalmology (ALAO) is a medical association located in Montgomery, Alabama, comprised of ophthalmologists who are licensed to practice medicine in Alabama and/or other states.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Alabama Academy of Ophthalmology
2012 Seaton Park-Sturbridge Commons
Montgomery, AL 36116

Phone: (334) 279-9755

Official Website: <http://www.alabamaeyedoctors.com/>

Email/Contact: jmikemerr@gmail.com

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES

Created by the Alabama Legislature in 1994, the Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services (ADRS) is the state agency that serves people with disabilities from birth to old age through a “continuum of services.” Services are provided through 25 community offices, reaching residents in 67 counties.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services
602 South Lawrence Street
Montgomery, AL 36104

Phone: (334) 293-7500

Official Website: <http://www.rehab.alabama.gov>

Email/Contact: <http://www.rehab.alabama.gov/contact-us>

ALABAMA INSTITUTE FOR DEAF AND BLIND

The Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind (AIDB) is the world's most comprehensive education, rehabilitation and service program serving individuals of all ages who are deaf, blind, deaf-blind and multi-disabled. Founded in 1858 by a young medical doctor who wanted to educate his deaf brother, AIDB now serves more than 24,215 infants, toddlers, children, adults and seniors with hearing and vision loss throughout Alabama each year.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind
205 East South Street
Talladega, AL 35160

Phone: (256) 761-3200

Official Website: <http://www.aidb.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.aidb.org/domain/3317>

ALABAMA OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The Alabama Optometric Association is the only organization representing the interests of optometrists in Alabama. For over 100 years, the ALOA has been dedicated to protecting and advancing the profession of optometry. The ALOA focuses on advocacy - to lawmakers, regulators, third party insurance payors, and consumers - and on enhancing the professional knowledge and skills of members and their staffs, and maximizing the business success of members' practices.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Alabama Optometric Association
1043 Ambassador Court
Montgomery, AL 36117

Phone: (334) 273-7895

Official Website: <https://alabama.aoa.org/>

Email/Contact: optometry@alaopt.com

ALABAMA RADIO READING SERVICE NETWORK

Since 1978, the Alabama Radio Reading Service (ARRS) has served North Central Alabama's blind and print-impaired community from its home at Public Radio WBHM 90.3FM/WSGN 91.5 FM, a listener-supported service of the University of Alabama at Birmingham. Support also comes from a grant from The Eyesight Foundation of Alabama, a nonprofit foundation whose mission is to serve as a catalyst to improve eyesight through education, research and access to care.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Support for Parents; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Alabama Radio Reading Service Network
650 11th Street South
Birmingham, AL 35294

Phone: (205) 934-6576

Official Website: <https://www.wbhm.org/ARRS/>

Email/Contact: info@wbhm.org

ALABAMA REGIONAL LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

BPH is one of 56 network libraries partnering with the National Library Service (NLS) for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, a division of the Library of Congress. Special format materials and unique playback equipment are provided free of charge to those who qualify for the services. Free mailing privileges are provided by the United States Postal Service. Books are checked out for a 90 day loan period and can be renewed once for 30 days. In order to be issued playback equipment, a patron must check out at least one book or subscribe to one magazine per year.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Employment/Job Training; Professional Training; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Alabama Regional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
6030 Monticello Drive
Montgomery, AL 36130-6000

Phone: (334) 213-3906

Official Website: http://webmini.apls.state.al.us/apls_web/apls/apls/?q=Blind

Email/Contact: bph@apls.state.al.us

ALABAMA STATEWIDE TECHNOLOGY ACCESS AND RESPONSE (STAR) SYSTEM

STAR has a 22-year history of established relationships and partnerships with public and private entities within the state to address assistive technology-related issues and ensure statewide coverage. STAR staff participate on boards, advisory councils, workgroups, committees, etc., that address the needs of Alabamians with disabilities across a life span to increase the availability of assistive technology for the consumers they serve.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Employment/Job Training; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Alabama Statewide Technology Access and Response (STAR) System
602 South Lawrence Street
Montgomery, AL 36104

Phone: (1-800) 499-1816

Official Website: <http://www.rehab.alabama.gov/individuals-and-families/star>

Email/Contact: <http://www.rehab.alabama.gov/contact-us>

COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR VISION REHABILITATION

Community Services for Vision Rehabilitation (CSVr) is a non-profit community-based organization dedicated to helping those with low vision and blindness. The clinics provide professional evaluation by a Medical Doctor or an Optometrist, Occupational Therapists, Ophthalmic technicians, Computer Specialists and others. It works in collaboration with state agencies, regional and national resources. Our Board of Directors includes a broad spectrum of community leaders active in improving the access to care and quality of life for those living in Southwest Alabama.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Community Services for Vision Rehabilitation
600 Bel Air Boulevard
Suite 110
Mobile, AL 36606

Phone: (251) 476-4744

Official Website: <http://www.csvrlowvision.org/>

Email/Contact: visionrehab@bellsouth.net

HUNTSVILLE SUBREGIONAL LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

The Huntsville Subregional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped is the source for Digital Talking Books and braille material for residents of Madison County, Alabama who are unable to read the written word due to visual impairments or physical disabilities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Huntsville Subregional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
915 Monroe Street SW
Huntsville, AL 35801

Phone: (256) 532-5980

Official Website: <http://hmcpl.org/bph>

Email/Contact: <https://hmcpl.org/contactus>

OASIS (OLDER ALABAMIANS SYSTEM OF INFORMATION AND SERVICES) ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES

The Older Alabamians System of Information and Services program, known as OASIS, is a federally funded program designed to assist individuals age 55 and older who are blind or visually impaired in living more independently in their homes and communities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

OASIS (Older Alabamians System of Information and Services)
Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services
602 South Lawrence Street
Montgomery, AL 36104

Phone: (1-800) 441-7607

Official Website: www.rehab.alabama.gov/OASIS

Email/Contact: <http://www.rehab.alabama.gov/contact-us>

SIGHT SAVERS AMERICA

Sight Savers America is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) that assists children with obtaining eye exams, glasses and other needed eye care from Locally Run eye care providers and clinics. Children are referred to Sight Savers America via failed vision screenings at school, referrals from teachers, school administrators, school nurses, eye-care professionals and parents.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; Recreation Services; Support Groups; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Sight Savers America
169 Cahaba Valley Parkway
Pelham, AL 35124

Phone: (877) 942-2627

Official Website: <http://sightsaversamerica.org/>

Email/Contact: info@sightsaversamerica.org

SOUTHWEST ALABAMA REGIONAL SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND

SERVICES: Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Travel/O&M Training

SPONSOR: State Run

MAILING ADDRESS:

Southwest Alabama Regional School for the Deaf and Blind
3980 Burma Road
Mobile, AL 36693-4522

Phone: (251) 221-5454

Official Website: N/A

Email/Contact: N/A

SOUTHWEST ALABAMA REGIONAL SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND

The mission of the Southwest Alabama Regional School for the Deaf and Blind is to create a positive, supportive educational environment that provides opportunities for sensory impaired students to reach individual potential in the areas of academics, independence, responsibility and social competence.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Southwest Alabama Regional School for the Deaf and Blind
3980 Burma Road
Mobile, AL 36693-4522

Phone: (251) 221-545

Official Website: <http://regional.mcs.schoolinsites.com/>

Email/Contact: <http://regional.mcs.schoolinsites.com/?PageName=Contact>

STATE UNIT ON AGING ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF SENIOR SERVICES

ADSS is charged with carrying out the provisions of the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended and works closely with the U.S. Administration on Aging to achieve this goal. More information on the Older Americans Act can be found on the ADSS website and the U.S. Administration on Aging's website. ADSS administers statewide programs on aging that cover all 67 counties through the Regional Planning Commissions and the Locally Run Area Agencies on Aging (AAA). Each of the area agencies on aging provide comprehensive services through contracts and grants to a wide variety of Locally Run agencies, both public and private.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

State Unit on Aging Alabama Department of Senior Services
201 Monroe Street
RSA Tower Suite 350
Montgomery, AL 36104-1851

Phone: (334) 242-5594

Official Website: <http://adss.alabama.gov/>

Email/Contact: mail@adss.alabama.gov

UAB CENTER FOR LOW VISION REHABILITATION

We are an outpatient low vision rehabilitation program that uses optometry and occupational therapy to help adults and children who have difficulty completing daily activities because of vision impairment from eye diseases and conditions, or brain injury.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

UAB Center for Low Vision Rehabilitation
700 S. 18th Street
Suite 601
Birmingham, AL 35294

Phone: (205) 325-8620

Official Website: <https://www.uab.edu/medicine/ophthalmology/patient-care/clinical-services/clvr>

Email/Contact: <https://www.uab.edu/medicine/ophthalmology/contact>

WORKSHOPS, INC.

Since 1900, Workshops, Inc. has served people with disabilities, helping them prepare for and find employment. The people we serve have a range of disabilities, including intellectual, mental health and physical disabilities but they all have one thing in common - they want the opportunity to work.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Workshops, Inc.
4244 3rd Avenue South
Birmingham, AL 35222

Phone: (205) 592-9683

Official Website: <http://www.workshopsinc.com>

Email/Contact: email@workshopsinc.org

WTSU RADIO READING SERVICE

Troy University Public Radio is proud to serve its listeners in the tri-state coverage area of central and southeast Alabama, southwest Georgia and the Florida Panhandle. Our network offers world, national and regional news, arts and cultural programming and is affiliated with National Public Radio, Public Radio International, the Associated Press and the Alabama Broadcasters Association. Troy University Public Radio also broadcasts in HD (Hybrid Digital). Our HD service is provided free to listeners (HD receiver required to receive HD stations). HD 2 broadcasts a fine selection of classical music and Jazz played twenty-four hours a day, while HD 3 broadcasts BBC World News. All of the Troy University Public Radio stations and HD channels offer listeners a commercial-free radio experience.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

WTSU Radio Reading Service
252 Montgomery Street
Suite 312
Montgomery, AL 36104

Phone: (334) 241-9574

Official Website: <http://publicradio.troy.edu/>

Email/Contact: <http://troypublicradio.org/contact.html>

WUAL RADIO READING SERVICE

Alabama Public Radio is a network of public radio stations based in Tuscaloosa, Alabama that serves roughly the western half of the state of Alabama with classical, folk, jazz, and nostalgic music programs, as well as Locally Run news and news and feature programs from National Public Radio, Public Radio International, and American Public Media networks.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

WUAL Radio Reading Service
166 Phifer Annex
Tuscaloosa, AL 35487-0370

Phone: (205) 348-6644

Official Website: <http://www.apr.org>

Email/Contact: <http://apr.org/contact-us>

ACCESS ALASKA

Our mission is to equip Alaskans with vision loss to meet their life and work goals. Celebrating 35 years in 2012, the Alaska Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired serves over 300 people of all ages annually with new techniques for communication, mobility, and daily living when loss of eyesight interferes with activities or employment. The Center is the only vision rehabilitation agency in Alaska and is a 501(c)(3) non-profit.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Access Alaska
3903 Taft Drive
Anchorage, AK 99517

Phone: (1-800) 770-7517

Official Website: <http://www.alaskabvi.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

ALASKA COMMISSION ON AGING

The mission of the Alaska Commission on Aging is to ensure the dignity and independence of all older Alaskans, and to assist them to lead useful and meaningful lives through planning, advocacy, education, and interagency cooperation.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Alaska Commission on Aging
240 Main Street
Suite 100
Juneau, AK 99811-0693

Phone: NA

Official Website: <http://www.alaskaaging.org>

Email/Contact: hss.acoa@alaska.gov

ALASKA DEAF-BLIND PROJECT AT SESA

SESA is an educational service agency comprised of a low incidence disability service inclusive of a statewide lending library. Low incidence disabilities include autism, Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHOH), vision impairment, emotional disabilities and multiple disabilities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Alaska Deaf-Blind Project at SESA
3501 Denali Street
Suite 101
Anchorage, AK 99503

Phone: (907) 334-1300; (907) 563-8284 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.sesa.org>

Email/Contact: sesa@sesa.org

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

MAILING ADDRESS:

Alaska Department of Education and Early Development
801 West 10th Street
Suite 200
Juneau, AK 99801-1894

Phone: (907) 465-2800

Official Website: <http://education.alaska.gov/tls/sped/>

Email/Contact: donald.enoch@alaska.gov

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL

SERVICES: Senior and Disabilities Services

Our mission is to promote health, well-being and safety for individuals with disabilities, seniors and vulnerable adults by facilitating access to quality services and supports that foster independence, personal choice and dignity.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Alaska Department of Health and Social
Services-Senior and Disabilities Services
550 W 8th Avenue
Juneau, AK NA

Phone: (907) 269-3666

Official Website: <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dsds/Pages/default.aspx>

Email/Contact: <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dsds/Pages/contact.aspx>

ALASKA INFANT LEARNING PROGRAM

The Alaska Infant Learning Program is a statewide system of professionals dedicated to serving all Alaskan families with children who are at risk for or experience developmental delay.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Alaska Infant Learning Program
751 Old Richardson Highway
Suite 100A
Fairbanks, AK 99701

Phone: (907) 451-5041

Official Website: <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dsds/Pages/infantlearning/default.aspx>

Email/Contact: <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dsds/Pages/infantlearning/contacts/default.aspx>

ALASKA OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

For over 25 years, Alaska Optometric Association has been dedicated to improving and enhancing the vision care and public health in the state of Alaska. It has been the goal of AKOA to unceasingly elevate the standard and ethics of the profession of optometry and to ensure that those who have earned the title of Doctor of Optometry are able to practice their profession in Alaska to the fullest extent possible.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Alaska Optometric Association
3705 Arctic Blvd.
#675
Anchorage, AK 99503

Phone: (907) 770-3777

Official Website: <http://www.akoa.org>

Email/Contact: alaskaoptometricassociation@gmail.com

ALASKA STATEWIDE AT PROGRAM, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Alaska's Assistive Technology (AT) program improves access to and acquisition of assistive technology for Alaskans with disabilities of all ages in the areas of education, employment, community living, information technology and telecommunications. The majority of the program is funded by a federal grant from the Assistive Technology Act.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Alaska Statewide AT Program, Department of Labor & Workforce Development
801 West 10th Street
Suite A
Juneau, AK 99801

Phone: (907) 465-6933

Official Website: <http://www.labor.state.ak.us/at/index.htm>

Email/Contact: dol.dvr.info@alaska.gov

ATLA ADAPTIVE MATERIALS CENTER

Assistive Technology of Alaska (ATLA) is Alaska's only comprehensive assistive technology (AT) resource center. AT can be the key to greater independence and productivity for people in their home, school, community, and/or place of employment. ATLA provides demonstrations, information, and device loans to help Alaskans make informed decisions and select the AT that best meets their needs.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

ATLA Adaptive Materials Center
3330 Arctic Boulevard
Suite 101
Anchorage, AK 99507

Phone: Toll: (800) 723-2852; Tel: (907) 563-2599; TTY: (907) 561-2592

Official Website: <http://www.atlaak.org/>

Email/Contact: atla@atlaak.org

CAMP ABILITIES/ALASKA, ALPINE ALTERNATIVES, INC.

Camp Abilities Alaska is a fun sports camp for children and youth who are blind or visually impaired. The camp is located on the campus of the University of Alaska Anchorage. Athletes and volunteer coaches alike share a week that gives memories and friends for a lifetime. Activities include specialized sports like goalball and beep baseball as well as activities like swimming and tandem bicycling.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Camp Abilities/Alaska, Alpine Alternatives, Inc.
2518 East Tudor Road
Suite 105
Anchorage, AK 99507

Phone: (907) 561-6655

Official Website: <http://www.campabilitiesalaska.org/index.html>

Email/Contact: alpinestuff@aol.com

SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE AGENCY

SESA is an educational service agency comprised of a low incidence disability service inclusive of a statewide lending library. Low incidence disabilities include autism, Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHOH), vision impairment, emotional disabilities and multiple disabilities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Counseling; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Special Education Service Agency
3501 Denali Street
Suite 1
Anchorage, AK 99503

Phone: (907) 334-1300

Official Website: <http://www.sesa.org>

Email/Contact: sesa@sesa.org

STONE SOUP GROUP (SSG)

Alaska's family agency supporting families caring for children and youth with special needs.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Stone Soup Group (SSG)
307 East Northern Lights Blvd.
Anchorage, AK 99503

Phone: (907) 561-3701

Official Website: <http://www.stonesoupgroup.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.stonesoupgroup.org/start-here/contact-us/>

ACADEMY FOR CERTIFICATION OF VISION REHABILITATION AND EDUCATION PROFESSIONALS CERTIFYING ACADEMY

Proudly established on November 6, 1999 and incorporated in January 2000, The Academy is a private, not-for-profit 501(c)(6) organization. As an independent and autonomous legal certification body governed by a volunteer Board of Directors, The Academy is dedicated to meeting the needs of the vision services field and providing high-quality professional certification in the disciplines of assistive technology, low vision therapy, orientation and mobility and vision rehabilitation therapy.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Academy for Certification of Vision Rehabilitation and Education
Professionals Certifying Academy
4380 N. Campbell Ave
Suite #200
Tucson, AZ 85718

Phone: (520) 887-6816

Official Website: <https://www.acvrep.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.acvrep.org/about/contact>

ARIZONA CENTER FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Arizona Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired (ACBVI) has been providing services for individuals since 1947. ACBVI is committed to “enhancing the quality of life for people who are blind or otherwise visually impaired.” Our services are available to adults who are legally blind or visually impaired as well as those who have a degenerative eye condition which may eventually become a visual impairment. These services are offered separately or concurrently according to the individual needs of the qualifying client.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arizona Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired
3100 East Roosevelt Street
Phoenix, AZ 85008

Phone: (602) 273-7411

Official Website: <http://www.acbvi.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.acbvi.org/contact.php>

ARIZONA DEAF BLIND PROJECT

Provides technical assistance, information, training, and support throughout Arizona to families and staff of children, birth to 21 years of age, who are deafblind or at risk of being identified as deafblind.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arizona Deaf Blind Project
1200 West Speedway Blvd.
Tucson, AZ 85754

Phone: (520) 770-3268 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: N/A

Email/Contact: N/A

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY: REHABILITATION SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Arizona Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) oversees several programs which are designed to assist eligible individuals who have disabilities to achieve employment outcomes and enhanced independence by offering comprehensive services and supports.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arizona Department of Economic Security: Rehabilitation Services Administration
1789 West Jefferson Street
930A
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Phone: (602) 542-3332

Official Website: <https://des.az.gov/services/employment/arizona-rehabilitation-services>

Email/Contact: tstump@azdes.gov

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT SERVICES

ESS ensures that public education agencies in Arizona have special education programs, policies, and procedures that comply with the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and its implementing regulations, and that eligible children and youth with disabilities receive a free appropriate public education (FAPE). ESS provides professional learning opportunities, provides technical assistance to schools, supports the needs of families of students with disabilities, monitors schools for compliance with the regulations that implement the IDEA, and administers the IDEA Entitlement grant.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Recreation Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arizona Department of Education: Exceptional Student Services
3300 North Central Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85012

Phone: (602) 542-4013

Official Website: <http://www.azed.gov/special-education/>

Email/Contact: essdesk@azed.gov

ARIZONA DIVISION AGING AND ADULT SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY

The Division supports at-risk Arizonans to meet their basic needs and to live safely, with dignity and independence. We accomplish this mission through a number of programs and initiatives.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arizona Division Aging and Adult Services Department of Economic Security
1789 West Jefferson
Site Code 950A-2SW
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Phone: (602) 542-4446

Official Website: <https://des.az.gov/services/aging-and-adult/division-aging-and-adult-services>

Email/Contact: <https://des.az.gov/services/aging-and-adult/division-aging-and-adult-services/contact-arizona-division-aging-and-adult>

ARIZONA EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM

The Arizona Early Intervention Program (AzEIP) is Arizona's statewide, interagency system of supports and services for infants and toddlers with developmental delays or disabilities and their families. AzEIP partners with community providers to support families.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arizona Early Intervention Program
3839 North 3rd Street
Suite 304
Phoenix, AZ 85012

Phone: (602) 532-9960

Official Website: <https://des.az.gov/services/disabilities/developmental-infant>

Email/Contact: allazeip2@azdes.gov

ARIZONA INDUSTRIES FOR THE BLIND

Arizona Industries for the Blind (AIB) provides employment and training opportunities for Arizonans who are blind. Most individuals of working age who are blind can compete successfully for jobs if they are given the opportunity to develop skills and increase their self-confidence.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arizona Industries for the Blind
515 North 51st Avenue
Suite 130
Phoenix, AZ 85043

Phone: (602) 771-9100

Official Website: <http://www.azifb.com/>

Email/Contact: hr@azifb.com

ARIZONA OPHTHALMOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The Arizona Ophthalmological Society intends to promote the science and art of Ophthalmology; improve the business of the profession; elevate the standard of eye care throughout Arizona; disseminate knowledge of the subject of Ophthalmology; and the promotion of personal and professional relationships among its members.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arizona Ophthalmological Society
810 West Bethany Home Road
Phoenix, AZ 85013

Phone: (800) 971-3937

Official Website: <https://www.azeyemds.org/>

Email/Contact: patriceh@azmedassn.org

ARIZONA OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The Arizona Optometric Association is committed to helping optometrists in Arizona serve the welfare of the citizens of Arizona and promoting the profession of optometry.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arizona Optometric Association
1702 East Highland
#213
Phoenix, AZ 85016

Phone: (602) 279-0055

Official Website: <http://arizona.aoa.org/>

Email/Contact: azoa@azoa.org

ARIZONA STATE BRAILLE AND TALKING BOOK LIBRARY

The Arizona Talking Book Library serves Arizona residents with low vision, those who find it hard to hold or handle a print book, and individuals who have a reading disability resulting from organic dysfunction. They provide a lending library, loan of special equipment to play audio books, audio and Braille book downloads, and access to NFB-NEWSLINE and over 300 newspapers and magazines by phone and online.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arizona State Braille and Talking Book Library
1030 North 32nd Street
Phoenix, AZ 85008

Phone: (602) 255-5578

Official Website: <http://www.azlibrary.gov/talkingbooks>

Email/Contact: talkingbooks@azlibrary.gov

ARIZONA STATE SCHOOLS FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND

Arizona State Schools for the Deaf and the Blind traces its historic roots back to Arizona statehood, having been enacted by the first state legislature in 1912. The ASDB serves over 2,000 children from birth to age 22 who are deaf, hard-of-hearing, blind, visually impaired, multisensory disabled or deafblind. ASDB operates two schools for the deaf, one school for the blind, a statewide birth-to-three early childhood and family education program and five regional cooperatives.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arizona State Schools for the Deaf and the Blind
800 West Washington Street
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Phone: (602) 771-5247

Official Website: <http://www.asdb.az.gov>

Email/Contact: N/A

ARIZONA TECHNOLOGY ACCESS PROGRAM INSTITUTE FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY

Works with consumers, service providers, state agencies, private industry, legislators, and other interested individuals to facilitate the development of a statewide system to provide assistive technology (AT) services.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arizona Technology Access Program Institute for Human Development
Northern Arizona University
2400 North Central Avenue
Suite 300
Phoenix, AZ 85004

Phone: (602) 728-9534

Official Website: <http://aztap.org/>

Email/Contact: aztap@nau.edu

CAMP ABILITIES/TUCSON

Camp Abilities is a privately funded educational sports camp for children and young adults who are blind, deafblind, or have multiple disabilities including visual impairment. The camp provides sports instruction, adapted to individual needs, and 1:1 coaching for each child. Camp Abilities Tucson serves 25-30 athletes with visual impairments each summer.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Camp Abilities/Tucson
P.O. Box 86838
Tucson, AZ 85754-6838

Phone: (520) 235-2582

Official Website: <http://www.campabilitiestucson.org/>

Email/Contact: campabilitiestucson@gmail.com

EYE DOG FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND

Eye Dog Foundation was organized as a non-profit corporation in 1952. Ever since that time, it has been dedicated to giving guide dogs to the blind and the visually impaired at absolutely no cost to them. Our German Shepherd dogs have been assisting blind individuals all over the world with their daily travels. The dogs provide guidance and safety, as well as loving companionship.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Eye Dog Foundation for the Blind
8252 South 15th Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85041-7806

Phone: (602) 276-0051

Official Website: <http://www.eyedogfoundation.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.eyedogfoundation.org/contact.php>

EYEKNOWAZ

EYEknowAZ has been developed as a directory of resources and services for individuals with vision loss or combined hearing and vision loss and for the community. Listings in the directory are categorized by interests and needs to connect users with organizations providing services and information. This directory is not comprehensive, nor do listings imply endorsement or evaluation of programs in any way.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Assessment/Evaluation; Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Counseling; Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Health-related Services; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Low Vision Services; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Preschool Programs; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support for Parents; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

EYEknowAZ
1789 Jefferson St
Site Code 930A
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Phone: 602-542-3780

Official Website: <https://eyeknow.az.gov/>

Email/Contact: gcbvi@azdes.gov

FOUNDATION FOR BLIND CHILDREN

The Foundation for Blind Children serves the blind and visually impaired of all ages, from birth to currently 102 years old. As the only agency of its kind in Arizona, the Foundation for Blind Children is an essential resource to families and children with blindness or low vision.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Foundation for Blind Children
1235 East Harmont Drive
Phoenix, AZ 85020

Phone: (602) 331-1470

Official Website: <https://seeitourway.org/>

Email/Contact: info@seeitourway.org

PILOT PARENTS OF SOUTHERN ARIZONA

Pilot Parents of Southern Arizona is committed to providing encouragement and support to families who have children with special needs so that their children can reach their maximum potential within the family and society.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Pilot Parents of Southern Arizona
2600 North Wyatt Drive
Tucson, AZ 85712

Phone: (520) 324-3150

Official Website: <http://pilotparents.org/>

Email/Contact: ppsa@pilotparents.org

SOUTHERN ARIZONA ASSOCIATION FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED (FORMERLY DBA TUCSON ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND & VISUALLY IMPAIRED)

Southern Arizona Association for the Visually Impaired has been working with blind and visually impaired people since 1964 and serves over 2,000 blind and visually impaired clients per year. SAAVI was formed by two sisters for visually impaired individuals and has made innovative changes in the past 45 years with a goal to provide dynamic and progressive programs and services to meet the needs of people with a vision loss.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Southern Arizona Association for the Visually Impaired (formerly DBA Tucson Association for the Blind & Visually Impaired)
3767 East Grant Road
Tucson, AZ 85716

Phone: (520) 795-1331

Official Website: <http://www.saavi.us>

Email/Contact: <http://www.saavi.us/contact-us/>

SUN SOUNDS OF ARIZONA

Sun Sounds of Arizona is a not-for-profit service that creatively applies technology and talent to make sure that every person with a print disability can access the current and Locally Run information they need to live a self-directed, productive life. Broadcast via the subcarrier waves of public radio stations and on the Internet, Sun Sounds boasts a team of volunteers who read aloud from Locally Run and national newspapers, magazines, and Locally Run ads and catalogs.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Support for Parents; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Sun Sounds of Arizona
2323 West 14th Street
Tempe, AZ 85281

Phone: (480) 774-8300

Official Website: <http://sunsounds.org/>

Email/Contact: info@sunsounds.org

THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA: SPECIALIZATION IN VISUAL IMPAIRMENT COLLEGE OF EDUCATION/DPS

The University of Arizona offers a graduate-level program leading to a specialization in teaching children who are visually impaired: TVI, or Teacher of Students with Visual Impairments. Nationally recognized for excellence, this program prepares individuals to provide services in this challenging and rewarding profession. Our graduates are successfully employed in school districts, special schools, and agencies in Arizona as well as in other states across the country. Financial assistance is often available to students enrolled in this program.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

The University of Arizona: Specialization in Visual Impairment College of Education/DPS

P.O. Box 210069

Tucson, AZ 85721-0069

Phone: (520) 621-0945

Official Website: https://www.coe.arizona.edu/visual_impairment

Email/Contact: sghong@email.arizona.edu

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: SPECIAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Within the Division of Learning Services, the Special Education Unit works in collaboration with Locally Run School Districts, Educational Service Cooperatives, and other State Agencies to ensure that all children with disabilities (ages 3 to 21) in Arkansas receive a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) as outlined in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). The Special Education Unit is committed to improving educational results for students with disabilities through statewide leadership, support, and service to schools, educators, students, families, and other stakeholders.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Radio Reading Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arkansas Department of Education: Special Education Department
1401 West Capitol Victory Building
Suite 450
Little Rock, AR 72201

Phone: (501) 682-4221

Official Website: <http://www.arkansased.gov/divisions/learning-services/special-education>

Email/Contact: lisa.tyler@arkansas.gov

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: DIVISION OF SERVICES FOR THE BLIND

The Arkansas Division of Services for the Blind is dedicated to the independence of Arkansans who are blind or visually impaired and is committed to the principle that these individuals have the right to make informed choices regarding where they live, where they work, how they participate in the community, and how they interact with others.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Preschool Programs; Professional Training; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arkansas Department of Human Services:
Division of Services for the Blind
700 Main Street, Slot 101
P.O. Box 3237
Little Rock, AR 72203-3237

Phone: (501) 682-5463

Official Website: <http://humanservices.arkansas.gov/about-dhs/dsb>

Email/Contact: <http://humanservices.arkansas.gov/contact-dhs>

ARKANSAS DIVISION OF AGING AND ADULT SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

The mission of the Division of Aging and Adult Services is to promote the health, safety, and independence of older Arkansans and adults with physical disabilities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arkansas Division of Aging and Adult Services Department of Human Services
700 Main Street
Fifth Floor, Slot S 530
Little Rock, AR 77203-1437

Phone: (501) 682-2441

Official Website: <http://www.daas.ar.gov/>

Email/Contact: aging.services@arkansas.gov

ARKANSAS INCREASING CAPABILITIES ACCESS NETWORK

iCAN is the Arkansas statewide Assistive Technology program designed to make technology available and accessible for everyone who needs it. Assistive technology (AT) is any kind of device or tool that helps people live, learn, work, and communicate more independently. AT can be very simple and inexpensive, like a modified knife and fork, or it can be very sophisticated and costly, like a computerized speech device.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arkansas Increasing Capabilities Access Network
525 West Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Phone: (501) 666-8868 & (1-800) 828-2799

Official Website: <https://ar-ican.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://ar-ican.org/contact-us/>

ARKANSAS INFORMATION READING SERVICES FOR THE BLIND

SPONSOR: N/A

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arkansas Information Reading Services for the Blind
350 South Donaghey Ave
Conway, AR 72034-6828

Phone: (501) 852-5125

Official Website: <http://airsradio.blogspot.com/>

Email/Contact: N/A

ARKANSAS OPHTHALMOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The Arkansas Ophthalmological Society (AOS), Arkansas Eye MDs, is a statewide professional society representing ophthalmologists practicing in the State of Arkansas. The primary purpose of AOS is to maintain the high quality of medical eye care in Arkansas by serving its members through professional education, practice management, and advocacy efforts.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arkansas Ophthalmological Society
P.O. Box 55088
Little Rock, AR 72215

Phone: (501) 224-8967

Official Website: <http://www.arkeyemds.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.arkeyemds.org/general/?type=contact>

ARKANSAS OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

Arkansas Optometric Association was established in 1906. The ArOA represents Optometric Physicians in the state of Arkansas, retired Optometrists, and student doctors currently enrolled in Optometry School.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arkansas Optometric Association
1401 W. Capitol
Ste 247
Little Rock, AR 72201

Phone: (501) 661-7675

Official Website: <http://www.arkansasoptometric.org/>

Email/Contact: aroa@arkansasoptometric.org

ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

The Arkansas School for the Blind (ASB) is an academic and specialized school serving students who are blind and visually impaired ages birth through grade 12. On-campus classes for residential or day students begin with pre-School and end with twelfth grade graduation. Regular academic and specialized education including the Expanded Core Curriculum for the Visually Impaired Student is taught by teachers who are certified in the core academic areas as well as in Teaching the Visually Impaired Child. An Infant Toddler Program begins with birth through age three with teachers traveling the state to bring educational activities to very young children, their parents, day care/schools and caregivers. ASB is fully accredited by the State of Arkansas and the North Central Association.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Arkansas School for the Blind
2600 West Markham
Little Rock, AR 72205

Phone: (501) 296-1810; (800) 362-4451; & (501) 296-1833 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.arkansasschoolfortheblind.org/>

Email/Contact: beverly.roy@asb.k12.ar.us

EASTER SEALS ARKANSAS

The Curriculum Access and Technology Center serves clients across the spectrum of disabilities. In addition, it offers workshops on a wide array of disability-related topics. For an updated list of all upcoming workshops, visit www.ar.easterseals.com/tcc.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Easter Seals Arkansas
3920 Woodland Heights Road
Little Rock, AR 72212-2495

Phone: (501) 227-3611; (877) 533-3600; & (501) 227-3686 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.easterseals.com/arkansas/>

Email/Contact: N/A

FIRST CONNECTIONS: ARKANSAS INFANT & TODDLER PROGRAM DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

The First Connections Program is a statewide system of services to assist infants and toddlers and works with families on an individualized basis to assist in locating and coordination services and assistance.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: NLS Libraries; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

First Connections: Arkansas Infant & Toddler Program Department of Health and Human Services
108 East Seventh Street
Donaghey Plaza North
Little Rock, AR 72201

Phone: (1-800) 643-8258

Official Website: <https://dhs.arkansas.gov/dds/firstconnectionsweb/#fc-home>

Email/Contact: info@firstconnections.gov

IFB SOLUTIONS (FORMERLY ARKANSAS LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND)

IFB Solutions started with a vision that goes beyond physical sight. And this vision is working—creating opportunities, building community and providing independence for people who are blind or visually impaired.

SPONSOR: N/A

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

IFB Solutions (formerly Arkansas Lighthouse for the Blind)
6818 Murray Street
Little Rock, AR 72209

Phone: (501) 562-2222

Official Website: <http://www.ifbsolutions.org>

Email/Contact: <https://ifbsolutions.org/contact/>

JONES EYE INSTITUTE

The Jones Eye Institute, a Center of Excellence on the UAMS campus, was founded in 1994 with a dedication to patient care, education and research. Today, we are looking forward to the next decade of excellence in serving the state of Arkansas through teaching, healing, searching and serving. The Department of Ophthalmology, which is part of the College of Medicine at UAMS, along with the Pat & Willard Walker Eye Research Center, a state-of-the-art clinic and other educational programs are located within the 100,000 square-foot facility.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Jones Eye Institute
4301 West Markham
Little Rock, AR 72205

Phone: (501) 686-5822

Official Website: <https://eye.uams.edu/>

Email/Contact: <https://eye.uams.edu/about-us/contact-us/>

LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED, ARKANSAS STATE LIBRARY

The Arkansas Regional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped is part of the Library of Congress National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS) network and the Arkansas State Library. Arkansas citizens unable to use regular print material may borrow popular books and magazines in recorded or Braille format free of charge.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Arkansas State Library
900 West Capitol Ave
Suite 100
Little Rock, AR 72201-3108

Phone: (501) 682-1155

Official Website: <https://library.arkansas.gov/landing-page/details/application-for-service-eligibility-form>

Email/Contact: nlsbooks@library.arkansas.gov

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK: SCHOOL OF COUNSELING, HUMAN PERFORMANCE AND REHABILITATION DEPARTMENT OF COUNSELING, ADULT AND REHABILITATION EDUCATION UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS

The School of Counseling, Human Performance, and Rehabilitation (CHPR) provides a quality education to a heterogeneous student body at the undergraduate and graduate levels. The goal is to prepare students with the special knowledge and skills for professional work in education and human service fields, and to enhance students' abilities to be successful in their chosen fields of study.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

University of Arkansas at Little Rock: School of Counseling, Human Performance and Rehabilitation Department of Counseling, Adult and Rehabilitation Education University of Arkansas
2801 South University Avenue
Dickenson Hall Room 515
Little Rock, AR 72204

Phone: (501) 569-3169 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://ualr.edu/chpr/>

Email/Contact: jkholtz@ualr.edu

WORLD SERVICES FOR THE BLIND

The World Services for the Blind is accredited by NAC (The National Accreditation Council for Agencies Serving People with Blindness or Visual Impairment).

SPONSOR: N/A

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

World Services for the Blind
2811 Fair Park Boulevard
Little Rock, AR 72204

Phone: (501) 664-7100 & (1-800) 248-0734

Official Website: <http://www.wsblind.org/>

Email/Contact: training@wsblind.org

ACADEMY OF MUSIC FOR THE BLIND

AMB is dedicated to addressing the unique talents and challenges of blind youth by developing their musical, creative, cognitive, physical and social skills through education in music and the performing arts.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Dog Guide Training; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Academy of Music for the Blind
911 Norumbega Drive
Monrovia, CA 91016

Phone: (626) 358-5379

Official Website: <http://ouramb.org/>

Email/Contact: info@ouramb.org

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

The American Academy of Ophthalmology is the world's largest association of eye physicians and surgeons. A global community of 32,000 medical doctors, we protect sight and empower lives by setting the standards for ophthalmic education and advocating for our patients and the public. We innovate to advance our profession and to ensure the delivery of the highest-quality eye care.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Academy of Ophthalmology
655 Beach Street
San Francisco, CA 94109

Phone: (415) 561-8500

Official Website: <http://www.aao.org>

Email/Contact: <https://www.aao.org/contact>

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF OPHTHALMIC REGISTERED NURSES

ASORN was organized in 1976 to unite registered nurses committed to providing quality ophthalmic care. Today ASORN is dedicated to being a resource for not only ophthalmic nurses but all ophthalmic personnel who are committed to fostering the ophthalmic team concept and collaboration among all who work in our specialty.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Personnel Preparation; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Society of Ophthalmic Registered Nurses
655 Beach Street
San Francisco, CA 94109

Phone: (415) 561-8513

Official Website: <http://www.asorn.org>

Email/Contact: asorn@aao.org

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY EXCHANGE CENTER

Our staff of speech pathologists and rehabilitation engineers evaluate individuals, develop strategies, and provide equipment that enables and empowers our participants at home, school, and work.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Assistive Technology Exchange Center
1601 East Street Andrew Place
Santa Ana, CA 92705

Phone: (714) 361-6200

Official Website: <http://www.ocgoodwill.org/changing-lives/assistive-technology-exchange-center>

Email/Contact: atec@ocgoodwill.org

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SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Audio Editions
131 East Placer Street
P.O. Box 6930
Auburn, CA 95604-6930

Phone: (530) 888-7801 & (1-800) 231-4261

Official Website: <http://www.audioeditions.com>

Email/Contact: info@audioeditions.com

AUDIO INTERNET READING SERVICE - LOS ANGELES

Blind and print-impaired people have great difficulty in obtaining that information. Understanding that need, a group of concerned volunteers has formed the Audio Internet Reading Service of Los Angeles (AIRS), an Internet-based radio station that broadcasts to those who have limited or no vision. Our current programs include sections from daily newspapers and magazines, store ads, voter information, vision research news, theater reviews, consumer product information, and much more, all geared to the needs of the print-impaired community. Historically, radio reading services have employed FM broadcast sub carriers as their medium. We chose the Internet because coverage is universal and without boundaries. Programs can be received on any computer or, by those who do not use a computer, on an Internet radio.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Preschool Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Audio Internet Reading Service – Los Angeles
5507 Vanalden Avenue
Tarzana, CA 91356

Phone: (818) 705-6434

Official Website: <http://www.airsla.org>

Email/Contact: info@airsla.org

BLIND & VISUALLY IMPAIRED CENTER OF MONTEREY COUNTY, INC.

The Blind & Visually Impaired Center of Monterey County (BVIC) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit agency that has provided free services since 1971 to Monterey County residents who are visually impaired.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blind & Visually Impaired Center of Monterey County, Inc.
225 Laurel Avenue
Pacific Grove, CA 93950

Phone: (831) 649-3505 & (1-800) 404-3505

Official Website: <http://www.blindandlowvision.org>

Email/Contact: vision@blindandlowvision.org

BLIND BABIES FOUNDATION, A PROGRAM OF JUNIOR BLIND

Young children in Central and Northern California who are blind or visually impaired and may have additional disabilities receive critical early intervention and education services from Blind Babies Foundation, a program of Wayfinder Family Services. Children increase visual functioning, sensory awareness, communication and social skills, as well as improve physical, cognitive and emotional development. Families learn to become successful advocates for their children's education and care. Our vision impairment specialists collaborate with family members, medical professionals, caregivers and teachers.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blind Babies Foundation, A Program of Junior Blind
1814 Franklin Street
Suite 300
Oakland, CA 94612

Phone: (510) 446-2229

Official Website: <https://www.wayfinderfamily.org/program/blind-babies-foundation>

Email/Contact: pchapin@wayfinderfamily.org

BLIND CHILDREN'S CENTER

The Blind Children's Center is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded in 1938 by Southern California Delta Gammas. Each year the Center serves approximately 100 children who are blind or visually impaired and provides an array of support services for more than 350 family members. Our goal is to optimize each child's development and opportunities to lead a meaningful life through a comprehensive program beginning with early intervention, followed by an educational curriculum specifically adapted to the needs of each student. We are committed to a family-focused approach where parents, siblings, grandparents, and caregivers are included in the educational process every step of the way. In keeping with best practices, our programs are fully inclusive with sighted children integrated in each class, providing unique opportunities for social interaction and acquisition of critical skills. Our multidisciplinary team of experts utilizes leading-edge technology and adaptive devices to help our students who are visually impaired keep pace in the sighted world. As a model program, the Center impacts communities globally through presentations, conferences, and research grants, as well as a full suite of publications for families and professionals. In all, more than 750,000 copies of our publications have been distributed in 75 countries and translated into 17 languages.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

California

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blind Children's Center
4120 Marathon Street
Los Angeles, CA 90029

Phone: (323) 664-2153 & (1-800) 222-3566

Official Website: <http://www.blindchildrenscenter.org>

Email/Contact: info@blindchildrenscenter.org

BLIND CHILDREN'S LEARNING CENTER

Blind Children's Learning Center provides direct services to blind, visually impaired and multi-impaired children, birth to 21 years of age. Core programs are Infant Family Focus, Early Childhood Center and Youth Outreach. Services include speech therapy, occupational therapy, O&M, braille instruction, counseling, technology, social groups, parent support and education.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blind Children's Learning Center
18542-B Vanderlip Avenue
Santa Ana, CA 92705

Phone: (714) 573-8888

Official Website: <http://www.blindkids.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

BLINDNESS SUPPORT SERVICES, INC.

Blindness Support Services, Inc. is a nonprofit organization serving the needs of blind and vision impaired persons and their families within the Inland Empire and the surrounding area. Its mission is to provide a community based focal point, which makes a difference in the lives of blind and visually impaired persons by providing vital skills, which help increase employment, independence, productivity and quality of life.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blindness Support Services, Inc.
3696 Beatty Drive
Riverside, CA 92506

Phone: (951) 341-9244

Official Website: <http://www.blindnesssupport.com>

Email/Contact: info@blindnesssupport.com

BOOKS ALOUD

Books Aloud, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization supported by donations from individuals, corporations, foundations, trusts, businesses and service clubs. Our mission is to improve the quality of life for people unable to benefit directly from the printed page by providing a service to stimulate minds, stir emotions and foster independence through our “Reading by Listening” program. The Books Aloud “Reading by Listening” Program provides a wide variety of recorded reading literature to eligible individuals of all ages. We keep the “Magic of Reading” alive for our clients. This is a free service; blind, visually impaired, learning disabled or physically disabled individuals who are unable to read conventional print, hold a book or turn pages are eligible for this program.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Books Aloud
150 East San Fernando Street
San Jose, CA 95112-3580

Phone: (408) 808-2613

Official Website: <http://www.booksaloud.org/>

Email/Contact: info@booksaloud.org

BOOKSHARE, A BENETECH INITIATIVE

Bookshare is a nonprofit organization dedicated to removing the barriers to printed materials for individuals with visual impairments, physical disabilities, or severe learning disabilities and is run by Benetech, formerly Arkenstone, the original developer of OpenBook, Ruby, and WYNN scanning and reading products.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Braille and Reading Instruction; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Bookshare, A Benetech Initiative
480 California Avenue
Suite 201
Palo Alto, CA 94306

Phone: (650) 644-3400

Official Website: <http://www.bookshare.org>

Email/Contact: info@bookshare.org

BRaille AND TALKING BOOK LIBRARY CALIFORNIA STATE LIBRARY

BTBL is a branch of the California State Library which cooperates with the Library of Congress, National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS) as its Regional Library for northern California residents. Braille books and magazines, audio books and magazines, and audio book players are provided by the NLS. Materials are available in braille, digital cartridge and audiocassette and sent to readers via free mail service, as are the machines which play the audiobooks on cartridge and cassette. Increasing numbers of books are also available via download. We also have a small collection of described videos but do not offer equipment to play them.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Braille and Talking Book Library California State Library
900 N Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Phone: (916) 654-0640

Official Website: <http://www.library.ca.gov/services/btbl.html>

Email/Contact: btbl@library.ca.gov

BRaille INSTITUTE LIBRARY SERVICES

Braille Institute is a non-profit organization offering a broad range of free programs, classes and services serving thousands of students of all ages to empower themselves to live more enriching lives with blindness and vision loss. We serve the community from six centers and 220 community outreach locations throughout Southern California, and lead popular national programs like Braille Challenge and Cane Quest. Our staff and volunteers understand losing your vision can be scary, and we believe it is not the end of independence, but a new way of living.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Braille Institute Library Services
741 North Vermont Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90029-3594

Phone: (323) 660-3880; (1-800) 808-2555 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.brailleinstitute.org/library>

Email/Contact: <https://www.brailleinstitute.org/connect-with-us>

BRaille INSTITUTE OF AMERICA, INC.

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SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support for Parents; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Braille Institute of America, Inc.
741 North Vermont Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90029-3594

Phone: (323) 663-1111; (800) 272-4553

Official Website: <http://www.brailleinstitute.org>

Email/Contact: <https://www.brailleinstitute.org/connect-with-us>

BRaille TRANSCRIPTION PROJECT OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY

We not only Braille Books free of charge to any student in Santa Clara County and charge others \$.40 cents a page and \$1.00 each binding. Our Library lends over 1,000 Books by utilizing free mail for brailled items. We repair brailers and canes for free and just charge for the parts. We braille tape measures, playing cards and labels for home use on oven controls, etc. We sell greeting cards for the blind with raised drawing that are hand painted for use by both the sighted as well as the blind. We teach Braille to anyone willing to commit a year to use that knowledge to transcribe books for our blind clients. We do ask \$25 to pay for class materials.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Braille and Reading Instruction; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Braille Transcription Project of Santa Clara County
101 North Bascom
San Jose, CA 95128

Phone: (408) 298-4468

Official Website: <http://www.brailleproject.net/>

Email/Contact: brlsanjose@netzero.net

CALIFORNIA ACADEMY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

The California Academy of Eye Physicians and Surgeons (CAEPS) is the only statewide organization representing California ophthalmologists and their patients. CAEPS' activities include public education about important eye health care concerns, legislative advocacy, interaction with third party payers about reimbursement and coverage issues, and continuing medical education for ophthalmologists and their staffs. As you visit the CAEPS web site, we invite you to learn more about the special training and expertise of an ophthalmologist in the delivery of medical and surgical eye care. The comprehensive ophthalmologist is truly the most highly trained provider of routine eye examinations and all refractive services, including eyeglasses and contact lenses and corrective corneal surgery, as well as medical or surgical care for eye disease. Vision is precious to all of us, and California's ophthalmologists are dedicated to providing the best possible care for this most valuable sense. We are privileged to live at a time when most potentially blinding eye disease can be controlled with proper and prompt diagnosis and treatment. CAEPS is dedicated to bringing these benefits to the citizens of California.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

California

MAILING ADDRESS:

California Academy of Ophthalmology
71 Stevenson St
Suite 400
San Francisco, CA 94105

Phone: (415) 777-3937 & (1-800) 443-9370

Official Website: <http://www.californiaeyemds.org/>

Email/Contact: caeyemds@aol.com

CALIFORNIA AT NETWORK CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION

AT Network is a project of the California Foundation for Independent Living Centers funded by the Department of Rehabilitation.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

California AT Network California Department of Rehabilitation
1234 H Street
Suite 100
Sacramento, CA 95814

Phone: (916) 325-1690

Official Website: <http://www.abilitytools.org/>

Email/Contact: info@atnet.org

CALIFORNIA DEAF/BLIND SERVICES SAN FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY/PACIFIC PLAZA

CDBS serves individuals from birth through age 21 who have both hearing and vision problems, with or without additional disabilities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

California Deaf/Blind Services San Francisco State University/Pacific Plaza
1600 Holloway Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94132-4201

Phone: (415) 405-7560 (TDD/TTY); (1-800) 822-7884 (Toll-Free TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.cadbs.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF AGING

The California Department of Aging (CDA) administers programs that serve older adults, adults with disabilities, family caregivers, and residents in long-term care facilities throughout the State. The Department administers funds allocated under the federal Older Americans Act, the Older Californians Act, and through the Medi-Cal program. The Department contracts with the network of Area Agencies on Aging, who directly manage a wide array of federal and state-funded services that help older adults find employment; support older and disabled individuals to live as independently as possible in the community; promote healthy aging and community involvement; and assist family members in their vital care giving role. CDA also contracts directly with agencies that operate the Multipurpose Senior Services Program through the Medi-Cal home and community-based waiver for the elderly, and certifies Adult Day Health Care centers for the Medi-Cal program.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

California Department of Aging
1300 National Drive #200
Sacramento, CA 95834

Phone: (916) 419-7500

Official Website: <http://www.aging.ca.gov>

Email/Contact: https://www.aging.ca.gov/aboutcda/contact_for_Locally_Run_services.aspx

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SPECIAL EDUCATION DIVISION PROGRAMS FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Information and resources to serve the unique needs of persons with disabilities so that each person will meet or exceed high standards of achievement in academic and nonacademic skills.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

California Department of Education Special Education Division
Programs for the Visually Impaired
1430 N Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Phone: (916) 327-0842

Official Website: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/se/>

Email/Contact: dkellehe@cde.ca.gov

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: CLEARINGHOUSE FOR SPECIALIZED MEDIA AND TRANSLATIONS

The Clearinghouse for Specialized Media & Technology (CSMT) helps to close the achievement gap by providing instructional resources in accessible formats to students with disabilities in California.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

California Department of Education: Clearinghouse for Specialized Media and Translations
1430 N Street
Room 3207
Sacramento, CA 95814

Phone: NA

Official Website: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/pn/sm/>

Email/Contact: csmt@cde.ca.gov

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION: BLIND FIELD SERVICES DIVISION

Blind Field Services (BFS) is one of fourteen Districts within the Department of Rehabilitation (DOR). BFS District was established as part of Specialized Services Division for Blind and Visually Impaired and Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services. BFS became operational on July 1, 2003. Blind Field Services staff have specialized knowledge and skills in serving individuals with vision loss, and they are co-located with other DOR offices throughout the state. The primary purpose in designing and implementing this statewide District was to bring all the primary counselors serving the blind and visually impaired under a team of Rehabilitation Supervisors and an Administrator who understand the issues facing blind and visually impaired consumers in the areas of employment and independent living. The goal of BFS is to increase employment outcomes and enhance the independence and self-sufficiency for consumers in California who are blind and visually impaired by utilizing a team approach and by maintaining a core group of Counselors and Supervisors who understand the barriers our Consumers face in achieving meaningful employment and independent living.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Support for Parents; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

California Department of Rehabilitation: Blind Field Services Division
721 Capitol Mall
Sacramento, CA 95814

Phone: (916) 558-5480

Official Website: <http://www.dor.ca.gov/SSD/Blind-Field-Services.html>

Email/Contact: blindinfo@dor.ca.gov

CALIFORNIA EARLY START PROGRAM CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

The Early Start program is California's early intervention program for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. Early Start services are available statewide and are provided in a coordinated, family-centered system.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

California Early Start Program California Department of Developmental Services
1600 Ninth Street
Room 330
Sacramento, CA 95814

Phone: (916) 654-1690

Official Website: <http://www.dds.ca.gov/earlystart>

Email/Contact: earlystart@dds.ca.gov

CALIFORNIA OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The mission of the California Optometric Association is to support and advance the profession of optometry to assure quality health care for all Californians.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

California Optometric Association
2415 K Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Phone: (916) 441-3990 & (1-800) 877-5738

Official Website: <http://www.coavision.org>

Email/Contact: contact@coavision.org

CALIFORNIA PACIFIC MEDICAL CENTER: FRANK STEIN AND PAUL SOUTH MAY CENTER FOR LOW VISION REHABILITATION

The Frank Stein and Paul S. May Center for Low Vision Rehabilitation offers a comprehensive approach to rehabilitating individuals with visual impairments. Using the latest advancements in technology and training, our physicians and therapists develop a tailored program to assist you in maximizing your vision and leading a more independent life.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

California Pacific Medical Center: Frank Stein and Paul South May
Center for Low Vision Rehabilitation
711 Van Ness Avenue
Ste. 570
San Francisco, CA 94102

Phone: (415) 296-2015

Official Website: <http://www.cpmc.org/services/eye/LVRprogram.html>

Email/Contact: leesa@sutterhealth.org

CALIFORNIA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

The California School for the Blind provides intensive, disability-specific educational services to students who have primary learning needs related to their visual impairment. The school serves as a statewide resource to provide expertise to Locally Run Educational Agencies (LEAs) and families in evidenced-based assessment, specialized curriculum, cutting-edge research and technology, and innovative models of instruction that prepare students for adult life.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Support for Parents; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

California School for the Blind
500 Walnut Avenue
Fremont, CA 94536

Phone: (510) 794-3800

Official Website: <http://www.csb-cde.ca.gov>

Email/Contact: aturner@csb-cde.ca.gov

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES

California State University, Los Angeles offers an Educational Specialist Credential in Visual Impairment (VI) and a Master of Arts (MA) degree in Special Education with an emphasis in Visual Impairment. Courses in both the VI credential and MA program promote educational equity, collaboration, reflective practice, while maintaining mastery of the body of knowledge for the specific discipline of interest.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

California State University, Los Angeles
5151 State University Drive
Los Angeles, CA 90032

Phone: (323) 343-4411

Official Website: <http://www.calstatela.edu/academic/ccoe/>

Email/Contact: ccoe@calstatela.edu

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, NORTHRIDGE: DISABILITY RESOURCES AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Disability Resources and Educational Services (DRES) is guided by the belief that each individual has strengths, abilities and talents. Through student service, training and education programs, DRES furthers the vision of an inclusive society that supports the attainment of academic, professional and personal goals for persons of all abilities.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Low Vision Services; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

California State University, Northridge: Disability Resources and Educational Services
18111 Nordhoff Street
Room 110
Northridge, CA 91330-8264

Phone: (818) 677-2684

Official Website: <http://www.csun.edu/dres>

Email/Contact: dres@csun.edu

CALIFORNIA TRANSCRIBERS AND EDUCATORS FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

California Transcribers and Educators for the Blind and Visually Impaired are composed of transcribers; volunteer and professional educators, including resource teachers and itinerant teachers; Orientation and Mobility Specialists Rehabilitation counselors; counselor-teacher administrators; parents of visually impaired children; librarians; and paraprofessionals students, who are learning to work with persons who are visually impaired and who are visually impaired themselves. Many other advocates for the special needs of individuals living with blindness and visual impairment are part of this organization.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Community Outreach Programs; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

California Transcribers and Educators for the Blind and Visually Impaired
741 North Vermont Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90029-3594

Phone: (323) 666-2211

Official Website: <http://www.ctebvi.org>

Email/Contact: administrator@ctebvi.org

CASTRO VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

In partnership with the community, Castro Valley Unified School District educates students in a learning environment that is safe, nurturing and culturally responsive. Students are guided by excellent inspired staff, utilizing innovative instruction, curricula and technology.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Castro Valley School District
P.O. BOX 2146
Castro Valley, CA 94546

Phone: (510) 537-3000 1256

Official Website: N/A

Email/Contact: <http://www.cv.k12.ca.us/contact-us>

CENTER FOR LIVING INDEPENDENCE FOR MULTI-HANDICAPPED BLIND (CLIMB)

CLIMB was founded based on a vision to provide affordable housing, a friendly community, access to nearby public transportation, and opportunities for work and community integration for individuals with developmental disabilities and blindness during a time when community-based housing programs were not readily available.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Center for Living Independence for Multi-Handicapped Blind (CLIMB)
161 West Sierra Madre Boulevard
Sierra Madre, CA 91024

Phone: (626) 355-1447

Official Website: <https://www.climb-inc.com/>

Email/Contact: info@climb-inc.com

CENTER OF VISION ENHANCEMENT

Cove's mission is to support people with any level of visual impairment to enhance their quality of life by developing independence through multi-dimensional services and resources.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Center of Vision Enhancement
1240 D Street
Merced, CA 95341

Phone: (209) 722-8118

Official Website: <http://www.covemerced.org>

Email/Contact: cove4u@gmail.com

COMMUNITY CENTER FOR THE BLIND

Community Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired (CCBVI) has served thousands of people in San Joaquin County for more than 68 years. CCBVI's mission is to provide the means by which people who are visually impaired can improve and sustain their capabilities and potentials to re-establish purpose and self-esteem in their lives and in society.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Professional Training; Support for Parents; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Community Center for the Blind
130 West Flora Street
Stockton, CA 95202

Phone: (209) 466-3836

Official Website: <http://www.communitycenterfortheblind.org/>

Email/Contact: info@communitycenterfortheblind.org

CONTRA COSTA BRAILLE TRANSCRIBERS

Offers fast, affordable and accurate braille transcription of everything from textbooks to braille menus, braille maps, building markings, and more.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Braille and Reading Instruction; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Contra Costa Braille Transcribers
1139 Westmoreland Circle
Walnut Creek, CA 94596

Phone: (925) 937-9413

Official Website: N/A

Email/Contact: PatBiasca@aol.com

CONTRA COSTA BRAILLE TRANSCRIBERS

Offers fast, affordable and accurate braille transcription of everything from textbooks to braille menus, braille maps, building markings, and more.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Braille and Reading Instruction; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Contra Costa Braille Transcribers
2823 Wiswall Drive
Richmond, CA 94806

Phone: (510) 223-2517

Official Website: N/A

Email/Contact: agiles@juno.com

DAYLE MCINTOSH DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTERS

The Dayle McIntosh Center for the Disabled, also referred to as DMC, is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides services to people with disabilities and facilitates equal access and inclusion within the community. Founded in 1977, DMC is a non-residential, cross-disability agency and meets the standards and indicators established for the operation of independent living centers in the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. Currently, 28 such centers exist in California and approximately 500 are in operation nationally. Based in Orange County, California, the Dayle McIntosh Center partners with people with disabilities to address current concerns and achieve personal goals toward maximum independence. DMC does not “do for”, but rather, “works with” consumers to bring about desired outcomes. Assistance is provided without regard for age, race, income, or type of disability.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Dayle McIntosh Disability Resource Centers
501 North Brookhurst Street#102
Anaheim, CA 92801

Phone: (714) 621-3300; (1-800) 972-8285; & (714) 663-2087 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://daylemc.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://daylemc.org/contact/>

DESERT BLIND AND HANDICAPPED ASSOCIATION

We provide door-through-door transportation for anyone with a disability that prevents safe driving.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Desert Blind and Handicapped Association
777 E Tahquitz Canyon Way
Suite 200-48
Palm Springs, CA 92262

Phone: (760) 969-5025

Official Website: <https://www.desertblind.org/>

Email/Contact: info@desertblind.org

EARLE BAUM CENTER OF THE BLIND

The Earle Baum Center is a nonprofit regional community center in Santa Rosa California, serving people with sight loss in Napa, Sonoma, Lake and Mendocino Counties.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Earle Baum Center of the Blind
4539 Occidental Road
Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Phone: (707) 523-3222

Official Website: <http://www.earlebaum.org>

Email/Contact: ebc@earlebaum.org

EAST BAY CENTER FOR THE BLIND

The East Bay Center for the Blind offers services and social activities to a diverse group of people who are blind or low vision, many of whom are not assisted by other agencies. We give particular attention to individual needs and circumstances. Members and non-members may attend classes and events. Members are also eligible to vote, run for office and serve on the Board of Directors.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Dog Guide Training; Professional Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

East Bay Center for the Blind
2928 Adeline Street
Berkeley, CA 94703-2503

Phone: (510) 843-6935

Official Website: <http://www.eastbaycenterfortheblind.org/>

Email/Contact: eastbaycenterfortheblind@gmail.com

EMPOWERTECH

To help level the playing field, concerned parents and professionals founded the “Computer Access Center” in 1986, and later renamed it EmpowerTech. As one of the original non-profit Assistive Technology (AT) centers nationwide, EmpowerTech has lead the way with dynamic, hands-on programs to train students on Web browsers, computer screen readers, note takers, popular office software, and other devices. Programs are free and focus on helping students become comfortable - and eventually proficient with life-changing technologies that encourage greater independence.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

EmpowerTech
9100 South Sepulveda Blvd.
Suite 204
Los Angeles, CA 90045

Phone: (310) 338-1597

Official Website: <http://empowertech.org/>

Email/Contact: info@empowertech.org

EYECARE AMERICA

EyeCare America is a national public service program of the Foundation of the American Academy of Ophthalmology.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

EyeCare America
655 Beach Street
San Francisco, CA 94109-1336

Phone: (877) 887-6327

Official Website: <http://www.eyecareamerica.org/eyecare/>

Email/Contact: eyecareamerica@aao.org

GLAUCOMA RESEARCH FOUNDATION

The Glaucoma Research Foundation is a national non-profit organization dedicated to finding a cure for glaucoma. Founded in 1978 in San Francisco, we fund glaucoma research world-wide.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Glaucoma Research Foundation
251 Post St
Suite 600
San Francisco, CA 94108

Phone: (415) 986-3162 & (1-800) 826-6693

Official Website: <http://www.glaucoma.org>

Email/Contact: grf@glaucoma.org

GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND

Since 1942, Guide Dogs for the Blind (GDB) has been creating partnerships between people, dogs, and communities. With exceptional client services and a robust network of instructors, puppy raisers, donors, and volunteers, we prepare highly qualified guide dogs to serve and empower individuals who are blind or have low vision from throughout the United States and Canada. All of the services for our clients are provided free of charge, including personalized training and extensive post-graduation support, plus financial assistance for veterinary care, if needed. Our work is made possible by the generous support of our donors and volunteers; we receive no government funding.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Guide Dogs for the Blind
350 Los Ranchitos Road
San Rafael, CA 94903

Phone: (415) 499-4000 & (1-800) 295-4050

Official Website: <http://www.guidedogs.com>

Email/Contact: <https://www.guidedogs.com/meet-gdb/contact-us>

GUIDE DOGS OF AMERICA

Guide Dogs of America is dedicated to its mission to provide guide dogs and instruction in their use, free of charge, to blind and visually impaired men and women from the United States and Canada so that they may continue to pursue their goals with increased mobility and independence.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Guide Dogs of America
13445 Glenoaks Boulevard
Sylmar, CA 91342

Phone: (818) 362-5834 & (1-800) 459-4843

Official Website: <http://www.guidedogsofamerica.org>

Email/Contact: mail@guidedogsofamerica.org

GUIDE DOGS OF THE DESERT INTERNATIONAL

GDDI provides independent mobility to the blind, through the use of a guide dog.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Guide Dogs of the Desert International
60740 Dillon Road
Whitewater, CA 92282

Phone: (760) 329-6257

Official Website: <http://www.guidedogsofthedesert.org/>

Email/Contact: info@guidedogsofthedesert.org

HELEN KELLER NATIONAL CENTER FOR DEAF-BLIND YOUTHS AND ADULTS: SOUTHWEST REGION OFFICE

Authorized by an Act of Congress in 1967, HKNC is the only organization of its kind—providing training and resources exclusively to people age 16 and over who have combined vision and hearing loss. Students travel from across the country to our headquarters in Sands Point, New York, for on-campus training in assistive technology, vocational services, orientation and mobility, communication and independent living, and our regional offices bring HKNC resources to communities throughout the United States. Our instructors are sensitive to the cultural differences between students with different levels of hearing and vision loss and varying educational backgrounds, providing individualized training and guidance to each student. HKNC also is a leader in professional learning, “training the trainers” to work with the deaf-blind community. HKNC is the national division of Helen Keller Services, which also includes Helen Keller Services for the Blind, a regional division serving the New York City/Long Island area.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/ Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

California

MAILING ADDRESS:

Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults:
Southwest Region Office
9939 Hibert Street#108
San Diego, CA 92131

Phone: (858) 578-1600 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.hknc.org>

Email/Contact: hkncinfo@hknc.org

INLAND EMPIRE LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND (SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND)

The Inland Empire Lighthouse for the Blind, Inc. is a place where adults and children who are visually impaired can receive training to overcome the disabling effects of blindness or visual impairment. It is a place where they can prepare themselves to resume a full and normal life.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Support for Parents; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Inland Empire Lighthouse for the Blind (San Bernardino Valley Lighthouse for the Blind)
359 East Parkcenter Circle South
San Bernardino, CA 92408

Phone: (909) 884-3121

Official Website: <http://www.ielighthousefortheblind.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

INSTITUTE FOR FAMILIES

The Institute for Families provides guidance through a resource and referral network available to families and professionals internationally. Institute for Families refers parents and physicians to organizations specializing in meeting the needs of children with specific visual problems. Our staff can help locate appropriate infant care programs, school settings, learning aids, and much more. In addition, we write and publish journal articles, booklets, and newsletters for families and health care professionals. These tools offer concrete suggestions and coping strategies. Parents often share their experiences and strength with each other through our publications. We have also created a series of professionally produced DVD's that deal with issues affecting the families of the visually impaired and the health care workers who assist them.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Institute for Families
1300 North Vermont Avenue, Suite 1004
Los Angeles, CA 90027

Phone: (323) 361-4649

Official Website: <http://www.instituteforfamilies.org>

Email/Contact: info@instituteforfamilies.org

JULES STEIN EYE INSTITUTE AT UCLA

The Jules Stein Eye Institute offers a full range of comprehensive services and programs for the care of patients with eye disorders, research in the vision sciences, education in the field of ophthalmology, and outreach to the community.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Jules Stein Eye Institute at UCLA
100 Stein Plaza
Los Angeles, CA 90095-7000

Phone: (310) 825-5000

Official Website: <http://www.jsei.org/>

Email/Contact: info@jsei.ucla.edu

KENNETH JERNIGAN LIBRARY FOR BLIND CHILDREN AMERICAN ACTION FUND FOR BLIND CHILDREN AND ADULTS

The Kenneth Jernigan Library for Blind Children and Adults was a nonprofit foundation that started its lending library in 1964 and was dedicated to the reading pleasure and education of blind children and young adults. The books catalogued in the library were brailled by volunteers, who have contributed countless hours of time and effort to bring the total collection of the library to more than 14,000 braille books. Books were selected and then distributed to patrons solely by mail. Library books were distributed to subscribers free of charge.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Assessment/Evaluation; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kenneth Jernigan Library for Blind Children American Action Fund for
Blind Children and Adults
18440 Oxnard Street
Tarzana, CA 91356

Phone: 410-659-9315, ext. 2272

Official Website: <http://www.actionfund.org/>

Email/Contact: actionfund@actionfund.org

KPBS RADIO READING SERVICE SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY

The KPBS Radio Reading Service broadcasts the readings of newspapers, books and magazines to those with low vision, blindness and other impairments. The Reading Service is available 24 hours a day over a private audio channel, and online via audio web stream.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Preschool Programs; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

KPBS Radio Reading Service San Diego State University
5200 Campanile Drive
San Diego, CA 92182-5400

Phone: (619) 594-8170

Official Website: <http://www.kpbs.org/radio/reading-service/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.kpbs.org/contact-us/>

LIBRARY REPRODUCTION SERVICE

LRS (Library Reproduction Service) provides Large Print School Books for Visually Impaired and other print-challenged students who are taught in a mainstreamed classroom environment. Our durable hardcover books have been used in schools across the USA for over 35 years.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Library Reproduction Service
14214 South Figueroa Street
Los Angeles, CA 90061-1034

Phone: (310) 354-2610 & (1-800) 255-5002

Official Website: <http://www.largeprintschoolbooks.com>

Email/Contact: largeprintsb@aol.com

LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Headquartered in San Francisco, California, LightHouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired provides education, training, advocacy, and community for blind individuals in California and around the world. Founded and based in San Francisco since 1902, the LightHouse is one of the largest and most established comprehensive blindness organizations in North America, with a wide variety of programs to suit a wide variety of needs, as well as a rich network of blindness advocates and professionals. LightHouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired
1155 Market Street, Floor #10
San Francisco, CA 94103

Phone: (415) 431-1481 & (1-888) 400-8933

Official Website: <http://www.lighthouse-sf.org>

Email/Contact: info@lighthouse-sf.org

LIONS CENTER FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED OF DIABLO VALLEY

The Center for the Visually Impaired-Diablo Valley offers services focused on early detection and intervention in order to prevent or slow vision loss from age-related eye disease. We also give older adults in the East Bay the tools and skills they need to maintain their health, independence and quality of life despite vision loss.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lions Center for the Visually Impaired of Diablo Valley
175 Alvarado Avenue
Pittsburg, CA 94565-4862

Phone: (925) 432-3013

Official Website: <http://www.seniorvision.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.seniorvision.org/contact-info>

LOW VISION REHABILITATION SERVICE OF THE UNIVERSITY EYE CENTER AT KETCHUM HEALTH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY (SCCO)

The University Eye Center at Ketchum Health Anaheim is the major patient care and clinical teaching facility of the Southern California College of Optometry at Marshall B. Ketchum University located in Fullerton, California. Ketchum Health is a world-class center for eye and vision care.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Low Vision Rehabilitation Service of the University Eye Center at Ketchum Health Southern California College of Optometry (SCCO)
5460 East La Palma Ave.
Anaheim, CA 92807

Phone: (714) 992-7890

Official Website: www.ketchumhealth.org

Email/Contact: N/A

LUTHERAN BRAILLE WORKERS

Lutheran Braille Workers is the largest Christian ministry in the world that provides Braille and specialized Large Print Bibles free of charge for the visually impaired. Thanks to the army of volunteers and thousands who financially support this ministry, Lutheran Braille Workers is able to place the Word of God into the hands of the blind and visually impaired at no expense to them.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lutheran Braille Workers
13471 California Street
Yucaipa, CA 92399

Phone: (909) 795-8977

Official Website: <http://www.lbwinc.org/>

Email/Contact: lbw@lbwinc.org

MACULAR DEGENERATION PARTNERSHIP

The Macular Degeneration Partnership provides information, resources and support for people with AMD. We provide three monthly support groups in Southern California for people with AMD and their family members. These resources provide up to date information on AMD research, low vision rehabilitation and living with AMD.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Employment/Job Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Macular Degeneration Partnership
850 Health Sciences Rd
Irvine, CA 92697

Phone: (1-888) 430-9898

Official Website: <http://www.AMD.org>

Email/Contact: contactus@amd.org

MONTEREY COUNTY BRAILLE TRANSCRIBERS

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Monterey County Braille Transcribers
225 Laurel Avenue
Pacific Grove, CA 93950

Phone: (831) 394-2033

Official Website: N/A

Email/Contact: N/A

OPTOMETRIC CENTER OF LOS ANGELES SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY

The University Eye Center at Los Angeles (UECLA) is a major patient care and clinical teaching facility of the Southern California College of Optometry at Marshall B. Ketchum University located in Los Angeles, California. The UECLA is a world-class center for eye and vision care.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Optometric Center of Los Angeles Southern California College of Optometry
3916 South Broadway
Los Angeles, CA 90037

Phone: (323) 234-9137

Official Website: <http://www.eyecarela.com/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.eyecarela.com/contact-us.htm>

PALOMAR COLLEGE ADAPTED COMPUTER TRAINING CENTER

The Disability Resource Center (DRC) is a department within the division of Student Services which offers specialized instruction and services to students with various documented disabilities as mandated by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and their respective revisions. These disabilities include physical, visual, auditory, communication, learning and psychological disabilities which might impose an educational limitation within the college environment. Faculty and Staff are committed to ensuring access to all facets of the college and to providing accommodations and services to promote student success within college programs.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Palomar College Adapted Computer Training Center
1140 Mission Road
San Marcos, CA 92069

Phone: (760) 744-1150 ext. 2375

Official Website: <http://www.palomar.edu/dsps>

Email/Contact: drc@palomar.edu

PREVENT BLINDNESS NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Prevent Blindness Northern California (PBNC), a 501(c)(3) organization, provides services to prevent vision impairment. Since 1966, PBNC has screened over 1 million children and adults, connected over 50,000 people to vision care services and certified over 25,000 vision screeners.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Prevent Blindness Northern California
550 Kearny Street
Suite 1000
San Francisco, CA 94108

Phone: (415) 567-7500; (1-800) 338-3041

Official Website: <https://northerncalifornia.preventblindness.org/>

Email/Contact: q@eyeinfo.org

SACRAMENTO BRAILLE TRANSCRIBERS, INC.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Sacramento Braille Transcribers, Inc.
2791 24th Street
Room 8
Sacramento, CA 95818

Phone: (916) 455-9121

Official Website: N/A

Email/Contact: N/A

SAN DIEGO CENTER FOR THE BLIND AND VISION IMPAIRED

The San Diego Center for the Blind (SDCB) provides services to legally blind adults who are age 18 or older. This includes adults with no vision to those with changing vision. Programs are provided to clients regardless of their disability, race, ethnicity, religious beliefs, gender and/or socioeconomic status.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

San Diego Center for the Blind and Vision Impaired
5922 El Cajon Boulevard
San Diego, CA 92115

Phone: (619) 583-1542

Official Website: <http://www.sdcb.org/>

Email/Contact: info@sdcb.org

SAN FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY: DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Department of Special Education at San Francisco State University offers programs that prepare special educators to enter professional practice in today's increasingly multicultural and multilingual society. Candidates seeking careers with children, youth, and adults with disabilities at early intervention centers, schools, hospitals and community agencies will find a range of options at SFSU. Programs include a Joint Doctoral Program with SF State and the University of California at Berkeley (Ph.D.), master's degrees, graduate certificates, teaching and clinical rehabilitative services credentials (CRS), and a minor in Special Education.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

San Francisco State University: Department of Special Education
1600 Holloway Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94132

Phone: (415) 338-1161

Official Website: <http://www.sfsu.edu/~spedcd/>

Email/Contact: sped@sfsu.edu

SANTA CLARA VALLEY BLIND CENTER

For more than 50 years, SCVBC has provided support to individuals facing the uncertainties, fears, and challenges related to uncorrectable vision loss. We are a community-based organization dedicated to increasing the confidence, independence, and quality of life of the blind and visually impaired. SCVBC tackles complex vision loss issues comprehensively through rehabilitative, educational, and recreational services that ensure the long-term independence and empowerment of our clients.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Santa Clara Valley Blind Center
101 North Bascom Avenue
San Jose, CA 95128

Phone: (408) 295-4016

Official Website: <http://www.visionbeyondsight.org>

Email/Contact: info@visionbeyondsight.org

SEQUOIA BRAILLE TRANSCRIBERS

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Sequoia Braille Transcribers
19372 Avenue
218
Lindsay, CA 93247

Phone: (559) 744-3044

Official Website: N/A

Email/Contact: N/A

SOCIETY FOR THE BLIND

The mission of the Society for the Blind is to empower individuals who are blind or have low vision to live productively and independently by building confidence through training, tools, and mentorship.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Society for the Blind
1238 S Street
Sacramento, CA 95811

Phone: (916) 452-8271

Official Website: <http://www.societyfortheblind.org>

Email/Contact: info@societyfortheblind.org

TALKING BOOK LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND FRESNO COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY TED WILLS COMMUNITY CENTER

Located in the heart of California's San Joaquin Valley, the Fresno County Public Library provides collections and services through its Central Resource Library and 34 branches. We are part of the San Joaquin Valley Library System (SJVLS), a cooperative network of 10 public library jurisdictions in the counties of Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced and Tulare.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Talking Book Library for the Blind Fresno County Public Library Ted Wills Community Center
770 North San Pablo
Fresno, CA 93728-3640

Phone: (559) 600-3217 & (1-800) 742-1011

Official Website: <http://www.fresnolibrary.org/tblb>

Email/Contact: tblb@fresnolibrary.org

THE HATLEN CENTER, A PROGRAM OF WAYFINDER FAMILY

Adults 18 and older who are blind or visually impaired learn to live independently in Wayfinder's Hatlen Center for the Blind in San Pablo in Northern California. In this immersive residential rehabilitation program, students receive training in their own Hatlen apartment and learn to live on their own. They pay their own rent, plan and cook meals and travel to school, work or recreation. Each client pursues individualized goals that lead to a confident transition to a life of their own. Students may attend school or work part time while attending the Hatlen Center.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

The Hatlen Center, A Program of Wayfinder Family
2430 Road 20, #B112
San Pablo, CA 94806-5005

Phone: (510) 234-4984

Official Website: <https://www.wayfinderfamily.org/program/the-hatlen-center>

Email/Contact: jparrish@wayfinderfamily.org

THE SMITH-KETTLEWELL EYE RESEARCH INSTITUTE: REHABILITATION ENGINEERING RESEARCH CENTER

The Center's research goal is to develop and apply new scientific knowledge and practical, cost-effective devices to understand and address better the real-world problems of blind, visually impaired, and deaf-blind consumers. The RERC has many ongoing R&D projects and collaborative relationships, both internal and external to Smith-Kettlewell. Primary funding for the RERC comes from the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research, with other important sources of support, including the National Eye Institute, and The Smith-Kettlewell Eye Research Institute.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

The Smith-Kettlewell Eye Research Institute: Rehabilitation
Engineering Research Center
2318 Fillmore Street
San Francisco, CA 94115

Phone: (415) 345-2110 & (415) 345-2290 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.ski.org/center/rehabilitation-engineering-research-center>

Email/Contact: brabyn@ski.org

THERAPEUTIC LIVING CENTERS FOR THE BLIND

Therapeutic Living Centers for the Blind (TLC) is a community of learners and teachers who have come together to create a supportive and encouraging environment for those with developmental disabilities and blindness. More than a facility, TLC represents a family working together to support each individual in order to develop his or her unique strengths. Here you will find hope, laughter and success. TLC is dedicated to caring for the lifetime needs of people challenged by developmental disabilities and blindness. TLC believes in the value of each individual and promotes the philosophy that each participant can be assisted to achieve his or her full potential.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Therapeutic Living Centers for the Blind
7915 Lindley Avenue
Reseda, CA 91335

Phone: (818) 708-1740

Official Website: <http://www.tlc4blind.org/>

Email/Contact: info@tlc4blind.org

TRANSCRIBERS OF ORANGE COUNTY

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Transcribers of Orange County
10982 Paddock Lane
Santa Ana, CA 92705

Phone: (714) 731-5899

Official Website: N/A

Email/Contact: N/A

TRANSCRIBING MARINERS

Transcribing Mariners has been producing quality braille throughout the United States for over forty years. We are a non-profit corporation with a full-time staff and a skilled group of over fifteen volunteers. Our transcribers are all Library of Congress Certified in Literary and/or Nemeth code and have an average of 18 years of experience. Our tactile graphic artists use state of the art technology cutting edge techniques to create the highest quality graphics available today. Over the last 10 years we have mentored inmates at Locally Run prisons in braille and tactile techniques. Transcribing Mariners is committed to providing on-time, accurate, quality braille and tactile graphics.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Transcribing Mariners
10675 Harris Road
Auburn, CA 95603

Phone: (530) 823-2209

Official Website: <http://www.tnbraille.com>

Email/Contact: info@tnbraille.com

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA: SCHOOL OF OPTOMETRY, LOW VISION CLINIC

Our faculty and clinicians provide a full range of services from primary eye care to the diagnosis and management of vision problems caused by diseases such as glaucoma, cataracts, and diabetes. We take great pride in offering comprehensive vision care as part of the premiere optometric teaching institution in the United States. From routine eye exams and complete contact lens care, to pediatric optometry and the diagnosis and treatment of ocular health problems, the Meredith W. Morgan Eye Center offers the care of the best medical teams with unsurpassed academic and research expertise. Our doctors and clinicians meet all your vision care needs in a modern, state-of-the-art facility. Basic care includes a thorough assessment of visual and neurological systems. If further testing or treatment is needed, we provide referrals to one of our specialty clinics, such as Special Visual Assessments, Low Vision, Ocular Disease, Binocular Vision and Vision Functions, Infant and Children's vision, and Refractive Surgery. Our Eyewear Center offers a full-range of services from adjustments and repairs to custom lenses and tints. With over 3,000 different frames to choose from, the Eyewear Center can meet your needs.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

University of California: School of Optometry, Low Vision Clinic
200 Minor Hall
Berkeley, CA 94720-2020

Phone: (510) 642-5726

Official Website: <http://www.caleyecare.org>

Email/Contact: caleyecare@berkeley.edu

VALLEY CENTER FOR THE BLIND

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

Located in Fresno, Valley Center for the Blind has been providing services for the blind and visually impaired since 1973. What started as an idea for social and recreational services for the blind has grown into something so much more; and we are proud of it! VCB offers classes and resources for Fresno and the surrounding Madera, Kings and Tulare counties. Our staff is comprised of people who have a love for the Central Valley and a passion for helping those with vision loss. Always keeping up on the latest trends and technology for the visually impaired, we strive to keep our classes current and events fun. Losing sight doesn't mean losing hope. Here at VCB we hope to help you see it that way too!

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Valley Center for the Blind
3417 West Shaw Avenue
Fresno, CA 93711

Phone: (559) 222-4447

Official Website: <http://www.valleycenterfortheblind.org>

Email/Contact: info@valleycenterfortheblind.org

VENTURA COUNTY BRAILLE TRANSCRIBERS ASSOCIATION

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Ventura County Braille Transcribers Association
2299 Newquist Court
Camarillo, CA 93010

Phone: N/A

Official Website: <http://vcbta.org/VCBTA/Welcome.html>

Email/Contact: N/A

VISTA CENTER FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Vista Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired is the premier regional one-stop resource provider for vision loss and rehabilitation. For more than 75 years, Vista Center has offered a range of comprehensive services to empower clients to embrace life to the fullest through evaluation, counseling, education and training in Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, San Mateo and San Benito counties.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Personnel Preparation; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vista Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired
3200 Hillview Avenue
Suite 120
Palo Alto, CA 94304

Phone: (650) 858-0202

Official Website: <http://www.vistacenter.org>

Email/Contact: info@vistacenter.org

WATTS HEALTH CARE CORPORATION

The Vision Care Department provides primary and specialty eye care services. An on-site optometrist conducts eye exams and prescribes eye-wear. For specialty services, on-site ophthalmologists screen for diabetic, glaucoma, hypertension and cataract conditions and can provide medical and surgical eye care. Our optician assists with eye-wear evaluation and eye-glass dispensing.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Watts Health Care Corporation
10300 Compton Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90002

Phone: (323) 564-4331

Official Website: <http://www.wattshealth.org/clinical-services/vision-care/>

Email/Contact: N/A

WAYFINDER FAMILY SERVICES

Founded in 1953, Junior Blind of America's mission is helping children and adults who are blind, visually impaired, or multi-disabled achieve independence. Based in Los Angeles, Junior Blind offer specialized services for thousands of infants, children, teens, and adults from throughout California and across the country. Through programs that offer early intervention therapy, education, recreation, and rehabilitation, children and adults learn essential skills to help them maximize their potential and achieve their goals.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); NLS Libraries; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wayfinder Family Services
5300 Angeles Vista Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90043

Phone: (323) 295-4555 & (1-800) 352-2290

Official Website: <https://www.wayfinderfamily.org/>

Email/Contact: info@wayfinderfamily.org

WESTED CENTER FOR PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION

The Center for Prevention & Early Intervention (CPEI) provides training and technical assistance in policy development, translation of research to practice, systems evaluation, and implementation of evidence-based practices in support of children and youth (birth through age 22) with, or at risk for, disabilities and their families. CPEI partners with state and Locally Run education and human service agencies to promote a comprehensive approach to improving developmental, academic, and behavioral outcomes for children and youth. Strategies and tools include effective practices to build the capacity of systems and educators and other providers as they implement and support successful outcomes for diverse populations.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

WestEd Center for Prevention and Early Intervention
730 Harrison Street
Sacramento, CA 94107

Phone: (415) 565-3000

Official Website: <http://www.wested.org/cpei>

Email/Contact: <https://www.wested.org/contact-us/>

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ADAPTIVE ADVENTURES

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Recreation Services

MAILING ADDRESS:

Adaptive Adventures
1315 Nelson Street
Unit 1
Lakewood, CO 80215

Phone: (303) 679-2770

Official Website: <http://www.adaptiveadventures.org>

Email/Contact: info@adaptiveadventures.org

ANCHOR CENTER FOR BLIND CHILDREN

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation

MAILING ADDRESS:

Anchor Center for Blind Children
2550 Roslyn Street
Denver, CO 80238

Phone: (303) 377-9732

Official Website: <http://www.anchorcenter.org/>

Email/Contact: info@anchorcenter.org

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PARTNERS

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Recreation Services

MAILING ADDRESS:

Assistive Technology Partners
601 East 18th Avenue
Suite 130
Denver, CO 80203

Phone: (303) 315-1280; (1-800) 255-3477; & (303) 837-8964 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.at-partners.org/ATFunding/index.cfm>

Email/Contact: generalinfo@at-partners.org

AUDIO INFORMATION NETWORK OF COLORADO (FORMERLY RADIO READING SERVICE OF THE ROCKIES)

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: N/A

MAILING ADDRESS:

Audio Information Network of Colorado (formerly Radio Reading Service of the Rockies)

1700 55th Street

Suite A

Boulder, CO 80301-2702

Phone: (303) 786-7777 & (1-877) 443-2001

Official Website: <http://aincolorado.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

CENTER FOR INDEPENDENCE

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Counseling; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Low Vision Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services

MAILING ADDRESS:

Center for Independence
740 Gunnison Avenue
Grand Junction, CO 81501

Phone: (970) 241-0315; (1-800) 613-2271; & (970) 241-8130 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://cfigj.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.cfigj.org/contact>

CENTER FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Counseling; Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Professional Training; Support Groups

MAILING ADDRESS:

Center for People with Disabilities
1675 Range Street
Boulder, CO 80301

Phone: (303) 442-8662

Official Website: <http://www.cpwd.org>

Email/Contact: info@cpwd.org

CHALLENGE ASPEN

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Recreation Services

MAILING ADDRESS:

Challenge Aspen
P.O. BOX 6639
Snowmass Village, CO 81615

Phone: (970) 923-0578 & (1-800) 530-3901

Official Website: <http://www.challengeaspen.org>

Email/Contact: info@challengeaspen.org

COLORADO CENTER FOR THE BLIND

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Counseling; Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Recreation Services; Support Groups; Travel/O&M Training

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

MAILING ADDRESS:

Colorado Center for the Blind
2233 West Shepperd Avenue
Littleton, CO 80120

Phone: (303) 778-1130

Official Website: <http://www.cocenter.org>

Email/Contact: info@challengeaspen.org

COLORADO COMMISSION ON AGING

The Colorado Commission on Aging (CCOA) was established under the authority of the Older Coloradans Act (C.R.S. Sections 26-11-100.1 to 26-11-106) to serve as the primary advisory body on all matters affecting older persons. The CCOA is a volunteer organization of 17 people appointed by the Governor and approved by the Senate committee to serve for four-year terms. There are two members appointed to each of the seven Congressional Districts, and members representing that district may not be from the same political party. In addition to the 14 members there is one at-large Commissioner, and one member each of different parties from the State Senate and House.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Colorado Commission on Aging
1575 Sherman Street
Ground Floor
Denver, CO 80203-1714

Phone: (303) 866-5288

Official Website: <http://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdhs-boards-committees-collaboration/colorado-commission-aging>

Email/Contact: tara.franck@state.co.us

COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT SERVICES UNIT

This unit supports personnel serving students with exceptional educational needs. Technical assistance and programming support are available for students who have disabilities, are gifted and talented, and/or who are culturally or linguistically diverse. This unit administers both the state's Exceptional Children's Educational Act (ECEA) and the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) for children with disabilities. Services and programming for Early Intervention (Preschool) and Colorado's Facility Schools are also housed in this unit.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services

MAILING ADDRESS:

Colorado Department of Education Exceptional Student Services Unit
201 East Colfax Avenue
Denver, CO 80203

Phone: (303) 866-6124

Official Website: <http://www.cde.state.co.us/offices/exceptionalstudentservicesunit>

Email/Contact: shotts_s@cde.state.co.us

COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT: DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation assists people with disabilities to succeed at work and live independently. They are committed to helping their employer partners find candidates who are skilled, loyal, and committed to your success. Even after placement, employers and employees get ongoing support from their professional staff, including job training, guidance on the ADA regulations, and information on disability and employment guidelines. They can also help with financial incentives and facilitation of tax credits.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services

MAILING ADDRESS:

Colorado Department of Labor and Employment: Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
633 17th Street, Suite 201
Denver, CO 80202

Phone: (303) 318-8571

Official Website: <https://www.colorado.gov/dvr>

Email/Contact: <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dvr/contact-us-90>

COLORADO OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Professional Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Colorado Optometric Association
730 17th Street
Suite 350
Denver, CO 80202

Phone: (303) 863-9778

Official Website: <http://www.visioncare.org>

Email/Contact: coa@visioncare.org

COLORADO SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Health-related Services; Low Vision Services; Preschool Programs; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support for Parents; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind
33 North Institute Street
Colorado Springs, CO 80903-3599

Phone: (719) 578-2100

Official Website: <http://www.csdb.org>

Email/Contact: https://www.csdb.org/contact/?employeeid=webinfo&employee_name=Contact%20Us

COLORADO SERVICES TO CHILDREN WITH COMBINED VISION AND HEARING LOSS PROJECT

Located within the Colorado Department of Education, this project provides technical assistance (a responsive, collaborative and comprehensive consultation process) which supports Colorado children and youth, birth to 21 years, who have BOTH a vision and hearing impairment. The technical assistance is available, at no cost, to parents, families and professionals in providing appropriate learning, literacy, and living opportunities for these individuals. These services are in addition to those provided by administrative units, and other state and Locally Run agencies.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs

MAILING ADDRESS:

Colorado Services to Children with Combined Vision and Hearing Loss Project
1560 Broadway
Suite 1175
Denver, CO 80203

Phone: Gina Herrera at 303-866-6605 or Tanni Anthony at (303) 866-6681

Official Website: http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdesped/sd-db_projectinfo

Email/Contact: anthony_t@cde.state.co.us or herrera_g@cde.state.co.us

COLORADO SOCIETY OF EYE PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Professional Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Colorado Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons
303 East 17th Avenue
Suite 700
Denver, CO 80203-1260

Phone: 720-858-6336

Official Website: <http://www.cseps.org/>

Email/Contact: cseps@cms.org

COLORADO TALKING BOOK LIBRARY

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; NLS Libraries

MAILING ADDRESS:

Colorado Talking Book Library
180 Sheridan Boulevard
Denver, CO 80226-8097

Phone: (303) 727-9277 & (1-800) 685-2136

Official Website: <http://www.myctbl.org>

Email/Contact: ctbl.info@cde.state.co.us

EARLY INTERVENTION COLORADO

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Preschool Programs

MAILING ADDRESS:

Early Intervention Colorado
1575 Sherman Street
Denver, CO 80203

Phone: (303) 866-5916 & (1-888) 777-4041

Official Website: <http://coloradoofficeofearlychildhood.force.com/eicolorado?lang=en>

Email/Contact: <https://form.jotform.us/71753517384159>

ENSIGHT SKILLS CENTER FOR VISUAL REHABILITATION

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Counseling; Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Low Vision Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Enight Skills Center for Visual Rehabilitation
1740 South College Avenue
Fort Collins, CO 80525

Phone: (970) 407-9999 & (1-866) 375-5693

Official Website: <http://www.ensightskills.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://ensightskills.org/contact-us/>

LEARNING ALLY: DENVER

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; NLS Libraries

MAILING ADDRESS:

Learning Ally: Denver
1355 South Colorado Boulevard
Suite 406
Denver, CO 80222

Phone: (303) 757-0787 & (1-800) 221-4792

Official Website: <http://www.learningally.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.learningally.org/contact-us>

UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN COLORADO, SCHOOL OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation

MAILING ADDRESS:

University of Northern Colorado, School of Special Education
McKee 29, Campus Box 141
Greeley, CO 80639

Phone: (970) 351-2691

Official Website: <http://www.unco.edu/cebs/special-education/>

Email/Contact: theresa.henkelman@unco.edu

CONNECTICUT ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROJECT DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

The CT Tech Act Project operates out of the State of Connecticut, Department of Social Services, Bureau of Rehabilitation Services. Our goal is to help individuals with disabilities of all ages and all disabilities, as well as family members, employers, educators and other professionals have access to Assistive Technology devices and services.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Connecticut Assistive Technology Project Department of Social Services
25 Sigourney Street
11th Floor
Hartford, CT 6106

Phone: (860) 424-4881

Official Website: <http://www.CTtechact.com>

Email/Contact: <http://cttechact.com/contact/>

CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION OF OPTOMETRISTS

The CAO is the professional association of optometry in Connecticut. Benefits include access to CAO and AOA publications, list serves and websites, managed care consultant, lobbying services and networking opportunities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Connecticut Association of Optometrists
35 Cold Spring Road
Suite 211
Rocky Hill, CT 06117-2500

Phone: (860) 529-1900

Official Website: <https://www.cteyes.org>

Email/Contact: info@cteyes.org

CONNECTICUT BIRTH TO THREE SYSTEM

In Connecticut, the Department of Developmental Services is the lead agency for Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Using a statewide intake office, all early intervention referrals are then sent to any one of 45 different Locally Run programs for evaluation and services.

SPONSOR: State Run

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Connecticut Birth to Three System
450 Columbus Boulevard
Hartford, CT 06103-1835

Phone: (860) 713-5013 & (1-800) 500-4433

Official Website: <http://www.birth23.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.birth23.org/contact-2/>

CONNECTICUT BRAILLE ASSOCIATION

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Connecticut Braille Association
44 Imperial Avenue
Westport, CT 6880

Phone: (203) 227-5243

Official Website: N/A

Email/Contact: micki1@juno.com

CONNECTICUT LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

The Connecticut Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped is a network library of the Library of Congress' National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. We lend books and magazines in recorded formats along with the necessary playback equipment, and materials in braille, for free, to any Connecticut adult or child who is unable to read regular print due to a visual or physical disability.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Connecticut Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
198 West Street
Rocky Hill, CT 6067

Phone: (860) 721-2020

Official Website: <https://ctstatelibrary.org/lbph/>

Email/Contact: csl.lbph@ct.gov

CONNECTICUT RADIO INFORMATION SYSTEMS

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Connecticut Radio Information Systems
184 Windsor Avenue
Suite C
Windsor, CT 6095

Phone: (860) 527-8000 & (1-800) 708-0004

Official Website: <http://www.cslib.org/cris/>

Email/Contact: N/A

CONNECTICUT STATE DEPARTMENT ON AGING

The Aging Services Division, Connecticut's State Unit on Aging, ensures that Connecticut's elders have access to the supportive services necessary to live with dignity, security, and independence. The Division is responsible for planning, developing, and administering a comprehensive and integrated service delivery system for older persons in Connecticut.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Connecticut State Department on Aging
55 Farmington Avenue
12th Floor
Hartford, CT 6105

Phone: (860) 424-5274

Official Website: <http://www.ct.gov/agingservices/site/default.asp>

Email/Contact: agingservices.dss@ct.gov

DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES BUREAU OF EDUCATION & SERVICES FOR THE BLIND

The Department of Rehabilitation Services provides a wide range of services to individuals with disabilities who need assistance in maintaining or achieving their full potential for self-direction, self-reliance and independent living. The primary customers of the agency are individuals with disabilities, and in our employment-based programs we also have business/employers as a dual customer.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/ Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/ Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/ Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Department of Rehabilitation Services Bureau of Education & Services for the Blind

184 Windsor Avenue

Windsor, CT 6095

Phone: (860) 424-5055

Official Website: <http://www.ct.gov/besb>

Email/Contact: N/A

FIDELCO GUIDE DOG FOUNDATION

“My Fidelco Guide Dog gave me freedom and independence that I thought would never be possible.” This is what we hear from our clients, time and again and this desire to live life to the fullest is an important part of our admissions criteria. Fidelco Guide Dog recipients include a wide variety of blind and visually impaired individuals - business leaders, wounded war heroes, teachers, athletes, mountain climbers, busy parents, and retirees.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Counseling; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation
103 Vision Way
Bloomfield, CT 6002

Phone: (860) 243-5200

Official Website: <http://www.fidelco.org>

Email/Contact: info@fidelco.org

HEALTHY EYES ALLIANCE

Healthy Eyes Alliance, Inc. (HEA) is a 501(c)(3), non-profit, healthcare agency whose mission is “to prevent vision loss and promote healthy eyes.” Its goal is to put an end to preventable and treatable blindness through early detection, free access to vision care (eye exams, glasses, surgery-if necessary) and public education. It operates in New York, Connecticut and New Jersey.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Dog Guide Training; Employment/ Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Healthy Eyes Alliance
129 Church Street
Suite 820
New Haven, CT 6510

Phone: (1-203) 772-4653 & Toll-Free: (1-800) 850-2020

Official Website: www.healthyeyesalliance.org

Email/Contact: info@healthyeyesalliance.org

LIONS LOW VISION CENTER OF EASTERN CONNECTICUT

The Mission of the Lions Low Vision Center of Eastern Connecticut is to provide appropriate low vision devices and help to people with decreased vision to empower them to improve their quality of life or maintain their independence through awareness, resources, and solutions.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lions Low Vision Center of Eastern Connecticut
P.O. Box 43
Colchester, CT 6415

Phone: (1-860) 377-2063

Official Website: <http://www.lionslowvisionctr.org>

Email/Contact: <http://lionslowvisionctr.org/index.php/contact/>

LIONS LOW VISION CENTERS, INC.

Owned by the Lions of Connecticut-Lions Low Vision Centers, Inc. maintains centers in Greenwich, Danbury, Waterbury, Bridgeport, Southbury, New Britain, Bristol, Bloomfield, Torrington and at the Yale Eye Center in New Haven. Lions Low Vision Center teaches people who are visually impaired person new ways to utilize remaining eyesight by providing the necessary aids and devices that can increase independence and ease activities of daily living. All clients must be under the care of an eye care provider and must have a report from that provider in order to be seen by the Lions Low Vision Center.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lions Low Vision Centers, Inc.
33 Highland Street
New Britain, CT 6052

Phone: (860) 832-9601 & (1-800) 676-5715

Official Website: <http://lionslowvisioncenters.org/>

Email/Contact: lionlvc@lionslowvisioncenters.org

NATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER FOR BLIND MUSICIANS, NEIGHBORHOOD STUDIOS OF FAIRFIELD COUNTY

The National Resource Center for Blind Musicians is a division of Neighborhood Studios of Fairfield County, which is a school of the arts in Bridgeport, Connecticut. The resource center provides information and referral services for visually impaired students of all ages, their parents and teachers. It is one of the sources to which one can turn for help locating visually impaired musicians willing to share their expertise in braille music, technology and coping strategies. The Resource Center is best known for its Summer Institute for Blind College-bound Musicians, a residential program which was run from 1996 to 2012. We do not offer the Institute at this time. However, we stand ready to help students find alternative programs or teachers with the expertise to fill gaps in their readiness for music study at the college level. Other activities of the resource Center include developing programs for visually impaired people living near Neighborhood Studios and teacher training.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

National Resource Center for Blind Musicians, Neighborhood Studios of Fairfield County
391 East Washington Avenue
Bridgeport, CT 6608

Connecticut

Phone: (203) 366-3300

Official Website: <http://www.blindmusicstudent.org/>

Email/Contact: info@blindmusicstudent.org

OAK HILL

Oak Hill's blind programs help those with vision impairments find suitable housing, train for various jobs and develop independent living skills.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oak Hill
120 Holcomb Street
Hartford, CT 6112

Phone: (860) 286-3100; Toll Free: (1-866) 526-4492

Official Website: <https://oakhillct.org/Services/Blindness-Programs>

Email/Contact: steve.famiglietti@oakhillct.org

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BLINDSIGHT DELAWARE LANDIS LODGE BUILDING

BlindSight Delaware is an organization of volunteers and professional staff dedicated to improving the quality of life for blind and visually impaired adults and children in Delaware through programs of recreation, enrichment, communication and education.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Computer/Assistive Technology; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blindsight Delaware Landis Lodge Building
2915 Newport Gap Pike
Wilmington, DE 19808

Phone: (302) 998-5913

Official Website: <http://www.blindsightdelaware.org>

Email/Contact: <http://blindsightdelaware.org/contact-us/>

DELAWARE ACADEMY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Delaware Academy of Ophthalmology
131 Continental Drive
Suite 405
Newark, DE 19713-4308

Phone: (302) 658-7596

Official Website: N/A

Email/Contact: N/A

DELAWARE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVE UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE CENTER OF DISABILITIES STUDIES

Funded by the Administration on Community Living, the Delaware Assistive Technology Initiative (DATI) helps Delawareans find and try tools that support learning, communication, personal care, employment and leisure pursuits. DATI raises awareness of assistive technology (AT) through community events, such as health fairs and exhibits, and offers training to people with disabilities, families and professionals. DATI also operates several programs that help people acquire the tools they need.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Delaware Assistive Technology Initiative University of Delaware Center
of Disabilities Studies
461 Wyoming Road
Newark, DE 19716-5901

Phone: (302) 831-0354 & (1-800) 870-3284

Official Website: <http://www.cds.udel.edu/at/dati/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.cds.udel.edu/at/helpdesk/submit-question/>

DELAWARE BIRTH TO 3 EARLY INTERVENTION SYSTEM DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES DIVISION OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Birth to 3 is a statewide, comprehensive, coordinated, multidisciplinary, interagency system that provides early intervention services and supports for infants and toddlers with disabilities and developmental delays and their families.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Employment/ Job Training; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Delaware Birth to 3 Early Intervention System Department of Health and Social Services Division of Management Services
1901 North Du Pont Highway
Main BLDG.
New Castle, DE 19720

Phone: (302) 255-9135

Official Website: <http://www.dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dms/epqc/birth3/directry.html>

Email/Contact: nancy.smith@state.de.us

DELAWARE COUNCIL OF THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Thank you for visiting the web site of the Delaware Council of The Blind And Visually Impaired (DCBVI), Delaware's one-stop source for blindness and visual impairment resources. Please feel free to stop back often as things take shape in the weeks to come. Our goal is to provide information of interest to blind and visually impaired persons, their friends, families and employers.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Delaware Council of the Blind and Visually Impaired
27 Miles Road
Claymont, DE 19703-1236

Phone: (302) 798-8192

Official Website: <http://www.dcbvi.org>

Email/Contact: s/sutlic@comcast.net

DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SPECIAL EDUCATION JOHN G. TOWNSEND BUILDING

The Exceptional Children Resources workgroup provides parents, guardians, and families with education related information and resources available to Delaware students with disabilities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Delaware Department of Education Special Education John G.
Townsend Building
401 Federal Street
Suite 2
Dover, DE 19901

Phone: (302) 735-4000

Official Website: <https://www.doe.k12.de.us/Page/2297>

Email/Contact: N/A

DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES: DIVISION FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED BIGGS BUILDING

The Mission of DVI is to provide educational, vocational, and technical support to empower and foster independence for Delawareans with visual impairments.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Delaware Department of Health and Social Services:
Division for the Visually Impaired Biggs Building
1901 North Dupont Highway
New Castle, DE 19720

Phone: (302) 255-9800

Official Website: <http://dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dvi/>

Email/Contact: dviintake@state.de.us

DELAWARE DIVISION OF SERVICES FOR AGING AND ADULTS WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, ANNEX

The Delaware Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) is a one-stop access point for information and services for older persons and adults with physical disabilities throughout the State.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Delaware Division of Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities Department of Health and Social Services Administration Building, Annex
1901 North DuPont Highway
1st Floor
New Castle, DE 19720

Phone: (1-800) 223-9074

Official Website: <http://dhss.delaware.gov/dsaapd/>

Email/Contact: delawareadrc@state.de.us

DELAWARE LIBRARY ACCESS SERVICES

The Delaware Division of Libraries is all about leadership and support for the timely development of Delaware's libraries, to ensure convenient access to, and encourage use of current information resources and reading material by all Delawareans. The members of the Delaware library community are unified in the values of service, access, and excellence, and are committed to the vision of progressive libraries and the transformational impact they have on the people who use them.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Delaware Library Access Services
121 Martin Luther King Blvd. North
Dover, DE 19901

Phone: (302) 739-4748

Official Website: <https://libraries.delaware.gov/dlas/>

Email/Contact: debph@lib.de.us

DELAWARE MATERIALS CENTER DIVISION FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Instructional Materials and Resource Center (IMRC) provides Accessible Educational and Instructional Materials in alternate formats such as Braille, Large Print, and digital versions to our visually impaired students in Delaware's K12 educational system. These digital versions can be accessed on a computer or mobile device. The IMRC also maintains depositories of braille and large print books and instructional equipment including assistive technology. Requests from outside agencies and businesses are processed as production resources allow. Materials that are produced in-house are made possible through the efforts of agency staff, volunteers, and the Men With A Message Braille Program located at the James T. Vaughn Correctional Center. Men With A Message is a cooperative program run jointly between the Division for the Visually Impaired and the Department of Correction. The program employs Brailleists (each certified by the Library of Congress) and a Large Print Producer.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Delaware Materials Center Division for the Visually Impaired
1901 North DuPont Highway
New Castle, DE 19720

Phone: (302) 255-9800 Central Intake Coordinator: (302) 255-9848

Official Website: <http://dhss.delaware.gov/dvi/materctr.html>

Email/Contact: <http://dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dvi/contact.html>

DELAWARE OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The purpose and objectives of this association shall be to unite into one organization all professional optometrists in the State of Delaware; to advance, improve and enhance the vision care of the public; to elevate and maintain the standards and ethics of the profession of optometry; to protect and defend the inalienable rights of every person to freedom of choice of practitioner; and to restrict the practice of optometry and any part of it to those who have been trained, qualified, and licensed to practice the profession in the State of Delaware.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Delaware Optometric Association
317 East Main Street
Newark, DE 19711

Phone: (302) 737-5777

Official Website: <http://delaware.aoa.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://delaware.aoa.org/x9044.xml>

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AARP

AARP is a nonprofit, nonpartisan membership organization for people 50 and over. It provides information and resources; advocates on legislative, consumer, and legal issues; assists members to serve their communities; and offers a wide range of unique benefits, special products, and services for its members. These benefits include AARP Webplace at www.aarp.org, AARP The Magazine, the monthly AARP Bulletin, and Segunda Juventud, our Spanish language periodical. Active in every state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, AARP celebrates the attitude that age is just a number and life is what you make it.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

AARP
601 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20049

Phone: (202) 434-2227 & (1-877) 434-7598 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.aarp.org>

Email/Contact: member@aarp.org

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY LEGAL SERVICES

The Assistive Technology Program for DC (ATPDC) is a citywide program whose goal is to enhance independence, productivity, inclusion and the quality of life for all individuals with disabilities. We accomplish this goal by identifying those barriers that keep people from getting the appropriate assistive technology (AT) devices and services they need to live more independent lives. In collaboration with consumers, government agencies and community organizations, we develop and implement strategies to overcome those barriers. The ATPDC presents residents, service providers and businesses a variety of assistive technology related services.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Assistive Technology Program for the District of Columbia University
Legal Services
220 I Street NE, Suite 130
Washington, DC 20002

Phone: (202) 547-0198 ext. 134 & TTY: (202) 547-2657

Official Website: <http://www.atpdc.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

COLUMBIA LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND

Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind's (CLB) programs and services include training and consultation in assistive technology, employment marketing skills training, career placement services, comprehensive low vision care, and a wide range of counseling and rehabilitation services.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind
1825 K Street, NW
Suite 1103
Washington, DC 20006

Phone: (202) 454-6400

Official Website: <http://www.clb.org>

Email/Contact: <https://www.clb.org/contact/>

DC CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING

The DC Center for Independent Living, Inc. (DCCIL) is a nonprofit, community based, cross disability organization serving all citizens with disabilities of the District of Columbia. Serving the District of Columbia since 1981, DCCIL was established through Congressional Legislation and is one of 400 Centers for Independent Living (CILs) nationwide assisting people with significant disabilities to live independently in their homes and their communities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

DC Center for Independent Living
1400 Florida Avenue, NE
Washington, DC 20002

Phone: (202) 388-0033 & (202) 388-0277 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.dccil.org/>

Email/Contact: info@dccil.org

DC LIBRARY CENTER FOR ACCESSIBILITY

Through its Center for Accessibility, the DC Public Library helps District residents with disabilities more easily access programs, services, and collections at all branches of the library.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

DC Library Center for Accessibility
1990 K St. NW
Washington, DC

Phone: (202) 727-2142 & (202) 559-5368

Official Website: <https://www.dclibrary.org/services/accessibility>

Email/Contact: lbph.dcpl@dc.gov

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT ON DISABILITY SERVICES

The goal of the Services for People with Blindness and Visual Impairments (DSB) is to maximize employment opportunities and independence for persons with visual disabilities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

District of Columbia Department on Disability Services
1125 15th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20005

Phone: (202) 730-1700

Official Website: <http://dds.dc.gov/service/services-people-blindness-and-visual-impairments>

Email/Contact: dds@dc.gov

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA OFFICE ON AGING

The DC Office on Aging (DCOA) is an agency that develops and carries out a comprehensive and coordinated system of health, education, and social services for the District's older adults, people with disabilities (including vision) and their caregivers.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

District of Columbia Office on Aging
500 K Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002

Phone: (202) 724-5626

Official Website: <http://dcoa.dc.gov/>

Email/Contact: dcoa@dc.gov

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SPECIAL EDUCATION BRANCH

DC Public Schools aspires to be a model district for special education. Their goal is to provide high quality inclusion and special education services, and to dramatically improve academic outcomes for students with disabilities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

District of Columbia Special Education Branch
1200 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002

Phone: (202) 442-5885

Official Website: <https://dcps.dc.gov/specialeducation>

Email/Contact: N/A

EYE BANK ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

EBAA represents every eye bank in the United States and over a dozen other eye banks worldwide. Our Medical Standards ensure safe and appropriate care for corneal tissue from first contact with the donor through post-transplant communication with the surgeon. Our accreditation process ensures that all accredited eye banks adhere to our Medical Standards. And our communications and advocacy efforts educate policy makers and the general public about the life-changing impact of eye banking and cornea transplantation.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Eye Bank Association of America
1101 17th Street NW
Suite 400
Washington, DC 20036

Phone: (202) 775-4999

Official Website: <http://www.restoresight.org>

Email/Contact: info@restoresight.org

GALLAUDET UNIVERSITY: OFFICE FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES HALL MEMORIAL BUILDING

The Office for Students with Disabilities, known as “OSWD”, gives qualified students with disabilities the opportunity for success through equal access and the means to participate in curricular and extracurricular activities at Gallaudet University. We provide individually tailored, comprehensive disability support services and programs in accordance with Federal and State disability law. We strive to create an inclusive, safe, and respectful environment for all students, and promote awareness and equity for all in our campus community. OSWD serves students with mental and physical disabilities, including those with visual, neurological, psychological, and learning disabilities, Attention Deficit Disorders, and chronic illnesses. Other disabilities types are considered upon application. Disabilities may be permanent or temporary. OSWD is the designated office at Gallaudet University that evaluates disability documentation, determines eligibility for accommodations, and implements reasonable accommodations for enrolled students in accord with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and University policy.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Gallaudet University: Office for Students with Disabilities Hall Memorial Building
800 Florida Avenue, NE
Room S-135
Washington, DC

Phone: (202) 651-5256

Official Website: <http://depts.gallaudet.edu/oswd/>

Email/Contact: oswd@gallaudet.edu

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER: DEPARTMENT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY PASQUERILLA HEALTHCARE CENTER

MedStar Georgetown ophthalmologists are trained in the latest techniques for diagnosing and treating a wide variety of disorders, conditions, and injuries of the eyes. We specialize in both medical and surgical ophthalmology and provide routine exams, glasses, and contact lenses. Our technology, as well as our caring approach to treatment, is tailored to the specific needs of each individual patient. Should you require intervention to treat your vision, we offer the greatest level of comfort, minimally invasive techniques and state-of-the-art retinal laser treatments. Our eye centers provide a full array of diagnostic and treatment options for diseases affecting the eye.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Georgetown University Medical Center: Department of Ophthalmology
Pasquerilla Healthcare Center
3800 Reservoir Road, NW
7th floor
Washington, DC

Phone: (202) 444-4448

Official Website: <https://www.medstargeorgetown.org/our-services/ophthalmology/>

Email/Contact: N/A

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF AREA AGENCIES ON AGING

The National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a) is a 501(c) (3) membership association representing America's national network of 622 Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) and providing a voice in the nation's capital for the 256 Title VI Native American aging programs. Whether it is helping Washington set priorities, building the capacity of our members, raising the visibility of AAAs and Title VI programs nationwide, offering training and educational events, or working to drive excellence in the fields of I&R/A, transportation, livable communities and volunteerism, n4a is dedicated to supporting the success of its members.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

National Association of Area Agencies on Aging
1730 Rhode Island Avenue, NW
Suite 1200
Washington, DC 20036

Phone: (202) 872-0888

Official Website: <http://www.n4a.org>

Email/Contact: info@n4a.org

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATES UNITED FOR AGING AND DISABILITIES

The National Association of States United for Aging and Disabilities (NASUAD) was founded in 1964 under the name National Association of State Units on Aging (NASUA). In 2010, the organization changed its name to NASUAD in an effort to formally recognize the work that the state agencies were undertaking in the field of disability policy and advocacy. Today, NASUAD represents the nation's 56 state and territorial agencies on aging and disabilities and supports visionary state leadership, the advancement of state systems innovation and the articulation of national policies that support home and community based services for older adults and individuals with disabilities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

National Association of States United for Aging and Disabilities
1201 15th Street, NW
Suite 350
Washington, DC 20005

Phone: (202) 898-2578 & (1-800) 677-1116

Official Website: <http://www.nasuad.org/>

Email/Contact: info@nasuad.org

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF VISION PROFESSIONALS

NAVP, founded in 1978, was created to help vision professionals become greater in their fields. As a way to help vision professionals connect and grow, NAVP has grown into a national association as a recognized non-profit, entirely dedicated to serving its members in vision-related career fields.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

National Association of Vision Professionals
1775 Church Street, NW
Washington, DC 20036

Phone: (202) 234-1010

Official Website: <http://www.visionpros.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.visionpros.org/#contact-us-section>

OFFICE OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION (OSSE) DIVISION OF EARLY LEARNING

Strong Start DC Early Intervention Program is a statewide, comprehensive, coordinated, multidisciplinary system that provides early intervention therapeutic and other services for infants and toddlers with disabilities and developmental delays and their families. The federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Part C, along with the District of Columbia Public Law 1-2-119 mandate that infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families receive coordinated services early enough to make a difference. These services must be flexible, culturally responsive, and most importantly, meet the needs of the child and the family. The Strong Start DC Early Intervention Program serves as the single point of entry for infants and toddlers in Washington DC whose families have concerns about their development.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE)
Division of Early Learning
810 1st Street, NE
5th Floor, Suite 1200
Washington, DC 20002

Phone: (202) 727-6436

Official Website: <http://osse.dc.gov/service/strong-start-dc-early-intervention-program-dc-eip>

Email/Contact: N/A

PREVENTION OF BLINDNESS SOCIETY OF METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON

Founded in 1936, the Prevention of Blindness Society of Metropolitan Washington® (POB) is the largest Locally Run prevention of blindness agency in the United States, dedicated to the improvement and preservation of sight by providing services, education, advocacy and innovation. POB screens more than 8,000 children annually for vision loss and strabismus, and thousands of adults for glaucoma. The organization provides thousands of low-income and homeless community members with eyeglasses each year, and helps those with low vision retain their independence through personalized rehabilitation programs at its Low Vision Learning Centers in Washington, DC and Alexandria, VA. POB sponsors the Aging Eye Network, Macular Degeneration Network, and Stargardt's Network, which provide free public programs and support groups.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Dog Guide Training; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Prevention of Blindness Society of Metropolitan Washington
233 Massachusetts Avenue, NE
Washington, DC 20002

Phone: (202) 234-1010

Official Website: <http://www.youreyes.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.youreyes.org/contact-us>

District of Columbia

TASH

TASH is an international leader in disability advocacy. Founded in 1975, TASH advocates for human rights and inclusion for people with significant disabilities and support needs – those most vulnerable to segregation, abuse, neglect and institutionalization. TASH works to advance inclusive communities through advocacy, research, professional development, policy, and information and resources for parents, families and self-advocates. The inclusive practices TASH validates through research have been shown to improve outcomes for all people. TASH is governed by a board of directors and is supported by a network of members, volunteers, committees and chapter organizations. The TASH membership includes a diverse array of individuals and perspectives, including researchers, professionals, direct service workers, family members and people with disabilities. Together, we share a commitment to quality lives for the people for whom we advocate.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

TASH
1875 Eye Street, NW
Suite 582
Washington, DC 20006

Phone: (202) 429-2080

Official Website: <http://www.tash.org>

Email/Contact: info@tash.org

UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY

United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) educates, advocates and provides support services to ensure a life without limits for people with a spectrum of disabilities. UCP and its 65 affiliates have a mission to advance the independence, productivity and full citizenship of people with a broad range of disabilities by providing services and support to more than 176,000 children and adults every day—one person at a time, one family at a time. UCP works to enact real change—to revolutionize care, raise standards of living and create opportunities—impacting the lives of millions living with disabilities. For more than 60 years, UCP has worked to ensure the inclusion of individuals with disabilities in every facet of society. Together, with parents and caregivers, UCP will continue to push for the social, legal and technological changes that increase accessibility and independence, allowing people with disabilities to dream their own dreams, for the next 60 years, and beyond.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

United Cerebral Palsy
1825 K Street, NW
Suite 600
Washington, DC 20006

Phone: (800) 872-5827

Official Website: <http://www.ucp.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://ucp.org/contact-us/>

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AUDIO BIBLES FOR THE BLIND

Audio Bibles for the blind offers many different options, formats, versions, & titles to choose from. Some options are completely free of any cost (proof of print disability from “competent authority” required), while other items are at a subsidized cost.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Audio Bibles for the Blind
P.O. BOX 621
Bradenton, FL 34206

Phone: (941) 748-3031

Official Website: <http://audiobiblesfortheblind.org/>

Email/Contact: tapes@auroraministries.org

BRaille WORKS

Braille Works is one of the nation's leading providers of reading materials for people who are blind, visually impaired or reading impaired. Making The World A More Readable Place™ has been our mission from day one. We are creative and innovative because our customers expect it. Your projects are given careful consideration to make every page easy to read and handle. This gives your blind and visually impaired customers the respect and independence they rightly deserve. At Braille Works, attention to detail drives everything we do. From the layout of your braille document to the format of a large print document, or the scripting of an audio document, we seek to exceed the expectations of your customers.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Braille Works
941-942 Darby Lake Street
Seffner, FL 33584

Phone: (813) 654-4050

Official Website: <https://www.brailleworks.com>

Email/Contact: info@brailleworks.com

BROWARD COUNTY TALKING BOOK LIBRARY

The Broward County Talking Book Library, located in the Main Library, provides recorded and Braille reading material to people who cannot use print books because of a visual or physical disability. Books and magazines on tape, materials in Braille, and print/Braille children's books can be checked out at the library or mailed postage-free to and from customers' homes. Special cassette players and headphones are also loaned free of charge.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Broward County Talking Book Library
100 South Andrews Avenue
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301

Phone: (954) 357-7555 & (954) 357-7528 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.broward.org/library/mylibraryonline/pages/talkingbooklibrary.aspx>

Email/Contact: talkingbooks@broward.org

CENTER FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Center for the Visually Impaired's long term commitment to our mission has been in place since 1988. We work to ensure that blind and visually impaired individuals lead successful lives in their workplace, at home and in their communities. Our goal is to enhance the lives and opportunities of our clients through a dedicated curriculum and support system that focuses on job training and employment, Independent Living skills, Technology Training, Children's services and well as a multitude of community services.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Center for the Visually Impaired
1187 Dunn Avenue
Daytona Beach, FL 32114

Phone: (386) 253-8879 & (1-800) 227-1284

Official Website: <http://www.cvicentralfloida.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.cvicentralfloida.org/contact.html>

FLORIDA ALLIANCE FOR ASSISTIVE SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY BUILDING B

FAAST, the Florida Alliance for Assistive Services and Technology program, is administered through the Florida Department of Education, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation and is federally funded by the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) under the Assistive Technology Act of 1998, as amended in 2004 (P.L. 108-364). Since its inception in 1998, FAAST has been and continues to be a resource to provide Floridians free access to information, referral services, educational programs, and publications in accessible format on extensive topics related to disability rights, laws/policies, and funding opportunities for assistive technology.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Florida Alliance for Assistive Services and Technology Building B
3333 West Pensacola Street
Tallahassee, FL 32304-2800

Phone: (850) 487-3278 & (850) 921-5951 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://faast.org>

Email/Contact: info@faastinc.org

FLORIDA AND VIRGIN ISLANDS (FAVI) DEAF-BLIND COLLABORATIVE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

The FAVI Deaf-Blind Collaborative serves the entire state of Florida providing training and consultation services to the families and educational teams of Florida's children and young adults (ages 0-22) with concurrent hearing loss and vision loss.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Florida and Virgin Islands (FAVI) Deaf-Blind Collaborative University of Florida
P.O. Box 100234
Gainesville, FL 32610

Phone: (352) 273-7530 & (1-800) 667-4052

Official Website: <http://deafblind.ufl.edu/welcome/>

Email/Contact: N/A

FLORIDA CENTER FOR THE BLIND

Florida Center for the Blind, Inc. (FCB) is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization that has been providing vision rehabilitation since 1988. FCB provides training and education for individuals who are blind or visually impaired at no cost to them. Our service area includes eight north central Florida counties: Alachua, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy, Marion and Union. During the course of each year we work with over 200 individuals - babies, children, teens, adults and seniors.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Florida Center for the Blind
7634 SW 60th Avenue
Ocala, FL 34476

Phone: (352) 873-4700

Official Website: <http://www.flblind.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.flblind.org/contact-us.html>

FLORIDA COUNCIL OF THE BLIND

The Florida Council of the Blind (FCB), a state affiliate of the American Council of the Blind (ACB), is a statewide organization of blind people working to make life better through public education, legislative actions, and providing a statewide information and referral service through Project Insight. FCB is also an organization designed to provide resources to the Visually Impaired community. We offer educational, social, and economic opportunities specific to the needs of blind individuals.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Florida Council of the Blind
9901 SW 138th Street
Miami, FL 33176

Phone: (305) 251-6983 & (1-800) 267-4448

Official Website: <http://www.fcb.org>

Email/Contact: floridacouncil@comcast.net

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: DIVISION OF BLIND SERVICES

The Florida Division of Blind Services helps blind and visually impaired individuals achieve their goals and live their lives with as much independence and self-direction as possible. To apply for services, you must first download and complete the Application for Services Form and submit it to your nearest Division of Blind Services office.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); NLS Libraries; Radio Reading Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Florida Department of Education: Division of Blind Services
325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1114
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Phone: (850) 245-0331

Official Website: <http://dbs.myflorida.com>

Email/Contact: <http://dbs.myflorida.com/Information/contact.html>

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

The Department provides most direct services through its Division of Statewide Community-Based Services, which works through the state's eleven Area Agencies on Aging and Locally Run service providers to deliver essential services to a vital segment of the population. The Department also directly administers a wide range of programs, ranging from the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program, Office of Public and Professional Guardians, and Communities for a Lifetime to SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders) and CARES (Comprehensive Assessment and Review for Long-Term Care Services).

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Florida Department of Elder Affairs
4040 Esplanade Way
Tallahassee, FL 32399-7000

Phone: (850) 414-2000

Official Website: <http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/>

Email/Contact: <http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/doea/contact.php>

FLORIDA EARLY STEPS CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES

Children's Medical Services is a collection of special programs for eligible children with special needs. They have a variety of services for expecting moms, newborn babies, infants and toddlers, school-aged children, adolescents and young adults. All of their services are provided by highly qualified physicians, nurses, social workers and other health care providers around the state. Through their family-centered programs, they make sure your child gets the care he or she needs.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Florida Early Steps Children's Medical Services
2585 Merchants Row Blvd
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1707

Phone: (850) 245-4456

Official Website: http://www.floridahealth.gov/AlternateSites/CMS-Kids/families/early_steps/early_steps.html

Email/Contact: http://www.floridahealth.gov/AlternateSites/CMS-Kids/home/contact/area_offices.html

FLORIDA INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS CENTER FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

FIMC-VI is a statewide resource center designed to assist schools in obtaining specialized materials for students with visual impairments. Established in 1972 by the Florida Legislature, FIMC-VI operates under the Florida Department of Education, Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services through a grant agreement with the School District of Hillsborough County. FIMC-VI provides services to students with visual impairments enrolled in Florida's public and private schools as well as those students that are home schooled as long as they are participating in a "formally organized educational program." FIMC-VI also supports all teachers, school administrators, and agency personnel working with Florida's K-12 students with visual impairments. There is no charge for any services offered by FIMC-VI. Materials are produced by the Center staff, prepared by certified volunteer transcribers, and/or purchased by the Center. These materials are then loaned to schools within Florida. Outreach, consultation, workshops, webinars, independent modules, student events, and other learning opportunities are offered to families, teachers, and agency personnel throughout the State at no charge.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Community Outreach Programs; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Florida Instructional Materials Center for the Visually Impaired
4210 West Bay Villa Avenue
Tampa, FL 33611-1206

Phone: (813) 837-7826 & (1-800) 282-9193

Official Website: <http://www.fimcvi.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

FLORIDA LIONS CONKLIN CENTER FOR THE BLIND

The mission of the Conklin Center for the Blind is to train, assist, and support individuals who are blind and have one or more other disabilities to obtain gainful employment, live independently, participate in community life, and have the freedom to make his or her own choices with dignity. The Conklin Center provides community-based early intervention services to visually impaired infants, toddlers and their families to assist children in preparing to enter public school ready to learn alongside their sighted peers.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Florida Lions Conklin Center for the Blind
405 White Street
Daytona Beach, FL 32114

Phone: (386) 258-3441

Official Website: <http://www.conklincenter.org>

Email/Contact: info@conklincenter.org

FLORIDA OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The mission of the Florida Optometric Association is to advance and promote the quality, availability, and accessibility of primary eye and related health care of Florida's citizens; to represent the profession of optometry; to enhance and promote the independent and ethical decision-making of its members; and to enable optometric physicians to practice at the highest standards of patient care.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Personnel Preparation; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Florida Optometric Association
120 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Phone: (850) 877-4697 & (1-800) 399-2334

Official Website: <http://www.floridaeyes.org>

Email/Contact: <https://www.floridaeyes.org/general/?type=contact>

FLORIDA OUTREACH CENTER FOR THE BLIND

The Florida Outreach Center for the Blind (FOCB) is a not-for-profit agency formed for the express purpose of providing services to people in Palm Beach county and surrounding areas that are blind or visually impaired. It was founded in 2003 by Carolyn Lapp. Ms. Lapp established the FOCB with a mission to address the needs of the estimated 33,406 blind and visually impaired individuals in the County. FOCB believes if you give blind and visually impaired people the tools and services they need, they will develop a positive attitude toward their blindness, cope with their visual challenge, and contribute to their community. Therefore, FOCB is unique among Locally Run organizations serving blind and low-vision persons, because the CEO, many of the staff, and at least half of the board members themselves are blind or visually impaired. The FOCB takes great pride in creating jobs for the visually impaired by serving the visually impaired. In turn, this creates an integrated community for the blind and their families.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Florida Outreach Center for the Blind
2315 South Congress Avenue
West Palm Beach, FL 33406

Phone: (561) 642-0005

Official Website: <http://blindfocb.org/>

Email/Contact: info@blindfocb.org

FLORIDA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND

Established in 1885, FSDB is a fully accredited state public school and outreach center available tuition-free to eligible Pre-K and K-12 deaf/hard of hearing or blind/visually impaired students, including meals, boarding, transportation and other services. Comprehensive educational services at FSDB are individualized, specific to the unique communication and accessibility needs of each student to develop independence and lifelong success. Currently, FSDB serves about 600 students on campus in Pre-K and K-12 academic programs, as well as about 400 infants and toddlers and their families across the state of Florida through Parent Service Programs.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind
207 North San Marco Avenue
Street Augustine, FL 32084

Phone: (904) 827-2200

Official Website: <http://www.fsdb.k12.fl.us/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.fsdb.k12.fl.us/index.php/contact-us/>

FLORIDA SOCIETY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

The Florida Society of Ophthalmology (FSO) is a nonprofit medical society focused on protecting the medical specialty of ophthalmology. The FSO represents more than 500 physician members in the state and provides continuing medical education for physicians and other healthcare professionals to advance patient care in the realm of ophthalmology.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Florida Society of Ophthalmology
6816 Southpoint Parkway
Suite 1000
Jacksonville, FL 32216

Phone: (904) 998-0819

Official Website: <http://www.mdeye.org/>

Email/Contact: cfilbert@mdeye.org

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY: PROGRAM IN VISUAL DISABILITIES COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Love working with people? Driven to make our world a better place? If you have a huge heart and you're up for a huge—and rewarding—challenge, consider Florida State University's accelerated BS/MS program in Visual Disabilities Education, the only program of its kind in the Southeast.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Florida State University: Program in Visual Disabilities College of Education
2205L Stone Building
Tallahassee, FL 32306-4459

Phone: (850) 644-4880

Official Website: <http://education.fsu.edu/degrees-and-programs/visual-disabilities>

Email/Contact: slewis@fsu.edu

GOSPEL ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

The Gospel Association for the Blind, a Christian non-profit organization whose main purpose is “to win the blind for Christ, and train and equip them to win their fellow blind.” This mission is a quote from our charter more than fifty years ago. Since our humble beginnings, God’s precious word has been spread to the blind throughout the United States and most countries of the world. We truly minister to “the darkest of all dark missionary fields.” The Gospel Association for the Blind offers a wide range of topics such as Bible studies, biographies, fiction and current issues, science, music and many other subjects for your enjoyment. Services are free and offered in print, cassette or Braille. Downloadable audio format is coming soon! The Gospel Association for the Blind provides a free monthly tape magazine “The Gospel Messenger.” We also have a lending library filled with braille and recorded materials. Each year we sponsor a Bible centered camp.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Gospel Association for the Blind
7850 South U.S. Highway 1
Bunnell, FL 32110-8770

Phone: (386) 586-5885

Official Website: <http://gaftb.org/>

Email/Contact: info@gaftb.org

HOPE HAVEN CHILDREN'S CLINIC & FAMILY CENTER

Hope Haven's multidisciplinary team provides excellence in educational, psychological and related therapeutic services for children, young adults and families with special needs. Hope Haven clients include those with: learning challenges and disabilities, such as dyslexia and attention deficit disorder; developmental needs, such as those related to autism, Down syndrome and other challenges; mental health issues, such as depression, anxiety or repercussions of divorce.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Hope Haven Children's Clinic & Family Center
4600 Beach Boulevard
Jacksonville, FL 32207

Phone: (904) 346-5100

Official Website: <http://www.hope-haven.org/>

Email/Contact: info@hope-haven.org

INDEPENDENCE FOR THE BLIND OF WEST FLORIDA

Independence for the Blind of West Florida serves persons who are blind or visually impaired in a 10-county area in Northwest Florida. The service area includes Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Holmes, Bay, Jackson, Washington, Calhoun, and Gulf counties. Services are provided to clients free of charge. The mission of Independence for the Blind of West Florida is to teach independent living skills, computer and adaptive technology, and provide vocational assessments, training, and employment-related services to people who are blind or visually impaired so they can achieve maximum independence.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Independence for the Blind of West Florida
3107 North Davis Highway
Pensacola, FL 32503

Phone: (850) 477-2663

Official Website: <http://ibwest.org>

Email/Contact: <http://ibwest.org/contact-us>

INDEPENDENT LIVING FOR ADULT BLIND FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE AT JACKSONVILLE

ILAB is a community-based rehabilitation program for adults and high school youth who have reduced vision to a degree that some difficulty is experienced in their daily activities. Through guidance and specialized training offered in the ILAB program, individuals learn necessary skills for work and independence in their homes and communities. Training is offered at no cost to eligible individuals.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Information and Referral; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Independent Living for Adult Blind c/o Florida State College at Jacksonville
101 West State Street
Room A-2140
Jacksonville , FL 32202

Phone: (904) 633-8220

Official Website: <http://floridastatecollegecatalog.fscj.edu/content.php?catoid=11&navoid=2149>

Email/Contact: bsimpson@fscj.edu

LEE COUNTY TALKING BOOKS LIBRARY LEE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

The Lee County Talking Books Library (a division of the National Library Service or NLS) provides recorded books and magazines to people who need to hear their reading. The library has been serving the Locally Run community since 1988, when it began as a sub-regional operation housed within the Fort Myers-Lee County Public Library. In December 2013, Talking Books Library moved to its new permanent home on Lee Street in the Fort Myers River District. Lee County's Talking Books Library has thousands of holdings in its collection and access to more than 2.5 million titles that are available in many languages. The library also loans narrated magazines and braille materials to its patrons.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lee County Talking Books Library Lee County Library System
1651 Lee Street
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 533-4780

Official Website: <http://www.leegov.com/library/services/talking-books>

Email/Contact: <http://www.leegov.com/staff/>

LIGHTHOUSE CENTRAL FLORIDA

Since 1976, Lighthouse Central Florida (LCF) has served adults and children with low vision and blindness by providing professional rehabilitation and training programs in Orange, Seminole, and Osceola counties. Lighthouse is the sole non-profit provider of comprehensive vision rehabilitation services in the Central Florida area.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lighthouse Central Florida
215 East New Hampshire Street
Orlando, FL 32804

Phone: (407) 898-2483

Official Website: <http://www.lighthousecfl.org>

Email/Contact: contact@lighthousecfl.org

LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND OF THE PALM BEACHES

Founded in 1946, The Lighthouse is a private, nonprofit agency providing direct education and rehabilitation services to people who are blind or visually impaired in Palm Beach, Martin, St. Lucie, Indian River and Okeechobee counties. We serve thousands of individuals of all ages: children and young adults, people of working age and our area's fast growing population with age-related vision loss. We also provide services to family members and caregivers of those who are blind. We provide consultation and education to businesses, agencies, institutions and organizations in the community who employ or interact with persons who are blind or visually impaired. With the exception of low vision services, no fees are charged, and services are funded almost entirely by charitable support. The Lighthouse for the Blind of the Palm Beaches is fully accredited by the National Accreditation Council for the Blind and Low Vision (NAC), and is also a member of the Florida Association of Agencies Serving the Blind (FAASB). The Lighthouse is partnered with Gulfstream Goodwill Industries and funding is partially provided by the State of Florida Division of Blind Services.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lighthouse for the Blind of the Palm Beaches
1710 Tiffany Drive East
West Palm Beach, FL 33407

Phone: (561) 586-5600

Official Website: <http://www.lighthousepalmbeaches.org>

Email/Contact: info@lighthousepalmbeaches.org

LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED AND BLIND, INC.

The mission of Lighthouse is to provide people who are visually impaired with the skills needed to achieve maximum independence. The Lighthouse provides free vision rehabilitation services to people who are visually impaired and blind, from babies to those in their senior years. The Lighthouse has two permanent locations in West Pasco and Hernando (Brooksville) counties. Independent Living Skills classes are held at both permanent locations, as well as in community centers located in places like Zephyrhills, Dade City, and Lecanto. In addition, home-based training is provided to many individuals. Lighthouse services are provided at no cost to clients and their families. Services include independent living skills, orientation and mobility training, braille literacy, assistive technology, job readiness, and individual counseling, support groups and regular drop-ins. Youth programs include: Little Lighthouse – Early Intervention (Ages: 0-5); Children’s Activities (Ages: 5-13); and School to Work Transition (Ages: 14-21).

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading

Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lighthouse for the Visually Impaired and Blind, Inc.
8610 Galen Wilson Boulevard
Port Richey, FL 34668

Phone: (727) 815-0303

Official Website: <http://lvib.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.lvib.org/contact-us/>

LIGHTHOUSE OF BROWARD COUNTY

A Locally Run group of blind persons, volunteers and professionals formed the Lighthouse of Broward in 1973. Since then, the small agency created to provide social support and recreational activities for blind people has grown into an accredited, full service educational and rehabilitation agency. Every day, the staff at the Lighthouse strives to further its mission to enhance the independence, productivity, and quality of life of children and adults who are blind or visually impaired.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lighthouse of Broward County
650 North Andrews Avenue
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33311

Phone: (954) 463-4217

Official Website: <http://www.LHOB.org>

Email/Contact: vision@lhob.org

LIGHTHOUSE OF COLLIER

Incorporated in 2009, the mission of the Lighthouse of Collier is to promote the development, implementation, and ongoing evaluation of programs and services that foster independence and enhance the quality of life for the blind, visually impaired, and their caregivers.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lighthouse of Collier
2685 Horseshoe Drive South
Suite 211
Naples, FL 34104

Phone: (239) 430-3934

Official Website: <http://lighthouseofcollier.org/>

Email/Contact: info@lighthouseofcollier.org

LIGHTHOUSE OF MANASOTA

Lighthouse of Manasota is the only nationally accredited, private, non-profit agency providing rehabilitation training to blind and visually impaired individuals of all ages residing in a five-county region that includes Sarasota, Manatee, DeSoto, Charlotte and Highlands. The communities we serve include the cities of Sarasota, Bradenton, Palmetto, Ellenton, Osprey, Nokomis, Venice, Englewood, North Port, Arcadia, Sebring and Avon Park. Our programs offer a holistic approach by providing training and rehabilitation to foster independence, productivity, and improved quality of life. Based in Sarasota, Florida, the Lighthouse provides free, professionally taught classes and sponsors support groups across five counties. Through interview and assessment, classes and resources are carefully chosen to provide each client with skills to live independently and with confidence to undertake activities. The Lighthouse offers education, support and motivation within an environment that is enriching for individuals with vision loss.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lighthouse of Manasota
7318 North Tamiami Trail
Sarasota, FL 34243

Phone: (941) 359-1404

Official Website: <http://lighthouseofmanasota.org/>

Email/Contact: info@lighthouseofmanasota.org

LIGHTHOUSE OF PINELLAS

Lighthouse of Pinellas is the sole, private not-for-profit agency serving the blind and visually impaired in Pinellas County. Chartered in 1956, the mission of Lighthouse of Pinellas is to advance the independence and quality of life for individuals in Pinellas County who are blind or visually impaired. We are nationally accredited through NAC and provide comprehensive vision rehabilitation services to individuals from infants and toddlers to the very elderly in the home, at the agency, and in the community. Lighthouse of Pinellas offers comprehensive vision rehabilitation programs for adults and seniors, vocational rehabilitation services for teens and adults, information and referral services, and comprehensive early intervention programs for infants and young children.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lighthouse of Pinellas
6925 112th Circle North, Suite 103
Largo, FL 33773

Phone: (727) 544-4433

Official Website: <http://www.lhpfl.org>

Email/Contact: <http://lighthouseofpinellas.org/contact/>

LIGHTHOUSE OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA, INC.

Lighthouse of SWFL is the designated community resource provider of training and rehabilitation services for the blind and visually impaired that live in Lee, Hendry, and Glades counties in Florida. We provide services from birth until end of life. Lighthouse SWFL offers rehabilitation services that help babies, children, teenagers and adults adjust and cope with vision loss. Lighthouse holds classes and provides training throughout Lee, Hendry and Glades Counties of Florida. Lighthouse offers activities of daily living, braille, eccentric viewing training (reading), assistive technology, orientation and mobility, social services, counseling, arts and crafts classes, festive events, family education and community outreach activities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Low Vision Services; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lighthouse of Southwest Florida, Inc.
35 West Mariana Avenue
North Fort Myers, FL 33918-5515

Phone: (239) 997-7797

Official Website: <http://www.lighthouseswfl.org/>

Email/Contact: info@lighthouseswfl.org

LIGHTHOUSE OF THE BIG BEND

Lighthouse of the Big Bend is a nonprofit agency dedicated to assisting people with vision loss. Services are provided on a one to one or group basis without regard to individual or family income level, race, creed, age, disability or national origin.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Early Intervention/Infant Services; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lighthouse of the Big Bend
3071 Highland Oaks Terrace
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Phone: (850) 942-3658 & (1-888) 827-6033

Official Website: <http://www.lighthousebigbend.org>

Email/Contact: info@lighthousebigbend.org

MERRICK EDUCATIONAL CENTER

Merrick Educational Center, a Miami-Dade County Public School, has been meeting the needs of Students who are Homebound or Hospitalized Students with Disabilities, and Alternative Education Students for over 30 years. We welcome the opportunity to earn your trust and provide the best in educational services to your child.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Merrick Educational Center
39 Zamora Avenue
Coral Gables, FL 33134

Phone: (305) 445-5188

Official Website: <http://merrick.dadeschools.net>

Email/Contact: <http://merrick.dadeschools.net/Contact%20Us.htm>

MIAMI LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED, INC.

The mission of the Miami Lighthouse is to provide vision rehabilitation and eye health services that promote independence, to educate professionals and to conduct research in related fields. Established in 1931, Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired is the oldest and largest private agency in Florida to serve people of all ages who are blind or the visually impaired. Adult Services are designed to enable blind and visually impaired individuals to regain independent living skills, allowing them to maintain meaningful roles in their family, community, work and/or school. All classes are available in English, Spanish and Creole. Instruction and training at work and in the home is also provided to ensure practical skill use in everyday situations. Clients meet with a counselor or social worker and are orientated within a small group class to discuss available classes and services. We emphasize using one's own life experiences to regain skills using remaining vision and other senses. Social workers act as advocates, information providers and teach the skill of self-advocacy.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal

Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/
O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Inc.
601 SW 8th Avenue
Miami, FL 33130

Phone: (305) 856-2288

Official Website: <http://miamilighthouse.org>

Email/Contact: info@miamilighthouse.org

NEW VISION FOR INDEPENDENCE

New Vision for Independence, Inc. (New Vision) is a nationally accredited 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization and was incorporated on July 18, 2005. New Vision provides unique training to persons experiencing severe bilateral vision loss that is affecting their daily functioning in daily living, vocational, or academic activities. New Vision serves people of all ages — babies, children, teens, adults, and seniors — who reside in Lake and Sumter counties and The Villages. New Vision is the only provider of these vital services for this population in this geographic area.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Vision for Independence
9501 US Hwy 441
Leesburg, FL 34788

Phone: (352) 435-5040

Official Website: <http://www.newvisionfl.org/>

Email/Contact: info@newvisionfl.org

ORANGE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM, TALKING BOOK SECTION

The Orange County Library System offers the Talking Books program to children and adults in the service area who cannot easily use printed materials, including those who are blind, visually impaired, or unable to use print material due to a physical disability either temporarily or permanently.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Orange County Library System, Talking Book Section
101 East Central Boulevard
Orlando, FL 32801

Phone: (407) 835-7464

Official Website: <http://www.ocls.info/using-library/assistive-services/talking-books-and-players>

Email/Contact: <https://www.ocls.info/contact-us/contact-us>

PINELLAS TALKING BOOK LIBRARY

The Pinellas Talking Book Library's mission is to encourage and support reading by providing free library services to residents of Pinellas and Sarasota counties for whom conventional print is a barrier. The library is administered Locally Runly through the Pinellas Public Library Cooperative. A free service to residents of all ages who are unable to read standard print material due to visual, physical or learning disabilities whether permanent or temporary. The Pinellas Talking Book library staff provides recorded, braille and large-print books and magazines as well as a collection of descriptive videos. The library is part of a nationwide network of cooperating libraries serving people who have difficulty using or reading regular print. Books and magazines in audio formats and Braille, plus compatible playback equipment from the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS), Library of Congress, are loaned free of charge. All materials are sent to clients and returned to the library via the United States Postal Service with postage-free mail. The library collection has thousands of recreational reading titles to choose from in fiction and non-fiction, pre-school to adult.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Pinellas Talking Book Library
1330 Cleveland Street
Clearwater, FL 33755-5103

Phone: (727) 441-9958

Official Website: <http://www.pplc.us/tbl/>

Email/Contact: talkingbooks@pplc.us

PRESERVE VISION FLORIDA

Preserve Vision Florida is a non-profit organization offering over 50 years of vision education and services. Our focus is promoting a lifetime of healthy vision care through advocacy, education, screening and research.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Preserve Vision Florida
9200 Seminole Boulevard
2nd Floor
Seminole, FL 33772

Phone: (813) 874-2020 & (1-800) 817-3595

Official Website: <http://www.pvfla.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.pvfla.org/contact-us/>

SOUTHEASTERN GUIDE DOGS, INC.

Southeastern Guide Dogs transforms lives by creating and nurturing extraordinary partnerships between people and dogs, throughout the United States. A nonprofit with a national reach, we train dogs of the highest pedigree for people who are blind and for veterans, providing our premier dogs and lifetime services at no cost, without government funds. We've matched more than 3,100 guide and service dog teams since our 1982 inception, and currently have over 1,000 dogs under our auspices.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Southeastern Guide Dogs, Inc.
4210 77th Street East
Palmetto, FL 34221

Phone: (941) 729-5665 & (1-800) 944-3647

Official Website: <http://www.guidedogs.org>

Email/Contact: <https://www.guidedogs.org/contact-us/email-us/>

TAMPA LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND

Tampa Lighthouse for the Blind provides on-site comprehensive rehabilitation programs for persons who are blind or visually impaired in two locations in Florida. On-site services are provided in Tampa and in Winter Haven for persons residing in Hillsborough, Polk, and Hardee counties. Our training programs are designed to help individuals who have recently lost part or all of their vision to gain the skills needed to perform daily living tasks independently and maintain their employment. Rehabilitation Engineering services are provided statewide by Lighthouse Assistive Technology Specialists to help blind or visually impaired individuals maintain their existing employment through the use of assistive technology and devices.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Tampa Lighthouse for the Blind
1106 West Platt Street
Tampa, FL 33606

Phone: (813) 251-2407

Official Website: <http://www.tampalighthouse.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.tampalighthouse.org/contact>

TEMPLE SISTERHOOD BRAILLE GROUP

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Temple Sisterhood Braille Group
8727 San Jose Boulevard
Jacksonville, FL 32217

Phone: (904) 733-7078

Official Website: N/A

Email/Contact: N/A

VISUALLY IMPAIRED PERSONS OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY

We provide Independent Living classes, Orientation and Mobility classes, a weekly Peer Group and referrals to various other Locally Run agencies as needed.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Information and Referral; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Visually Impaired Persons of Charlotte County
4055 Tamiami Trail
Suite 24
Port Charlotte, FL 32952

Phone: (941) 625-8501

Official Website: N/A

Email/Contact: dwilsonpcfl@yahoo.com

ACCESS TEXT NETWORK

The AccessText Network is a conduit between the publishing world and colleges and universities across the country, with a shared mission to ensure students with disabilities have equal access to their textbooks in an electronic format and in a timely manner. Founded and supported by the Association of American Publishers and leading textbook publishers, AccessText works with its members to ensure its services meet the needs of students, publishers, colleges, and other stakeholders. AccessText is administered by AMAC Accessibility at the Georgia Institute of Technology, under the auspices of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Access Text Network
512 Means Street, NW
Suite 250
Atlanta, GA 30318

Phone: (866) 271-4968

Official Website: <http://www.accesstext.org>

Email/Contact: membership@accesstext.org

AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND (ATLANTA)

The American Foundation for the Blind removes barriers, creates solutions, and expands possibilities so people with vision loss can achieve their full potential.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Foundation for the Blind (Atlanta)
739 West Peachtree Street, NW
Suite 250
Atlanta, GA 30308

Phone: (404) 525-2303

Official Website: <http://www.afb.org>

Email/Contact: literacy@afb.net

ATLANTA BRAILLE VOLUNTEERS

The Atlanta Braille Volunteers (ABV) are a group of dedicated professionals who support the education of blind students. The ABVs have been organized for over 30 years and have transcribed numerous braille books for many students in different states. They have been proud supporters of Georgia's own Braille Challenge and have offered their services to supplement the efforts to supply braille books for the GIMC. The ABVs are extending their services to assist classroom teachers who need support transcribing classroom materials. They are looking to do small works such as readers, classroom worksheets, and other materials that otherwise cannot be purchased or produced for classroom use.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Braille and Reading Instruction; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Atlanta Braille Volunteers
5065 Vinings Estate Court
Mableton, GA 30126

Phone: (770) 242-8424

Official Website: <http://georgiabraille.org/>

Email/Contact: info@georgiabraille.org

CENTER FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Center for the Visually Impaired (CVI) is Georgia's largest comprehensive, fully accredited, private facility providing rehabilitation services for individuals of all ages who are blind or visually impaired. Since 1962, the Center has grown to serve as a model of innovative services for people who have a wide range of vision impairments from low vision to total blindness. The mission of the Center for the Visually Impaired is to offer comprehensive services to promote independence with dignity and the preservation of self worth for individuals of all ages who are blind or visually impaired. Specialized services are customized to meet the individual's personal goals toward adjustment to vision loss. VisAbility is CVI's nonprofit, accessible, retail shop that serves people of all ages with vision loss. The only store of its kind in the Southeast, VisAbility provides immediate access to low vision aids, assistive technology, and other adaptive devices. VisAbility is located on the first floor of CVI's Midtown Atlanta facility.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Center for the Visually Impaired
739 West Peachtree Street, NW
Atlanta, GA 30308

Phone: (404) 875-9011

Official Website: <http://www.cviga.org>

Email/Contact: <https://www.cviga.org/contact/>

GEORGIA ACADEMY FOR THE BLIND

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Georgia Academy for the Blind
2895 Vineville Avenue
Macon, GA 31204

Phone: (478) 751-6083

Official Website: <http://www.gabmacon.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

GEORGIA BABIES CAN'T WAIT PROGRAM GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The mission for Part C/Babies Can't Wait: Part C early intervention builds upon and provides supports and resources to assist family members and caregivers to enhance children's learning and development through everyday learning opportunities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Georgia Babies Can't Wait Program Georgia Department of Health
2 Peachtree Street
11th Floor
Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 657-2850

Official Website: <http://dph.georgia.gov/Babies-Cant-Wait>

Email/Contact: <https://aging.georgia.gov/contact-us-0>

GEORGIA DIVISION FOR AGING SERVICES

Established by 1937 state legislature, Georgia Industries for the Blind (GIB) employs people who are blind in two locations across the state: Bainbridge and Griffin. GIB now employs nearly 100 blind persons and generates its total administrative and operating budgets through the sales of its products and services receiving zero dollars from state or federal means. It has maintained the highest national safety rating since 2013.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Georgia Division for Aging Services
2 Peachtree Street
33rd Floor
Atlanta, GA 30303-3142

Phone: (404) 657-5258

Official Website: <http://aging.dhs.georgia.gov/>

Email/Contact: <https://aging.georgia.gov/contact-us-0>

GEORGIA INDUSTRIES FOR THE BLIND

The Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency operates five integrated and interdependent statutory programs that share a primary goal - to help people with disabilities to become fully productive members of society by achieving independence and meaningful employment. The largest of the programs are Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Program, Disability Adjudication Services, and Roosevelt Warm Springs/Cave Spring Center. Two other unique programs serve consumers with visual impairments: the Business Enterprise Program and Georgia Industries for the Blind. We are committed to the principle that people with disabilities are assets, and our efforts emphasize eliminating attitudinal barriers as well as physical ones. We are a strategic partner in helping to build a diverse, qualified and productive workforce. Our aim is to pursue a comprehensive, coordinated employment agenda.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Georgia Industries for the Blind
700 Faceville Highway
Bainbridge, GA 39819

Phone: (229) 248-2666 ext. 308

Official Website: <http://gvra.georgia.gov/gib/>

Email/Contact: <https://gvs.georgia.gov/contact-us>

GEORGIA INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS CENTER GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION DIVISION FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES AND SUPPORTS

The Georgia Instructional Materials Center (GIMC) is a unit within the Division for Special Education Services and Supports. The GIMC provides accessible educational materials (AEMs) to all of Georgia's eligible K-12 students.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Georgia Instructional Materials Center Georgia Department of
Education Division for Special Education Services and Supports
1870 Twin Towers East
205 Jesse Hill Jr. Drive, SE
Atlanta, GA 30334

Phone: (404) 463-4462

Official Website: <http://www.gimc.org>

Email/Contact: ccochran@doe.k12.ga.us

GEORGIA LIBRARIES FOR ACCESSIBLE STATEWIDE SERVICES

Georgia Libraries for Accessible Statewide Services (GLASS) supports accessible library services in Georgia by promoting the use of assistive technology and by providing accessible reading materials to those who, due to a disability, are unable to read standard print.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Georgia Libraries for Accessible Statewide Services
1 Margaret Mitchell Square
4th Floor
Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 657-1452 & (1-800) 248-6701

Official Website: <http://www.georgialibraries.org/glass>

Email/Contact: glass@georgialibraries.org

GEORGIA LIONS CAMP, INC.

It is the mission of the Georgia Lions' Camp for the Blind, Inc. to provide personal growth experiences for children, teens and adults with visual impairments through the use of recreation, education, socialization and rehabilitation in an outdoor setting.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Radio Reading Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Georgia Lions Camp, Inc.
5626 Laura Walker Road Waycross
Waycross, GA 31503

Phone: (912) 283-4320 & (1-888) 297-1175

Official Website: <http://www.glcb.org/>

Email/Contact: director@glcb.org

GEORGIA LIONS LIGHTHOUSE FOUNDATION

There are nearly 2 million uninsured people in Georgia. We are committed to filling the gaps that still exist for underinsured Georgians by providing access to low-cost vision and hearing services. We work with a statewide network to provide vision screenings, eye exams, eyeglasses, eye surgeries, and hearing aids to over 7,000 Georgia residents each year.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation
5582 Peachtree Road
Atlanta, GA 30341

Phone: (404) 325-3630 (800) 718-7483

Official Website: <http://www.lionslighthouse.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://lionslighthouse.org/about/contact-us/>

GEORGIA OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The Georgia Optometric Association publishes the Low Vision Directory (.pdf) and a listing of Low Vision Doctors in Georgia (.pdf). The Low Vision Directory provides the individual with low vision or his/her representative the information necessary to make informed decisions regarding his or her rehabilitation plan. Sections include service providers; driving regulations; agencies and organizations; and listing of low vision optometrists by area in the state.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Georgia Optometric Association
400 West Peachtree Street, NW
Suite 201, Suite 240
Atlanta, GA 30308

Phone: (770) 961-9866 & (1-800) 949-0060

Official Website: <https://www.goaeyes.com/>

Email/Contact: goaeyes@aol.com

GEORGIA PROJECT FOR ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

The Georgia Project for Assistive Technology (GPAT), a unit of the Georgia Department of Education, supports Locally Run school systems in their efforts to provide assistive technology devices and services to students with disabilities. Funded since 1991, GPAT has focused on building Locally Run assistive technology resources by providing quality professional learning and technical support services. The mission of GPAT is to improve student achievement, productivity, independence and inclusion by enhancing educator knowledge of assistive technology and increasing student access to appropriate assistive technology devices and services.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Georgia Project for Assistive Technology
1870 Twin Towers East
205 Jesse Hill Jr. Drive, SE
Atlanta, GA 30334

Phone: (404) 656-6318

Official Website: <http://www.gpat.org>

Email/Contact: spedhelpdesk@doe.k12.ga.us

GEORGIA SENSORY ASSISTANCE PROJECT GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY AND SPECIAL EDUCATION

GSAP provides consultation, training, and resources for families and educators to support children and youth (birth through 21 years) with combined vision and hearing loss.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Georgia Sensory Assistance Project Georgia State University
Department of Educational Psychology and Special Education
P.O. Box 3979
Atlanta, GA 30302-3979

Phone: (1-800) 597-2356

Official Website: <http://gsap.coe.uga.edu/>

Email/Contact: gsap@uga.edu

GEORGIA SOCIETY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

The Georgia Society of Ophthalmology (GSO) is the only statewide organization representing Georgia ophthalmologists and their patients. The GSO's activities include legislative advocacy, continuing medical education for ophthalmologists, and public education about important eye health care concerns. Members of The Georgia Society of Ophthalmology are board-certified ophthalmologists (Eye M.D.s) in various practice settings throughout Georgia. Our member physicians are wholly dedicated to lifelong learning and professional integrity in order to provide the best possible patient care.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Georgia Society of Ophthalmology
2711 Irvin Way
Suite 111
Decatur, GA 30030

Phone: (404) 299-6588

Official Website: <http://www.ga-eyemds.org>

Email/Contact: kathryn@ga-eyemds.org

GEORGIA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES AND SUPPORTS

SPONSOR: N/A

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production;
Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries;
Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices;
Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Georgia State Department of Education: Special Education Services
and Supports
1870 Twin Towers East
Atlanta, GA 30334-5040

Phone: (404) 656-3963

Official Website: <http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Special-Education-Services/Pages/default.aspx>

Email/Contact: N/A

GEORGIA VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCY

The Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency operates five integrated and interdependent statutory programs that share a primary goal - to help people with disabilities to become fully productive members of society by achieving independence and meaningful employment. The largest of the programs are Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Program, Disability Adjudication Services, and Roosevelt Warm Springs/Cave Spring Center. Two other unique programs serve consumers with visual impairments: the Business Enterprise Program and Georgia Industries for the Blind. We are committed to the principle that people with disabilities are assets, and our efforts emphasize eliminating attitudinal barriers as well as physical ones. We are a strategic partner in helping to build a diverse, qualified and productive workforce. Our aim is to pursue a comprehensive, coordinated employment agenda.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency
200 Piedmont Avenue, SE
10th Floor
Atlanta, GA 30334

Phone: (404) 232-1998

Official Website: <http://gvs.georgia.gov/>

Email/Contact: <https://gvs.georgia.gov/contact-us>

GOODWILL OF SOUTHEAST GEORGIA

Goodwill of Southeast Georgia is part of a network of 165 Goodwill organizations throughout the world. Each Goodwill organization operates independently, with Locally Run staff and a Locally Run volunteer board of directors. This structure allows each organization to address the unique workforce development needs of the individuals and businesses in their designated territory. Goodwill of Southeast Georgia serves 29 counties in Georgia and 4 counties in South Carolina. We help job seekers and businesses. We deliver our mission through customized job search training, skills training, employment placement and other services. Our focus is on helping individuals with disabilities and other obstacles to employment. We take great pride in bringing work-ready individuals and businesses together.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Goodwill of Southeast Georgia
7220 Sallie Mood Drive
Savannah, GA 31406

Phone: (912) 354-6611

Official Website: <https://goodwillsega.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://goodwillsega.org/contact-us/>

HELEN KELLER NATIONAL CENTER FOR DEAF-BLIND YOUTHS AND ADULTS: SOUTHEASTERN REGION OFFICE

Our regional offices bring HKNC resources to you. Your regional representative knows all about the programs and services that are available to deaf-blind individuals, their families and service providers in your state and beyond, and can help you find and access the ones that are right for you. Whether you're interested in learning about support services near your home, would like to take advantage of the technology available through the National Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program or want to explore the possibility of training at our national headquarters, your regional representative is your link to all that HKNC has to offer - consultation, advocacy, assessment, training, referrals and more.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults:
Southeastern Region Office
P.O. Box 380
Concord, GA 30206

Phone: (516) 393-7733

Official Website: <https://www.helenkeller.org/hknc/southeastern-region>

Email/Contact: janice.hanvey@hknc.org

LEARNING ALLY: ATHENS

We are a national non-profit dedicated to helping students with print disabilities, including blindness, visual impairment and dyslexia. Learning Ally improves the way students learn at home and in the classroom.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Learning Ally: Athens
320 South Hull Street
Athens, GA 30605

Phone: (706) 549-1313 & (1-800) 221-4792

Official Website: <http://www.learningally.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.learningally.org/contact-us>

LIVING INDEPENDENCE FOR EVERYONE

LIFE, Inc. is a non-profit service and advocacy organization run by and for people with disabilities. We are a non-profit, non-residential organization that assists people, regardless of age or type of disability, to make their own informed decisions and to control and direct their own lives. Our mission is to promote independent living and advance community change for people with disabilities to create a world in which EVERYONE can fully participate. LIFE embraces and adheres to the independent living philosophy. This philosophy is based on the core independent living concepts of consumer control, self advocacy, community change, cross disability participation and the core Independent Living services of Information and Referral, Peer Support, IL Skills Training, Advocacy and Promoting Full Access to Community Life.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Living Independence for Everyone
5105 Paulsen Street
Suite 143-B
Savannah, GA 31405

Phone: (912) 920-2414

Official Website: <http://www.lifecil.com>

Email/Contact: <http://lifecil.com/contact-us/>

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF GEORGIA EYE CLINIC SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, DEPARTMENT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

As a department one of our top priorities is the provision of thorough and compassionate patient care. Within our department you will find doctors who are interested in matching your concerns with accurate diagnoses and treatments. We seek not only to provide the right treatment, but also to educate you in regard to your condition so that you too may be involved in its management. Our educational mission is broadly focused. Upon completion of the 3-year course of instruction our residents are able to enter comprehensive ophthalmic practice or pursue fellowship training. Through continuing medical education activities the Locally Run ophthalmic community as well as our team of eye care providers are given opportunity to discuss and implement recent advances in the medical and surgical care of the eye.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Medical College of Georgia Eye Clinic School of Medicine, Department of Ophthalmology
1120 15th Street
Augusta, GA 30912-3400

Phone: (706) 721-2020

Official Website: <http://www.aueyes.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.aueyes.org/contactus>

PREVENT BLINDNESS GEORGIA

Prevent Blindness Georgia (PBGA) was established in 1965 as an affiliate of Prevent Blindness, the nation's leading non-profit eye health and safety organization. With a focus on promoting a continuum of vision care, PBGA touches the lives of more than 35,000 people each year with our direct services. Each year we vision screen over 33,000 three, four and five-year-old children; train more than 200 public health, school nurse and pediatric vision screeners; screen high risk adults for glaucoma and other aging eye diseases; provide current information on eye health and safety; and provide eye examinations and free or low-cost eye glasses to more than 2,000 adults and replacement glasses for children. In program year 2016, Prevent Blindness Georgia served 116 counties in Georgia through our children's and adult programs.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Prevent Blindness Georgia
739 West Peachtree Street NW
Suite 200
Atlanta, GA 30308-1137

Phone: (404) 266-2020 (800) 477-4488

Official Website: <http://georgia.preventblindness.org/>

Email/Contact: info@preventblindness.org

SAVANNAH CENTER FOR BLIND AND LOW VISION (FORMERLY SAVANNAH ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND)

Savannah Center for Blind and Low Vision (SCBLV), previously Savannah Association for the Blind, Incorporated, is a private, nonprofit agency serving the general public in southeastern Georgia and coastal South Carolina. The mission of SCBLV is to provide rehabilitation services designed to help blind and visually impaired individuals in all walks of life function independently in their homes and in the community.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Savannah Center for Blind and Low Vision (Formerly Savannah Association for the Blind)
1141 Cornell Avenue
Savannah, GA 31406

Phone: (912) 236-4473

Official Website: <https://savannahcblv.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://savannahcblv.org/contact/>

TOOLS FOR LIFE GEORGIA'S ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY ACT PROGRAM

Tools for Life, Georgia's Assistive Technology Act Program, is dedicated to increasing access to and acquisition of assistive technology (AT) devices and services for Georgians of all ages and disabilities so they can live, learn, work and play independently and with greater freedom in communities of their choice.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Tools for Life Georgia's Assistive Technology Act Program
512 Means Street
Suite 250
Atlanta, GA 30318

Phone: (404) 894-0541 & (1-800) 497-8665 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.gatfl.org>

Email/Contact: info@gatfl.org

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS: REHABILITATION RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER OF EXCELLENCE FOR AGING VETERANS WITH VISION LOSS ATLANTA VA MEDICAL CENTER

The Center for Visual and Neurocognitive Rehabilitation (CVNR) is focused on enhancing veterans' health by conducting research on the rehabilitation of visual and related neurological impairments. Our research spans the gamut from the basic science of repair mechanisms through the development of creative rehabilitative interventions to improve function and social re-integration. Our investigators and staff come from a variety of backgrounds and collaborate to synergistically develop novel approaches and foster the translation of scientific discoveries into clinically relevant treatments. Most of our investigators also hold academic appointments at Emory University, Georgia Institute of Technology or Georgia State University.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs: Rehabilitation Research and Development Center of Excellence for Aging Veterans with Vision Loss
Atlanta VA Medical Center
1670 Clairmont Road, 151-R
Decatur, GA 30033

Phone: (404) 728-5064

Official Website: <http://www.varrd.emory.edu>

Email/Contact: cvnr@va.gov

VISION REHABILITATION SERVICES

Vision Rehabilitation Services of Georgia (VRS) is dedicated to assisting individuals who are blind or visually impaired so they may function independently in all of their environments. VRS provides practical tools and proven techniques to help our clients carry out their daily activities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vision Rehabilitation Services
3830 South Cobb Drive
Suite 125
Smyrna, GA 30080

Phone: (770) 432-7280

Official Website: <http://www.vrsga.org>

Email/Contact: <https://vrsga.org/about/contact/>

VISTAS CENTER

Welcome to the Vistas Center. Our mission is to promote self-sufficiency for the visually impaired in the metropolitan Athens area and Georgia through advocacy, education, training and assistive technologies. Our services are aligned with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. It states that “ No otherwise qualified individual with a disability in the United States... shall solely by reason of... disability, be denied the benefits of, be excluded from participation in, or shall be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.”

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vistas Center
337 South Milledge Avenue
Athens, GA 30605

Phone: (706) 583-8001

Official Website: <http://www.vistascenter.com/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.vistascenter.com/contact-us.html>

WALTON OPTIONS FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING

Since 1994, Walton Options has provided services and resources to help people with all types of disabilities live independently within the community. As a private, non-profit, non-residential Center for Independent Living (CIL), we serve 16 counties in Georgia and 10 counties in South Carolina. We believe all persons including those with disabilities, should be able to participate in their community. At Walton Options, we promote equality, inclusion and independence through Personal Choice, Community Access, Education and Employment. Our goal is to help each person on their personal journey to independence to find and utilize the necessary, available resources.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Walton Options for Independent Living
948 Walton Way
Augusta, GA 30903

Phone: (706) 724-6262 & (1-877) 821-8400

Official Website: <http://www.waltonoptions.org>

Email/Contact: <https://www.waltonoptions.org/contact-us/>

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY RESOURCE CENTERS OF HAWAII

Assistive Technology Resource Centers of Hawaii (ATRC) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, resource center that provides access to assistive technology (AT) for people with disabilities of all ages, enabling independence and participation in every aspect of community life, including employment and education. ATRC offers free programs to the community. These programs are geared to the education of individuals with disabilities, their friends and family members, professionals, institutions and anyone else interested in assistive technology. As a resource center, ATRC's mission is to link persons with technology and as such, ATRC will utilize demonstrations, outreach, technical assistance, public awareness, device loans and trials, financial loans and other programs to meet that mission. ATRC unbiased opinion regarding assistive technology provides the community with a broader overview of what is available and how it works.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Assistive Technology Resource Centers of Hawaii
200 North Vineyard Boulevard
Suite 430
Honolulu, HI 96817

Phone: (808) 532-7110

Official Website: <http://www.atrc.org>

Email/Contact: atrc-info@atrc.org

EYE OF THE PACIFIC GUIDE DOGS AND MOBILITY SERVICES

Provides guide dogs and other mobility aids to persons who are blind or visually impaired. Accepts volunteers assisting in areas such as administrative, dog walking and dog grooming. **Accessibility:** Barrier-free for disabled. **Transportation:** Rides not provided by agency.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Dog Guide Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Eye of the Pacific Guide Dogs and Mobility Services
747 Amana Street
#407
Honolulu, HI 96814

Phone: (808) 941-1088

Official Website: <http://www.eyeofthepacific.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

HAWAI‘I AND PACIFIC DEAF-BLIND PROJECT PACIFIC OUTREACH INITIATIVE, UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI‘I AT MANOA

The Hawai‘i & Pacific Deaf-Blind Project provides technical assistance to children and youth who are deaf-blind, birth through 21 years of age, and to their families and service providers here in Hawai‘i and outlying Pacific Island nations/jurisdictions of American Samoa, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Federated States of Micronesia (Kosrae, Pohnpei, Chuuk, and Yap), Guam, Republic of Palau and Republic of the Marshall Islands.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Hawai‘i and Pacific Deaf-Blind Project Pacific Outreach Initiative,
University of Hawai‘i at Manoa
1776 University Avenue
UA 4-6
Honolulu, HI 96822

Phone: (808) 956-5861

Official Website: <http://www.pdb.hawaii.edu/hello-world/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.pdb.hawaii.edu/families/>

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SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Hawai‘i and Pacific Deaf-Blind Project Pacific Outreach Initiative,
University of Hawai‘i at Manoa
1776 University Avenue
UA 4-6
Honolulu, HI 96822

Phone: (808) 956-5861

Official Website: <http://hawaiiophthalmology.org/>

Email/Contact: mellanie@hawaii.edu

HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES BRANCH

Special education is specially designed instruction and services to meet the unique needs of students with disabilities, and can include academic services, speech-language services, psychological services, physical and occupational therapy, and counseling services. The Department provides these services at no cost to families to anyone aged 3 to 22 who demonstrates a need for specially designed instruction, after an eligibility determination.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Hawaii Department of Education: Special Education Services Branch
1390 Miller Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

Phone: (808) 586-3230

Official Website: <http://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/TeachingAndLearning/SpecializedPrograms/SpecialEducation/Pages/home.aspx>

Email/Contact: N/A

HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: HO'OPOONO SERVICES FOR THE BLIND DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

Ho'opono, from "ho'oponopono" meaning to make things right, is a branch of the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Department of Human Services, State of Hawaii. Ho'opono assists blind and Visually impaired persons regardless of financial status, ethnic or national origin, religion, gender or disability. There is no fee for services, although there may be some incidental costs if you need to purchase adaptive aids and devices. You do not have to be totally blind to use Ho'opono's services. Blindness can vary from total blindness with no light perception to being able to read large print at a comfortable distance. If you are having difficulty doing tasks either at work or home because of poor vision, Ho'opono may be able to help you in a number of ways.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Hawaii Department of Human Services: Ho'opono Services for the Blind Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
1901 Bachelot Street
Honolulu, HI 96817

Phone: (808) 586-5269

Official Website: <http://humanservices.hawaii.gov/vr/hoopono/hoopono-services/>

Email/Contact: N/A

HAWAII EARLY INTERVENTION SECTION DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The Early Intervention Section (EIS) is a federal and state-mandated program that provides services to support the development of infant and toddlers from birth to three years of age. Information and support are also provided to parents to increase their knowledge about and ability to support their child's development. The Department of Health (DOH) is the lead agency for the implementation of Part C, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) for the State of Hawaii. Within the DOH, EIS is responsible to ensure that Hawaii meets all the requirements and regulations of Part C of IDEA.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Hawaii Early Intervention Section Department of Health
1010 Richards Street
Suite 811
Honolulu, HI 96813

Phone: (808) 594-0000

Official Website: <http://health.hawaii.gov/eis/>

Email/Contact: <http://health.hawaii.gov/eis/home/contactus/>

HAWAII EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON AGING ONE CAPITOL DISTRICT

The Executive Office on Aging (EOA) is the designated lead agency in the coordination of a statewide system of aging and caregiver support services in the State of Hawaii, as authorized by federal and state laws. The federal Older Americans Act establishes an Aging Network and provides federal funding for elderly support services, nutrition services, preventive health services, elder rights protection, and family caregiver support services. Chapter 349 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes establishes the Executive Office on Aging as the focal point for all matters relating to older adults' needs and the coordination and development of caregiver support services within the State of Hawaii.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Hawaii Executive Office on Aging One Capitol District
250 South Hotel Street
Room 406
Honolulu, HI 96813-2831

Phone: (808) 586-0100

Official Website: <http://health.hawaii.gov/eoa/>

Email/Contact: eo@doh.hawaii.gov

HAWAII OPHTHALMOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The Hawaii Ophthalmological Society is dedicated to the continuing medical education of its members in the latest advances in medical and surgical treatment of the eye. Each member in good standing continuously meets standards of competency and ethical practice. Ophthalmologists provide a level of eye care that only Physician Specialists can.

SPONSOR: Private/Nonprofit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Hawaii Ophthalmological Society
55 South Kukui Street
Suite C-109
Honolulu, HI 96813

Phone: (808) 531-8874

Official Website: <http://hawaiiophthalmology.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://hawaiiophthalmology.org/contact-us/>

HAWAII OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The Hawaii Optometric Association (HOA) is an organization representing over 200 doctors of optometry statewide. For the past 42 years, the HOA has made a dedicated effort to ensure that the profession of optometry continues to be recognized as the primary provider of eye care in Hawaii. Our members practice in a diverse array of settings throughout the state with the common goal of promoting the visual welfare of our unique island community.

SPONSOR: Private/Nonprofit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Hawaii Optometric Association
98-1277 Kaahumanu St
Ste. 106/179
Honolulu, HI 96701

Phone: (808) 537-5678

Official Website: <http://hawaiioptometry.org/>

Email/Contact: hoapt@eart

HAWAII SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Hawaii School for the Deaf and the Blind
3440 Leahi Avenue
Honolulu, HI 96815

Phone: (808) 733-4999

Official Website: <http://www.hcdb.k12.hi.us/>

Email/Contact: N/A

HAWAII STATE LIBRARY: LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

The Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (LBPH) serves a dual role as a branch library of HSPLS and as a Regional Library for the National Library Service for the Blind & Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress. LBPH features a Radio Reading Service which provides live readings of Honolulu Star-Advertiser news articles on closed circuit radio as well as Longs Drug Store and grocery ads, plus selected health, business and other news stories from Locally Run publications.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Hawaii State Library: Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
402 Kapahulu Avenue
Honolulu, HI 96815

Phone: (808) 733-8444

Official Website: <http://www.librarieshawaii.org/lbph>

Email/Contact: N/A

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IDAHO ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROJECT

The Idaho Assistive Technology Project (IATP) is a federally funded program administered by the Center on Disabilities and Human Development at the University of Idaho. The goal of the IATP is to increase the availability of assistive technology devices and services for older persons and Idahoans with disabilities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Idaho Assistive Technology Project
1187 Alturas Drive
Moscow, ID 83843

Phone: (1-800) 432-8324

Official Website: <http://idahoat.org>

Email/Contact: idahoat@uidaho.edu

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Moscow, ID 83843

Phone: (1-800) 432-8324

Official Website: <http://idahoat.org>

Email/Contact: idahoat@uidaho.edu

IDAHO COMMISSION FOR LIBRARIES TALKING BOOK SERVICE

Regional Library of the National Library Service provides free library service to those unable to read due to a physical disability. Formats include audio and Braille books and magazines and descriptive videos and DVDs.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Idaho Commission for Libraries Talking Book Service
325 West State Street
Boise, ID 83702

Phone: (208) 334-2150; (1-800) 458-3271; & (1-800) 377-1363 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://libraries.idaho.gov/tbs>

Email/Contact: <http://libraries.idaho.gov/contact>

IDAHO COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Idaho Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired is a state agency which has been serving Idahoans since 1967. The agency assists blind and visually impaired persons to achieve independence by providing education, developing work skills, increasing self-confidence and helping them remain employed or prepare for employment.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Preschool Programs; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Idaho Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired
341 West Washington Street
Boise, ID 83720-0012

Phone: (208) 334-3220 & (1-800) 542-8688

Official Website: <http://www.icbvi.state.id.us/>

Email/Contact: N/A

IDAHO COMMISSION ON AGING

The Idaho Commission on Aging (ICOA) serves Idaho's seniors, people with disabilities, and their caregivers by safeguarding their rights, fostering self-sufficiency, providing counseling, and advocating on their behalf. The ICOA provides opportunities for individuals to access a comprehensive array of private and public pay, long term care, support services through "Single Access Points" operated by the Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs).

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Idaho Commission on Aging
341 West Washington
Boise, ID 83702

Phone: (208) 334-3833

Official Website: <http://aging.idaho.gov/>

Email/Contact: icoa@aging.idaho.gov

IDAHO COUNCIL OF THE BLIND

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SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Idaho Council of the Blind
509 East 51st Street
Garden City, ID 83714

Phone: (208) 283-0152

Official Website: <https://idahoat.org/>

Email/Contact: idahoat@uidaho.edu

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Phone: (208) 283-0152

Official Website: <https://idahoat.org/>

Email/Contact: idahoat@uidaho.edu

IDAHO EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND

The IESDB has been serving the Great State of Idaho since 1906, and is established under Section 33-3401 of Idaho Code with the purpose of providing supplemental educational services, early invention/education, consultation, and transition support to families and Locally Run school districts throughout the state of Idaho. As stated in Statute: “The goal of IESDB is to assist school districts and state agencies in providing accessibility, quality and equity to students in the state with sensory impairments through a continuum of service and placement options.”

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Computer/Assistive Technology; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Idaho Educational Services for the Deaf and the Blind
1450 Main Street
Gooding, ID 83330

Phone: (208) 934-4457

Official Website: <http://iesdb.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://iesdb.org/index.php/contact-us>

IDAHO INFANT TODDLER PROGRAM DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE

Idaho's Infant Toddler Program (ITP) coordinates a system of early intervention services to assist Idaho children birth to three years of age who have a developmental delay or who have conditions (such as prematurity, Down Syndrome, hearing loss) that may result in a developmental delay. The ITP links children with services that promote their physical, cognitive, and social-emotional development and supports the needs of their families. These services can include therapeutic, educational, and supportive services, such as: Family Education, Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Service Coordination, Counseling, Home Visits and Health Services. Children referred to the Infant Toddler Program are assessed to see if they meet program eligibility. If eligible, an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) is written that outlines services for the child and their family. This plan is reviewed every six months. Prior to turning three years of age, ITP assists with the child's transition to a developmental preschool program or other community services.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Idaho Infant Toddler Program Department of Health and Welfare
450 West State Street, 5th Floor
Boise, ID 83720-0036

Idaho

Phone: (208) 334-5590

Official Website: <http://www.infanttoddler.idaho.gov>

Email/Contact: <https://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Children/InfantToddlerProgram/ContactUs/tabid/4116/Default.aspx>

IDAHO OPTOMETRIC PHYSICIANS

We are the Idaho affiliate of the American Optometric Association.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Idaho Optometric Physicians
740 W Watersford Drive
Eagle, ID 83616-7150

Phone: (208) 461-0001

Official Website: <http://idaho.aoa.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://iesdb.org/index.php/contact-us>

IDAHO PROJECT FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH DEAF-BLINDNESS UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO BOISE

The purpose of the Idaho Project for Children and Youth with Deaf-Blindness is to enhance the education services provided to children and youth, birth through 21 years, with vision and hearing impairments. The Project provides statewide technical assistance to support parents, service providers, and other agencies in meeting the educational needs of children and youth who are deaf-blind.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Idaho Project for Children and Youth with Deaf-Blindness University of Idaho Boise
East Front Street
Suite 440
Boise, ID 83702

Phone: (208) 364-4012

Official Website: <https://idahocdhd.org/Projects/CYDB>

Email/Contact: idahocdhd@uidaho.edu

IDAHO STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Idaho State Department of Education (SDE) is a government agency supporting schools and students. We are responsible for implementing policies, distributing funds, administering statewide assessments, licensing educators, and providing accountability data. We deliver leadership, expertise, research, and technical assistance to school districts and schools to promote the academic success of students.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Idaho State Department of Education: Special Education
650 West State Street
Boise, ID 83702

Phone: (208) 332-6800 & (1-800) 432-4601

Official Website: <http://www.sde.idaho.gov/sped/index.html>

Email/Contact: amukuna@sde.idaho.gov

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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF CERTIFIED ORTHOPTISTS

The American Association of Certified Orthoptists (AACO), established in 1940, is the professional association for orthoptists in the United States. It is composed of a close network of orthoptists and orthoptic students, dedicated to the support of the Profession and to the benefit of the individual orthoptist member. The AACO is run by orthoptists, for orthoptists. Its missions are to provide continuing education to its members, to assist members with issues relating to orthoptic practice, to improve the care of children and adults with disorders of binocular vision and ocular motility, and to promote Orthoptics as a Profession. The AACO meets annually in conjunction with the American Academy of Ophthalmology to offer a scientific program, provide continuing education for orthoptists, and to conduct the business of the Association. Members of the AACO are also eligible to be members of other organizations, such as the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), the American Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus (AAPO&S), the International Orthoptic Association (IOA), and The Canadian Orthoptic Society (TCOS). Elected and appointed members of the AACO are eligible to sit on the American Orthoptic Council (AOC) and participate fully in all its activities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

Illinois

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Association of Certified Orthoptists
10 W. Phillip Road, Suite 120
Vernon Hills, IL 60061
Phone: (847) 680-1666

Official Website: <http://www.orthoptics.org/>

Email/Contact: info@orthoptics.org

AMERICAN BLIND SKIING FOUNDATION

ABSF was founded in 1971 and is a non-profit tax exempt 501(c)(3) national organization chartered in the State of Illinois. The purpose of ABSF is to provide an educational skiing program that is open to any blind or visually impaired person in the hope of providing both physical and psychological therapeutic value.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Blind Skiing Foundation
609 Grandell Lane
Schaumburg, IL 60193

Phone: (312) 409-1605

Official Website: <http://www.absf.org/>

Email/Contact: absf@absf.org

ANN & ROBERT H. LURIE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF CHICAGO

All the commitment, all the services, all the care. All, for your one. At Lurie Children's, we put children and their families at the center of all we do. Because we're passionate about helping children become happy, healthy adults.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago
225 East Chicago Avenue
Chicago, IL 60611

Phone: (312) 227-4000

Official Website: <https://www.luriechildrens.org/>

Email/Contact: share@luriechildrens.org

BLIND SERVICE ASSOCIATION

Founded in 1924, Blind Service Association provides reading and recording services free of charge to its clients, in addition to a number of other educational, recreational, and support programs for visually impaired people of all ages. Publishes “Vision Connection,” a monthly newsletter that provides information on special events, coping strategies, and the latest updates on medical, legal, dietary and research developments related to visual impairment and is available in large print, on audiocassette or e-mail. Also offers Eccentric Viewing, a workshop on vision enhancement for those with macular degeneration or anyone who has lost the central part of their vision. Offers eye and body coordination exercises led by a developmental optometrist to teach those in the class to learn to use the portion of the eye that is still healthy, mainly the peripheral vision. Also has a peer counselor on staff for consultations and demonstrations to successfully use various optical devices. BSA staff members are available for off-site visits to retirement or assistive living complexes and rehabilitation or senior centers in the Chicago area to share information about services available for people with visual impairment. Call BSA to schedule a visit. Vision Connection sponsors social activities such as concerts, boat rides, and lunches at various dining spots in the Chicago area. Offers year-round educational seminars on topics such as eye diseases by well-known Chicago ophthalmologists or lectures on issues of transportation.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

Illinois

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Preschool Programs; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blind Service Association
17 North State Street
Suite 1050
Chicago, IL 60602-3510

Phone: (312) 236-0808

Official Website: <http://www.blindserviceassociation.org>

Email/Contact: blindsrvc@aol.com

CENTER FOR SIGHT & HEARING

The Center for Sight & Hearing is an accredited nonprofit organization that provides clinical services, rehabilitation therapy, and social activities for people who seek specialized hearing or vision care.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Center for Sight & Hearing
8038 Macintosh Lane
P.O. Box 5944
Rockford, IL 61125

Phone: (815) 332-6800

Official Website: <http://www.centerforsighthearing.org/>

Email/Contact: info@csjni.org

CHARGE SYNDROME FOUNDATION

The mission of the CHARGE Syndrome Foundation is to provide support to individuals with CHARGE syndrome and their families; to gather, develop, maintain and distribute information about CHARGE syndrome; and to promote awareness and research regarding its identification, cause and management.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

CHARGE Syndrome Foundation
318 Half Day Road
#305
Buffalo Grove, IL 60089

Phone: (516) 684-4720 & (1-800) 442-7604

Official Website: <http://www.chargesyndrome.org/>

Email/Contact: info@chargesyndrome.org

CHICAGO LIGHTHOUSE FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Chicago Lighthouse is approved as a nonpublic education facility for disabled children by State of Illinois.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Preschool Programs; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Chicago Lighthouse for People Who Are Blind or Visually Impaired
1850 West Roosevelt Road
Chicago, IL 60608

Phone: (312) 666-1331 & (312) 666-8874 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.chicagolighthouse.org/>

Email/Contact: contactus@chicagolighthouse.org

CHICAGOLAND RADIO INFORMATION SERVICE CHICAGO LIGHTHOUSE FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

CRIS Radio provides daily readings of newspapers and periodicals including news stories, sales circulars and classified listings for listeners with a wide range of disabilities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Chicagoland Radio Information Service Chicago Lighthouse for
People Who Are Blind and Visually Impaired
1850 West Roosevelt Road
Chicago, IL 60608

Phone: (312) 997-3687 & (712) 832-2724

Official Website: <http://chicagolighthouse.org/radio/>

Email/Contact: brian.hawkins@chicagolighthouse.org

FRIEDMAN PLACE: A RESIDENCE FOR BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED ADULTS

Friedman Place offers a safe, supportive and vibrant community where seniors and other adults with visual impairment can live independently and hassle-free. Established in 2004, we are one of the largest residential communities for the blind in the country and as such, are able to offer a wide array of services and resources to our residents. Friedman Place is a non-profit Supportive Living Community for blind and visually impaired adults in Chicago. Our building has been designed with the needs of the blind and visually impaired in mind. Each resident has a private studio or one-bedroom apartment, with a kitchenette and bathroom. A full range of services and activities is provided so that residents' days are healthy, dignified, and stimulating.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Friedman Place: A Residence for Blind and Visually Impaired Adults
5527 North Maplewood
Chicago, IL 60625

Phone: (773) 989-9800

Official Website: <http://www.friedmanplace.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.friedmanplace.org/ContactUs.aspx>

HADLEY INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The mission of Hadley Institute for the Blind and Visually Impaired is to create personalized learning opportunities that empower people to thrive – at home, at work and in their communities. Founded in 1920 by William Hadley and Dr. E.V.L. Brown, Hadley offers courses free of charge to its blind and visually impaired students and their families, and affordable tuition to blindness professionals. Today, Hadley is the largest provider of distance education for people who are blind or visually impaired around the world, serving more than 10,000 students annually in all 50 states and in 100 countries. Hadley is also the largest educator of braille worldwide. A 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, the school relies on contributions from individuals, foundations and corporations to fund its programs.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Counseling; Distance Education; Low Vision Services; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Hadley Institute for the Blind and Visually Impaired
700 Elm Street
Winnetka, IL 60093

Phone: (847) 446-8111; (1-800) 323-4238; (847) 441-8111 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.hadley.edu>

Email/Contact: info@hadley.edu

HOPE SCHOOL

Licensed by the Illinois Department of Family Services and accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools as a Special Function School.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Hope School
50 Hazel Lane
Springfield, IL 62705-5810

Phone: (217) 585-5437 & (217) 529-5766 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.hope.us/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.hope.us/contactus/>

HORIZONS FOR THE BLIND

Horizons for the Blind is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for people who are blind or visually impaired, through our consumer products and services, the cultural arts, education and recreation.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Community Outreach Programs; Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Horizons for the Blind
125 Erick Street
A103
Crystal Lake, IL 60014

Phone: (815) 444-8800 & (1-800) 318-2000

Official Website: <http://www.horizons-blind.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.horizons-blind.org/contact-horizons-for-the-blind/>

ILLINOIS ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROJECT

The Illinois Assistive Technology Program (IATP) is the non-profit organization designated as the Statewide AT Program funded under the Assistive Technology Act of 1998, as amended. IATP's lead agency is the Illinois Department of Human Services, Division of Rehabilitation Services.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois Assistive Technology Project
1 West Old State Capital Plaza
Suite 100
Springfield, IL 62701

Phone: (217) 522-7985 & (217) 522-9966 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.iltech.org>

Email/Contact: iatp@iltech.org

ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS

IPVI provides support, information, and service to parents of children with visual impairments, including those with additional disabilities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois Association for Parents of Children with Visual Impairments
21170 Deerpath Road
Frankfort, IL 60423

Phone: (630) 357-8576

Official Website: <http://www.ipvi.org/>

Email/Contact: ipvi@ipvi.org

ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF EYE PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS

The Illinois Society of Eye Physicians (ISEPS) is a professional medical society comprised of Illinois ophthalmologists (medical eye doctors) who pay annual dues to the association. The ISEPS provides its members with legislative advocacy, professional education opportunities, as well as other member services.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois Association of Eye Physicians and Surgeons
10 West Phillip Road
Metro Square One Suite 120
Vernon Hills, IL 60061-1730

Phone: (847) 680-1666 (800) 838-3627

Official Website: <http://www.ileyemd.org/>

Email/Contact: info@ileyemd.org

ILLINOIS BUREAU OF EARLY INTERVENTION

Illinois' Early Intervention program's mission is to assure that families who have infants and toddlers, birth to three, with diagnosed disabilities, developmental delays or substantial risk of significant delays receive resources and supports that assist them in maximizing their child's development, while respecting the diversity of families and communities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois Bureau of Early Intervention
823 East Monroe
Springfield, IL 62701

Phone: (217) 424-1596; (1-800) 323-4769; & (217) 558-6482 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/ei/>

Email/Contact: dhsei06@dhs.state.il.us

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF REHABILITATION SERVICES: BUREAU OF BLIND SERVICES & BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM FOR THE BLIND BUREAU OF CUSTOMER SUPPORT AND SERVICES

The Illinois Department of Human Services' Division of Rehabilitation Services (IDHS/DRS) is the state's lead agency serving persons with disabilities. Our staff work one-on-one with individuals who have disabilities and their families to empower them to reach their employment, education and independent living goals. Bureau of Blind services are available to Illinois residents who have a vision impairment.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois Department of Human Services Division of Rehabilitation
Services: Bureau of Blind Services & Business Enterprise Program for
the Blind Bureau of Customer Support and Services
100 South Grand Avenue East
Springfield, IL 62762

Phone: (217) 785-3887 & (1-800) 447-6404 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=32305>

Email/Contact: dhs.ors@illinois.gov

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT ON AGING

The Illinois Department on Aging helps older adults live independently in their own homes and communities. As the population ages, services and programs for older adults must evolve as well because longevity means more when quality of life is enhanced. To best serve older adults, we must also serve their families and teach younger people about the realities of aging, so many of our programs have an intergenerational emphasis. Working with Area Agencies on Aging, community-based service providers and older adults themselves, the Illinois Department on Aging strives to improve quality of life for current and future generations of older Illinoisans.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois Department on Aging
One Natural Resources Way
Suite 100
Springfield, IL 62702-1271

Phone: (217) 785-3356 & (1-800) 252-8966

Official Website: <http://www.state.il.us/aging/>

Email/Contact: https://www2.illinois.gov/aging/AboutUs/Pages/contact_us.aspx

ILLINOIS EYE INSTITUTE: LOW VISION REHABILITATION

The Alfred and Sarah Rosenbloom Center on Vision and Aging at the Illinois Eye Institute provides unparalleled care to the aging population and the visually impaired. In addition to providing onsite care for these patients, the Rosenbloom Center features educational outreach programs, community health care services and research—all in a state-of-the-art, private practice-like setting. The Rosenbloom Center honors a leader in the optometric profession and at the Illinois College of Optometry, Dr. Alfred Rosenbloom, and his wife, Sarah.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois Eye Institute: Low Vision Rehabilitation
3241 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, IL 60616

Phone: (312) 949-7250 & (1-877) 949-3937

Official Website: <http://www.illinoiseyeyeinstitute.org/services/alfred-and-sarah-rosenbloom-center-on-vision-and-aging/>

Email/Contact: rosenbloom@ico.edu

ILLINOIS INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS CENTER

Serving more than 4,000 students annually, the Illinois Instructional Materials Center (IIMC) is a statewide resource center for students with visual disabilities enrolled in formal educational programs in Illinois public and private schools. We work with Locally Run school systems, textbook publishers and other agencies to procure and produce alternative-format educational materials, such as Braille and large-print textbooks. We strive to ensure that all students in Illinois are able to access the information they need to succeed in school, in formats they can read. There is no charge for services offered by the IIMC. Specially adapted materials and equipment available through the IIMC for loan for the duration of the school year include textbooks and workbooks (Braille and large print), as well as recorders, magnifiers, Brailers and Braille embossers, closed circuit television magnifiers, optical aids, mobility equipment, talking calculators, scanners, digital book players, accessibility software and more.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois Instructional Materials Center
1850 West Roosevelt Road
Chicago, IL 60608

Phone: (312) 997-3699

Official Website: <http://chicagolighthouse.org/program/illinois-instructional-materials-center/>

Email/Contact: contactus@chicagolighthouse.org

ILLINOIS OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The Illinois Optometric Association exists to protect, promote, and advance the profession of Optometry by providing exemplary resources and support towards serving and enhancing quality patient care.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois Optometric Association
304 West Washington Street
Springfield, IL 62701

Phone: (217) 525-8012 (800) 933-7289

Official Website: <http://www.ioaweb.org>

Email/Contact: ioa@ioaweb.org

ILLINOIS RADIO READER

The Illinois Radio Reader is a free radio service for the blind and visually impaired community of east central Illinois. More than 560 listeners are kept up-to-date on world, national, state and Locally Run news via a special radio receiver. The service depends on more than 70 volunteer readers, who produce some 80 hours of Locally Run programming each week.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois Radio Reader
300 North Goodwin Avenue
Urbana, IL 61801

Phone: (217) 333-6503

Official Website: <https://will.illinois.edu/index.php/illinoisradioreader>

Email/Contact: will-irr@illinois.edu

ILLINOIS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The vision of the Illinois School for the Visually Impaired is to provide a quality comprehensive education and serve as a statewide resource to students in Illinois with visual impairments assisting them in becoming personally productive and self-sufficient citizens.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois School for the Blind and Visually Impaired
658 East State Street
Jacksonville, IL 62650

Phone: (217) 479-4400; (1-800) 919-5617; & (217) 479-4415 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=87427>

Email/Contact: <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=87725>

ILLINOIS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The vision of the Illinois School for the Visually Impaired is to provide a quality comprehensive education and serve as a statewide resource to students in Illinois with visual impairments assisting them in becoming personally productive and self-sufficient citizens. The Illinois School for the Visually Impaired (ISVI), established in 1849, is a residential/day school for students who are blind or visually impaired. Located in Jacksonville, ISVI provides accredited educational and related services for children from birth to twenty-two years of age through preschool, elementary and high school.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois School for the Blind and Visually Impaired
658 East State Street
Jacksonville, IL 62650

Phone: (217) 479-4400; (1-800) 919-5617; & (217) 479-4415 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=87427>

Email/Contact: <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=87725>

ILLINOIS SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF BLINDNESS

The primary mission of the Illinois Society for the Prevention of Blindness is to reduce preventable causes of blindness by educating the public on the necessity for and the methods of preventing blindness. ISPB accomplishes this mission by taking a leadership role in the development and implementation of programs and activities involving the preservation and enhancement of vision through education and the funding of research activities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois Society for the Prevention of Blindness
211 West Wacker Drive
Suite 1700
Chicago, IL 60605

Phone: (312) 363-6029

Official Website: www.eyehealthillinois.org

Email/Contact: <http://www.eyehealthillinois.org/contact-us/>

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION: EARLY CHILDHOOD DIVISION

The Illinois School for the Visually Impaired (ISVI), established in 1849, is a residential/day school for students who are blind or visually impaired. Located in Jacksonville, ISVI provides accredited educational and related services for children from birth to 22 years of age through preschool, elementary and high school.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois State Board of Education: Early Childhood Division
100 North 1st Street
Springfield, IL 62777

Phone: (217) 524-4835

Official Website: <https://www.isbe.net/Pages/Early-Childhood.aspx>

Email/Contact: http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/contact_us/home.html

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION: SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The Illinois State Board of Education partners with school districts to provide programs and services for students with specialized educational needs. Special Education Services assures that these programs and services meet state and federal requirements. This involves both compliance and technical assistance functions. Compliance functions include monitoring least restrictive environment compliance, administering due process system, providing mediation services, conducting complaint investigations, approving policies and procedures, conducting focused and comprehensive reviews and approving nonpublic special education facilities. Technical assistance functions involve providing information and guidance on promising practices in educating students with disabilities, including the operation of numerous statewide training and technical assistance initiatives, administering the comprehensive system of personnel development for special education and management of grant programs to schools for special education service delivery.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois State Board of Education: Special Education Programs
100 North 1st Street
Springfield, IL 62777-0001

Illinois

Phone: (217) 782-5589; (1-866) 262-6663; & (217) 782-1900 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://www.isbe.net/Pages/Special-Education-Programs.aspx>

Email/Contact: N/A

ILLINOIS STATE LIBRARY TALKING BOOK AND BRAILLE SERVICE

The Talking Book and Braille Service (TBBS) provides audio and braille library service via mail or digital download to any Illinois resident who is unable to read standard print material due to a permanent or temporary visual or physical disability. As the Regional Library, TBBS acts as the liaison to the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS) and circulates books to all residents enrolled in the Talking Book and Braille Service.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois State Library Talking Book and Braille Service
300 South 2nd Street
NA, IL 62701

Phone: (217) 782-9435; (1-888) 261-7863 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.ilbph.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY

Specialists in Low Vision and Blindness work with learners who have a wide range of visual impairments ages 3-21. Instructors in this field can be found in classrooms from preschool through high school, in public schools as well as in residential centers as classroom, resource, or itinerant teachers. Training includes courses in braille reading and writing, assistive technology for individuals with visual impairments, and fieldwork in clinical experiences.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois State University
Campus Box 5910
Normal, IL 61790-5910

Phone: (309) 438-8986 & (309) 438-3467 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://education.illinoisstate.edu/vision/>

Email/Contact: N/A

ILLINOIS TALKING BOOK OUTREACH CENTER

The Talking Book and Braille Service (TBBS) provides audio and braille library service via mail or digital download to any Illinois resident who is unable to read standard print material due to a permanent or temporary visual or physical disability. As the Regional Library, TBBS acts as the liaison to the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS) and circulates books to all residents enrolled in the Talking Book and Braille Service.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Illinois Talking Book Outreach Center
125 Tower Drive
Burr Ridge, IL 60527

Phone: (1-800) 665-5576, ext. 1

Official Website: <http://www.ilbph.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS (LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL)

Our 46,000 clubs and more than 1.4 million members make us the world's largest service club organization. We're also one of the most effective. Our members do whatever is needed to help their Locally Run communities. Everywhere we work, we make friends. With children who need eyeglasses, with seniors who don't have enough to eat and with people we may never meet.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Radio Reading Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

International Association of Lions Clubs (Lions Clubs International)
300 West 22nd Street
Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842

Phone: (630) 571-5466

Official Website: <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/who-we-are/index.php>

Email/Contact: <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/who-we-are/contact-us/index.php>

LOYOLA MEDICINE OPHTHALMOLOGY

Loyola Medicine's dedicated health professionals in the department of ophthalmology are committed to excellence in patient care. Our team of expert ophthalmologists offer primary through tertiary care in all subspecialties and utilize the latest technology to provide the highest quality care, superior outcomes and outstanding patient satisfaction.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Loyola Medicine Ophthalmology
2160 South 1st Avenue
Maywood, IL 60153

Phone: (1-888) 584-7888

Official Website: <https://www.loyolamedicine.org/ophthalmology>

Email/Contact: N/A

MARY BRYANT HOME FOR THE BLIND

The Mary Bryant Home is here to assist our visually impaired residents with their daily lives, offering a safe and secure place they call home. As the first supportive living community in the state of Illinois, our facility is designed specifically for blind and visually impaired residents to meet the needs of living lives of independence. Centrally located in Springfield, the Mary Bryant Home is staffed around the clock to assist our residents, and we offer a wide range of activities daily for residents to enjoy.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Mary Bryant Home for the Blind
2960 Stanton Street
Springfield, IL 62703

Phone: (217) 529-1611 & (1-888) 529-1611

Official Website: <http://www.marybryanthome.org>

Email/Contact: mbha@marybryanthome.org

NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL AND EARLY EDUCATION VISUAL DISABILITIES PROGRAM

Northern Illinois University has been active since 1954, making it one of the oldest training programs in the blindness field in the country.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Northern Illinois University Department of Special and Early Education
Visual Disabilities Program

NA

Gabel Hall 159

DeKalb, IL 60115

Phone: (815) 753-1619

Official Website: <http://www.vision.niu.edu/seed/academic-programs/vision-program/index.shtml>

Email/Contact: seed@niu.edu

NORTHWESTERN MEDICAL FACULTY FOUNDATION: OPHTHALMOLOGY DEPARTMENT

The Department of Ophthalmology at Northwestern Memorial Hospital treats and manages the full spectrum of eye disease, providing world-class eye care for everything from contact lens fitting to the most advanced refractive cataract surgeries and treatments for macular degeneration. We feature leaders in the field of Lasik surgery, treat patients looking to correct drooping or baggy eyelids and offer novel procedures to treat other cosmetic concerns around the eyes or mid-face. Vision is our most precious sense—it helps shape one’s experience—and its preservation is paramount to all. The accomplished physicians in our department share a steadfast commitment to ocular health and vision preservation. These ophthalmologists have a level of expertise and knowledge that produces breakthroughs—which lead to breakthroughs in the treatment and vision health of our patients. In turn, we pass this knowledge on to the next generation of ophthalmologists through our Ophthalmology Residency and Fellowship programs.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Northwestern Medical Faculty Foundation: Ophthalmology Department
675 North Street Clair
NA, IL 60611
Phone: (312) 695-8150

Official Website: <http://www.nmff.org/clinicaldepts/department.asp?id=39>

Email/Contact: <https://www.nm.org/contact-us>

NSSEO VISUALLY IMPAIRED SUPPORT SERVICES

The NSSEO Vision Program provides students with the necessary skills and supports to become confident, independent individuals who will succeed in a sighted world. We believe a collaborative partnership among students, families, educational teams, and community members are essential in providing expanded opportunities and improved outcomes for students.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; NLS Libraries; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

NSSEO Visually Impaired Support Services
201 South Evanston
Arlington Heights, IL 60004-6899

Phone: (847) 463-8240

Official Website: <http://www.nsseo.org/services/vision-program/>

Email/Contact: ckostecki@nsseo.org

PHILIP J. ROCK CENTER AND SCHOOL

The Philip J. Rock Center and School (PRC) offers a comprehensive residential educational program available for children with deafness/blindness who are 3-21 years old. These services are free to the families and school districts in Illinois. The Philip J. Rock School is a year-round residential program which offers an extended day educational program. All of the day classes are currently housed in Locally Run public schools or transition community settings, during regular school hours. The students are mainstreamed for many activities in the school day, including art, music, physical education, and vocational experiences, with non-handicapped peers. In addition to the essential elements of the common core, the PRC curriculum is based on the expanded core curriculum and emphasizes functional skills in these areas: 1) vocational, 2) domestic/personal care, 3) leisure, and 4) community. Students have opportunities to develop work skills at various vocational sites in the community, as well as vocational opportunities in the school building.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Radio Reading Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

Illinois

MAILING ADDRESS:

Philip J. Rock Center and School
818 DuPage Boulevard
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Phone: (630) 790-2474 & (1-800) 771-1158

Official Website: <http://www.philiprockcenter.org/philip-j-rock-center-and-school>

Email/Contact: prc@philiprockcenter.org

PREVENT BLINDNESS

Founded in 1908, PBA is the nation's leading volunteer eye health and safety organization dedicated to fighting blindness and saving sight. Focused on promoting a continuum of vision care, PBA touches the lives of millions of people each year through public and professional education, certified vision screening training, community and patient service programs and research. These services are made possible through the generous support of the American public. Together with a network of affiliates, divisions, and chapters, PBA is committed to eliminating preventable blindness in America.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Prevent Blindness
211 West Wacker Drive
#1700
Chicago, IL 60606

Phone: (312) 363-6001 & (1-800) 331-2020

Official Website: <http://www.preventblindness.org>

Email/Contact: info@preventblindness.org

PROJECT REACH: ILLINOIS DEAF-BLIND SERVICES

Project Reach provides technical assistance, information, and training to address the early intervention, special education, related services, and transitional services needs of children with deaf-blindness and enhance state capacity to improve services and outcomes for children and their families.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Project Reach: Illinois Deaf-Blind Services
818 DuPage Boulevard
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Phone: (630) 790-2474 & (1-800) 771-1158

Official Website: <http://www.philiprockcenter.org/project-reach>

Email/Contact: prc@philiprockcenter.org

RADIO INFORMATION SERVICE

Radio Information Service is a non-profit organization sponsored by Wabash Valley College in Mt. Carmel, Illinois. The service provides information to the blind and print handicapped living in Mt. Carmel and the surrounding area. The purpose of the reading service is to help visually impaired, physically handicapped, and the elderly to participate more fully in our society. Radio Information Service gives them access to the printed page: Locally Run daily and weekly newspapers, magazines, and different types of books. It also offers entertainment programs for their enjoyment and enrichment. The service provides depth and detail of reporting, previously found only in the printed medium, via the air waves. The combination makes it possible for print-handicapped listeners to be current and knowledgeable about the world around them. One of eight reading services in Illinois, Radio Information Service is a member of the Association of Radio Reading Services, an association of 96 operating programs of this kind throughout the United States, and the Illinois Radio Information Service (IRIS).

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Radio Information Service
2200 College Drive
Mt. Carmel, IL 62863

Phone: (618) 262-8641 ext. 3574

Official Website: <http://www.iecc.edu/wvc/ris>

Email/Contact: N/A

SASED/DUPAGE/WEST COOK REGIONAL SPECIAL EDUCATION

The DuPage West Cook Regional Special Education Association (DWC) is an intergovernmental agreement created to provide low incidence special education programs and services to students in the identified catchment area. SASED is the operating and fiscal agent for DWC. SASED provides a Coordinator for all DWC operations and classroom programming for students who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing (Pre-k to 8th grade) and for students who are Blind or Visually Impaired (Pre-k through Transition). SASED also provides Audiology and specialized diagnostic services for members of the DWC intergovernmental agreement. The LaGrange Area Department of Special Education (LADSE) provides programming for High School and Transition aged students from the member districts and cooperatives who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing. The Cooperative Association for Special Education (CASE) provides Itinerant teaching services for DWC students who have visual, hearing or orthopedic impairments and require that level of service.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

SASED/DuPage/West Cook Regional Special Education
1500 South Grace
Lombard, IL 60148

Phone: (630) 629-7272

Official Website: <https://www.sased.org/who-we-are/dupage-west-cook>

Email/Contact: jallison@sased.org

SECOND SENSE

Second Sense inspires individuals to move beyond vision loss and believe in their abilities. Through client-centered support and training, they learn new skills, build confidence and realize their value in our community. Together we are changing society's perception of human potential.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Second Sense
65 East Wacker Place
Suite 1010
Chicago, IL 60601-7216

Phone: (312) 236-8569

Official Website: <http://www.second-sense.org/>

Email/Contact: info@second-sense.org

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS RADIO INFORMATION SERVICE

The Southern Illinois Radio Information Service (SIRIS) is a community service of WSIU Public Broadcasting which provides a reading and information service for individuals who are blind, visually impaired and print-disabled. Any person in the WSIU-FM (91.9) or WWSI-FM (88.9) listening area whose eyesight or physical condition makes it impossible to read a newspaper or book qualifies to receive the SIRIS broadcast. SIRIS programming is broadcast on a sub-carrier frequency of the WSIU-FM and WWSI-FM main signal. The broadcast can only be heard on a special radio receiver that is pre-tuned to the SIRIS broadcast.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Southern Illinois Radio Information Service
1100 Lincoln Drive
1003 Communications Bldg
Carbondale, IL 62901-4306

Phone: (618) 453-2808

Official Website: <http://www.wsiu.org/siris/>

Email/Contact: N/A

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY: DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES

The Office of Disability Support Services (DSS) is committed to assuring that students with disabilities receive equal, effective, and meaningful access to all campus programs, resources, and services. We recognize that diversity of abilities is a source of excellence, enrichment, and strength for all members of the university community. Our staff coordinates and provides support services to students with disabilities and works closely with faculty and staff in an advisory capacity providing disability education awareness around ensuring equal access within courses, physical structures, and in the online environment.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Southern Illinois University: Disability Support Services
Woody Hall B150
Carbondale, IL 62901-4705

Phone: (618) 453-5738 & (618) 453-2292 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.siu.edu/~dss/>

Email/Contact: dsssiu@siu.edu

SOUTHERN WILL COUNTY COOPERATIVE FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION

SOWIC's ten school districts provide special education programs and services for approximately 2240 students with disabilities. Each SOWIC district provides a full continuum of special education services either within their buildings, through the Cooperative or in private facilities. Five of the SOWIC districts employ their own cross categorical teachers and teacher assistants and SOWIC employs the cross categorical staff for the other districts.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Southern Will County Cooperative for Special Education
1207 North Larkin Avenue
Joliet, IL 60435

Phone: (815) 741-7777

Official Website: <http://www.SOWIC.org>

Email/Contact: sowic@sowic.org

SPECTRIOS INSTITUTE FOR LOW VISION DEICKE HOUSE

Spectrios Institute, formerly Deicke Center for Visual Rehabilitation, is a unique organization providing a comprehensive visual rehabilitation program that includes low vision evaluation, counseling, and instruction of daily living skills and technology use. In addition, we evaluate new methods and technologies for aiding people with low vision, and we train eye doctors in the highly specialized field of low vision care. Our specialized and unique vision programs serve Chicago and the western Chicago suburbs.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Spectrios Institute for Low Vision Deicke House
219 East Cole Avenue
Wheaton, IL 60187

Phone: (630) 690-7115 & (630) 690-2509 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.spectrios.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.spectrios.org/about/contact-us>

TRI-STATES AUDIO INFORMATION SERVICES WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

Tri-States Audio Information Services is a volunteer-driven, regional radio reading service for the print-impaired serving individuals in all or part of 20 counties in west central Illinois, southeast Iowa, and northeast Missouri. A service of Tri States Public Radio and the College of Fine Arts and Communication at Western Illinois University, AIS serves people of all ages, educational levels, and social backgrounds and fosters equal access to printed materials for individuals with disabilities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Tri-States Audio Information Services Western Illinois University
504 University Services Building
Macomb, IL 61455

Phone: (309) 298-2403 & (1-800) 895-2912

Official Website: <http://www.wiu.edu/cofac/ais/>

Email/Contact: ais@wiu.edu

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN: DISABILITY RESOURCES AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

The mission of the Division of Disability Resources and Educational Services is to ensure that qualified individuals with disabilities are afforded an equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from the programs, services and activities of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign through the identification and enactment of reasonable modifications to institutional policies and procedures, the provision of effective auxiliary aids and services, the establishment of innovative educational services, and the pursuit of interdisciplinary disability research.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign: Disability Resources and Educational Services
1207 South Oak Street
Champaign, IL 61820

Phone: (217) 333-4605

Official Website: <http://www.disability.uiuc.edu>

Email/Contact: N/A

ACB OF INDIANA

ACBI's purpose is to improve the well-being of Indiana's blind and visually impaired residents.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

ACB of Indiana
338 East Ohio Street
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2180

Phone: (317) 638-3765

Official Website: <http://www.acb-indiana.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

Indiana

ADEC, INC.

ADEC serves people of all ages who experience developmental disabilities and delays, as well as other special needs such as visual and physical impairments. From infants to senior citizens, ADEC can provide direct services; information or referrals to help individuals and families meet the challenges of living with disabilities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

ADEC, Inc.
19670 State Road 120
P.O. Box 398
Bristol, IN 46507-0398

Phone: (574) 848-7451 ext. 2424 & (1-877) 342-8954 ext. 7744

Official Website: <http://www.adecinc.com>

Email/Contact: info@adecinc.com

AUDIO READING SERVICE OF THE ALLEN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Audio Reading Service broadcasts in a 50-mile radius from Fort Wayne over a sub-channel frequency provided, at cost, by WBCL FM. A special SCA radio is needed to hear this broadcast. The radio is loaned to individuals from the Allen County Public Library at no cost. An application is needed to acquire the SCA radio.

SPONSOR: Locally Run Run

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Audio Reading Service of the Allen County Public Library
7615 DiSalle Boulevard
Fort Wayne, IN 46825

Phone: (260) 421-1376

Official Website: <http://www.acpl.lib.in.us/audioreadingservice>

Email/Contact: AudioReadingService@acpl.info

BOSMA ENTERPRISES

The mission of Bosma Enterprises is to empower people who are blind or visually impaired by creating opportunities that lead to the achievement of each individual's employment, economic, social, and self-determination goals.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Bosma Enterprises
6270 Corporate Drive
Indianapolis, IN 46278

Phone: (317) 684-0600 & (1-866) 602-6762

Official Website: <http://www.bosma.org>

Email/Contact: <https://www.bosma.org/contact-us>

CORNEA RESEARCH FOUNDATION OF AMERICA

Cornea Research Foundation of America is a nonprofit clinical research and educational organization that serves as a research and educational organization dedicated to the preservation and restoration of vision.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Cornea Research Foundation of America
9002 North Meridian Street
Suite 212
Indianapolis, IN 46260

Phone: (317) 844-5610

Official Website: <http://cornea.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://cornea.org/contact.aspx>

COUNCIL OF SCHOOLS FOR THE BLIND INDIANA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Council of Schools for the Blind (COSB) is an organization whose members are the day and residential schools for children who are blind or visually impaired throughout North America. Each member school is represented by the lead administrator of the school, or his or her designee. COSB is a resource for the administrator and the school on management issues as well as on issues related to blindness. COSB schools develop and offer model programs; follow promising practices; serves as resource centers; establish and maintain regional links with teacher training programs; and offer extensive outreach services. COSB holds an annual COSB Institute for administrators.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Council of Schools for the Blind Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired
7725 North College Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46240-2504

Phone: (317) 253-1481

Official Website: <https://www.cosbvi.org/>

Email/Contact: joy.harris@cosbvi.org

EASTER SEALS CROSSROADS REHABILITATION CENTER

Easter Seals Crossroads has been helping individuals with disabilities and special needs, and their families, live better lives for 80 years. Whether helping someone improve physical mobility, return to work or simply gain greater independence for everyday living, Easter Seals Crossroads offers a variety of services to help people with disabilities address life's challenges and achieve personal goals. We provide top-quality, family-focused and innovative services tailored to meet the specific needs of the individuals we serve.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Easter Seals Crossroads Rehabilitation Center
4740 Kingsway Drive
Indianapolis, IN 46205

Phone: (317) 466-1000; (1-888) 466-1314; & (317) 479-3232 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.eastersealscrossroads.org>

Email/Contact: http://www.eastersealscrossroads.org/?page_id=72

EVANSVILLE ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

The Evansville Association for the Blind is a not-for-profit organization committed to assisting disabled or disadvantaged persons, particularly the visually impaired, empowering them through diverse services to live and work in the community.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Preschool Programs; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Evansville Association for the Blind
500 North Second Avenue
Evansville, IN 47710

Phone: (812) 422-1181

Official Website: <http://www.evansvilleblind.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.evansvilleblind.org/contact/>

EVANSVILLE-VANDEBURGH PUBLIC LIBRARY TALKING BOOKS SERVICES

The Talking Books of the Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library is part of a nationwide network of cooperating libraries headed by the National Library Service, a division of the Library of Congress. This free program provides library services and materials in alternative formats to persons with visual or physical disabilities. Books are available in Large print, Audio, Downloadable and Braille formats. All materials are sent to borrowers and returned by postage-free mail.

SPONSOR: Locally Run Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Evansville-Vanderburgh Public Library Talking Books Services
200 Southeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard
Evansville, IN 47713

Phone: (812) 428-8235 & (1-866) 645-2536

Official Website: <http://www.evpl.org/services/tbs/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.evpl.org/askevpl/email/default.aspx?q=tbs>

INDIANA ACADEMY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

The Indiana Academy of Ophthalmology promotes the highest quality, comprehensive vision, medical, and surgical eye care. We also provide professional advocacy, education, and value-added business services to our members.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Indiana Academy of Ophthalmology
125 West Market Street
Suite 300
Suite 300, IN Suite 300

Phone: (317) 577-3062

Official Website: <http://www.indianaeyemds.com>

Email/Contact: kwilliams@thecorydongroup.com

INDIANA DEAFBLIND SERVICES PROJECT BLUMBERG CENTER FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES IN SPECIAL EDUCATION BAYH COLLEGE OF EDUCATION INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

The Indiana Deafblind Services Project is a statewide service committed to providing person centered educational training to individuals who are Deafblind (Birth to 21 years), their families and service providers through activities such as child focused consultations, training, family learning weekends, a parent/professional resource library, and dissemination.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Indiana Deafblind Services Project Blumberg Center for
Interdisciplinary Studies in Special Education Bayh College of
Education Indiana State University
401 North 7th St
Terre Haute, IN 47809-9989

Phone: (812) 237-2830

Official Website: <http://www.indstate.edu/blumberg/db/deafblind.htm>

Email/Contact: N/A

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION SOUTH TOWER

The Idaho Department of Education Office of Special Education's goal as educators is to improve outcomes for all students. This can be accomplished through a system that ensures equity and access. Equitable Access is the guarantee that all students are provided the necessary and individualized supplementary aids and services, accommodations, modifications or supports to meaningfully participate in the general education curriculum.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Indiana Department of Education: Office of Special Education South Tower
115 West Washington Street
Suite 600
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Phone: (317) 232-6610 & (1-877) 851-4106

Official Website: <http://www.doe.in.gov/specialed>

Email/Contact: specialeducation@doe.in.gov

INDIANA FAMILY AND SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION: DIVISION OF DISABILITY AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES, BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED SERVICES INDIANA GOVERNMENT CENTER

Blind and Visually Impaired Services (BVIS) is a program of the Bureau of Rehabilitation Services (BRS), a Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services (DDRS). BVIS provides services to eligible Hoosier's that are blind or visually impaired.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Indiana Family and Social Services Administration: Division of
Disability and Rehabilitative Services, Blind and Visually Impaired
Services Indiana Government Center
402 West Washington Street
Room W453 P.O. Box 7083
Indianapolis, IN 46207-7083

Phone: (317) 232-1441 & (1-877) 241-8144

Official Website: <http://www.in.gov/fssa/ddrs/2638.htm>

Email/Contact: bvis@fssa.in.gov

INDIANA FIRST STEPS FAMILY AND SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

First Steps is Indiana's early intervention program that provides services to infants and toddlers from birth to third birthday who have developmental delays or disabilities. First Steps brings families together with a Locally Run network of professionals from education, health and social service agencies.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Indiana First Steps Family and Social Services Administration
402 West Washington Street
Room W-386
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Phone: (317) 233-9229 & (1-800) 441-7837

Official Website: <http://www.in.gov/fssa/4655.htm>

Email/Contact: N/A

INDIANA OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The Indiana Optometric Association was founded in 1897 and is the only statewide organization representing the interests of optometrists. Doctors of Optometry are primary health care providers for the eye. O.D.'s diagnose and treat diseases, injuries and disorders of the visual system, associated structures and systemic conditions involving the eye.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Indiana Optometric Association
10 W. Market Street
Suite 2995
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Phone: (317) 577-3062

Official Website: <http://www.ioa.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.ioa.org/forms/contact/>

INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY: PROMOTING ACHIEVEMENT FOR STUDENTS WITH SENSORY LOSS BLUMBERG CENTER BAYH COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

The purpose of Promoting Achievement for Students with Sensory Loss (PASS) is to provide statewide support, technical assistance and professional development opportunities for educators that will improve instructional quality, promote academic achievement, and foster successful post-secondary transition outcomes for students with sensory loss. This website was developed especially for teachers, educational interpreters, paraprofessionals, related service personnel, families, and administrators who serve students who have sensory loss (including blind or low vision; deaf or hard of hearing; or deafblind). Our goal is to connect you with materials and people to support you in your important work. We will provide updates on in-service training and distance education opportunities, listings of resources and other information on topics of interest to you.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Indiana State University: Promoting Achievement for Students with Sensory Loss
Blumberg Center Bayh College of Education
401 North 7th Street
University Hall 1E
Terre Haute, IN 47809

Phone: (812) 237-8115

Official Website: <https://passprojectisu.org/>

Email/Contact: robin.thoma@indstate.edu

INDIANA TALKING BOOK AND BRAILLE LIBRARY INDIANA STATE LIBRARY

The Indiana Talking Book and Braille Library (TBBL) provides free library service to residents of Indiana who cannot use standard printed materials due to a visual or physical disability. Patrons may borrow braille books, digital audio books, large print books, audio magazines, and special playback equipment from the library; materials will be mailed directly to patrons' homes using "free matter for the blind."

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Indiana Talking Book and Braille Library Indiana State Library
140 North Senate Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Phone: (317) 232-3684; (1-800) 622-4970; & (317) 232-7763 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.in.gov/library/tbbl.htm>

Email/Contact: tbbl@library.in.gov

INDIANA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF OPTOMETRY: EYE CARE CENTERS

The Indiana University (IU) School of Optometry Low Vision Rehabilitation Service staff helps patients regain some independence in activities such as reading, paying bills, recognizing faces, maintaining balance and walking, enjoying hobbies, returning to work, managing household tasks, driving, and classroom participation.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Distance Education; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Indiana University School of Optometry: Eye Care Centers
744 East 3rd Street
Bloomington, IN 47405

Phone: (812) 855-8436

Official Website: <http://www.optometry.iu.edu/clinics/services/low-vision.shtml>

Email/Contact: N/A

LEAGUE FOR THE BLIND AND DISABLED, INC.

The League for the Blind and Disabled, Inc. is a Center for Independent Living that serves people with disabilities and communities in a primary target area that encompasses eleven counties in Northeast Indiana.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

League for the Blind and Disabled, Inc.
5821 South Anthony Boulevard
Fort Wayne, IN 46816

Phone: (260) 441-0551 & (1-800) 889-3443

Official Website: <https://www.the-league.org/>

Email/Contact: the-league@the-league.org

EARLY ACCESS IOWA IDEA PART C

No two children develop, grow and learn in the same way or at same pace. However, children do develop in certain predictable ways. If you have questions or concerns about how your infant or toddler plays, hears, sees, talks, eats or moves, contact Early ACCESS. Early ACCESS is for families with young children, birth to age 3. Early ACCESS works with families to identify child and family needs, determine if the child is eligible for Early ACCESS early intervention services, coordinate services, learn new information and discover what works best for each child.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Recreation Services; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Early Access Iowa IDEA Part C
400 East 14th Street
Des Moines, IA 50319

Phone: (515) 281-8634 & (1-888) 425-4371

Official Website: <http://www.earlyaccessiowa.org/>

Email/Contact: iafamilysupportnetwork@vnsia.org

IOWA COMPASS CENTER FOR DISABILITIES AND DEVELOPMENT

Iowa Compass has information about services and supports for Iowans with disabilities, their families and service providers. Access thousands of Locally Run, state and national programs for people with complex health-related conditions and disabilities.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Iowa Compass Center for Disabilities and Development
100 Hawkins Drive
Iowa City, IA 52242-1011

Phone: (319) 353-8777

Official Website: <http://www.iowacompass.org>

Email/Contact: iowa-compass@uiowa.edu

IOWA DEPARTMENT FOR THE BLIND

Provides comprehensive services to Iowans who are blind or visually impaired. The Department supports and encourages independent living and full participation in life – at home, at work and in communities. Services are available throughout Iowa with the majority of services provided at no charge.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Low Vision Services; Personnel Preparation; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Iowa Department for the Blind
524 4th Street
Des Moines, IA 50309-2364

Phone: (515) 281-1333

Official Website: <https://blind.iowa.gov/>

Email/Contact: information@blind.state.ia.us

IOWA DEPARTMENT ON AGING JESSIE PARKER BUILDING

The Iowa Department on Aging strives to improve the quality of life and care of older Iowans through advocacy, planning, policy development and the administration and support of statewide programs and services that promote health, safety and long-term independence. Established as the State Unit on Aging under the Older Americans Act, the Iowa Department on Aging receives federal funding each year from the Administration for Community Living (a division of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services) and redistributes it to Iowa's six Area Agencies on Aging, which are strategically located throughout the state and work together and with Locally Run service providers to meet the needs of older Iowans. This "aging network" is designed to serve all Iowans who are 60 and older, with particular emphasis on populations demonstrating the greatest social or economic need. With projections for Iowa's population aged 65+ to grow to constitute 19.9 percent of the state's total population by 2050, the Department focuses on empowering older adults to maintain their independence and advocates on behalf of older Iowans to ensure their rights, safety and overall well-being.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Iowa Department on Aging Jessie Parker Building
510 East 12th Street
Suite 2
Des Moines, IA 50319-9025

Phone: (515) 725-3333 & (1-800) 532-3213

Official Website: <http://www.iowaaging.gov/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.iowaaging.gov/contact-us>

IOWA EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The mission of the Iowa Educational Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired is to enable Iowa's students who are blind or visually impaired to function as independently as possible in all aspects of life by providing appropriate educational opportunities, resources, and support services.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Iowa Educational Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired
1002 G Avenue
Vinton, IA 52349

Phone: (319) 472-5221 & (1-800) 645-4579

Official Website: <http://www.iowa-braille.k12.ia.us/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.iowa-braille.k12.ia.us/vnews/display.v/sec/about%20us%7ccontact%20us>

IOWA LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED IOWA DEPARTMENT FOR THE BLIND

The Iowa Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped provides books and other materials in alternative formats to Iowa residents who are unable to read standard print materials. Thousands of books are available in a variety of formats: Braille, large print, digital audio recordings, print/Braille, descriptive video, and electronic text mailed to your home. Registered readers may also download audio and Braille books and magazines online.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Iowa Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
Iowa Department for the Blind
524 4th Street
Des Moines, IA 50309-2364

Phone: (515) 281-1333; (1-800) 362-2587; & (515) 281-1355 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://idblibrary.blind.state.ia.us/EOSWebOPAC/OPAC/Index.aspx>

Email/Contact: library@blind.state.ia.us

IOWA OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The mission of the Iowa Optometric Association (IOA) is to improve the quality, availability and accessibility of eye/vision care in Iowa, to represent the optometric profession to government, third parties and the public, and to assist members in conducting their practices successfully in accordance with the highest standards of patient care and efficiency. The IOA encourages high ethical standards and continued post-graduate level professional education and research. The IOA will utilize its resources to promote and maintain high professional standards of eye care in Iowa.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Iowa Optometric Association
1454 30th Street
Suite 204
West Des Moines, IA 50266-1312

Phone: (515) 222-5679

Official Website: <http://www.iowaoptometry.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.iowaoptometry.org/contact>

IOWA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: SPECIAL EDUCATION

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Iowa State Department of Education: Special Education
Grimes State Office Building
Des Moines, IA 50319-0146

Phone: (515) 281-4030

Official Website: <https://www.educateiowa.gov/pk-12/special-education>

Email/Contact: N/A

PREVENT BLINDNESS IOWA

Prevent Blindness Iowa is the state's only health and safety organization dedicated to preserving sight and preventing blindness. Founded in 1958, Prevent Blindness Iowa has been working for almost 60 years to reduce unnecessary blindness by detecting eye disease early, protecting eyes from eye injuries, providing funds for research and educating Iowans on how to avoid vision loss. Our goal is to eliminate unnecessary blindness.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Prevent Blindness Iowa
1111 9th Street
Suite 250
Des Moines, IA 50314

Phone: (515) 244-4341 & (1-800) 329-8782

Official Website: <http://www.preventblindness.org/iowa/>

Email/Contact: mail@preventblindnessiowa.org

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA HEALTHCARE: DEPARTMENT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY AND VISUAL SCIENCES, VISION REHABILITATION AND COUNSELING

Low vision means that even with regular glasses, contact lenses, medicine, or surgery, people find everyday tasks difficult to do. Reading the mail, shopping, cooking, and writing can seem challenging. The chief causes of vision loss in older people are age-related macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy, cataract, and glaucoma. Among younger Americans, low vision is most often caused by inherited eye conditions, infectious and autoimmune eye disease, or trauma. Our vision rehabilitation service provides expert solutions for all the challenges that individuals with visual impairments face. If a vision loss has made it hard to do a simple task, read mail, pay bills, recognize family and friends, we can help. Vision rehabilitation allow people to lead a more productive life.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

University of Iowa Healthcare: Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Vision Rehabilitation and Counseling
200 Hawkins Drive
11190A PFP
Iowa City, IA 52242-1091

Iowa

Phone: (319) 356-8301 & (1-800) 777-8442

Official Website: <https://medicine.uiowa.edu/eye/patient-care/clinics/vision-rehabilitation-and-counseling>

Email/Contact: <https://medicine.uiowa.edu/eye/about-us/con>

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY FOR KANSANS PROJECT

Assistive Technology for Kansans is the Kansas statewide assistive technology program and has AT Access Sites located in Oakley, Wichita, Salina, Topeka and Parsons and an equipment reuse site in Garden City. The management offices of ATK are located in Parsons. Each of the five AT Access Sites have experienced staff who can assist Kansans see and try a device, borrow a device, get a used device or help locate funding for a new or used device, or teach individuals or groups how to maintain and use technology. The AT Access sites are located in Oakley, Salina, Wichita, Topeka and Parsons. An affiliate office for obtaining high-quality refurbished technology is located in Garden City.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Assistive Technology for Kansans Project
2601 Gabriel
Parsons, KS 67357

Phone: (1-800) 526-3648 & (620) 421-8367

Official Website: <http://www.atk.ku.edu>

Email/Contact: atkapps@ku.edu

AUDIO-READER, RADIO AND AUDIO SERVICE FOR BLIND AND PRINT-DISABLED PERSONS

The Audio-Reader Network is a reading and information service for blind, visually impaired, and print disabled individuals in Kansas and western Missouri. We read daily newspapers, magazines and best-selling books on the air and on the internet, 24 hours a day, and we offer automated newspaper readings by telephone. Services are offered free of charge to anyone in our listening area who is unable to read normal printed material. The Audio-Reader Network fosters independence by providing access to information and the arts for people who have difficulty reading standard print due to vision loss, physical or learning disability, mobility challenges, and age.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Audio-Reader, Radio and Audio Service for Blind and Print-Disabled Persons

1120 West 11th Street

Lawrence, KS 66044

Phone: (785) 864-4600

Official Website: <http://reader.ku.edu/>

Email/Contact: reader@ku.edu

ENVISION

Envision promotes advocacy and independence for those who are blind or low vision. Founded in 1933, Envision is one of the largest employers of individuals with vision loss in the nation. Headquartered in Wichita, Kan., Envision's mission is to improve the quality of life and provide inspiration and opportunity for people who are blind or visually impaired through employment, outreach, rehabilitation, education and research. Learn more about Envision at envisionus.com. Envision offers comprehensive low vision evaluations for youth and seniors as well as rehabilitation, in-home services, support services and caregiver education.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Envision
610 North Main
Wichita, KS 67203

Kansas

Phone: (316) 440-1500; (1-866) 319-4646; & (316) 231-0057 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.envisionus.com>

Email/Contact: info@envisionus.com

HELEN KELLER NATIONAL CENTER FOR DEAF-BLIND YOUTHS AND ADULTS: GREAT PLAINS REGION OFFICE

Our regional offices bring HKNC resources to you. Your regional representative knows all about the programs and services that are available to deaf-blind individuals, their families and service providers in your state and beyond, and can help you find and access the ones that are right for you. Whether you're interested in learning about support services near your home, would like to take advantage of the technology available through the National Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program (NDBEDP) or want to explore the possibility of training at our national headquarters, your regional rep is your link to all that HKNC has to offer - consultation, advocacy, assessment, training, referrals and more.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/ Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults: Great Plains Region Office
450 East Park Street, Suite 108
Olathe, KS 66061-5410

Phone: (913) 677-4562 & (913) 677-4562 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.hknc.org>

Email/Contact: beth.jordan@hknc.org or dianna.meier@hknc.org

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF AUDIO INFORMATION SERVICES

IAAIS is a volunteer-driven membership organization of services that turn text into speech for people who cannot see, hold or comprehend the printed word and who may be unable to access information due to a disability or health condition. Since its formation in 1977, IAAIS (formerly the Association of Radio Reading Services) has assisted, represented and set standards of good practice for audio information services worldwide. The organizational name was updated in 1999 to reflect the advent of new technologies for producing and delivering audio and an increased need for reading services throughout the world. IAAIS currently represents 140-some services and developing services. Member services can be found throughout the United States and in Canada, the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, Japan and South Africa. Many IAAIS members in the United States are associated with public radio stations, colleges, universities or libraries.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

International Association of Audio Information Services
1294 E 1600 Road
Lawrence, KS 66046

Phone: (1-800) 280-5325

Official Website: <http://www.iaais.org>

Email/Contact: <https://iaais.org/contacts/>

KANSAS BRAILLE TRANSCRIPTION INSTITUTE

KBTI is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit. KBTI trains and hires blind and sighted persons in all facets of the instruction of Braille transcriptions following the guidelines of the Braille Authority of North America. KBTI also refurbishes Braille Writers.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kansas Braille Transcription Institute
205 West 2nd St. N
Ste. B
Wichita, KS 67202

Phone: (316) 265-9692

Official Website: <http://www.kbti.org>

Email/Contact: info@kbti.org

KANSAS DEAF-BLIND PROJECT

The Kansas Deaf-Blind Project staff, consultants, advisory council, collaborating agencies, and organizations work to assure that identified children and young adults (birth through 21 years) with deaf-blindness, their families, educators, and support providers receive the technical assistance and services needed. The Kansas Deaf-Blind Project continues to promote evidence and research-based education practices, document student, family and service provider outcomes, build on systematic change efforts and align services for children and young adults in accordance with the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA).

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kansas Deaf-Blind Project
1100 State Avenue
Kansas City, KS 66102

Phone: (913) 645-5645

Official Website: <https://www.kansasdeafblind.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.kansasdeafblind.org/contact-us>

KANSAS DEPARTMENT FOR AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES NEW ENGLAND BUILDING

The Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services mission is to foster an environment which; promotes security, dignity and independence, while providing the right care at the right time in a place called home.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services New England Building
503 South Kansas Avenue
Topeka, KS 66603-3404

Phone: (785) 296-4986; (1-800) 432-3535; & (785) 291-3167 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.kdads.ks.gov>

Email/Contact: kdads.wwwmail@ks.gov

KANSAS DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES: SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Rehabilitation Services offers a variety of programs and services to meet the diverse needs of Kansans with disabilities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kansas Department for Children and Families: Services for People Who Are Blind or Visually Impaired
555 South Kansas
3rd Floor
Topeka, KS 66603

Phone: (785) 368-7471; (1-888) 369-4777; & (785) 368-7478 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.dcf.ks.gov/services/RS/Pages/Blind.aspx>

Email/Contact: <http://www.dcf.ks.gov/services/rs/pages/rscontacts.aspx>

KANSAS INFANT-TODDLER SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

Kansas Infant Toddler Services (authorized by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act - IDEA Part C) is administered by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE). KDHE provides grants to Locally Run networks to assist in maintaining and implementing a statewide system of coordinated, comprehensive, multidisciplinary early intervention services for infants and toddlers with disabilities (birth through 2) and their families. KDHE is responsible for assuring availability to eligible children and their families excluding those at-risk. In SFY10, over 7,000 children received early intervention services.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kansas Infant-Toddler Services Department of Health and Environment
1000 SW Jackson
Suite 220
Topeka, KS 66612-1274

Phone: (785) 296-6135 & (1-800) 332-6262

Official Website: <http://www.ksits.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.kdheks.gov/contact.html>

KANSAS INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCE CENTER KANSAS STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

Serving more than 1000 students annually, the Kansas Instructional Resource Center (KIRC) is a statewide, state funded resource center for students with visual disabilities enrolled in a formal educational program in Kansas' public and private schools.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kansas Instructional Resource Center
Kansas State School for the Blind
1100 State Avenue
Kansas City, KS 66102

Phone: (913) 305-3071 & (1-800) 572-5463 ext. 418

Official Website: <http://www.kirc.org/>

Email/Contact: kirc@kssdb.org

KANSAS OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The Kansas Optometric Association serves more than 500 doctors of optometry across the state and around the country. It serves as a membership resource for information and educational opportunities, provides valuable public information about vision-related topics and delivers a unified voice about issues affecting the profession. Optometrists are independent primary health care providers who examine, diagnose, treat and manage diseases and disorders of the visual system, the eye, and associated structures, as well as diagnose related systemic conditions. Kansas optometrists are licensed by the Kansas State Board of Examiners in Optometry.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kansas Optometric Association
1266 SW Topeka Boulevard
Topeka, KS 66612

Phone: (785) 232-0225

Official Website: <http://www.kansasoptometric.org>

Email/Contact: info@kansasoptometric.org

KANSAS STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: EARLY CHILDHOOD, SPECIAL EDUCATION, AND TITLE SERVICES LANDON STATE OFFICE BUILDING

The purpose of the Early Childhood, Special Education, and Title Services (ECSET) is to provide effective, evidence-based technical assistance to districts and schools across the state. We support all Kansas students, early childhood through secondary, meeting or exceeding Kansas Standards. This includes the development, implementation, and continuous improvement of the monitoring process that ensures compliance with federal and state laws and administrative regulations, including the engagement of the student, families, and the community.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kansas State Department of Education: Early Childhood, Special Education, and Title Services Landon State Office Building
900 SW Jackson Street
Suite 620
Topeka, KS 66612-1212

Phone: (785) 296-7454

Official Website: <http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=326>

Email/Contact: ealden@ksde.org

KANSAS STATE OPHTHALMOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The Kansas Society of Eye Physicians & Surgeons (KSEPS) is a professional medical society comprised of Kansas ophthalmologists (medical eye doctors) who pay annual dues to the association. KSEPS provides its members with legislative advocacy, professional education opportunities, as well as other member services.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kansas State Ophthalmological Society
700 SW Jackson
Suite 705
Topeka, KS 66603

Phone: (785) 234-9719

Official Website: <http://www.KansasEyeMD.org>

Email/Contact: info@kansaseyemd.org

KANSAS STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND K-12

KSSB is a catalyst and leader in the development of exemplary programs and practices in vision services in Kansas. We build Locally Run capacity throughout the state via strategic partnerships to ensure learners with visual impairments are able to assume responsible roles in society and lead fulfilling lives.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kansas State School for the Blind State School for the Blind K-12
1100 State Avenue
Kansas City, KS 66102

Phone: (913) 281-3308 & (1-800) 572-5463

Official Website: <http://www.kssb.net>

Email/Contact: <http://www.kssb.net/about-us/contacts>

KANSAS TALKING BOOK LIBRARY SERVICE ESU MEMORIAL UNION

Kansas Talking Books provides personalized library support and materials in a specialized format to eligible Kansas residents to ensure that all may read. This no-cost library service features Audiobooks, magazines and audio equipment mailed directly to your house and returned postage free; special equipment lent to you at no charge; and a collection that includes romance, mysteries, bestsellers, science fiction, westerns, biographies, fiction, children's books, young adult books and more.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kansas Talking Book Library Service ESU Memorial Union
1 Kellogg Circle
Box 4055
Emporia, KS 66801

Phone: (620) 341-6280 & (1-800) 362-0699

Official Website: <http://www.kslib.info/talking>

Email/Contact: ktb@ks.gov

KANSAS TALKING BOOK LIBRARY SERVICE ESU MEMORIAL UNION

Kansas Talking Books provides personalized library support and materials in a specialized format to eligible Kansas residents to ensure that all may read. This no-cost library service features: Audiobooks, magazines and audio equipment mailed directly to your house and returned postage free. Special equipment lent to you at no charge. A collection that includes romance, mysteries, bestsellers, science fiction, westerns, biographies, fiction, children's books, young adult books and more. Find your next good read and get library help by calling 800-362-0699, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Downloadable books from the Braille and Audio Reading Download (BARD) website or by using the new BARD app.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kansas Talking Book Library Service ESU Memorial Union
1 Kellogg Circle
Box 4055
Emporia, KS 66801

Phone: (620) 341-6280 & (1-800) 362-0699

Official Website: <http://www.kslib.info/talking>

Email/Contact: ktb@ks.gov

KSDS, INC.

We provide guide dogs for the visually impaired, service dogs to assist individuals with physical disabilities and facility dogs that assist professionals in the field of education, counseling, healthcare, retirement or the legal system.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

KSDS, Inc.
120 West Seventh
Washington, KS 66968

Phone: (785) 325-2256

Official Website: www.ksds.org

Email/Contact: <http://www.ksds.org/contact-us/>

NORTHWEST KANSAS LIBRARY SYSTEM

The Northwest Kansas Library System is one of seven regional library systems in Kansas, which provides cooperative support to all types of libraries in a sparsely populated region of Kansas. There are ten counties in Northwest Kansas that participate: Cheyenne, Decatur, Gove, Logan, Norton, Sheridan, Sherman, Thomas, Trego, and Wallace, with a total population of 37,610. The system serves 19 public libraries, 36 school libraries, 2 academic libraries, 4 special libraries, and 1 club library.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Northwest Kansas Library System
2 Washington Square
Norton, KS 67654

Phone: (785) 877-5148 & (1-800) 432-2858

Official Website: <http://nwkls.org/about-nwkls/>

Email/Contact: tbook@nwkls.org

READING RADIO SERVICES

Provides radio reading services to six-city market in Kansas including Hutchinson, Wichita, Salina, Manhattan, Great Bend, Hays. Locally Run and national programming includes news, travel and leisure, women's interest, business, health, entertainment, book reviews, sports, gourmet cooking, outdoor interests. Publications read include the Hutchinson News, Wichita Eagle, New York Times, Wall Street Journal, USA Today, Washington Post, Village Voice.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Reading Radio Services
815 North Walnut Street
Suite 300
Hutchinson, KS 67501

Phone: (620) 662-6646

Official Website: N/A

Email/Contact: webmaster@radiokansas.net

RESOURCE CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING

Founded September 21, 1984, the Resource Center for Independent Living, Inc. (RCIL) is a non-profit organization that provides services to individuals with disabilities, their families and their communities. Our goal is to empower persons with disabilities to the maximum extent possible to control their lives and live independently within their respective communities served by RCIL.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Information and Referral; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Resource Center for Independent Living
1137 Laing
Osage City, KS 66523

Phone: (785) 528-3105 & (785) 528-3106 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.rcilinc.org>

Email/Contact: info@rcilinc.org

TRI-VALLEY DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

Tri-Valley empowers people with disabilities to realize their potential as full citizens in the community, through supporting them in working and living in the communities they call home. We help them live as independently possible. And we help them belong. This impact goes beyond the people TVDS serves. We know our communities grow stronger when we embrace people with disabilities as citizens who make valuable contributions.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Tri-Valley Developmental Services
521 W. 35 Chanute Pkwy
P.O. Box 518
Chanute, KS 66720

Phone: (620) 431-7401

Official Website: <http://www.tvds.org/>

Email/Contact: trivalley@tvds.org

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AMERICAN PRINTING HOUSE FOR THE BLIND

The American Printing House for the Blind (APH) is the world's largest nonprofit organization creating educational, workplace, and independent living products and services for people who are visually impaired.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Printing House for the Blind
1839 Frankfort Avenue
Louisville, KY 40206-0085

Phone: (502) 895-2405 & (1-800) 223-1839

Official Website: <http://www.aph.org>

Email/Contact: info@aph.org

BLUEGRASS COUNCIL OF THE BLIND

The mission of Bluegrass Council of the Blind is to provide resources and services to all people affected by a loss of sight, improving lives for all by empowering persons with a loss of vision to continue living independently as productive contributing members of their community and to educate the public on the rights, abilities and needs of the blind and visually impaired. Services are available to anyone directly or indirectly impacted by a loss of sight.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Employment/Job Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Bluegrass Council of the Blind
1093 South Broadway
Suite 1214
Lexington, KY 40504

Phone: (859) 259-1834

Official Website: <http://www.bcbky.org>

Email/Contact: info@bcbky.org

KENTUCKY ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY SERVICE NETWORK CHARLES MCDOWELL CENTER

The KATS Network is one of 56 statewide assistive technology programs federally funded under the Assistive Technology Act of 1998, as amended in 2004. The KATS Network's mission is to make assistive technology (AT) information, devices and services easily obtainable for people of any age and/or disability. AT is any item or piece of equipment (both low-tech and high-tech) used to improve and/or maintain independence in the home, at work, school or play.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kentucky Assistive Technology Service Network Charles McDowell
Center
8412 Westport Road
Louisville, KY 40242

Phone: (502) 429-4484 & (1-800) 327-5287

Official Website: <http://www.katsnet.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.katsnet.org/contact/>

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT FOR AGING AND INDEPENDENT LIVING

The Kentucky Department for Aging and Independent Living (DAIL) oversees administration of statewide programs and services on behalf of Kentucky's elders and individuals with disabilities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kentucky Department for Aging and Independent Living
275 East Main Street
3E-E
Frankfort, KY 40621

Phone: (502) 564-6930 & (1-888) 642-1137 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dail/Pages/default.aspx>

Email/Contact: N/A

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: DIVISION OF EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN - BLIND-VI AND DEAF-HH SERVICES

The Blind/VI and Deaf/HH Team provides informational, technical, and regulatory support to the Kentucky School for the Blind and Kentucky School for the Deaf. Additionally, we provide resources and supports to districts, parents, and service providers throughout the state in areas regarding students who are Blind/VI, Deaf/HH, or Deaf-Blind.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Low Vision Services; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kentucky Department of Education: Division of Exceptional Children - Blind-VI and Deaf-HH Services
300 Sower Blvd
5th Floor
Frankfort, KY 40601

Phone: (502) 564-4970

Official Website: <http://education.ky.gov/specialed/blindef/Pages/default.aspx>

Email/Contact: linda.funke@education.ky.gov

KENTUCKY FIRST STEPS

First Steps is a statewide early intervention system that provides services to children with developmental disabilities, or a particular medical condition that is known to cause a developmental delay, from birth to age 3 and their families. First Steps offers comprehensive services through a network of early intervention providers and service disciplines and is administered by the Department for Public Health in the Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kentucky First Steps
275 East Main Street
HS2WC
Frankfort, KY 40621

Phone: (877) 417-8377 & (1-800) 442-0087

Official Website: <http://www.kyfirststeps.org/>

Email/Contact: chfs.firststeps@ky.gov

KENTUCKY INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS RESOURCE CENTER KENTUCKY SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

The Kentucky Instructional Materials Resource Center (KIMRC) provides textbooks in braille and large print and other educational materials needed by students who are blind and visually impaired for use in Locally Run school programs. The resource center also conducts an annual registration of students who are blind and visually impaired in Kentucky.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kentucky Instructional Materials Resource Center Kentucky School for the Blind
1867 Frankfort Avenue
Louisville, KY 40206

Phone: 502-897-1583 ext. 7108

Official Website: <http://www.ksb.kyschools.us/Content/60>

Email/Contact: N/A

KENTUCKY OFFICE FOR THE BLIND

The Kentucky Office for the Blind offers a wide variety of services designed to give those with visual disabilities the tools they need to become more independent and productive in their homes, schools, workplaces and communities. Services are consistent with an individual's strengths, abilities and interests. They also partner with business and industry, assisting employers in hiring and retaining highly qualified employees.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kentucky Office for the Blind
275 East Main Street
Mail Stop 2-EJ
Frankfort, KY 40621

Phone: (502) 782-3414; (1-800) 321-6668; & (502) 564-2929 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://blind.ky.gov>

Email/Contact: N/A

KENTUCKY OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The mission of the Kentucky Optometric Association is to promote, advance and insure the viability of the practice of optometry for the benefit of its members and the citizens of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. To ensure that the voice of optometry is heard!

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kentucky Optometric Association
514 Capitol Avenue
Frankfort, KY 40602

Phone: (502) 875-3516

Official Website: <http://www.kyeyes.org>

Email/Contact: <https://kyeyes.org/contact/>

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MAILING ADDRESS:

Kentucky Optometric Association
514 Capitol Avenue
Frankfort, KY 40602

Phone: (502) 875-3516

Official Website: <http://www.kyeyes.org>

Email/Contact: <https://kyeyes.org/contact/>

KENTUCKY SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

The mission of the Kentucky School for the Blind is to provide comprehensive educational services to all Kentucky students who are blind and visually impaired, birth to 21.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Low Vision Services; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kentucky School for the Blind
1867 Frankfort Avenue
Louisville, KY 40206

Phone: (502) 897-1583 ext. 243

Official Website: <http://www.ksb.k12.ky.us>

Email/Contact: N/A

KENTUCKY TALKING BOOK LIBRARY

The Kentucky Talking Book Library (KTBL) provides free library service to people who cannot read traditional print because they have a visual, physical, or reading disability. Audio and Braille materials are sent to and from users by postage-free mail. Special equipment is provided by the library. KTBL has been in operation since 1968 and is part of a national network of libraries administered by the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, a branch of the Library of Congress.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kentucky Talking Book Library
300 Coffee Tree Road
Frankfort, KY 40601

Phone: (502) 564-5791 & (1-800) 372-2968

Official Website: <http://kdla.ky.gov/librarians/talkingbook>

Email/Contact: ktbl.mail@ky.gov

RADIO EYE

Radio Eye, Inc. is a volunteer-based Radio Reading Service in Lexington, Kentucky. It has been in continuous operation since it was founded in 1990 by Dr. Alfred Crabb. Radio Eye broadcasts live and recorded readings of newspapers and other printed material to people who are blind, visually impaired, or physically handicapped, or those with reading problems due to the natural aging process, surgery, or injury. The service is provided free of charge, and the closed-circuit radio broadcast can be heard 24 hours a day, every day throughout the year. Listeners tune in on a Sub-Carrier Authorization (SCA) radio, which is loaned to eligible individuals free of charge. Check out the broadcast availability box on the left side of the page, to see if radio service is available in your county. Each day, Radio Eye airs Locally Runly produced programming in which volunteers read state, regional and national newspapers including the Lexington Herald-Leader and the Courier-Journal of Louisville. Listeners can also hear Locally Runly produced programming of readings from a variety of magazines and health periodicals. Check out our program guide page for a full listing of our programs

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Radio Eye
1733 Russell Cave Road
Lexington, KY 40505

Kentucky

Phone: (859) 422-6390

Official Website: <http://www.RadioEye.org>

Email/Contact: info@radioeye.org

RETINA ASSOCIATES OF KENTUCKY

Our mission is to provide the personalized service necessary to help the visually impaired maximize remaining vision and improve their quality of life when medical treatment or surgery can no longer be effective. If you or someone you know has difficulty performing routine visual tasks such as reading, writing, pursuing hobbies, traveling, or distinguishing faces, a low vision evaluation can help determine ways to overcome these limitations, live better and regain independence.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Retina Associates of Kentucky
120 North Eagle Creek
Suite 500
Lexington, KY 40509

Phone: (859) 977-1129 ext. 146

Official Website: <http://lowvisionky.com>

Email/Contact: http://www.retinaky.com/contact_us/

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY: DEAF-BLIND PROJECT

The Kentucky Deaf-Blind Project provides statewide technical assistance and training to persons who have a combination of vision and hearing challenges. Services are offered to persons from birth to 22 years of age, and to their families and service providers.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

University of Kentucky: Deaf-Blind Project
251 Scott Street
103 Dickey Hall
Lexington, KY 40506

Phone: (859) 257-6076

Official Website: <https://education.uky.edu/kydbp/>

Email/Contact: N/A

AFFILIATED BLIND OF LOUISIANA

Our mission is to teach people who are blind and deaf-blind the skills that lead to independence, employment and community integration. Affiliated Blind of Louisiana is also a consumer organization, which promotes the general welfare of the visually impaired, blind and deaf-blind, educates the public about blindness and informs consumers of services available to them

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Radio Reading Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Affiliated Blind of Louisiana
409 West Street Mary Boulevard
Lafayette, LA 70506

Phone: (337) 234-6492 & (337) 264-9259 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.affiliatedblind.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.affiliatedblind.org/contacts/contactus.asp>

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SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Radio Reading Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Affiliated Blind of Louisiana
409 West Street Mary Boulevard
Lafayette, LA 70506

Phone: (337) 234-6492 & (337) 264-9259 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.affiliatedblind.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.affiliatedblind.org/contacts/contactus.asp>

LIGHTHOUSE LOUISIANA

At Lighthouse Louisiana our mission is to empower people with disabilities through employment, services and advocacy. Our state-of-the-art manufacturing facilities in New Orleans, Baton Rouge, and Gulfport create jobs for people who are blind. Proceeds from the sales of high-quality, commercially competitive products help fund services for people who are blind, Deaf, and who have other disabilities. We help people get jobs, regain their independence, and challenge expectations of the capabilities of people with disabilities. Even as a century-old nonprofit, we're constantly evolving to better serve our community.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lighthouse Louisiana
123 State Street
New Orleans, LA 70118

Phone: (504) 899-4501 & (1-888) 792-0163

Official Website: <http://www.lighthouselouisiana.org>

Email/Contact: info@lighthouselouisiana.org

LOUISIANA ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY ACCESS NETWORK

LATAN is a 501(c)(3) statewide nonprofit organization that helps people of all ages with functional limitations or disabilities to gain greater independence at work, home, or school. LATAN serves Louisiana residents who need assistive technology (AT) services, information, and resources.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Louisiana Assistive Technology Access Network
3042 Old Forge Road
Suite D
Baton Rouge, LA 70808

Phone: (1-888) 792-0163 & (1-800) 270-6185

Official Website: <http://www.latan.org>

Email/Contact: info@latan.org

LOUISIANA ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

Established in 1927, Louisiana Association for the Blind (LAB) is dedicated to improving the quality of life for the blind through training, services and employment. As a part of National Industries for the Blind (NIB), LAB participates in the nation's AbilityOne program, providing quality products to the government made by Americans with visual and other severe disabilities. We produce over 250 different SKILCRAFT® products such as copy paper, peel-and-stick nonskid, abrasive sanding cloths and many more. Our direct labor workforce is made up of over 80% visually impaired employees. In addition to providing jobs we have a Low Vision Rehabilitation Center that provides training and services for people of all ages with low vision blindness.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Louisiana Association for the Blind
1750 Claiborne Avenue
Shreveport, LA 71103

Phone: (318) 635-6471 & (1-877) 913-6471

Official Website: <http://www.lablind.com>

Email/Contact: info@lablind.com

LOUISIANA CENTER FOR THE BLIND

The Louisiana Center for the Blind provides residential orientation and adjustment training to legally blind adults. Students remain in training generally from six to nine months depending upon individual needs. The full training curriculum includes braille, cane travel, keyboarding/computer literacy, home management, industrial arts, independent living skills, job development and college placement, and GED/remedial education (if needed). All classes emphasize the development of self-confidence and a positive attitude toward blindness.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Louisiana Center for the Blind
101 South Trenton Street
Ruston, LA 71270

Phone: (318) 251-2891 & (1-800) 234-4166

Official Website: <http://www.louisianacenter.org>

Email/Contact: info@louisianacenter.org

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: DIVISION OF SPECIAL POPULATIONS CLAIRBORNE BUILDING

Louisiana Believes is built on the premise that Louisiana students are just as capable as any students in America, and that those closest to children – parents and teachers – are best positioned to help students achieve those expectations.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Louisiana Department of Education: Division of Special Populations
Clairborne Building
1201 North 3rd Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802-5243

Phone: (225) 342-3633 & (225) 219-4588 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://www.louisianabelieves.com/academics/students-with-disabilities>

Email/Contact: N/A

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES: REHABILITATION SERVICES

The State of Louisiana Department of Social Services is responsible for developing and providing social services and improving social conditions for the citizens of Louisiana, and for rehabilitating persons with disabilities for employment.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Louisiana Department of Social
Services: Rehabilitation Services
627 North 4th Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802-9297

Phone: (225) 219-2943; (1-800) 737-2958; (225) 219-2391 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.dss.state.la.us/>

Email/Contact: ann.williamson@dss.state.la.us

LOUISIANA EARLY STEPS LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS OFFICE FOR CITIZENS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

EarlySteps provides services to families with infants and toddlers aged birth to three years (36 months) who have a medical condition likely to result in a developmental delay, or who have developmental delays. Children with delays in cognitive, motor, vision, hearing, communication, social-emotional or adaptive development may be eligible for services. EarlySteps services are designed to improve the family's capacity to enhance their child's development. These services are provided in the child's natural environment, such as the child's home, child care or any other community setting typical for children aged birth to 3 years (36 months).

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Louisiana Early Steps Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals
Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities
628 North 4th Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-3117

Phone: (225) 342-0095 & (1-800) 783-5553

Official Website: <http://www.earlysteps.dhh.louisiana.gov>

Email/Contact: ocddinfo@la.gov

LOUISIANA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ELDERLY AFFAIRS

The Louisiana Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs (GOEA) was created in 1956 as the Commission on Aging by the Louisiana Legislature to act as the state's visible advocate and focal point for all matters pertaining to the aging population. Legislation enacted in 1995 mandated that as far as practical and consistent with the efficient administration of state government, programs and services for the elderly population of Louisiana would eventually be consolidated within the GOEA. Further, it was the intent of the Legislature that the GOEA administer all federal funds appropriated, allocated, or otherwise made available to the state for services to the elderly. Since 1964, GOEA developed an extensive network of quasi-governmental agencies recognized as the Aging Service Network. This network consists of the 64 Parish Councils on Aging (COA), 36 Area Agencies on Aging (AAA), 139 Senior Centers, University Centers, Advocacy and Service Organizations, the Senior Corps (Foster Grandparents, Senior Companion, Retired Senior Volunteer Program), the state Senior Employment Program (Title V). GOEA also networks with Locally Run community service organizations, volunteers, and a wide variety, programs and services dedicated to supporting its mission.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Louisiana Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs
525 Florida Street
4th Floor
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Phone: (225) 342-7100

Official Website: <http://goea.louisiana.gov/>

Email/Contact: elderlyaffairs@goea.state.la.us

LOUISIANA INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS CENTER

The Louisiana Instructional Materials Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired (LIMC) maintains a depository from which it provides eligible registered patrons with Braille and large print texts and other educational materials in a cost-effective, timely manner. The LIMC also provides items available from the American Printing House for the Blind: specialized paper for Braille and large print users, educational kits and learning tools for the visually impaired, and professional publications and guides for teachers of the visually impaired. Perkins Braille writers are available for use by Braille-using students.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Louisiana Instructional Materials Center
2888-B Brightside Lane
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Phone: (225) 757-3478

Official Website: <http://lsvi.org/content.cfm?id=83>

Email/Contact: rking@lsdvi.org

LOUISIANA SCHOOL FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Throughout its more than 150 years as a school and as a home for many of its students, LSVI has maintained an unchanging commitment to offer blind and visually impaired students the academic, career and social opportunities to help them achieve their full potential.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Louisiana School for the Visually Impaired
2888 Brightside Lane
Suite 1740
Baton Rouge, LA 70820

Phone: (225) 757-3482

Official Website: <http://www.lsvi.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.lsvi.org/content.cfm?id=60>

LOUISIANA STATE ASSOCIATION OF OPTOMETRISTS

The Optometry Association of Louisiana (OAL) is a group of state-licensed optometrists who deliver primary eyecare to citizens in all parts of Louisiana. Nearly 350 members strong, the organization provides continuing education programs for its doctors, sponsors programs to improve eyecare in Louisiana and abroad, and represents Louisiana nationally at optometric programs and events. The OAL also promotes legislation to insure all Louisiana citizens have access to quality eyecare.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Louisiana State Association of Optometrists
419 Hwy. 165 North
Oakdale, LA 71463

Phone: (318) 335-0675 & (1-888) 388-0675

Official Website: <http://www.optla.org/>

Email/Contact: optla@bellsouth.net

RANDOLPH-SHEPPARD VENDORS OF AMERICA, INC.

Randolph-Sheppard Vendors of America® (RSVA®) is a national membership organization committed to improving economic opportunities for blind vendors/managers. RSVA® promotes independent and effective participation in the Business Enterprise Programs. RSVA® encourages the creation of new business opportunities as well as better working conditions for all vendors. RSVA® actively negotiates better merchandise pricing from suppliers for blind and visually impaired vendors/managers. RSVA® is a volunteer organization composed of blind and visually impaired vendors and those individuals who support the Randolph-Sheppard program. In many states, blind vendors have joined together to form state affiliates that carry out the purposes and programs of RSVA at the Locally Run level.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Randolph-Sheppard Vendors of America, Inc.
940 Parc Helene Drive
Marrero, LA 70072-2421

Phone: (504) 328-6373 & (1-800) 467-5299

Official Website: <http://www.randolph-sheppard.org/>

Email/Contact: rsva@randolph-sheppard.org

STATE LIBRARY OF LOUISIANA SERVICES FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

The Talking Books and Braille Library (TBBL) provides free public library service to Louisiana residents of all ages who cannot easily read standard printed materials due to a visual impairment, physical disability or a reading disability whether it is permanent or temporary. Readers served by the TBBL include people with a physical disability that prevents them from holding a book or turning its pages. Anyone who is legally blind or totally blind is also eligible. Individuals with a reading disability that is certified by a medical doctor may also use our Library services. The Library collection consists of more than 75,000 titles in non-print formats (Braille, cassette, digital cartridge, and large print) on a broad range of fiction and non-fiction subjects, for all ages. The Library loans playback machines to those using the recorded materials. Recorded magazine subscriptions are also available. Books and magazines are mailed free to and from library patrons, wherever they reside. There is no charge, whatsoever, to the patron. Currently, more than 6,000 Louisianans actively use the library service. TBBL, a division of the State Library, is supported by funding from the State of Louisiana and is a cooperating network library of the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS) of the Library of Congress.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

State Library of Louisiana Services for the Blind and Physically
Handicapped
701 North 4th Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Phone: (225) 342-4944 & (1-800) 543-4702

Official Website: <http://www.state.lib.la.us/special-services/tbb/>

Email/Contact: admin@state.lib.la.us

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CATHOLIC CHARITIES MAINE: EDUCATION SERVICES FOR BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED CHILDREN

Education Services for Blind and Visually Impaired Children (ESBVIC) is a program of Catholic Charities Maine provided through funding from Maine's Division for the Blind and Visually Impaired. ESBVIC serves children with vision loss and covers the ages from birth to completion of high school. Sixteen teachers of blind and visually impaired children (TVI) cover the entire state and serve children in public or private schools as well as in home and/or pre-school settings. Services are based on information gathered through a combination of medical background and results of a Functional Vision Assessment (FVA). Students who are served by a TVI should have one of the following documents to verify the type and amount of service from a TVI--IFSP, IEP or 504 plan.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Catholic Charities Maine: Education Services for Blind and Visually Impaired Children
P.O. Box 645
Biddeford, ME 4005

Maine

Phone: (207) 592-4760

Official Website: <http://www.ccmaine.org/a-z-services/education-services-for-blind-and-visually-impaired-children>

Email/Contact: info@ccmaine.org

LIBRARY SERVICES FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED MAINE STATE LIBRARY

Programs are administered by the Maine State Library and funded by the federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) through the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS).

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Library Services for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Maine State Library

64 State House Station

Augusta, ME 04333-0064

Phone: (207) 287-5650 & (1-800) 762-7106

Official Website: <http://www.maine.gov/msl/outreach/index.shtml>

Email/Contact: <http://www.maine.gov/msl/outreach/info.htm>

MAINE CITE MAINE CITE COORDINATING CENTER

The Maine Department of Education's Maine CITE Program is designed to help make assistive technology more available to Maine children, adults and seniors who need them.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Maine CITE Maine CITE Coordinating Center
46 University Drive
Augusta, ME 4330

Phone: (207) 621-3195

Official Website: <http://www.mainecite.org>

Email/Contact: iweb@mainecite.org

MAINE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: CHILD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Interdepartmental Coordinating Council on Early Intervention
The Child Development Services system is an Intermediate Educational Unit that provides both Early Intervention (birth through two years) and Free Appropriate Public Education (for ages three through five years) under the supervision of the Maine Department of Education. The CDS system ensures the provision of special education rules, federal and state regulations statewide, through a network of regional sites. CDS consists of nine regional sites and a state office. The state CDS office maintains a central data management system, system-wide policies and procedures, and provides centralized fiscal services for regional CDS sites. Regional CDS sites provide case management and direct instruction for families with children from birth through age five. Each site conducts Child Find, which is the process of identifying children with disabilities. Screenings and evaluations are provided in order to identify children who are eligible for services. Regional CDS sites arrange for Locally Run services that include early intervention and special education and related services

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

Maine

MAILING ADDRESS:

Maine Department of Education: Child Development Services
Interdepartmental Coordinating Council on Early Intervention
State House Station #146
Augusta, ME 4333

Phone: (207) 624-6660 & (1-877) 770-8883

Official Website: <http://www.maine.gov/education/speced/cds/index.htm>

Email/Contact: <http://www.maine.gov/doe/cds/contacts.html>

MAINE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR: DIVISION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

If you have a vision problem that prevents you from carrying out the activities of daily living, getting an education or a job, there is help. The Division for the Blind and Visually Impaired can provide many services to persons with severe visual impairments.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Recreation Services; Support for Parents; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Maine Department of Labor: Division for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Phone: N/A

Official Website: <http://www.maine.gov/rehab/dbvi/>

Email/Contact: N/A

MAINE OFFICE OF AGING & DISABILITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SHS #11

The Office of Aging and Disability Services (OADS) supports Maine's older and disabled adults by providing Adult Protective, Brain Injury, Other Related Conditions, Intellectual and Developmental Disability, Long Term Care, and Aging and Community services to the people of Maine.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Maine Office of Aging & Disability Services Department of Health and Human Services SHS #11
41 Anthony Avenue
Augusta, ME 4333

Phone: (207) 287-9200

Official Website: <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oads/>

Email/Contact: N/A

MAINE OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

As the representative voice of Optometry in Maine, the Maine Optometric Association (MOA) visibly promotes Optometry as the primary eye care profession. The MOA advances the quality and availability of eye, vision, and related health care for the citizens and visitors of Maine. The MOA enhances the independent and ethical decision making of its member doctors and assist members to practice in accordance with the highest standards of patient care.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Maine Optometric Association
72 Western Avenue
Augusta, ME 4330

Phone: (207) 626-9920

Official Website: <http://maine.aoa.org/>

Email/Contact: moa.office@tampabay.rr.com

MAINE SOCIETY OF EYE PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS

The Maine Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons (MSEPS) is the only state society representing Maine's ophthalmologists and their patients. As an affiliate of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, MSEPS is dedicated to educating the public about eye health care issues, advocating for ophthalmologists before the Maine State Legislature and other regulatory bodies, and providing ophthalmologists and their staff with high quality continuing medical education programs.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Maine Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons
30 Association Drive
P.O. Box 190
Manchester, ME 4351

Phone: (207) 445-2260

Official Website: <http://www.maineeyemds.com/>

Email/Contact: sgoggin@mainemed.com

THE IRIS NETWORK

The Iris Network is a statewide resource and catalyst for people who are visually impaired or blind so they can attain their determined level of independence and integration into the community. It is the only statewide nonprofit that provides an integrated program of vision rehabilitation, technology training and employment services. Our clients currently range in age from 14 to their 90s. The Iris Network Mission: Helping people who are visually impaired or blind attain independence and community integration. Our Vision: Building a world where no person is limited by visual impairment or blindness and everyone is an advocate for eye health and the needs of people who are blind and visually impaired. Services include Low Vision, Orientation and Mobility, Vision Rehabilitation Therapy, Social Work, Counseling, Family Support, Community Connections, Technology, Employment and limited housing services and support through the Iris Park Apartments.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

The Iris Network
189 Park Avenue
Portland, ME 4102

Maine

Phone: (207) 774-6273 & (1-800) 715-0097 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.theiris.org>

Email/Contact: ashah@theiris.org

THORNDIKE PRESS

Thorndike Press publishes and distributes more than 1,500 large print titles each year.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Thorndike Press
10 Water Street
Suite 310
Waterville, ME 4901

Phone: (800) 223-1244 ext. 4 & (1-800) 223-1244

Official Website: <http://www.gale.com/thorndike>

Email/Contact: <http://www.cengage.com/repfinder/thorndike>

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE CENTER FOR COMMUNITY INCLUSION AND DISABILITY STUDIES

The Center for Community Inclusion and Disability Studies (CCIDS) brings together the resources of the university and Maine communities to enhance the quality of life for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. Our statewide mission is met through interdisciplinary education, research and evaluation, community engagement, and dissemination of state-of-the-art information that reflect the guiding principles of inclusion, diversity, universal design and access, and social justice.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

University of Maine Center for Community Inclusion and Disability Studies
5717 Corbett Hall
Room 212
Orono, ME 4469

Phone: (207) 581-2093

Official Website: <http://ccids.umaine.edu/>

Email/Contact: ccidsmail@maine.edu

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE CENTER FOR COMMUNITY INCLUSION AND DISABILITY STUDIES

The University of Maine Center for Community Inclusion and Disability Studies (CCIDS) is Maine's University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD). CCIDS is a member of the Association of University Centers on Disabilities (AUCD), a national network of congressionally authorized, university-based centers sponsored by the Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

University of Maine Center for Community Inclusion and Disability Studies

5717 Corbett Hall

Room 234

Orono, ME 4469

Phone: (207) 581-1084 (TTY users call Maine Relay 711)

Official Website: <http://ccids.umaine.edu/>

Email/Contact: ccidsmail@maine.edu

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ACB OF MARYLAND

The American Council of the Blind strives to increase the independence, security, equality of opportunity, and quality of life, for all blind and visually-impaired people.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

ACB of Maryland
403 Fleece Flower Drive
Private/Non-Profit
Gaithersburg, MD 20878-2646

Phone: (301) 990-1435

Official Website: <http://acb.org/affiliate-maryland>

Email/Contact: cindylabon@gmail.com

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF-BLIND

AADB is a national consumer organization of, by, and for deaf-blind Americans and their supporters. “Deaf-blind” includes all types and degrees of dual vision and hearing loss. Our membership consists of deaf-blind people from diverse backgrounds, as well as family members, professionals, interpreters, and other interested supporters. AADB is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization governed by a board of directors, the majority of whom are deaf-blind. AADB receives funding from grants, membership fees, and tax-deductible donations.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Support for Parents; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Association of the Deaf-Blind
3825 LaVista Road, W-2
Private/Non-Profit
Tucker, GA 30084

Phone: N/A

Official Website: <http://www.aadb.org>

Email/Contact: aadb-info@aadbb.org

AUDIO DESCRIPTION ASSOCIATES

Audio Description Associates professionals use their expertise with description fundamentals and the arts to create access for people who are blind or have low vision-and their families.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Audio Description Associates
6502 Westmoreland Avenue
Takoma Park, MD 20912

Phone: (301) 920-0218

Official Website: <http://www.audiodescribe.com/contact/>

Email/Contact: jsnyder@audiodescribe.com

BLIND INDUSTRIES AND SERVICES OF MARYLAND

Blind Industries and Services of Maryland serves over 2,000 individuals each year with innovative rehabilitation and training programs that put people on the road to independence. There are 14 facilities across Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, Delaware, the District of Columbia, and Kentucky. Blind Industries is a participating agency in the AbilityOne Program, and a direct source for more than 2000 quality SKILCRAFT products made by Americans who are blind or severely disabled. The Rehabilitation and Training Division offers innovative programs that teach real-world skills, build self confidence, and prepare blind people for the everyday challenges of family, school, and work.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blind Industries and Services of Maryland
3345 Washington Boulevard
Baltimore, MD 21227

Phone: (410) 737-2600 (888) 322-4567

Official Website: <http://www.bism.org>

Email/Contact: info@bism.org

BRAILLE AUTHORITY OF NORTH AMERICA NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND

The mission of the Braille Authority of North America is to assure literacy for tactile readers through the standardization of braille and/or tactile graphics. The purpose of BANA is to promote and to facilitate the uses, teaching, and production of braille. Pursuant to this purpose, BANA will promulgate rules, make interpretations, and render opinions pertaining to braille codes and guidelines for the provisions of literary and technical materials and related forms and formats of embossed materials now in existence or to be developed in the future for the use of blind persons in North America. When appropriate, BANA shall accomplish these activities in international collaboration with countries using English braille. In exercising its function and authority, BANA shall consider the effects of its decisions on other existing braille codes and guidelines, forms and formats; ease of production by various methods; and acceptability to readers.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Community Outreach Programs; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Braille Authority of North America c/o National Federation of the Blind
200 East Wells Street at Jernigan Place
Baltimore, MD 21230

Phone: (612) 767-5658

Official Website: <http://www.brailleauthority.org>

Email/Contact: chair@brailleauthority.org

BRIGHT FOCUS FOUNDATION GLAUCOMA RESEARCH PROGRAM

At BrightFocus, we support research to end Alzheimer's disease, macular degeneration, and glaucoma. We are a nonprofit organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States, and are working to save mind and sight.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Bright Focus Foundation Glaucoma Research Program
22512 Gateway Center Drive
Clarksburg, MD 20850

Phone: (301) 948-3244 & (1-800) 437-2423

Official Website: <https://www.brightfocus.org/glaucoma/>

Email/Contact: info@brightfocus.org

CONNECTIONS BEYOND SIGHT AND SOUND UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND DEPT. OF COUNSELING, HIGHER EDUCATION & SPECIAL EDUCATION

Connections Beyond Sight and Sound is a partnership between the Maryland State Department of Education and the University of Maryland, College Park. This project supports children with deaf-blindness in their homes, schools, and communities by providing consultation, training, special programs, resources, and technical assistance to children and their families and care providers.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Connections Beyond Sight and Sound University of Maryland Dept. of
Counseling, Higher Education & Special Education
3924 Campus Drive
3214 Benjamin Building
College Park, MD 20742

Phone: (301) 405-0482 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://marylanddb.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://marylanddb.org/about-connections/contact/>

DISABLED SPORTS USA

Founded in 1967, Disabled Sports USA is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization that provides opportunities for individuals with disabilities to develop independence, confidence and fitness through participation in sports. What began as a program to serve Vietnam veterans has since grown into one of the nation's largest multi-sport, multi-disability organizations, annually serving more than 60,000 wounded warriors, youth and adults with disabilities. A member of the U.S. Olympic Committee, Disabled Sports USA offers programs in more than 50 summer and winter sports through its nationwide network of more than 120 community-based chapters. For more information, visit www.disabledsportsusa.org.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Professional Training; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Disabled Sports USA
451 Hungerford Drive
Suite 608
Rockville, MD 20850

Phone: (301) 217-0960

Official Website: <http://www.disabledsportsusa.org>

Email/Contact: info@dsusa.org

FOUNDATION FIGHTING BLINDNESS

The urgent mission of the Foundation Fighting Blindness is to drive the research that will provide preventions, treatments, and cures for people affected by retinitis pigmentosa, macular degeneration, Usher syndrome and the entire spectrum of retinal degenerative diseases. **Services:** For a \$25.00 annual membership fee, FFB offers information and referral services for affected individuals and their families as well as for doctors and eye care professionals. The Foundation also provides comprehensive information kits on retinitis pigmentosa, macular degeneration, and usher syndrome. Our newsletter, InFocus, and our e-newsletter, InFocus online, present articles on coping, research updates, and Foundation news. InFocus is published 3 times per year; InFocus online is sent approximately 3 times per year. Our national conference is usually held every year.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Foundation Fighting Blindness
7168 Columbia Gateway Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, MD 21046

Phone: Toll Free: (1-800) 683-5555; TDD: (1-800) 683-5551; Locally Run: (410) 423-0600; & Locally Run TDD: (410) 363-7139

Official Website: <http://www.FightBlindness.org>

Email/Contact: info@FightBlindness.org

HELEN KELLER NATIONAL CENTER FOR DEAF-BLIND YOUTHS AND ADULTS: EAST CENTRAL REGION OFFICE

Our regional offices bring HKNC resources to you. Your regional representative knows all about the programs and services that are available to deaf-blind individuals, their families and service providers in your state and beyond, and can help you find and access the ones that are right for you. Whether you're interested in learning about support services near your home, would like to take advantage of the technology available through the National Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program or want to explore the possibility of training at our national headquarters, your regional representative is your link to all that HKNC has to offer - consultation, advocacy, assessment, training, referrals and more.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults: East
Central Region Office
14440 Cherry Lane Court, Suite 214
Laurel, MD 20707

Phone: (240) 786-6534 & (240) 786-6847 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.hknc.org>

Email/Contact: cynthia.ingraham@hknc.org

INTERNATIONAL BRAILLE AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER FOR THE BLIND

If you are blind or low vision, if you're struggling to do daily tasks visually, or just wanting to try out the latest and greatest in access technology, we're here to help. The IBTC is the biggest blindness technology center in the nation – and we work for you.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

International Braille and Technology Center for the Blind
200 East Wells Street at Jernigan Place
Baltimore, MD 21230

Phone: (410) 659-9314

Official Website: <https://nfb.org/ibtc1>

Email/Contact: access@nfb.org

LOW VISION CENTER

The Low Vision Center is a nonprofit organization that helps people with low vision maintain their independence. Located in Bethesda, Maryland, we offer information services as well as a demonstration area full of a variety of low vision aids and ideas. The Low Vision Center offers its resources without charge, relying entirely upon personal contributions to fund its varied services.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Support Groups; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Low Vision Center
4905 Del Ray Avenue
Suite 504
Bethesda, MD 20814

Phone: (301) 951-4444

Official Website: <http://www.lowvisioninfo.org>

Email/Contact: LowVisionCtr@aol.com

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF AGING

The Maryland Department of Aging helps establish Maryland as an attractive location for all older adults through vibrant communities and supportive services that offer the opportunity to live healthy and meaningful lives.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Maryland Department of Aging
301 West Preston Street
Suite 1007
Baltimore, MD 21201

Phone: (410) 767-1100; (1-800) 243-3425; (1-800) 735-2258 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.mdoa.state.md.us/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.mdoa.state.md.us/pages/contactus.aspx>

MARYLAND INFANTS AND TODDLERS PROGRAM MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION DIVISION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES

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SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Maryland Infants and Toddlers Program Maryland State Department of Education Division of Special Education and Early Intervention Services

200 West Baltimore Street
Baltimore, MD 21201

Phone: (410) 767-0863 & (1-800) 535-0182

Official Website: <http://marylandpublicschools.org/programs/Pages/Special-Education/MITP/index.aspx>

Email/Contact: brian.morrison@maryland.gov

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SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Travel/O&M Training

Maryland

MAILING ADDRESS:

Maryland Infants and Toddlers Program Maryland State Department
of Education Division of Special Education and Early Intervention
Services
200 West Baltimore Street
Baltimore, MD 21201

Phone: (410) 767-0863 & (1-800) 535-0182

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MARYLAND INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCE CENTER MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

In partnership with the Maryland State Department of Education, MSB offers two additional statewide services. Staff who provide these services work closely with MSB's Outreach programs to promote student success and independence in their Locally Run school systems. The Maryland Instructional Resource Center (MIRC) is a centralized repository for braille and large print textbooks, and is a centralized searching, ordering, procurement and shipping facility for the textbooks. The MIRC supports eligible students in prekindergarten through grade twelve enrolled in Maryland's 24 Locally Run school systems and the Maryland School for the Blind. The primary purpose of the MIRC is to facilitate the timely ordering, delivery, and sharing of braille and large print textbooks for eligible students throughout the State of Maryland. The MIRC conducts the annual Federal Quota Registration of legally blind students in public schools across the state. In addition, the MIRC assists Locally Run school systems in providing accessible instructional materials to students with visual disabilities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Maryland Instructional Resource Center Maryland School for the Blind
3501 Taylor Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21236-4499

Maryland

Phone: (410) 444-5000 ext. 1726

Official Website: <http://www.marylandschoolfortheblind.org/programs-services/statewide-services/maryland-instructional-resource-center/>

Email/Contact: ruthh@mdschblind.org

MARYLAND OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The Maryland Optometric Association serves as the voice of optometry in Maryland to protect doctors and their patients. We advocate, educate and connect optometrists by strong advocacy efforts, providing premier educational resources, and engaging events that bring doctors and industry partners together.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Maryland Optometric Association
P.O. Box 350
Stevenson, MD 21153

Phone: (410) 486-9662

Official Website: <https://www.marylandoptometry.org/>

Email/Contact: info@marylandoptometry.org

MARYLAND SOCIETY FOR SIGHT

The Maryland Society for Sight works to achieve its mission through vision screenings for preschoolers, visual acuity and glaucoma screenings for adults, mobile eye care for the homeless, and eye health and safety education programs.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Maryland Society for Sight
1313 West Old Cold Spring Lane
Baltimore, MD 21209

Phone: (410) 243-2020 & (1-800) 677-3937

Official Website: <http://www.mdsocietyforsight.org/>

Email/Contact: info@mdsocietyforsight.org

MARYLAND SOCIETY OF EYE PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS

The Maryland Society of Eye Physicians & Surgeons (MSEPS) is the only statewide organization representing Maryland ophthalmologists and their patients. MSEPS activities include legislative advocacy, interaction with third party payers about reimbursement and coverage issues, public education about important eye health care concerns, and continuing medical education for ophthalmologists and their staff.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Maryland Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons
1211 Cathedral Street
Baltimore, MD 21201

Phone: (410) 244-7320

Official Website: <http://www.marylandeyemds.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: DIVISION OF REHABILITATION SERVICES

The Office for Blindness and Vision Services (OBVS) oversees programs and services for individuals whose primary disability is vision loss.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Maryland State Department of Education:
Division of Rehabilitation Services
2301 Argonne Drive
Baltimore, MD 21218-1696

Phone: (410) 554-9277

Official Website: <http://www.dors.maryland.gov>

Email/Contact: dors@maryland.gov

MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: DIVISION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION/EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES

Lead agency for Maryland's early intervention system as required under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Provides oversight and support to Locally Run early intervention systems and Locally Run school system preschool special education programs for children with disabilities from birth through age five.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Maryland State Department of Education: Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services
200 West Baltimore Street
Baltimore, MD 21201

Phone: (410) 767-0238

Official Website: <http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/programs/Pages/Special-Education/index.aspx>

Email/Contact: marcella.franczkowski@maryland.gov

MARYLAND STATE LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

The mission of the Maryland State Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped is to provide comprehensive library services to the eligible blind and physically handicapped residents of the State of Maryland. Our vision is to provide innovative and quality services to meet the needs and expectations of our patrons.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Maryland State Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
415 Park Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21201-3603

Phone: (410) 230-2424; (1-800) 964-9209; & (410) 333-8679 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://www.marylandlibraries.org/Pages/Maryland-Library-for-the-Blind-and-Physically-Handicapped.aspx>

Email/Contact: md.statelibrary@maryland.gov

MARYLAND TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM MD DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITIES

The Maryland Technology Assistance Program (MD TAP) provides tools to help Marylanders with disabilities and seniors enjoy the same rights and opportunities as other citizens. These tools are called “assistive technology” or “AT”. Assistive Technology (AT) is any item needed to live, work or learn more independently. The program provides a streamlined service of product information, consultation, and resource assistance in order to make assistive technology more available, affordable and usable for Marylanders with disabilities and seniors.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Recreation Services; Support Groups; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Maryland Technology Assistance Program MD Department of
Disabilities
2301 Argonne Drive
Room T17
Baltimore, MD 21218

Phone: (410) 554-9230 & (1-866) 881-7488 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://mdod.maryland.gov/mdtap/Pages/MDTAP-Home.aspx>

Email/Contact: mdtap@mdtap.org

METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON EAR

Established in 1974, The Metropolitan Washington Ear, Inc. is a nonprofit organization providing reading and information services for blind, visually impaired and physically disabled people who cannot effectively read print, see plays, watch television programs and films, or view museum exhibits. Ear free services strive to substitute hearing for seeing, improving the lives of people with limited or no vision by enabling them to be well-informed, fully productive members of their families, their communities and the working world. MWE is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization incorporated under the laws of the state of Maryland. We've been providing quality services to the visually impaired adults throughout Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia for more than 30 years. Our all-volunteer Board of Directors is composed of visually impaired consumers, volunteers who participate in our program, and a cross-section of business and community leaders. Because of the quality services provided by The Metropolitan Washington Ear, it is second to none in the tri-state area. We're proud of all we do and look forward to continuing to help meet the needs of the visually impaired and blind of the area.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Employment/Job Training; Preschool Programs; Support for Parents; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Metropolitan Washington Ear
12061 Tech Road
Silver Spring, MD 20904

Phone: (301) 681-6636

Official Website: <http://www.washear.org>

Email/Contact: information@washear.org

MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS: VISION PROGRAM

The Vision Program provides educational supports and services to students who are blind and visually impaired (ages birth-21). Teachers of the Visually Impaired deliver a range of services to these students including: consultation to school staff regarding students' vision needs; direct instruction in the expanded core curriculum (i.e. Braille, compensatory skills, technology, utilization of functional vision, Orientation & Mobility); provision of adapted materials and specialized equipment. The Vision Program has a staff of 24 full and part time staff which includes certified Teachers of the Visually Impaired, Orientation and Mobility Instructors, technology specialists, paraeducators, a Brailist, a Program Support teacher and an Instructional Specialist. The Vision Program is committed to ensuring that each student has the necessary accommodations and appropriate materials/equipment and instruction to successfully access the curriculum in the least restrictive environment.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Montgomery County Public Schools: Vision Program
Gaithersburg Middle School
Room 2 Teacher
Gaithersburg, MD 20877

Phone: (240) 740-1810

Official Website: <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/special-education/programs-services/vision.aspx>

Email/Contact: N/A

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND

The National Federation of the Blind is the only organization that believes in the full capacity of blind people, and has the power, influence, diversity, and determination to help transform our dreams into reality. We believe in blind people because we are blind people. Our democratically elected leaders and our diverse nationwide membership are made up of blind people, our families, and our friends. We are bound together by our belief that the blind are capable of achieving our dreams and living the lives we want, and by the love and respect we have for one another and for all blind Americans. We support one another, act with courage and determination when we encounter barriers or experience setbacks, and engage in collective action to improve our lives.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Support for Parents; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

National Federation of the Blind
200 East Wells Street at Jernigan Place
Baltimore, MD 21230

Phone: (410) 659-9314

Official Website: <http://www.nfb.org>

Email/Contact: <https://nfb.org/contact-us>

NATIONAL NAVAL MEDICAL CENTER: DEPARTMENT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

The ophthalmologists at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center are committed to providing comprehensive, world-class care. Using the latest, state-of-the-art equipment and procedures, our board-certified specialists treat a wide range of disease, both medically and surgically, in the pediatric and adult population. We are committed to excellence and look forward to serving you.

SPONSOR: Federally Run

SERVICES: Information and Referral; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

National Naval Medical Center: Department of Ophthalmology
8901 Wisconsin Avenue
Building 8
Bethesda, MD 20889-5000

Phone: (301) 295-1339

Official Website: <http://www.wrnmmc.capmed.mil/Health%20Services/Surgery/Surgery/Ophthalmology/SitePages/Home.aspx>

Email/Contact: N/A

NFB-NEWSLINE

NFB-NEWSLINE is a free service available to anyone who is blind, visually impaired or print-disabled. Funded by state sponsors, NFB-NEWSLINE offers over 500 publications to choose from, including thirteen national newspapers like the Wall Street Journal and USA Today, thirty-two breaking news sources such as CNN, BBC and ESPN Online, seventeen international newspapers including Financial Times and Vancouver Sun, and countless state newspapers, as well as nearly seventy magazines like Family Circle, Time, Consumer Reports, Guideposts, Smithsonian and more. NFB-NEWSLINE also offers emergency weather alerts and seven-day forecasts, job listings, TV listings, retail ads and more. There are a number of access methods including touch-tone telephone, a free mobile app for iPhone, iPad and iPod, on Demand emails, a secure website, and a variety of portable players including the NLS Talking Book player and Victor Reader Stream 2nd Generation.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Support for Parents; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

NFB-NEWSLINE
1800 Johnson Street
Baltimore, MD 21230-4998

Phone: (1-866) 504-7300 & (1-888) 882-1629

Official Website: <https://nfb.org/nfbnewsline>

Email/Contact: nfbnewsline@nfb.org

OPTOMETRIC SOCIETY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Invest in your Future It's time to look into becoming a member of the Optometric Society for the District of Columbia and the American Optometric Association (AOA). Here are the top reasons to be a member: advocacy, growth, practice efficiency, and access to resources. We are stronger collectively than any one of us is alone. Advocacy means ensuring you can practice your profession and get paid fairly for your services. The next generation of optometry is about innovation, adaption and speed of change. Practice growth means you are positioned now and in the future for success. Nearly one in three optometrists say they are not busy enough and could see more patients. Practice efficiency means putting more patients in the chair. Trained staff will enhance patient satisfaction and increase the potential of additional referrals and practice revenue.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Optometric Society of the District of Columbia
7705 Cayuga Avenue
Bethesda, MD 20817

Phone: (301) 229-4990

Official Website: <http://dc.aoa.org/>

Email/Contact: drrosenblatt@washingtoneyedocors.com

RADIO READING NETWORK OF MARYLAND

The Radio Reading Network of Maryland provides programming from many popular newspapers, magazines and books for people who can't read print due to blindness or other physical limitation. Our mission is to provide access to Locally Run, national and international current events. Some of our most popular audio includes: The New York Times, Wall Street Journal, USA Today, Carroll County Times, Baltimore Sun and Washington Post.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Support for Parents; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Radio Reading Network of Maryland
3501 Taylor Ave
Baltimore, MD 21236

Phone: (410) 779-4969

Official Website: <http://www.radioreadingnetwork.org>

Email/Contact: <https://www.radioreadingnetwork.org/about/>

RICHARD EAST HOOVER REHABILITATION SERVICES FOR LOW VISION AND BLINDNESS GREATER BALTIMORE MEDICAL CENTER

The Richard E. Hoover Low Vision Rehabilitation Services staff members work directly with visually impaired individuals to determine which devices and techniques will help them meet their personal goals.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Richard East Hoover Rehabilitation Services for Low Vision and
Blindness Greater Baltimore Medical Center
6569 North Charles Street
Pavillion West Suite 504
Baltimore, MD 21204

Phone: (443) 849-2658

Official Website: <https://www.gbmc.org/lowvision>

Email/Contact: N/A

RUTH PARKER EASON SCHOOL

Ruth Parker Eason is a public, separate day school located in Millersville, Maryland in Anne Arundel County. The school provides a special education program for students ages 3 through 21 with moderate to severe disabilities. Their students each bring their own unique talents and challenges and their educational program is differentiated and highly individualized to ensure that each student is able to reach their maximum potential and level of independence. Students' Individualized Education Programs focus on the development of functional life skills and functional academics.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Ruth Parker Eason School
648 Old Mill Road
Millersville, MD 21108-1373

Phone: (410) 222-3815

Official Website: <http://www.aacps.org/html/schol/OtherEducationalCenters/Rutheasn.asp>

Email/Contact: <https://www.aacps.org/domain/1363#>

THE MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

MSB educates students whose needs cannot be met in their Locally Run school systems through community-based outreach and comprehensive on-campus programs on a day or residential basis. The school serves students from birth to age 21 who are blind or visually impaired, including some with multiple disabilities. Each student has a mandated Individualized Education Plan (IEP) tailored to his or her needs. MSB's program includes general education subjects and, in addition, special instruction in the disability-specific areas of the Expanded Core Curriculum that includes braille, orientation and mobility, career education and independent living skills.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

The Maryland School for the Blind
3501 Taylor Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21236-4499

Maryland

Phone: (410) 444-5000; (1-800) 400-4915; & (410) 319-5703 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.marylandschoolfortheblind.org>

Email/Contact: info@mdschblind.org

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND EYE ASSOCIATES UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND PROFESSIONAL BUILDING

Board-certified ophthalmologists and optometrists and vision scientists from University of Maryland School of Medicine provide comprehensive evaluation, diagnosis and treatment of general and subspecialty eye disorders through a multidisciplinary approach. Our physicians offer innovative, advanced-treatment options for patients all ages, from infants to older adults, who are suffering from a wide range of eye disorders, as well as general eye care for those requiring corrective lenses.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Information and Referral; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

University of Maryland Eye Associates University of Maryland
Professional Building
419 West Redwood Street
Suite 420
Baltimore, MD 21201

Phone: 667-214-1111

Official Website: <https://www.umms.org/ummc/health-services/eye-care>

Email/Contact: N/A

WALTER REED ARMY MEDICAL CENTER: OPHTHALMOLOGY SERVICE

The ophthalmologists at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center are committed to providing comprehensive, world-class care. Using the latest, state-of-the-art equipment and procedures, our board certified specialists treat a wide range of disease, both medically and surgically, in the pediatric and adult population. We are committed to excellence and look forward to serving you.

SPONSOR: Federally Run

SERVICES: Information and Referral; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Walter Reed Army Medical Center: Ophthalmology Service
8901 Rockville Pike
Building 8, Floor 1
Bethesda, MD 20889

Phone: (301) 295-1339

Official Website: <http://www.wrnmmc.capmed.mil/Health%20Services/Surgery/Surgery/Ophthalmology/SitePages/Home.aspx>

Email/Contact: N/A

WILMER EYE INSTITUTE JOHNS HOPKINS HOSPITAL

The Wilmer Eye Institute has long been recognized for bringing together ophthalmologists and optometrists consistently ranked by their peers as among the finest internationally, supported by a well-trained and highly-experienced team of physician assistants, nurses, technicians, and staff cited by patients for their knowledge, responsiveness, and sensitivity. Since 1925, they have established and refined a flexible approach for delivering state-of-the-art ophthalmic care at The Johns Hopkins Hospital and eight convenient satellite locations across central Maryland. With the completion of The Robert H. and Clarice Smith Building and adjoining Maurice Bendann Surgical Pavilion in 2009, the Institute has established a preeminent vision research center and one of the most modern ophthalmic surgical facilities in the world.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wilmer Eye Institute Johns Hopkins Hospital
600 North Wolfe Street
Baltimore, MD 21287

Phone: (410) 955-0580

Official Website: <http://www.wilmereyeinstitute.org>

Email/Contact: wilmerinfo@jhmi.edu

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AMERICAN MACULAR DEGENERATION FOUNDATION

The American Macular Degeneration Foundation (AMDF) is here to help you learn about and live with Age-related Macular Degeneration (AMD), offering you healthy living tips, the latest information, and ways to honor those touched by macular disease, while supporting researchers working to prevent, treat and cure macular degeneration and Stargardt disease.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Macular Degeneration Foundation
P.O. Box 515
Northampton, MA 01061-0515

Phone: (413) 268-7660

Official Website: <http://www.macular.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.macular.org/contact-us>

AUDIO JOURNAL, INC.

Audio Journal is a nonprofit radio, cable, telephone and online broadcast service. We inform and empower people who are blind, have low vision, or unable to read or hold print and visual materials.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Audio Journal, Inc.
799 West Boylston Street
Worcester, MA 1606

Phone: (508) 797-1117

Official Website: <http://www.audiojournal.net>

Email/Contact: info@audiojournal.net

BOSTON COLLEGE, LYNCH SCHOOL OF EDUCATION: TEACHER EDUCATION, SPECIAL EDUCATION, AND CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT

To improve the human condition, education must meet the needs of every learner—especially those who are underserved. Our Teacher Education, Special Education, and Curriculum and Instruction programs employ this equitable approach to prepare leaders who combat marginalization in a range of scholastic environments. Lynch School faculty are active researchers, recognized for their influential work in urban education, special education, STEM, and dual language learning. Courses focus on evidence-based practices and issues increasingly relevant to today's schools, including early childhood, educational reform, and emerging technologies.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Boston College, Lynch School of Education: Teacher Education,
Special Education, and Curriculum and Instruction Department
Campion Hall 211
Chestnut Hill, MA 2467

Phone: (617) 552-4180

Official Website: <https://www.bc.edu/bc-web/schools/lsoe/academics/departments/tespeci.html>

Email/Contact: N/A

BOSTON UNIVERSITY EYE ASSOCIATES

Boston University Eye Associates provides patients with a full range of eye services for adults and children of all ages.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Boston University Eye Associates
2005 Bay Street
Suite 206
Taunton, MA 2780

Phone: (508) 823-7473

Official Website: <http://buea.net/>

Email/Contact: <https://buea.net/contact-us/>

CARROLL CENTER FOR THE BLIND

Established in 1936, The Carroll Center has pioneered many innovative services for the blind and visually impaired. We have developed many methods for people with low vision to learn the skills to be independent in their homes, in class settings, and in their work places. Our services for the blind include vision rehabilitation services, vocational and transition programs, assistive technology training, educational support, and recreation opportunities for individuals who are visually impaired of all ages. For over 75 years, The Carroll Center staff has provided help for the blind for thousands of blind and vision impaired persons with diverse opportunities for success and independent living.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Carroll Center for the Blind
770 Centre Street
Newton, MA 02458-2597

Phone: (617) 969-6200 & (1-800) 852-3131

Official Website: <http://www.carroll.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://carroll.org/contact-us/>

CHOROIDEREMIA RESEARCH FOUNDATION

The Choroideremia Research Foundation, Inc. is an international, non-profit membership organization dedicated to raising funds to find a treatment or cure for Choroideremia, a rare inherited retinal degenerative disease that causes blindness. Its membership is comprised of persons with choroideremia, their families and concerned friends.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Choroideremia Research Foundation
23 East Brundreth Street
Springfield, MA 1109

Phone: (800) 210-0233

Official Website: <https://www.curechm.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.curechm.org/about-the-foundation/contact-us/>

DESCRIPTIVE VIDEO SERVICE: MEDIA ACCESS GROUP AT WGBH

For more than 40 years, the Media Access Group at WGBH has led the way with innovations and expertise for captioning and describing television shows, films, and videos. MAG's initiatives have received enthusiastic support from people who have hearing or vision loss and those with cognitive disabilities, along with their families, teachers, and friends. MAG is grateful to the many clients and partners who have made all of the accomplishments possible. Founded in 1990, DVS® pioneered access to television for viewers who are blind or visually impaired. The service provides descriptive narration of key visual elements, which is then inserted within the natural pauses in dialogue to help low-vision viewers to better understand the story. Key visual elements are those which viewers with vision loss would ordinarily miss and include actions, costumes, gestures, facial expressions, scene changes, and onscreen text. Descriptions are accessed on TV programs via the Second Audio Program (SAP) option, which is standard on most contemporary TVs and VCRs. Description can be found on a variety of television programs including; The Simpsons on Fox, Frontline on PBS and CBS's CSI: Crime Scene Investigation as well as in movies, on DVD, in museums and other attractions and on the Web. Once your program has been described, we can help get the word out through our vast network of description fans—individuals and national and state organizations serving people who are blind or have low vision.

Massachusetts

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Dog Guide Training; Support for Parents; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Descriptive Video Service: Media Access Group at WGBH
1 Guest Street
Boston, MA 2135

Phone: (617) 300-3600

Official Website: <http://main.wgbh.org/wgbh/pages/mag/description.html>

Email/Contact: access@wgbh.org

HELEN KELLER NATIONAL CENTER FOR DEAF-BLIND YOUTHS AND ADULTS: NEW ENGLAND REGION OFFICE

Our regional offices bring HKNC resources to you. Your regional representative knows all about the programs and services that are available to deaf-blind individuals, their families and service providers in your state and beyond, and can help you find and access the ones that are right for you. Whether you're interested in learning about support services near your home, would like to take advantage of the technology available through the National Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program or want to explore the possibility of training at our national headquarters, your regional representative is your link to all that HKNC has to offer - consultation, advocacy, assessment, training, referrals and more.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults:
New England Region Office
175 North Beacon Street
Watertown, MA 2472

Phone: (617) 923-1600 & (617) 923-1600 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://www.helenkeller.org/hknc/new-england-region>

Email/Contact: charlotte.spinkston@hknc.org

JOSLIN DIABETES CENTER

Joslin Diabetes Center is world-renowned for its deep expertise in diabetes treatment and research. Joslin is dedicated to finding a cure for diabetes and ensuring that people with diabetes live long, healthy lives. We develop and disseminate innovative patient therapies and scientific discoveries throughout the world. Joslin is an independent, non-profit institution affiliated with Harvard Medical School, and one of only 11 NIH-designated Diabetes Research Centers in the U.S.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Joslin Diabetes Center
1 Joslin Place
Boston, MA 2215

Phone: (617) 732-2400

Official Website: <http://www.joslin.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

LOWELL ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

Lowell Association for the Blind (LAB) is a non-profit, community based organization dedicated to working with the blind and visually impaired. Established in 1923, the Association has been serving the Greater Lowell/ Merrimack Valley community for over 91 years. LAB is supported by contributions from memorial donations, grants from foundations, and program funding. The office in downtown Lowell provides 4,000 sq. feet of easily accessible space for meetings, adaptive equipment training, Braille lessons and a radio/recording studio.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Professional Training; Support for Parents; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lowell Association for the Blind
169 Merrimack Street
Second Floor
Lowell, MA 1852

Phone: (978) 454-5704 & (978) 458-5563 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.lowellassociationfortheblind.org>

Email/Contact: http://www.lowellassociationfortheblind.org/?page_id=26

MAB COMMUNITY SERVICES/MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

MAB Community Services has been creating opportunities for people with disabilities since 1903. Founded as the Massachusetts Association for the Blind, MAB is the oldest social service agency in the country providing services to individuals who are blind or visually impaired. Helen Keller served on our first advisory board, along with notable Bostonians Julia Ward Howe (author of “The Battle Hymn of the Republic”) and Edward Everett Hale. In the 1970s the Eunice Kennedy Shriver Foundation helped MAB create some of Massachusetts’ first community-based residential and vocational programs for adults with developmental disabilities. In 1993 The Ivy Street School was founded to fill a need for therapeutic and educational services for adolescents with brain injuries. We specialize in individualized rehabilitation and family-focused strategies that help individuals with disabilities live full lives in the community.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

MAB Community Services/Massachusetts Association for the Blind
200 Ivy Street
Brookline, MA 2446

Phone: (617) 738-5110 & (1-800) 852-3029

Official Website: <http://www.mabcommunity.org>

Email/Contact: <https://www.mabcommunity.org/about-us/contact-directions.html>

MASSACHUSETTS ACCESSIBLE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS LIBRARY

The Massachusetts Accessible Instructional Materials Library (AIM Library) acquires, maintains and distributes accessible textbooks and specialized instructional materials to assist LEA's and TVI's in providing equal access to the curriculum and to support and improve the quality of education for K-12 students who are blind or visually impaired.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Massachusetts Accessible Instructional Materials Library
3 Randolph Street
Baylies Lower Building
Canton, MA 2021

Phone: (781) 562-0461

Official Website: <https://www.aimlibrary.org/>

Email/Contact: cbrasier@aimlibrary.org

MASSACHUSETTS COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND

MCB is the designated agency and point of entry for rehabilitation and social services for residents of the Commonwealth who are declared to be legally blind by an eye professional. Under a newly established category, MCB will expand service to qualifying individuals who have low vision with a progressive visual impairment. These services prepare individuals for productive independence and full community participation.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Massachusetts Commission for the Blind
600 Washington Street
Boston, MA 2111

Phone: (617) 727-5550 & (1-800) 392-6450

Official Website: <http://www.mass.gov/mcb>

Email/Contact: mcbinfo@state.ma.us

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION: SPECIAL EDUCATION SPECIAL EDUCATION PLANNING AND POLICY DEVELOPMENT

Oversees services to children with disabilities and enforces federal and other regulations concerning those services. Maintains contact with Locally Run resource and itinerant specialists in terms of Locally Run program monitoring and evaluation, technical assistance, and resolution of individual pupils' programming. Approves state and federal aid to Locally Run cities and towns for special programs, services, educational materials and equipment. The Department of Education is charged with the responsibility of ensuring improved teaching and learning in all of the Commonwealth's public schools.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education: Special Education Special Education Planning and Policy Development
350 Main Street
Malden, MA 2148

Phone: (781) 338-3375

Official Website: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sped/>

Email/Contact: N/A

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350 Main Street
Malden, MA 2148

Phone: (781) 338-3375

Official Website: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sped/>

Email/Contact: N/A

MASSACHUSETTS EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM BUREAU OF FAMILY AND COMMUNITY HEALTH

Massachusetts Early Intervention (EI) is a program for infants and toddlers (birth to 3 years old) who have developmental delays or are at risk of a developmental delay.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Massachusetts Early Intervention Program Bureau of Family and
Community Health
250 Washington Street
Fifth Floor
Boston, MA 02108-4619

Phone: (617) 624-6060

Official Website: <http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/dph/programs/family-health/early-intervention/>

Email/Contact: ei@massmail.state.ma.us

MASSACHUSETTS EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ELDER AFFAIRS

Promotes independence, empowerment, and well-being of older people, individuals with disabilities, and their families. We ensure access to the resources you need to live healthy in every community in the Commonwealth.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs
One Ashburton Place
Fifth Floor
Boston, MA 2108

Phone: (617) 727-7750; (1-800) 243-4636; (1-800) 872-0166 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.mass.gov/elders/>

Email/Contact: N/A

MASSACHUSETTS EYE AND EAR INFIRMARY: VISION REHABILITATION CENTER

If you have difficulty performing normal daily activities because of vision loss, you may benefit from vision rehabilitation. Specialists at Mass. Eye and Ear—home to the nation’s first comprehensive vision rehabilitation service—can help you improve quality of life and independence with visual aids, lifestyle changes, and emotional support. Your treatment plan is tailored specifically to you.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary: Vision Rehabilitation Center
243 Charles Street
8th Floor
Boston, MA 2114

Phone: (617) 573-4177

Official Website: <https://www.masseyeandear.org/specialties/ophthalmology/vision-rehabilitation-service>

Email/Contact: <https://www.masseyeandear.org/about-us/contact-us>

MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY OF EYE PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS

The Massachusetts Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons is dedicated to the public's direct access to ophthalmic care. A non-profit organization, MSEPS member ophthalmologists are medical doctors specializing in the evaluation and treatment of the normal and abnormal eye.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Massachusetts Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons
P.O. BOX 236
Boston, MA 02133-0236

Phone: (617) 426-2020

Official Website: <http://www.mseps.com>

Email/Contact: <http://mseps.org/contact-us/>

MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY OF OPTOMETRISTS

The Massachusetts Society of Optometrists (MSO) represents the profession of optometry; assists its members in practicing successfully to the highest standards of patient care; promotes and supports full scope of practice; and enhances the professional lives of its members.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Massachusetts Society of Optometrists
1071 Worcester Road
Suite 12
Framingham, MA 01701-5298

Phone: (508) 875-7900

Official Website: <http://www.massoptom.org>

Email/Contact: info@massoptom.org

MORGAN MEMORIAL GOODWILL INDUSTRIES

Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries' mission is to help individuals with barriers to self-sufficiency to achieve independence and dignity through work. Not charity, but a chance. Since its founding in 1895, Goodwill has been dedicated to the social justice mission of serving individuals, families, and communities with the greatest needs by helping people go to work to be able to support themselves and their families. Goodwill annually serves nearly 8,000 low-income, unemployed and underemployed adults in its job training and career services programs, and more than 100 young people in its youth services programs. Goodwill makes high quality clothing and household goods available at low prices at its stores. Goodwill is a major employer of individuals with disabilities in the social enterprises it operates in retail, housekeeping and maintenance, food service, and light assembly. Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries is affiliated with Goodwill Industries International, a network of more than 165 community-based Goodwills in the United States and Canada.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries
1010 Harrison Avenue
Boston, MA 2119

Phone: (617) 445-1010 & (1-888) 828-4483

Official Website: <https://www.goodwillmass.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

NATIONAL BRAILLE PRESS

National Braille Press supports a lifetime of opportunity for blind children through braille literacy, and provides access to information that empowers blind people to actively engage in work, family, and community affairs. A non-profit braille publisher, National Braille Press promotes literacy for blind children through outreach programs and provides access to information by producing information in braille for blind children and adults. National Braille Press is the premier braille publisher in the US specializing in producing original braille works written by blind authors expressly for blind people.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Braille and Reading Instruction; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

National Braille Press
88 Saint Stephen Street
Boston, MA 2115

Phone: (617) 266-6160 & (1-888) 965-8965

Official Website: <http://www.nbp.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.nbp.org/ic/nbp/aboutus/contact.html>

NEW ENGLAND EYE INSTITUTE: LOW VISION CLINIC

The New England Eye Institute is a network of eye care centers and programs that reach out to the community with tailored programs for diverse populations. The network features a range of programs for special populations such as children, the elderly, the homeless, and individuals who are either physically or mentally challenged. New England Eye's doctors provide eye care to a wide range of populations at 44 health care facilities located throughout Massachusetts.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New England Eye Institute: Low Vision Clinic
930 Commonwealth Avenue
Boston, MA 2215

Phone: (617) 262-2020

Official Website: <http://www.neco.edu>

Email/Contact: kaldenbergj@neco.edu; jamarar@neco.edu;
& frankl@neco.edu

NEW ENGLAND HOMES FOR THE DEAF (AGED, BLIND OR INFIRM)

New England Homes for the Deaf, founded in 1901, is a life plan community that offers a continuum of care to Deaf, Deafblind and hard of hearing seniors, including independent living, rest home, skilled nursing community, Deaf senior centers, short-term rehabilitation services, respite care services and hospice care. The New England Homes for the Deaf mission is to provide long term healthcare, housing, recreational activities and social support for Deaf, Deafblind and hard of hearing individuals in an accessible, barrier-free and culturally-sensitive environment with optimal communication and architectural resources.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Information and Referral; Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New England Homes for the Deaf (Aged, Blind or Infirm)
154 Water Street
Danvers, MA 01923

Phone: (978) 774-0445

Official Website: <http://nehd.org/>

Email/Contact: info@nehd.org

NORTHEAST REGIONAL CENTER FOR VISION EDUCATION/UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS BOSTON NERCVE UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS BOSTON

The Northeast Resource Center for Vision Education (NERCVE) is committed to improving education for people with visual disabilities. We offer in-person and online training in three main areas: Teacher of Students with Visual Impairments; Orientation and Mobility; and Vision Rehabilitation Therapy. Graduates of our programs are trained to help people with visual disabilities access high-quality education, seek employment, and travel independently. NERCVE is run by the Institute for Community Inclusion at the University of Massachusetts Boston. The Vision Studies programs are administered through the UMass Boston School for Global Inclusion and Social Development in affiliation with the UMass Boston College of Education and Human Development.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Northeast Regional Center for Vision Education/University of
Massachusetts Boston NERCVE University of Massachusetts Boston
100 Morrissey Boulevard
Wheatley Hall, 2nd floor
Boston, MA 02125-3393

Massachusetts

Phone: (617) 287-7623

Official Website: <http://www.nercve.umb.edu>

Email/Contact: <https://www.nercve.org/staff-directory>

OUR SPACE OUR PLACE, INC.

Our Space Our Place (OSOP) is a non-profit organization, offering a respectful, accessible and fun environment for elementary, middle and high school students who are legally blind to participate in team sports, the arts, community service and mentoring. We offer programs for students who live in Boston and its surrounding communities. Transportation is provided.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Our Space Our Place, Inc.
1481 Tremont Street
Roxbury, MA 2119

Phone: (617) 459-4084

Official Website: <http://www.ourspaceourplace.org/>

Email/Contact: president@ourspaceourplace.org

PERKINS INTERNATIONAL PERKINS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

Perkins is a progressive, multi-faceted organization committed to improving the lives of people with blindness and deafblindness all around the world. Our five areas of focus support Perkins' aspirational mission. Our organization is driven by a proven team of experts and supported by a community that's committed to upholding our core values. Our history of excellence pushes us to actively seek the next innovation the world holds. We are Perkins – ever evolving to meet the challenge.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Perkins International Perkins School for the Blind
175 North Beacon Street
Watertown, MA 2472

Phone: (617) 972-7447

Official Website: <http://www.perkins.org/>

Email/Contact: perkinsinternational@perkins.org

PERKINS LIBRARY

Patrons of the Perkins Library have access to a world of resources - from braille and audio books to accessible magazines and museum passes. Readers with visual impairment, blindness or physical disability are able to read independently in a format most comfortable to them.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Perkins Library
175 North Beacon Street
Watertown, MA 2472

Phone: (617) 972-7240 & (617) 972-7690 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.perkinslibrary.org>

Email/Contact: library@perkins.org

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SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Perkins School for the Blind
175 North Beacon Street
Watertown, MA 2472

Phone: (617) 924-3434

Official Website: <http://www.Perkins.org>

Email/Contact: info@perkins.org

PREVENT BLINDNESS AMERICA: NORTHEAST REGION

Founded in 1908, Prevent Blindness has become the nation's leading volunteer eye health and safety organization dedicated to fighting blindness and saving sight. Focused on promoting a continuum of vision care, Prevent Blindness touches the lives of millions of people each year.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Prevent Blindness America: Northeast Region
424 Beacon Street
Boston, MA 2115

Phone: (312) 731-3990

Official Website: <http://www.preventblindness.org>

Email/Contact: info@preventblindness.org

RESOURCES FOR REHABILITATION

Resources for Rehabilitation publishes a wide range of publications that enable people with disabilities and chronic conditions to remain independent. Also produces a series of large print materials designed for distribution to clients and patients.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Resources for Rehabilitation
22 Bonad Road
Winchester, MA 1890

Phone: (781) 368-9080

Official Website: <http://www.rfr.org>

Email/Contact: info@rfr.org

SCHEPENS EYE RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Schepens Eye Research Institute of Massachusetts Eye and Ear fights blindness by developing new technologies, therapies and knowledge to retain and restore vision. Through a continuum of discovery, the Institute works toward a future in which blindness is prevented, alleviated, and, ultimately, cured. Founded in 1950 by famed retinal surgeon Charles L. Schepens, M.D., Schepens Eye Research Institute of Mass. Eye and Ear is one of the largest eye research institutes in the nation and an affiliate of Harvard Medical School. Since our inception, we have trained more than 600 postdoctoral fellows in various disciplines of eye research; trained more than 500 eye surgeons who now practice around the world; and published more than 4,600 scientific papers and books about health and eye disease.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Schepens Eye Research Institute
20 Staniford Street
Boston, MA 2114

Phone: (617) 912-0100

Official Website: <http://www.schepens.harvard.edu/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.schepens.harvard.edu/contacts/contacts/contacts.html>

TALKING INFORMATION CENTER

Talking Information Center (TIC) is a non-profit reading service that broadcasts newspapers, magazines, books, and special consumer information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to visually impaired and print impaired listeners.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Talking Information Center
130 Enterprise Drive
Marshfield, MA 2050

Phone: (781) 834-4400

Official Website: <http://www.ticnetwork.org>

Email/Contact: <http://ticnetwork.org/contact-us/>

THE FEINGOLD CENTER FOR CHILDREN CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL AT WALTHAM

Founded in 1983, The Feingold Center provides diagnosis and treatment for children born with genetic disorders, rare diseases, and physical and intellectual disabilities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

The Feingold Center for Children Children's Hospital at Waltham
9 Hope Ave
Waltham, MA 02453

Phone: (781) 890-4127

Official Website: <http://www.thefeingoldcenter.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.thefeingoldcenter.org/contact>

WONDERBABY.ORG

WonderBaby.org is dedicated to helping parents of young children with visual impairments as well as children with multiple disabilities. Here you'll find a database of articles written by parents who want to share with others what they've learned about playing with and teaching a blind child, as well as links to meaningful resources and ways to connect with other families.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

WonderBaby.org
175 North Beacon Street
Watertown, MA 2472

Phone: (617) 924-3434

Official Website: <http://www.wonderbaby.org>

Email/Contact: help@wonderbaby.org

WORCESTER TALKING BOOK LIBRARY AT WORCESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Worcester Talking Book Library (WTBL) provides free services to Massachusetts residents of any age who are unable to read traditional print materials due to a visual or physical disability. The WTBL collaborates with the Perkins Braille & Talking Book Library (BTBL) in Watertown and has access to more than 1,253,000 volumes (145,800 titles), including 88,000 recorded book titles; 21,600 digital book titles; 14,800 large type titles; 2,140 described video titles; 19,170 braille titles and 100 magazine titles in recorded and braille format. Providing mail-order service by telephone, as well as immediate service on a walk-in basis, the Worcester Talking Book Library serves customers from 9 months to over 100 years old. The Worcester Talking Book Library, located at the Worcester Public Library, is funded through an annual legislative appropriation administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Worcester Talking Book Library at Worcester Public Library
3 Salem Square
Worcester, MA 01608-2074

Phone: (508) 799-1730; (1-800) 762-0085; (508) 799-1724 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://talkingbook.mywpl.org>

Email/Contact: talkbook@mywpl.org

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ALPENA-MONTMORENCY-ALCONA EDUCATIONAL SERVICE DISTRICT

The primary focus of the Alpena-Montmorency-Alcona Educational Service District is to support the efforts of our Locally Run districts and communities to ensure every child achieves his or her fullest potential.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Dog Guide Training; Employment/ Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Alpena-Montmorency-Alcona Educational Service District
2118 US 23 South
Alpena, MI 49707

Phone: (989) 354-3101

Official Website: <http://amaesd.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (formerly Vision Enrichment Services) was founded in 1913 as the Association for the Blind and for Sight Conservation. The agency was incorporated in 1921. Its mission is to advance the independence of people who are blind or visually impaired and help prevent vision loss through services and education. The purposes of the agency are: to assist visually impaired persons in developing skills to become more independent through rehabilitative services; to educate the general public, organizations, professions, visually impaired people, and their families about the nature of visual impairments and the capabilities of visually impaired people; and to promote the prevention of blindness.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired
456 Cherry Street, SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Phone: (616) 458-1187 & (1-800) 466-8084

Official Website: <http://www.abvimichigan.org>

Email/Contact: abvi@abvimichigan.org

ASSOCIATION OF VISION SCIENCE LIBRARIANS UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN KELLOGG EYE CENTER

The Association of Vision Science Librarians (AVSL) is an international organization composed of professional librarians, or persons acting in that capacity, whose collections and services include the literature of vision. Among current members are individuals who work within libraries that serve educational institutions, eye clinics and hospitals, and private companies with an interest in eye or vision-related products and services. The Association is a Special Interest Group of both the Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry (ASCO) and the Medical Library Association (MLA).

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Association of Vision Science Librarians University of Michigan
Kellogg Eye Center
1000 Wall Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48105

Phone: (212) 780-5089

Official Website: <http://avsl.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.avsl.org/contact-us/>

BEAUMONT EYE INSTITUTE: LOW VISION CENTER

The Low Vision Center of the Beaumont Eye Institute provides evaluation and testing, visual aids, and on-site occupational therapy as part of a program of rehabilitative services.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Beaumont Eye Institute: Low Vision Center
3535 West 13 Mile Road
Suite 555
Royal Oak, MI 48073

Phone: (248) 551-2020

Official Website: <https://www.beaumont.org/services/ophthalmology/low-vision-clinic>

Email/Contact: <https://www.beaumont.org/contact-us>

BLIND CHILDREN'S FUND

The Blind Children's Fund works with parents and teachers of young visually impaired children to maximize their learning experiences. We provide a website with categorized original content and national resources. Consultants for parents and teachers are also available by phone and email.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blind Children's Fund
P.O. Box 187
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

Phone: (517) 488-4887

Official Website: <http://blindchildrensfund.org/>

Email/Contact: info@blindchildrensfund.org

BUREAU OF SERVICES FOR BLIND PERSONS, MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

The Michigan Bureau of Services for Blind Persons (BSBP) believes in the capacity of people who are blind or visually impaired to achieve employment and independence. BSBP provides training and other services that empower people to achieve their individual goals. If you live in Michigan and you're blind or visually impaired, the Bureau of Services for Blind Persons will work with you to define your goals and identify appropriate training and other services. Funded by federal and state taxes, BSBP provides counseling and training in skills for daily living without vision. Depending upon your needs and eligibility for specific services, BSBP may also provide some types of adaptive equipment, computer software, and postsecondary education.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

Michigan

MAILING ADDRESS:

Bureau of Services for Blind Persons, Michigan Department of
Licensing and Regulatory Affairs
201 North Washington Square
2nd Floor
Lansing, MI 48933

Phone: (517) 373-2062 & (1-888) 864-1212 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: [https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-28313-
--,00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-28313-
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Email/Contact: martinr15@michigan.gov

BUREAU OF SERVICES FOR BLIND PERSONS: BRAILLE AND TALKING BOOK LIBRARY

The Michigan Network of Regional and Subregional Libraries serving people with visual and physical disabilities offers best-sellers, mysteries, westerns, biographies, how-to books and other types of materials found in a public library. The only difference is that the books are recorded on a digital cartridge or printed in braille and will arrive at your door through the regular U.S. postal service. We also offer the option to download books from online directly to a flash drive or mobile device! And best of all, this service is FREE, there is not even a charge to mail materials to or from the library. You do not need to be legally blind to use our services -- if standard print has become difficult for you, a friend, or a family member, please call.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Bureau of Services for Blind Persons: Braille and Talking Book Library
702 West Kalamazoo Street
Lansing, MI 48915

Phone: (517) 373-5614

Official Website: https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-28313_54234---,00.html

Email/Contact: btbl@michigan.gov

DEAF-BLIND CENTRAL: MICHIGAN'S TRAINING AND RESOURCE PROJECT CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Students seeking majors, minors and certificates in the programs offered through the College of Humanities and Social and Behavioral Sciences (soon to be renamed the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences) will develop the ability to think critically, communicate clearly, and solve complex problems, skills that are highly prized by employers. At DeafBlind Central (DB Central) we maintain the belief that individuals who are DeafBlind share equally in the respect, opportunity, and life enjoyment afforded to all individuals. We are committed to advancing the recognition of the unique needs presented by DeafBlindness. This is accomplished by promoting individualized, systematic instruction and family-centered planning processes. We serve children and young adults age birth through twenty-one who are suspected of having both a hearing AND a vision loss or difficulty in processing auditory and visual information. Young adults ages twenty-two to twenty-six who are DeafBlind will receive referral services to adult service agencies.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Advocacy; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Deaf-Blind Central: Michigan's Training and Resource Project
Central Michigan University
Sloan 105
Mount Pleasant, MI 48859

Phone: (989) 774-2725

Official Website: <https://www.cmich.edu/colleges/chsbs/Centers/DBCentral/Pages/default.aspx>

Email/Contact: dbcen@cmich.edu

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF OPHTHALMOLOGY A DIVISION OF THE HENRY FORD DEPARTMENT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

As the research education arm of the Henry Ford Department of Ophthalmology, the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology (DIO) is committed to assisting and educating the visually impaired, helping them to maintain independence and dignity, while learning how to live a satisfying and productive life in a sighted world. The DIO also is a world leader in facilitating collaborative research related to the eye.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology A division of the Henry Ford
Department of Ophthalmology
15415 East Jefferson Avenue
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230

Phone: (313) 824-4710

Official Website: <https://www.henryford.com/services/eye/dio>

Email/Contact: N/A

DETROIT RADIO INFORMATION SERVICE WDET-FM

The Detroit Radio Information Service (DRIS) is southeast Michigan's Radio Reading/Audio Information Service for people with disabilities. It is a special audience service of WDET 101.9 FM and Wayne State University. DRIS embraces and enhances the robust community engagement mission to expand knowledge, educate, inform and culturally enlighten its listeners. DRIS is the only service of its kind in the region providing free reading and audio information programming for one of the community's most under-served population groups by providing equal access to information. Since 1978, it has filled an information void in the blind and print-impaired population by offering a simple, cost-effective method of accessing printed and visual news and information published in hundreds of daily, weekly and monthly periodicals.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Detroit Radio Information Service c/o WDET-FM
4600 Cass Avenue
Detroit, MI 48201

Phone: (313) 577-3322

Official Website: <http://www.dris.org>

Email/Contact: dris@wayne.edu

EARLY ON MICHIGAN

Early On is Michigan's system for helping infants and toddlers, birth to age 3 and their families who have developmental delays or are at risk for delays due to certain health conditions. It's designed to help families find the social, health, and educational services that will promote the development of their infants and toddlers with special needs. Early On emphasizes early identification and early referral to enhance the development of infants and toddlers with disabilities, to minimize their potential for delay, and to recognize the significant brain development that occurs during a child's first three years of life.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Distance Education; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Early On Michigan
240 South Bridge Street
Suite 250
DeWitt, MI 48820

Phone: (1-800) 327-5966

Official Website: <http://www.1800earlyon.org/>

Email/Contact: eoreferral@edzone.net

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY: DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Department of Special Education is one of the largest and most comprehensive special education units in the country. Graduates from the department at Eastern Michigan University have been recognized for their work in the field Locally Runly and nationally. They have distinguished themselves as program directors, school superintendents and college instructors. Several of the department's graduates have been named Teacher of the Year in their respective communities. The Department of Special Education has one of only two Physical and otherwise Health Impaired (POHI) teacher preparation programs in the state; and is one of very few such programs in the nation. The department's faculty and staff are involved in related professional and community endeavors at Locally Run, state and national levels.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Eastern Michigan University: Department of Special Education
128 Porter
Suite 128
Ypsilanti, MI 48197

Phone: (734) 487-3300

Official Website: <https://www.emich.edu/coe/departments/special-education/>

Email/Contact: emu_coe@emich.edu

FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY: MICHIGAN COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY, LOW VISION SERVICES

The low vision clinic accepts appointments for individuals who are unable to read normal size print, such as a newspaper, using conventional glasses or contact lenses. Patients are demonstrated hand-held, stand, pocket, and spectacle-mounted magnifying devices to accomplish specific reading tasks. There are also magnifying devices that can improve distance vision. The clinic also has many electro-optical devices that can improve near, intermediate, and distance vision.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Ferris State University: Michigan College of Optometry, Low Vision Services
1124 South State Street
MCO 101A
Big Rapids, MI 49307

Phone: (231) 591-2020

Official Website: <https://ferris.edu/HTMLS/colleges/michopt/eye-vision-information/low-vision/index.htm>

Email/Contact: N/A

GENESEE DISTRICT TALKING BOOK ADVISORY AND OUTREACH CENTER LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

Genesee County residents who are unable to read standard print due to visual or physical impairment may be eligible to borrow talking books through the mail postage-free.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Genesee District Talking Book Advisory and Outreach Center Library
for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
4195 West Pasadena Avenue
Flint, MI 48504-2344

Phone: (810) 732-1120

Official Website: <http://www.thegd.org/services/talking-book-center>

Email/Contact: <https://www.thegd.org/questions-suggestions>

GENESEE DISTRICT TALKING BOOK ADVISORY AND OUTREACH CENTER LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

The Genesee District Library (GDL) is a public library system serving the residents of Genesee County, Michigan. Our service area covers all communities within the county with the exception of the City of Flint, which is served by the Flint Public Library. The GDL system consists of 19 locations, and includes services such as: Robert T. Bolo Business Center (Grand Blanc-McFarlen) Talking Book Center Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (Headquarters) Over one million visits are made annually to the GDL for books, movies, music, technology and programs. Residents within our service area also have online access to books and music. The GDL was formed on January 1, 1980 through a partnership between Genesee County and Grand Blanc Township. It is governed by an eight-member volunteer board. Funding is provided through a .7481 county-wide millage (excluding the City of Flint). An additional 0.25 mills was approved on May 2, 2011. The remaining revenue comes from fees and fines, state aid, grants and gifts.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Genesee District Talking Book Advisory and Outreach Center Library
for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
4195 West Pasadena Avenue
Flint, MI 48504-2344

Phone: (810) 732-1120 & (1-866) 732-1120

Official Website: <http://www.thegdl.org/services/talking-book-center>

Email/Contact: tbc@thegdl.org

GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF GREATER DETROIT

For over 95 years, Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit has been a leader in making a difference in people's lives. We help them find work, hope and pride in their life and in their career. Goodwill delivers services based on the needs of those we serve. We work with businesses, non-profits and government agencies in Metro Detroit to make this happen. Our work would not be possible without our community partnerships. Each day, we impact lives throughout the Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Washtenaw Counties

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit
3111 Grand River Avenue
Detroit, MI 48208-2962

Phone: (313) 964-3900 505

Official Website: <http://www.goodwilldetroit.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://goodwilldetroit.org/contact/>

GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF MID-MICHIGAN

Goodwill Industries of Mid-Michigan is a member of Goodwill Industries International, Inc. and the United Way of Genesee County and is an accredited agency by CARF (The Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities). Our purpose is to provide vocational services and employment opportunities for individuals with barriers to employment. We are able to achieve this mission with the support of our community through donated goods and the sale of those goods.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Goodwill Industries of Mid-Michigan
501 South Averill Avenue
Flint, MI 48506

Phone: (810) 762-9960 & (1-800) 524-6331

Official Website: <http://www.goodwillmidmichigan.org>

Email/Contact: goodwill@goodwillmidmichigan.org

GOODWILL OF SOUTHWESTERN MICHIGAN

In 1956 Goodwill Industries of Southwestern Michigan was founded to help advance employment capabilities and opportunities for citizens in need. Our initial program resulted in the familiar Goodwill retail store, a venture that has provided productive employment for hundreds of individuals since 1956. Over this time, we have worked to develop and refine additional beneficial Services: Industrial Services, Custodial Services, and Rehabilitation Services.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Goodwill of Southwestern Michigan
420 East Alcott Street
Kalamazoo, MI 49001

Phone: (269) 382-0490 & (269) 382-0490 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.goodwillswmi.org>

Email/Contact: shutchison@goodwillswmi.org

GREAT LAKES TALKING BOOKS ADVISORY AND OUTREACH CENTER

Advisory and Outreach Center in the National Library Service for the Blind & Physically Handicapped network.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Great Lakes Talking Books Advisory and Outreach Center
1615 Presque Isle Avenue
Marquette, MI 49855

Phone: (1-800) 562-8985

Official Website: <http://joomla.uproc.lib.mi.us/gltb1/>

Email/Contact: tb@greatlaketalkingbooks.org

GREATER DETROIT AGENCY FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

GDABVI provides rehabilitation services to people with visual impairments designed to increase independence and dignity. Programming for children and youth emphasizes activity and knowing how to do for oneself. Outreach efforts help familiarize the community with the unique needs of people who experience life in other ways than visually. GDABVI offers in-home rehabilitation services to adults and seniors, community education programs on eye health and safety, summer programming for children and youth, and Accessible Computer Training at regional libraries for the blind.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Greater Detroit Agency for the Blind and Visually Impaired
16625 Grand River Avenue
Detroit, MI 48227

Phone: (313) 272-3900

Official Website: <http://www.gdabvi.org>

Email/Contact: information@gdabvi.org

HENRY FORD CENTER FOR VISION REHABILITATION AND RESEARCH HENRY FORD MEDICAL CENTER

The Henry Ford Center for Vision Rehabilitation & Research provides comprehensive rehabilitation to help people with vision loss maximize their independence in daily activities at home and in their communities, and preserve their quality of life and well-being.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Henry Ford Center for Vision Rehabilitation and Research Henry Ford
Medical Center
29200 Schoolcraft
Livonia, MI 48150

Phone: (734) 523-1070

Official Website: <https://www.henryford.com/services/eye/center-for-vision-rehabilitation-and-research>

Email/Contact: cbruce1@hfhs.org

KENT DISTRICT LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

Established by Congress in 1931 to provide free reading materials for visually impaired American citizens throughout the world, LBPH service was later extended to people with other physical disabilities, including learning disabilities in children. This service is free to all eligible people who are unable to read normal print due to a visual or physical disability, whether temporary or permanent. Kent District Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped is one of nine LBPH Advisory and Outreach Centers in Michigan and is part of the National Library Service Network. We serve all of Kent, Montcalm, and Ionia counties, providing books, magazines, videos and DVDs in alternative formats (digital audio cartridge, Braille, and descriptive videos), as well as downloadable materials in audio and electronic Braille. These materials are shipped free directly to the patron's home and are mailed back free to the Kent District LBPH.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kent District Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
3350 Michael Avenue, SW
Wyoming, MI 49509

Phone: (616) 647-3988

Official Website: <http://www.kdl.org/services/lbph>

Email/Contact: lbphstaff@kdl.org

LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND

Founded by three Detroit-area Lions Clubs members in 1939, Leader Dogs for the Blind empowers people who are blind, visually impaired or Deaf-Blind with skills for a lifetime of independent travel, opening doors that may seem to have closed with the loss of sight. Thanks to the generosity of our dedicated supporters, all programs are provided free to clients, including meals and housing during training, travel and equipment. Leader Dog programs are crafted to address individual situations and adapt to our clients' changing needs at any point in their lives. From youth camp to orientation and mobility cane training through guide dog training and GPS technology integration, Leader Dog's programs give clients the confidence and skills they need to live independent lives. Leader Dog is recognized as a "Best In America" Charity by the Independent Charities of America (ICA).

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Radio Reading Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Leader Dogs for the Blind
1039 South+C30 Rochester Road
Rochester Hills, MI 48307-3115

Phone: (248) 651-9011; (1-888) 777-5332; & (248) 651-3713 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.leaderdog.org>

Email/Contact: leaderdog@leaderdog.org

LOW VISION AND VISUAL REHABILITATIVE SERVICES: UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN KELLOGG EYE CENTER

The mission of the Kellogg Eye Center is to improve the quality of life for those with low vision, through the services of a multidisciplinary team of ophthalmologists, optometrists and occupational therapists. These specialists assess patients' vision, advise them on useful adaptive devices, and help them adapt their homes and daily routines so that they can function more independently. Kellogg's Low Vision and Visual Rehabilitation Service helps patients with vision loss ranging from mild visual impairment to legal blindness. Kellogg offers the services of an occupational therapist who works with patients to enhance independence in daily activities. Patients receive help in using aids that assist in functional activities, such as financial management (writing checks, paying bills), meal preparation, vocational needs, and hobbies.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Information and Referral; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Low Vision and Visual Rehabilitative Services:
University of Michigan Kellogg Eye Center
1000 Wall Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48105

Michigan

Phone: (734) 763-8122

Official Website: <http://www.kellogg.umich.edu>

Email/Contact: contactkellogg@umich.edu

MACOMB LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED AT CMPL

Macomb Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (MLBPH) serves all residents of Macomb County, who qualify, by providing audio books and players, large print books, equipment that enlarges text, equipment for printing Braille materials, and more.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Macomb Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped at CMPL
40900 Romeo Plank Road
Clinton Township, MI 48038-2955

Phone: (586) 226-5000

Official Website: <http://www.cmpl.org/mlbph>

Email/Contact: <https://cmpl.org/contact/>

MICHIGAN ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROJECT MICHIGAN DISABILITY RIGHTS COALITION

MDRC cultivates disability pride and strengthens the disability movement by recognizing disability as a natural and beautiful part of human diversity while collaborating to dismantle all forms of oppression.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Michigan Assistive Technology Project c/o Michigan Disability Rights Coalition
3498 East Lake Lansing Road
Suite 100
East Lansing, MI 48823

Phone: (517) 333-2477 & (1-800) 578-1269

Official Website: <http://www.copower.org>

Email/Contact: mdrc@mymdrc.org

MICHIGAN BRAILLE TRANSCRIBING FUND

Michigan Braille Transcribing Fund (MBTF) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation. We are located within the secured perimeter of the G. Robert Cotton Correctional Facility. MBTF is a full braille transcription production facility and our main product is K-12 textbooks. We are able to provide our prisoner staff with skills, which are highly employable when they're released into society. Also, we are able to provide our braille textbooks at a lower price due to our labor force consisting of prisoner staff.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Michigan Braille Transcribing Fund
3500 North Elm Road
Jackson, MI 49241

Phone: (517) 780-5096

Official Website: <http://www.mi-braille.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.mi-braille.org/contact.php>

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LOW INCIDENCE OUTREACH

MDE-LIO is funded through the Michigan Department of Education (MDE), Office of Special Education (OSE). The project provides technical assistance and resources to serve and improve the quality of education for students who are blind or visually impaired (BVI), and students who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing (DHH).

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Personnel Preparation; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Michigan Department of Education Low Incidence Outreach
702 West Kalamazoo Street
P.O. Box 30742
Lansing, MI 48909-8242

Phone: (517) 373-2887

Official Website: <http://mdelio.org/>

Email/Contact: msdb-outreach@michigan.gov

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES

The function of the Office of Special Education (OSE) is the general supervision, administration, and funding of special education programs and services for children and youth with disabilities ages 3-21. A free appropriate public education (FAPE) is provided to eligible children according to federal statute and regulations, state statute, administrative rules, and department procedures.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Michigan Department of Education: Office of Special Education and
Early Intervention Services
608 West Allegan Street
Lansing, MI 48909

Phone: (517) 241-7075 & (1-888) 320-8384

Official Website: http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,1607,7-140-6530_6598---,00.html

Email/Contact: mdeweb@michigan.gov

MICHIGAN OFFICE OF AGING & ADULT SERVICES AGENCY

The Aging & Adult Services Agency (AASA) is Michigan's designated state unit on aging, formed under the Older Michiganians Act of 1981. AASA operates under the authority of the federal Older Americans Act, which was signed into law in 1965 to meet the diverse needs of the growing numbers of older adults in the United States. AASA's mission is to provide statewide leadership, direction, and resources to support Michigan's aging, adult services, and disability networks, with the aim of helping residents live with dignity and purpose. AASA's vision is for Michigan residents to live well as they age.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Michigan Office of Aging & Adult Services Agency
333 South Grand Avenue
4th Floor
Lansing, MI 48933

Phone: (517) 373-8230 & (517) 373-4096 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.michigan.gov/miseniors>

Email/Contact: osainfo@michigan.gov

MICHIGAN OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

Certifies optometric low vision practitioners.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Michigan Optometric Association
530 West Ionia Street
Suite A
Lansing, MI 48933

Phone: (517) 482-0616

Official Website: https://www.themoa.org/aws/MOA/pt/sp/home_page

Email/Contact: https://associationdatabase.com/aws/MOA/input_form/display_form_01_show?form_no=33&host=retain

MICHIGAN SOCIETY OF EYE PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS

The Michigan Society of Eye Physicians & Surgeons (MiSEPS) is a statewide organization representing Michigan Ophthalmologists and their Patients. The MiSEPS's activities include legislative advocacy, interaction with third party payers about reimbursement and coverage issues, public education about important eye health care concerns, and continuing medical education for ophthalmologists and their staffs.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Michigan Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons
15415 East Jefferson Avenue
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230

Phone: (313) 823-1000

Official Website: <https://www.miseeps.org/>

Email/Contact: admin@miseeps.org

MIDWEST ENTERPRISES FOR THE BLIND

MidWest Enterprises for the Blind, Inc. (MWEB) was incorporated in 1993 in Michigan with the sole purpose of providing employment opportunities for people who are blind. We provide an environment with a team spirit, and a collective vision to grow employment opportunities. We provide quality products or services at a competitive price, with an expertise in light assembly, packaging and warehousing, and distribution services. We are a self-supporting not-for-profit, and we provide quality products and services at a competitive price, which allows us to be self-supportive. We exist from the revenue generated by sales.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Midwest Enterprises for the Blind
2207 Lake Street
Kalamazoo, MI 49048

Phone: (269) 383-0713

Official Website: <http://www.mwebmi.com/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.mwebmi.com/contact>

MUSKEGON COUNTY LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

Part of the Library of Congress National Library Service network, the Muskegon Area District Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped serves the residents of Muskegon & Ottawa Counties in Michigan who cannot use or read ordinary printed material because of physical limitations.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Braille Transcription; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Muskegon County Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
4845 Airline Road
Unit 5
Muskegon, MI 49444-4503

Phone: (231) 737-6248

Official Website: <http://www.madl.org>

Email/Contact: krichards@madl.org

OPPORTUNITIES UNLIMITED FOR THE BLIND

OUB programs help people with visual impairments develop skills of blindness, helping them become competent, confident, contributing, tax paying, working adults. OUB provides summer camps and work experiences that focus on the educational goals expressed in the Expanded Core Curriculum. OUB utilizes teaching methods and strategies that encourage campers to be as confident and independent as possible, safely, while keeping learning fun! OUB's goal is that every child, teen, young adult and adult with or without a visual impairment who comes to OUB Camps or works for OUB learns self-reliance skills and expands their dreams for their future success.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Opportunities Unlimited for the Blind
4175 Westbrook Road
Ionia, MI 48846

Phone: (989) 855-2430

Official Website: www.oubmichigan.org

Email/Contact: gwen@oubmichigan.org

PEDIATRIC RETINAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION

We are a community of passionate supporters of children with blinding, retinal diseases and their families. We fund and perform research in the quest for cure, and provide a caring community portal for sharing information and resources as parents navigate the hurdles their children face as they grow.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Pediatric Retinal Research Foundation
39650 Orchard Hill Place
Suite 200
Novi, MI 48375

Phone: (248) 319-0161 & (1-800) 788-2020

Official Website: <https://www.pediatricrrf.org/>

Email/Contact: info@pediatricrrf.org

PENRICKTON CENTER FOR BLIND CHILDREN

Penrickton Center for Blind Children is a unique, private non-profit agency, providing five-day residential, day care, and consultation/evaluation services to blind, multi-disabled children ages one through twelve. Each program is individually designed to promote independence in all aspects of daily living. Penrickton Center utilizes its experience and expertise to teach and serve families, children and professionals through support services, education and advocacy.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Penrickton Center for Blind Children
26530 Eureka Road
Taylor, MI 48180

Phone: (734) 946-7500

Official Website: <http://Penrickton.com>

Email/Contact: mail@penrickton.com

SEEDLINGS BRAILLE BOOKS FOR CHILDREN

Seedlings Braille Books for Children is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, tax-exempt organization dedicated to increasing the opportunity for literacy by providing high quality, free and low-cost braille books for children.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille Transcription; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Seedlings Braille Books for Children
14151 Farmington Road
Livonia, MI 48154-4522

Phone: (734) 427-8552 & (1-800) 777-8552

Official Website: <http://www.seedlings.org>

Email/Contact: info@seedlings.org

SIGHT SEER (WEST MICHIGAN RADIO READING SERVICE) THE SIGHT SEER RADIO READING SERVICE

The Sight Seer is a faith-based non-profit created for people who are blind, visually impaired, or physically unable to hold or read print material. For 28 years, we have been reading the printed word for those unable to access it on their own. Our extensive and diverse audio programs are available online, through our radio service, and as an audio stream on DTV channels in select locations.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Sight Seer (West Michigan Radio Reading Service) The Sight Seer
Radio Reading Service
213 Sheldon Boulevard, SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49503-4513

Phone: (616) 235-0020

Official Website: <http://www.thesightseer.org>

Email/Contact: <http://thesightseer.org/about/contact-us/>

SINAI GRACE HOSPITAL/KRESGE EYE INSTITUTE

Just a generation ago, eye disease, disorder or injury often led to limited vision or blindness. Today, those same eye problems are often effectively treated. Since 1948, Kresge Eye Institute has played a major role in these extraordinary developments through excellence in patient care, eye research and medical education. Kresge Eye Institute is considered one of the nation's leading centers dedicated to the preservation of sight. Because of its international reputation for pioneering eye research, it has become a major referral center for the treatment of difficult eye problems. Kresge Eye Institute's clinical ophthalmologists, who are also Wayne State University School of Medicine faculty members, treat nearly 100,000 patients per year. In addition, Kresge Eye Institute is privileged to provide care to the Detroit Red Wings, Detroit Tigers and Detroit Pistons, as well as United States Veterans through the Detroit VA Hospital.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Information and Referral; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Sinai Grace Hospital/Kresge Eye Institute
6071 West Outer Drive
Southfield, MI 48034

Phone: (313) 966-2024

Official Website: <https://kresgeeye.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://kresgeeye.org/about/contact-us/>

SISTERHOOD OF TEMPLE BETH EL BRAILLE BINDERY

The Sisterhood of Temple Beth El Braille Bindery Volunteers is a nonprofit organization that provides services in the typing, binding and the distribution of reading materials in braille at state, national and international levels.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Sisterhood of Temple Beth El Braille Bindery
7400 Telegraph Road
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301

Phone: (248) 851-1100

Official Website: <http://www.tbeonline.org/braille-bindery>

Email/Contact: support@tbeonline.org

STREET CLAIR COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM LBPH

The St. Clair County LBPH Service is a free library for residents of all ages who have visual, physical, and/or reading limitations that prevent them from using standard print materials. An application that is certified by a competent authority (see application for definition) is required before services can begin. The area served by this library includes St. Clair, Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola Counties. The materials loaned include: Large Print Books, Audio Books, Braille, and Descriptive Videos. Special equipment is loaned for the use of audio books, and all items are sent postage free through the mail.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Braille Transcription; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Street Clair County Library System LBPH
210 McMorrان Boulevard
Port Huron, MI 48060

Phone: (810) 982-3600; (1-800) 272-8570; & (810) 455-0200 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.sccl.lib.mi.us/LBPH.aspx>

Email/Contact: lbph@sccl.lib.mi.us

TRAVERSE AREA DISTRICT LIBRARY (TADL) TALKING BOOK

If you or someone you know is unable to read standard type print, unable to hold a book in your hands, or has a learning disability like dyslexia that prevents reading, you qualify for this free audio and Braille book service. Administered by the National Library Service, this program is available for patrons of all ages who are unable to read or use standard printed materials as a result of temporary or permanent visual or physical limitations. TADL Talking Book Library supports our patrons who qualify and are interested in checking out audiobooks and magazines on cartridge or for download, Braille books and magazines, and descriptive video. Materials are delivered directly to your home through the U.S. Postal Service, postage free. If required, special equipment is provided to you at no charge.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Traverse Area District Library (TADL) Talking Book
610 Woodmere Avenue
Traverse City, MI 46986-3397

Phone: (231) 932-8558; (1-877) 931-8558; & (231) 932-8507 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://www.tadl.org/tbl/>

Email/Contact: tbl@tadl.org

WASHTENAW LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY DISABLED AT ANN ARBOR DISTRICT LIBRARY

The WLBPD@AADL loans books and magazines in audio and large print formats, as well as descriptive videos, to individuals who are certified as being unable to read standard print. All services are free, including mailing materials through the U.S. Postal Service. WLBPD@AADL also has assistive technology available for consumers use including Internet access.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Washtenaw Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled at Ann Arbor
District Library
343 South 5th Avenue
Ann Arbor, MI 48104

Phone: (734) 327-4224 & (1-888) 460-0680

Official Website: <https://aadl.org/wlbpd>

Email/Contact: wlbpd@aadl.org

**WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY: DEPARTMENT OF
BLINDNESS AND LOW VISION STUDIES DEPARTMENT
OF BLINDNESS AND LOW VISION STUDIES COLLEGE
OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES WESTERN
MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY**

Western Michigan University's Department of Blindness and Low Vision Studies is the oldest and largest—and considered the premiere program of its kind—in the world, with academic programs consistently rated among the best in the nation.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Western Michigan University: Department of Blindness and Low Vision Studies Department of Blindness and Low Vision Studies College of Health and Human Services Western Michigan University
1903 West Michigan Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5218

Phone: (269) 387-3455

Official Website: <http://www.wmich.edu/visionstudies/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.wmich.edu/visionstudies/contact>

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY: DEPARTMENT OF BLINDNESS AND LOW VISION STUDIES DEPARTMENT OF BLINDNESS AND LOW VISION STUDIES COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Western Michigan University's Department of Blindness and Low Vision Studies is the oldest and largest—and considered the premiere program of its kind—in the world, with academic programs consistently rated among the best in the nation. Classes are small, and one-on-one instruction and mentoring are the norm. Traditional campus and distance education programs are available, including video streaming, teleconferencing, and Web-based instruction. Our dedicated, top-notch faculty members are actively engaged in creative teaching methods and national research projects. Programs can be completed in one to two years. Assistantships and scholarships are frequently available to substantially defray costs, and internships are available throughout the United States. Professionals in this field are in great demand, and graduates receive assistance with finding employment, which is available in a variety of settings such as state and private agencies, public and residential schools, and Veterans Administration medical centers. Many of our graduates are faculty members at fewer than 20 institutions in the nation that prepare professionals in blindness and low vision studies.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Western Michigan University: Department of Blindness and Low Vision Studies
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Western Michigan University
1903 West Michigan Avenue
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WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY: VISION CLINIC UNIFIED CLINICS MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

The Western Michigan University Vision Clinic is a premier eye care facility located on WMU's east campus, on the fourth floor of the University Medical and Health Sciences Center. WMU has had programs for researching and preparing teachers for low vision and blindness for over 50 years. The vision clinic has been an integral component providing students in the Department of Blindness and Low Vision Studies with necessary practical experiences. Historically, the Vision Clinic had provided services almost exclusively for people with significantly reduced eyesight. We now offer comprehensive vision care services for WMU employees, students and the community. Our licensed and credentialed optometrists provide high quality comprehensive vision care for a wide variety of visual needs.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Western Michigan University: Vision Clinic Unified Clinics Michigan State University
1000 Oakland Drive, 4th Floor
Kalamazoo, MI 49008

Phone: (269) 387-7064

Official Website: <http://www.wmich.edu/unifiedclinics/about/vision>

Email/Contact: N/A

ACB OF MINNESOTA

The American Council of the Blind of Minnesota (ACBM) began in the early 1970's, as the "Gopher State Blind Association." The name was changed to the American Council of the Blind of Minnesota in the early 1980's, when the organization became formally affiliated with the American Council of the Blind (ACB). The American Council of the Blind of Minnesota is an organization that looks to the future, while recognizing the lessons taught by the past. Please join ACBM in making a better future for all blind Minnesotans. ACBM is a 501(c)(3) organization.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

ACB of Minnesota
P.O. Box 19091
Minneapolis, MN 55419

Phone: NA

Official Website: <http://www.acb.org/minnesota/>

Email/Contact: mike-hally@hotmail.com

BLINDNESS: LEARNING IN NEW DIMENSIONS, INC.

BLIND, Incorporated is a nonprofit adjustment to blindness training center that offers training for adults, children, teenagers, and seniors. We teach the skills that blind people need to become independent and employable such as braille, home management, the use of the white cane, computers with screen reading software and more. But just as importantly, we instill in our students the confidence to put these skills into practice. We utilize the positive view of blindness of the National Federation of the Blind. We work from the premise that blindness doesn't have to be a tragedy. We know that, if given training and opportunity, blind people can live full and productive lives.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Support for Parents; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blindness: Learning in New Dimensions, Inc.
100 East 22nd Street
Minneapolis, MN 55404-2514

Phone: (612) 872-0100 & (1-800) 597-9558

Official Website: <http://www.blindinc.org>

Email/Contact: info@blindinc.org

CONTACT LENS ASSOCIATION OF OPHTHALMOLOGISTS

The Mission of CLAO is to advance quality medical eyecare for the public by providing comprehensive ophthalmologists and other eyecare professionals with education and training in contact lenses and related eyecare science.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Contact Lens Association of Ophthalmologists
2025 Woodlane Drive
St. Paul, MN 55125

Phone: 855-264-8818

Official Website: <http://www.clao.org>

Email/Contact: eyes@clao.org

JOINT COMMISSION ON ALLIED HEALTH PERSONNEL IN OPHTHALMOLOGY

The Joint Commission on Allied Health Personnel in Ophthalmology (JCAHPO) was established as a not-for-profit organization in 1969 to offer certification and continuing education opportunities to ophthalmic allied health personnel. Currently more than 25,000 people in the U.S., Canada, and around the world hold a JCAHPO certification.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Joint Commission on Allied Health Personnel in Ophthalmology
2025 Woodline Drive
St. Paul, MN 55125-2998

Phone: (651) 731-2944 & (1-800) 284-3937

Official Website: <http://www.jcahpo.org>

Email/Contact: jcahpo@jcahpo.org

LIGHTHOUSE CENTER FOR VISION LOSS

The Lighthouse Center for Vision Loss is a comprehensive rehabilitation training center for people with all stages of vision loss. We pride ourselves on our small size, friendly atmosphere, state-of-the-art technology center, and our highly individualized approach to training.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Counseling; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support for Parents; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lighthouse Center for Vision Loss
4505 West Superior Street
Duluth, MN 55807-2728

Phone: (218) 624-4828; (1-800) 422-0833; & (218) 624-8822 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.lcfvl.org>

Email/Contact: info@lcfvl.org

LUTHERAN BRAILLE EVANGELISM ASSOCIATION

The Lutheran Braille Evangelism Association (LBEA) is a non-profit ministry, founded in 1952 by the blind Lutheran pastor John Gustav Erickson. Its mission is to provide Scripture and other Christian materials to blind and sight impaired persons all over the world. The ministry is evangelical in its thrust and was begun and continues to be centered around its motto of “Empowering Lives with Sight for the Savior.” Today, under the leadership of the Pilots, LBEA searches for every way it can to fulfill its mission to communicate the message of Christ in braille, large print, audio CD, and also in digital format through the popular hand-held talking BibleCourier, which now comes with rechargeable batteries, a built in speaker and a powerful Word Search Function. Your BibleCourier will contain one complete Bible and a whole Bible commentary and Bible dictionary or two different complete Bible versions in one BibleCourier unit along with a KJV concordance, a Glossary of terms and other study aids, all at an affordable subsidized cost.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Braille and Reading Instruction; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lutheran Braille Evangelism Association
8331 Cloman Ave East
Inver Grove Heights, MN 55076

Phone: (651) 447-2195

Official Website: <http://www.lbea.org>

Email/Contact: mail@lbea.org

MAYO CLINIC DEPARTMENT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY: LOW VISION SERVICE

Mayo Clinic doctors trained in the structure and function of the eye (ophthalmologists and optometrists) are experts in treating all types of vision and eye conditions. Many people come to Mayo Clinic when their condition is unusual or complex. You may come to Mayo Clinic on your own or with a referral from your primary care doctor, ophthalmologist or optometrist. Mayo Clinic's eye experts work with a multidisciplinary team of specialists who collaborate to provide exactly the care you need.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Mayo Clinic Department of Ophthalmology: Low Vision Service
200 1st Street, SW
Mayo West 7A
Rochester, MN 55905

Phone: (507) 284-3726

Official Website: <http://www.mayoclinic.org/ophthalmology-rst/lowvision.html>

Email/Contact: siemsen.dennis@mayo.edu

MINNESOTA ACADEMY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

The Minnesota Academy of Ophthalmology is a professional association of ophthalmologists in Minnesota representing over 200 EyeMD's throughout the state. With roots going back to 1910, the MAO was incorporated to encourage research in ophthalmology, benefit its members through education, and promote the services of ophthalmology to the public. Nearly 100 years later, the MAO sponsors eight scientific programs a year; acts as a resource for socioeconomic, legislative, and regulatory affairs pertaining to ophthalmic care in Minnesota; provides a state wide communications network; and, sponsors multiple free vision screening services to the public. The Minnesota Academy of Ophthalmology is a non-profit organization formed in 1911 for the encouragement and cultivation of the study of, and research in, the branch of medical science known as "ophthalmology."

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Minnesota Academy of Ophthalmology
3880 Laverne Avenue North
Plymouth, MN 55442

Phone: (651) 645-2452

Official Website: <http://www.mneyemd.org>

Email/Contact: tyler@mneyemd.org

MINNESOTA BOARD ON AGING/SENIOR LINKAGE LINE

The Minnesota Board on Aging (MBA) is the gateway to services for Minnesota seniors and their families. MBA listens to senior concerns, researches for solutions, and proposes policy to address senior needs. In addition, MBA administers funds from the Older Americans Act that provide a spectrum of services to seniors, including Senior LinkAge Line®, Insurance Counseling and more. First established in 1956, the MBA is one of the pioneers in the field of aging policy, information and assistance. It works closely with its Area Agencies on Aging, which are located throughout the state, to provide services that seniors need. The Board's 25 members are appointed by the governor.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Minnesota Board on Aging/Senior LinkAge Line
540 Cedar Street
St. Paul, MN 55164-0976

Phone: (651) 431-2500; (1-800) 882-6262; & (1-800) 627-3529 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.mnaging.org>

Email/Contact: mba.dhs@state.mn.us

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: DIVISION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

Students in special education both have a disability and are in need of specialized instruction. A comprehensive evaluation, conducted by a team from the public school, evaluates and identifies these students. For every student who needs special education services, the team develops a special document called an Individualized Education Program (IEP). The IEP outlines the unique needs of the student and the specialized goals and objectives that will help the student make educational progress. Parents are a critical partner in every phase of identifying a student for special education and in establishing the IEP.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Minnesota Department of Education: Division of Special Education
1500 Highway 36 West
Roseville, MN 55113-4266

Phone: 651-582-8616

Official Website: <http://education.state.mn.us>

Email/Contact: mde.special-ed@state.mn.us

MINNESOTA EARLY CHILDHOOD INTERVENTION DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) programs provide supports and services to infants, toddlers and preschool children with disabilities and their families.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Minnesota Early Childhood Intervention Department of Education
1500 Highway 36 West
Roseville, MN 55113-4266

Phone: (651) 582-8883

Official Website: <http://education.state.mn.us/MDE/dse/ecse/>

Email/Contact: mde.ecse@state.mn.us

MINNESOTA OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The MOA is a voluntary organization of eye doctors committed to enhancing eye health care for all Minnesotans through continuing education, legislative and advocacy efforts, community service

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Minnesota Optometric Association
3800 American Boulevard West
Suite 1500
Bloomington, MN 55431

Phone: (952) 841-1122 & (1-800) 678-8232

Official Website: <http://minnesota.aoa.org/>

Email/Contact: moa@moa.org

MINNESOTA STAR PROGRAM CENTENNIAL OFFICE BUILDING ROOM 358

STAR was established in 1989 under the Technology-Related Assistance for Individuals with Disabilities Act of 1988, which is also known as the Tech Act. This Act was repealed with the passage of the Assistive Technology Act. STAR is currently 100% federally funded by the Administration for Community Living (ACL) in accordance with the Assistive Technology Act of 1998, as amended (P.L. 108-364) also known as the Assistive Technology Act of 2004. STAR works collaboratively with partners to increase statewide access to assistive technology through demonstrations, loans and reuse services. STAR promotes the use of assistive technology at home, school, work and in the community.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Minnesota STAR Program Centennial Office Building Room 358
658 Cedar Street
Street Paul, MN 55155

Phone: (651) 201-2640 & (1-888) 234-1267

Official Website: <http://www.starprogram.state.mn.us>

Email/Contact: star.program@state.mn.us

MINNESOTA STATE ACADEMY FOR THE BLIND

The Minnesota State Academy for the Blind (MSAB) is a statewide public school with dormitory facilities that provide 24-hour programming for blind/visually impaired students. Students receiving educational services through the Academy range in age from 0-21, come from all regions of the state, and often have additional disabilities. MSAB offers coursework through the Faribault Public Schools which provides opportunities within a mainstream environment; students participate in competitive sports with other state schools for the blind; 24-hour educational programming; high expectations of all students; low teacher/pupil ratios as necessary to create a quality learning environment.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Minnesota State Academy for the Blind
400 6th Avenue, SE
Faribault, MN 55021

Phone: (507) 384-6700 & (1-800) 657-3634

Official Website: <http://msab.msa.state.mn.us/>

Email/Contact: <https://msab.msa.state.mn.us/apps/contact/>

MINNESOTA STATE SERVICES FOR THE BLIND

The mission of State Services for the Blind (SSB) is to facilitate the achievement of vocational and personal independence by Minnesotans who are blind, visually impaired or DeafBlind. At State Services for the Blind we provide the tools, training and technology to help people who are blind, visually impaired, DeafBlind or experiencing vision loss to live independently and to prepare for, find and keep a job. Our Communication Center produces material in alternate formats such as braille, digital audio, or eText. The Radio Talking Book as well as Dial-in News, and NFB-Newsline are also provided through the Communication Center.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Recreation Services; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Minnesota State Services for the Blind
2200 University Avenue West
Suite 240
St. Paul, MN 55114-1840

Phone: (651) 539-2300

Official Website: <https://mn.gov/deed/ssb/>

Email/Contact: ssb.info@state.mn.us

MYASTHENIA GRAVIS FOUNDATION OF AMERICA, INC.

The Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America (MGFA) is the only national volunteer health agency in the United States dedicated solely to the fight against myasthenia gravis. MGFA serves patients, their families and caregivers through a network of support groups and programs.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America, Inc.
1821 University Ave W
Suite S256
St. Paul, MN 55104

Phone: (651) 917-6256 & (1-800) 541-5454

Official Website: <http://www.myasthenia.org>

Email/Contact: mgfa@myasthenia.org

SIGHT & HEARING ASSOCIATION

Sight & Hearing Association focuses on preventing rather than adapting to vision loss.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Sight & Hearing Association
1246 University Avenue West
Suite 226
St. Paul, MN 55104-4125

Phone: (651) 645-2546 & (1-800) 992-0424

Official Website: <http://www.sightandhearing.org>

Email/Contact: mail@sightandhearing.org

VISION LOSS RESOURCES

Vision Loss Resources creates a community of services, skills and support for people with vision loss.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vision Loss Resources
1936 Lyndale Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Phone: (612) 871-2222 & (612) 331-2234 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.visionlossresources.org>

Email/Contact: info@vlrw.org

VOLUNTEER BRAILLE SERVICES

The mission of VBS is to train and support Volunteer Braille Transcribers, to improve the accuracy and effectiveness of their braille transcriptions through continuing education, and to provide transcribed materials for braille readers. Volunteer Braille Services was incorporated in 1968 for the purpose of training sighted volunteers to transcribe print into braille. We are a chartered non-profit 501c3 organization in the state of Minnesota.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Volunteer Braille Services
1710 Douglas Drive North
#102
Golden Valley, MN 55422

Phone: (763) 544-2880

Official Website: <http://www.vbsmn.org>

Email/Contact: vbsmn@comcast.net

ADDIE MCBRYDE REHABILITATION CENTER FOR THE BLIND

The Addie McBryde Rehabilitation Center is a comprehensive personal adjustment center for adults who are blind, visually impaired or deaf-blind. Through a program of training offered to both residential and day clients, individuals participate in classes learning skills which enable them to successfully live and work independently. Established in 1972, the center is Located in Jackson on the campus of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. The facility has a dormitory capacity for 28 clients, a gymnasium, a client library and classrooms equipped with specialized technology for the blind and visually impaired. Certified instructors individualize training to meet a client's needs during the class day from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Clients participate in additional activities in the Achieving Milestones Class focusing on adjustment to vision loss, confidence building, resume writing, interviewing and utilizing resources in the community.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

Mississippi

MAILING ADDRESS:

Addie McBryde Rehabilitation Center for the Blind
2550 Peachtree Street
Jackson, MS 39296-5314

Phone: (601) 364-2700 & (601) 853-5100 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: http://www.mdrs.ms.gov/VocationalRehabBlind/Pages/Addie_McBryde.aspx

Email/Contact: N/A

AGING AND ADULT SERVICES: MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

The mission of the Division of Aging and Adult Services is to protect the rights of older citizens while expanding their opportunities and access to quality services. Our vision is for each older citizen to live the best life possible. The Division of Aging and Adult Services plans, coordinates and advocates for, and ensures the provision of services to all older Mississippians.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Aging and Adult Services: Mississippi Department of Human Services
750 North State Street
Jackson, MS 39202

Phone: (1-800) 345-6347

Official Website: <http://www.ms.gov/node/87>

Email/Contact: N/A

JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY: DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Department of Special Education at Jackson State University is a community of dedicated scholars, researchers, professors, practitioners and staff who work together to improve the quality of life of people with disabilities and their families. We are committed to mentoring you to become a highly qualified professional. It is our shared goal to develop and disseminate essential skills, knowledge, and values through research, teaching and service. We pride ourselves on being supportive and available to students.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Jackson State University: Department of Special Education
1400 JR Lynch Street
Jackson, MS 39217

Phone: (601) 979-2121

Official Website: <http://www.jsums.edu/specialedu/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.jsums.edu/specialedu/contact/>

JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY: DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Department of Special Education at Jackson State University offers programs on the Bachelors (B.S.), Masters (M.S.Ed.) and Specialist (Ed.S.) level. The crux of each program is the preparation of competent, insightful, and innovative educators who are committed to meeting the needs of children with disabilities, divergent learners, and their families.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Jackson State University: Department of Special Education
1400 JR Lynch Street
Jackson, MS 39217

Phone: (601) 979-2370

Official Website: <http://www.jsums.edu/specialedu/>

Email/Contact: N/A

MISSISSIPPI DEAF-BLIND PROJECT (MSDB) UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND SPECIAL EDUCATION

Mississippi Hearing-Vision Project is a federally funded project to provide technical assistance to individuals between the ages of birth and 21 years. Whether it is in the home, school, or agency setting, our staff can provide assistance and training to help make a better quality of life. The Mississippi Deaf-Blind Project changed its name to Mississippi Hearing-Vision Project in the 2013-2018 grant application in order to be more inclusive and demonstrative of our commitment of being a resource to the community of those learners having both hearing and vision challenges. While there are numerous words used to describe this low incidence population, in the previous funded years we found many families were uncomfortable with the term “deaf-blind,” thus preventing our involvement. By focusing on the hearing-vision challenges, we hope to provide the much needed specialized supports to even more school districts and families of students regardless of varying degrees and severity of this combined sensory involvement.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Mississippi Deaf-Blind Project (MSDB) University of Southern
Mississippi Department of Curriculum, Instruction and Special
Education

118 College Drive

#5115

Hattiesburg, MS 39406-5115

Phone: (601) 266-5135

Official Website: <http://www.usm.edu/msdb/>

Email/Contact: https://www.usm.edu/email/2094/field_contact_email

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) provides resources and technical support to Mississippi's public school system. The department also functions as a resource for federal education requirements and funding. The Mississippi Board of Education appoints the State Superintendent of Education, sets public education policy and oversees the MDE. As the administrative arm of the Board, MDE is responsible for implementing state and federal education laws, disbursing state and federal funds, holding schools and districts accountable for performance and licensing all educators

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Mississippi Department of Education
359 NW Street
Jackson, MS 39201

Phone: (601) 359-3498

Official Website: <http://www.mde.k12.ms.us>

Email/Contact: <http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/contact-mde>

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES: OFFICE OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION FOR THE BLIND

The Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services is a state agency that provides resources to help Mississippians with disabilities find new careers, live more independently, overcome obstacles, and face new challenges.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services: Office of Vocational Rehabilitation for the Blind
1281 Highway 51 North
Madison, MS 39110

Phone: (601) 853-5300 & (1-800) 443-1000

Official Website: <http://www.mdrs.ms.gov>

Email/Contact: <http://www.mdrs.ms.gov/about/pages/contact-us.aspx>

MISSISSIPPI FIRST STEPS: EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

First Steps EIP is a program that matches the unique needs of infants and toddlers who have developmental delays, or a birth condition that could cause a developmental delay, with Early Intervention services and resources within the community.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Mississippi First Steps: Early Intervention Program Department of Health
570 East Woodrow Wilson Drive
Jackson, MS 39215-1700

Phone: (601) 576-7427 & (1-800) 451-3903

Official Website: <http://www.msdh.state.ms.us/msdhsite/static/41,0,74.html>

Email/Contact: <https://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/index.cfm/41,0,375,html>

MISSISSIPPI INDUSTRIES FOR THE BLIND

MIB is a leading employer of Mississippians who are blind. MIB offers employment opportunities at all levels of the organization, from direct labor manufacturing jobs to service jobs like document imaging to management staff positions.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Mississippi Industries for the Blind
2501 North West Street
Jackson, MS 39216

Phone: (601) 984-3200 & (1-866) 859-4461

Official Website: <http://www.msblind.org/>

Email/Contact: sales@msblind.org

MISSISSIPPI INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCE CENTER MISSISSIPPI SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

The Mississippi Instructional Resource Center (MIRC) coordinates the registration of students who are legally blind and administers the Federal Quota Funds. The funds are then used to purchase textbooks in Braille and large type and specialized educational materials for legally blind students in public and parochial schools and agencies statewide. MIRC also provides services to partially-sighted students whose best corrected vision is no better than 20/70 or whose doctor requests large type textbooks. Funds are appropriated by the state legislature.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Mississippi Instructional Resource Center Mississippi School for the Blind
1252 Eastover Drive
Jackson, MS 39211

Phone: (601) 984-8226

Official Website: <http://www.msb.k12.ms.us/outreach/ms-instructional-resource-center>

Email/Contact: <http://www.msb.k12.ms.us/node/3>

MISSISSIPPI OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The Mississippi Optometric Association is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting the eye health and vision care of Mississippians through the practice of optometry. Our membership includes more than 230 optometrists from across the state.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Mississippi Optometric Association
141 Executive Drive
Suite 5
Madison, MS 39110

Phone: (601) 853-4407

Official Website: <http://mseyes.com/>

Email/Contact: executive@mseyes.com

MISSISSIPPI SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

Mississippi School for the Blind is a fully accredited elementary and secondary program (K-12) designed to focus on the unique learning needs of children and youth with visual impairments or blindness, including those with additional disabilities. Every student receives instruction and guidance from teachers and staff who have been specially trained to work with children and youth with visual impairments.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Mississippi School for the Blind
1252 Eastover Drive
Jackson, MS 39211

Phone: (601) 984-8200 & (601) 984-8097 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.msb.k12.ms.us>

Email/Contact: <http://www.msb.k12.ms.us/node/3>

MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY THE NATIONAL RESEARCH AND TRAINING CENTER ON BLINDNESS AND LOW VISION

The National Research and Training Center on Blindness and Low Vision (NRTC) is located in the historic Industrial Education Building on the campus of Mississippi State University. The NRTC is the only U.S. Department of Health and Human Services-funded center focused on employment outcomes of persons with blindness or low vision. In October 2016, the NRTC marked its 35-year anniversary as a center for applied research focusing on this population.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Low Vision Services; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Mississippi State University The National Research and Training Center on Blindness and Low Vision
P. O. Box 6189
Mississippi State, MS 39762

Phone: (662) 325-2001

Official Website: <http://www.blind.msstate.edu>

Email/Contact: nrtc@colled.msstate.edu

RADIO READING SERVICE OF MISSISSIPPI

Eligible individuals are provided with a radio compatible with the frequency for their geographic area, free of charge.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Radio Reading Service of Mississippi
3825 Ridgewood Road
Jackson, MS 39211

Phone: (601) 432-6301

Official Website: <http://www.mpbonline.org/programs/radio/radio-reading/>

Email/Contact: radioreading@mpbonline.org

TALKING BOOK SERVICES MISSISSIPPI LIBRARY COMMISSION

The Mississippi Library Commission serves as a free public library service for eligible Mississippi residents who are unable to read standard print due to a visual, physical or organic reading disability and for institutions which serve these eligible individuals (schools, hospitals, living facilities, etc.). It serves as the Mississippi Regional Library for the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress. Provides descriptive video service to eligible Alabama residents.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Talking Book Services Mississippi Library Commission
3881 Eastwood Drive
Jackson, MS 39211-6473

Phone: (601) 432-4116 & (1-800) 446-0892

Official Website: <http://mlc.lib.ms.us/tbs/>

Email/Contact: mslib@mlc.lib.ms.us

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ALPHAPOINTE

We are a multi-faceted company with an array of divisions, products and services. We are the region's leader for vision rehabilitation, education and advocacy and are able to help anyone experiencing vision loss.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Alphapointe
7501 Prospect
Kansas City, MO 64132

Phone: (816) 421-5848

Official Website: www.alphapointe.org

Email/Contact: info@alphapointe.org

AMERICAN OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The American Optometric Association is the leading authority on quality care and an advocate for our nation's health, representing more than 44,000 doctors of optometry (O.D.), optometric professionals and optometry students. Doctors of optometry take a leading role in patient care with respect to eye and vision care, as well as general health and well-being. As primary health care providers, doctors of optometry have extensive, ongoing training to examine, diagnose, treat and manage ocular disorders, diseases and injuries and systemic diseases that manifest in the eye. Doctors of optometry provide more than two-thirds of primary eye care in the U.S.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Optometric Association
243 North Lindbergh Boulevard
Street Louis, MO 63141

Phone: (314) 991-4100 & (1-800) 365-2219

Official Website: <http://www.aoa.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.aoa.org/about-the-aoa/contact-aoa>

AMERICAN OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION: LOW VISION REHABILITATION SECTION

The American Optometric Association is the leading authority on quality care and an advocate for our nation's health, representing more than 44,000 doctors of optometry (O.D.), optometric professionals and optometry students. Doctors of optometry take a leading role in patient care with respect to eye and vision care, as well as general health and well-being. As primary health care providers, doctors of optometry have extensive, ongoing training to examine, diagnose, treat and manage ocular disorders, diseases and injuries and systemic diseases that manifest in the eye. Doctors of optometry provide more than two-thirds of primary eye care in the U.S.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Optometric Association: Low Vision Rehabilitation Section
243 North Lindbergh Boulevard
Street Louis, MO 63141

Phone: (314) 991-4100 ext. 225 & (1-800) 365-2219 ext. 225

Official Website: <https://www.aoa.org/patients-and-public/caring-for-your-vision/low-vision/low-vision-rehabilitation?sso=y>

Email/Contact: ALZielinski@aoa.org

CHILDREN’S CENTER FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The mission of the Children’s Center for the Visually Impaired is to prepare children with visual impairments, including those with multiple disabilities, to reach their highest potential in the sighted world.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Children’s Center for the Visually Impaired
3101 Main Street
Kansas City, MO 64111-1921

Phone: (816) 841-2284

Official Website: <http://www.ccvl.org>

Email/Contact: info@ccvl.org

DELTA GAMMA CENTER FOR CHILDREN WITH VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS

In 1951, a group of Delta Gamma alumni from Washington University started a Locally Run organization to serve the needs of young children with visual impairments and blindness. The founders of the Delta Gamma Center for Children with Visual Impairments set forth on a mission to provide educational services for children in the earliest years, prior to the start of school, with an emphasis on guidance and training for their parents. Services offered by the Delta Gamma Center include comprehensive early intervention services to address the needs of infants and toddlers who are blind or visually impaired and their families. Services include education, orientation and mobility services, occupational therapy, physical therapy and speech therapy services for children with complex developmental challenges. The Center has recently introduced Low Vision Evaluations to further assist the early intervention team. A broad array of family support services are available as well. The GRADS (Group Recreation and Developmental Support) Program, provides unique opportunities for school age youth to develop friendships, independence and participation in community activities. The center is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Governed by a community – based board of directors, the center is a well-established and respected organization in the community.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

Missouri

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Delta Gamma Center for Children with Visual Impairments
1750 South Big Bend Boulevard
Richmond Heights, MO 63117

Phone: (314) 776-1300

Official Website: <http://www.dgckids.org>

Email/Contact: info@dgckids.org

GUIDE DOG USERS

Guide Dog Users Inc., (GDUI), is the leading consumer-driven organization of guide dog handlers in the world. GDUI is an affiliate of the American Council of the Blind (ACB) and is a founding member of the Coalition of Assistance Dog Organizations (CADO). We strive to promote civil rights and enhance the quality of life for working guide dog teams. Drawing on the experiences and varied knowledge of its members, GDUI provides peer support, advocacy and information to guide dog users everywhere. In addition, GDUI works with public entities, private businesses and individuals to ensure that guide dog users enjoy the same rights to travel, employment, housing, and participation in all aspects of life that people without disabilities enjoy.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Guide Dog Users
3603 Morgan Way
Imperial, MO 63052

Phone: (1-866) 799-8436

Official Website: <http://guidedogusersinc.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND-STREET LOUIS

The mission of the Lighthouse for the Blind is to assist individuals who are legally blind to maintain dignity and independence by making available employment, education, and support services. Since 1940, the Lighthouse has supplied a variety of goods and services to the Federal Government. They currently operate two manufacturing facilities and have extensive lab facilities and an experienced technical staff that develops, formulates, and produces new products. Lighthouse for the Blind offers “See the Future” outreach programs to provide assistance to children and students in areas of technology adaptations, activities of daily living skill development, scholarships to educational and recreational camps and a mobile low vision clinic. These programs are available for those that are blind, legally blind, visually impaired and function at the definition of blindness (FDB). FDB is defined as indicating blindness due to brain injury or disfunction. An Optometrist or Ophthalmologist must confirm all vision impairments

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Community Outreach Programs; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lighthouse for the Blind-Street Louis
10440 Trenton Avenue
Street Louis, MO 63132-1223

Phone: (314) 423-4333 & (1-800) 542-3697

Official Website: <http://www.lhbindustries.com/Our-Outreach/Programs.aspx>

Email/Contact: customerservice@lhbindustries.com

LINDELL EYE CENTER

The Lindell Eye Center is located in the Central West End of the City of St. Louis. The Lindell Eye Center is a full service eye care facility and is open to the public. Parking is available behind the building.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Employment/ Job Training; Information and Referral; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lindell Eye Center
3940 Lindell Boulevard
Street Louis, MO 63108

Phone: (314) 535-5016

Official Website: <https://optometry.umsl.edu/Patient%20Services/newocenter.html>

Email/Contact: N/A

MARY CULVER HOME

The Mary Culver Home is a charitable, not-for-profit, nondenominational organization for legally blind women, which is licensed as a nursing home by the state of Missouri. Applicants must be either legally or totally blind, a resident of the state of Missouri, and Medicare eligible.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Mary Culver Home
221 West Washington Avenue
Kirkwood, MO 63122

Phone: (314) 966-6034

Official Website: <http://www.maryculverhome.com/faqs.htm>

Email/Contact: info@maryculverhome.org

MASON EYE INSTITUTE DEPARTMENT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

Eye care services provided include refractive surgery, cataract surgery, macular degeneration, retinal disease, corneal transplantation, glaucoma, ocular oncology, neuro-ophthalmology, plastic surgery, children's eye care, low vision, trauma and treatment for many types of eye disease. Our faculty and staff feel privileged to care for Missourians and are committed to being a center of excellence for ophthalmology in the Midwest. In addition to treating more than 30,000 patients per year, our faculty and students conduct ground-breaking research in both the basic and clinical sciences. Research laboratories and support facilities span the entire second floor of the Mason Eye Institute with additional space located across the street at the Harry S. Truman Memorial Veterans' Hospital. Research interests within the department are diverse and cover a wide range of ophthalmologic problems.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Advocacy; Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Mason Eye Institute Department of Ophthalmology University of Missouri
1 Hospital Drive
Columbia, MO 65212

Phone: (573) 882-1029

Official Website: <https://medicine.missouri.edu/departments/ophthalmology>

Email/Contact: mussatts@health.missouri.edu

MIDWESTERN BRAILLE VOLUNTEERS

MBV is a non-profit 501(c)(3). Transcription service is provided for individuals, schools and businesses.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Midwestern Braille Volunteers
104 W Adams Avenue
Street Louis, MO 63122

Phone: (314) 966-5828

Official Website: <http://www.mbv.org>

Email/Contact: mbvol@sbcglobal.net

MISSOURI ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROJECT

The mission of Missouri Assistive Technology is to increase access to assistive technology for Missourians with all types of disabilities, of all ages. Programs and services of Missouri Assistive Technology are directed by the Missouri Assistive Technology Council, which was established by state statute in 1993. The Council is charged to serve as an advocate for policies, regulations and programs to establish a person-responsive, comprehensive assistive technology service delivery system. The Council meets at least four times a year, reports annually to the Governor and the general assembly on Council activities to increase access to assistive technology, and provides programmatic direction for all activities and services.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Missouri Assistive Technology Project
1501 NW Jefferson
Blue Springs, MO 64015

Phone: (816) 655-6700; (1-800) 647-8558; & (816) 655-6711 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://at.mo.gov/>

Email/Contact: info@mo-at.org

MISSOURI COUNCIL OF THE BLIND

Organized in 1956, Missouri Council of the Blind (MCB) is the state of Missouri's largest consumer based assistance organization. MCB and its affiliates are active members of the American Council of the Blind. With the help of our 700 plus members, MCB works for causes that affect people who are visually impaired and strives to improve their quality of life. MCB assists people with several degrees of vision loss: Totally blind-no usable vision, Legally blind-visual acuity of 20/200 or less with corrective lens, or field of vision limited to 20 degrees or less, or progressive eye disease which will lead to severe vision loss. MCB offers educational scholarships, health benefits, summer camps, special services program, public awareness programs, adaptive technology information and advocacies employment and legislation issues. MCB has 21 Locally Run Affiliates providing support across the state to visually impaired Missourians. In addition, MCB's 4 Special Interest Affiliates provide blind and low-vision persons with a variety of ways to learn, communicate, and to become more involved with our organization. These specialized interest affiliates include the Braille Revival League of Missouri, ATI (Adaptive Technology Inc.), Library Users of Missouri, and the Missouri Guide Dog Users.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); NLS Libraries; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Missouri Council of the Blind
5453 Chippewa Street
Street Louis, MO 63109

Phone: (314) 832-7172 & (1-800) 342-5632

Official Website: <http://www.moblind.org>

Email/Contact: clerk@moblind.org

MISSOURI DEAFBLIND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT

The purpose of the Missouri Deafblind Technical Assistance Project is to develop partnerships, coordinate service networking and provide systematic training. Technical assistance, training and resources are available for individuals with vision and hearing impairment (birth through 22 years of age), their families and service providers. Services are coordinated with Locally Run education agencies, adult service providers and deafblind task forces to enhance networking and to build expertise in the community.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Missouri Deafblind Technical Assistance Project
3815 Magnolia Avenue
Street Louis, MO 63110-4099

Phone: (314) 776-4320 ext. 3255

Official Website: <https://msb.dese.mo.gov/outreach-services/assistance-project.html>

Email/Contact: susan.bonner@msb.dese.mo.gov

MISSOURI DIVISION OF SENIOR AND DISABILITY SERVICES

A wide range of resources is available to help older Missourians obtain services and find the help they need. Look here for information about the guides and other resources available to seniors and detailed regulations that apply to nursing homes and other long-term care facilities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Missouri Division of Senior and Disability Services
912 Wildwood
Jefferson City, MO 65109

Phone: (573) 751-6001; (1-800) 235-5503

Official Website: <https://health.mo.gov/seniors/>

Email/Contact: info@health.mo.gov

MISSOURI FIRST STEPS

First Steps offers coordinated services and assistance to young children with special needs and their families. First Steps is designed for children, birth to age 3, who have delayed development or diagnosed conditions that are associated with developmental disabilities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Missouri First Steps
P.O. Box 480
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Phone: (573) 522-8762

Official Website: <http://dese.mo.gov/special-education/first-steps>

Email/Contact: sefirststeps@dese.mo.gov

MISSOURI OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

Our optometrists believe all Missourians should see their futures... clearly! Most people think vision is the most important of their senses. Quality of life is often determined by a person's ability to see. That's why preserving eye health and enhancing vision is the goal of doctors of optometry. The Missouri Optometric Association promotes the advancement of optometry by advocating for and educating its members; and protecting access to the highest quality eye and vision care for the citizens of Missouri.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Missouri Optometric Association
100 East High Street
Suite 301
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Phone: (573) 635-6151

Official Website: <http://www.moeyecare.org>

Email/Contact: info@moeyecare.org

MISSOURI REHABILITATION SERVICES FOR THE BLIND

Their mission is to create opportunities for eligible blind and visually impaired persons in order that they may attain personal and vocational success. Rehabilitation Services for the Blind (RSB) provides services to people with varying degrees of visual impairment, ranging from those who cannot read regular print to those who are totally blind. These services are provided on the premise that with adequate preparation and reasonable accommodation, each blind or visually impaired person will be able to achieve his or her maximum potential in the home and community, in educational settings, and in employment.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Missouri Rehabilitation Services for the Blind
615 Howerton Court
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Phone: (573) 751-4249 & (1-800) 592-6004

Official Website: <http://www.dss.mo.gov/fsd/rsb/>

Email/Contact: janice.m.phillips@dss.mo.gov

MISSOURI SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

Missouri School for the Blind offers educational and outreach services for legally blind Missouri children from birth through age 21 and their families. MSB is operated by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education of the State of Missouri and its services are free of charge.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Missouri School for the Blind
3815 Magnolia Avenue
Street Louis, MO 63110

Phone: (314) 776-4320 & (1-800) 622-5672

Official Website: <https://msb.dese.mo.gov/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.afb.org/sendmail.asp>

STREET LOUIS SOCIETY FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Founded in 1911 and organized for the purpose of carrying on programs in support of the prevention of blindness and for educational, benevolent, and charitable activities for, and on behalf of blind individuals, the Society currently serves more than 1,500 individuals annually. Over the years, the programs and services have evolved to primarily serve older adults who are newly blind or visually impaired through community, home based, and agency services. Most recently, the Society has expanded into providing services to school age students in Locally Run school districts in Illinois and Missouri. The Society is the only agency of its kind serving the Saint Louis area, and the second oldest of its kind west of the Mississippi River.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Street Louis Society for the Blind and Visually Impaired
8770 Manchester Road
Street Louis, MO 63144

Phone: (314) 968-9000

Official Website: <http://slsbvi.org/>

Email/Contact: socialservices@slsbvi.org

STREET LOUIS UNIVERSITY: EYE INSTITUTE

The Saint Louis University Eye Institute (SLUEI) is a major tertiary eye care center, staffed by members of the Department of Ophthalmology within the Saint Louis University School of Medicine. The eye institute offers comprehensive ophthalmic services and research in many areas.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Street Louis University: Eye Institute
1755 South Grand
Street Louis, MO 63104

Phone: (314) 256-3220

Official Website: <https://www.slu.edu/medicine/ophthalmology/>

Email/Contact: boschmb@slu.edu

VISIONSERVE ALLIANCE

VisionServe Alliance is a consortium of Executive Directors/CEOs of 501(c)(3) nonprofits throughout the United States that provide unique and specialized services to people who are blind or with severe vision loss. We bring together the full diversity of services for one conversation with the ultimate goal of unifying the many issues and organizations operating independently of one another in the field. Members include organizations focusing on national advocacy and/or service issues, employment and manufacturing, adult vision rehabilitation, K-12 residential and on-line schools, early intervention and pre-school, dog guides, low vision clinics, and Braille production. Collaborative projects, national trends, stronger management and leadership, and advocacy issues have been born from these conversations and activities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

VisionServe Alliance
8760 Manchester Road
Street Louis, MO 63144

Phone: (314) 961-8235

Official Website: <http://www.visionservealliance.org>

Email/Contact: info@visionservealliance.org

WOLFNER TALKING BOOK AND BRAILLE LIBRARY

Wolfner Library is a free library service for Missourians who are unable to use standard print materials due to a visual or physical disability. Materials are mailed to and from library patrons at their homes, postage paid. There is no charge, whatsoever, to the patron. Currently, over 11,000 Missourians actively use Wolfner Library. The library's collection includes fiction and nonfiction audio, braille, and large print books for all ages. Over seventy (70) magazine subscriptions are available, and the library loans playback machines to those using audio books.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wolfner Talking Book and Braille Library
P.O. BOX 387
Jefferson City, MO 65102-0387

Phone: (1-800) 392-2614 & (1-800) 347-1379 (TDD)

Official Website: <http://www.sos.mo.gov/wolfner>

Email/Contact: wolfner@sos.mo.gov

MONTANA DEAF-BLIND PROJECT RURAL INSTITUTE ON DISABILITIES UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

Individuals from birth through age 21 who are impacted by both vision and hearing loss are eligible for project services. Staff of the Montana Deaf-Blind Project partner with Outreach Consultants from the Montana School for the Deaf and Blind to provide information, technical assistance, and professional development to families and professionals who provide services to individuals who are deaf-blind.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Montana Deaf-Blind Project Rural Institute on Disabilities University of
Montana
52 Corbin Hall
Missoula, MT 59812

Phone: (406) 243-4134

Official Website: <http://mtid.ri.umt.edu/index.html>

Email/Contact: ellen.condon@mso.umt.edu

MONTANA MILESTONES PART C INTERVENTION PROGRAM

In July 2009, the Disability Services Division (DSD) of the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) was restructured under the Medicaid and Health Services Branch of DPHHS. In January 2010, the name was changed to Developmental Services Division.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Montana Milestones Part C Intervention Program
111 Sanders
Suite 305
Helena, MT 59604-4210

Phone: (406) 444-5647

Official Website: <http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/dsd/ddp/index.shtml>

Email/Contact: <https://dphhs.mt.gov/dsd/contactus>

MONTANA OFFICE ON AGING: SENIOR AND LONG TERM CARE DIVISION

The Montana Office on Aging: Senior and Long Term Care Division's mission is to advocate and promote dignity and independence for older Montanans and Montanans with disabilities by providing information, education, and assistance; planning, developing and providing for quality long-term care services; and operating within a cost-effective service delivery system.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Montana Office on Aging: Senior and Long Term Care Division
2030 11th Avenue
Helena, MT 59620

Phone: (406) 444-4788 & (1-800) 551-3191

Official Website: <http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/sltc/>

Email/Contact: N/A

MONTANA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND

The Montana School for the Deaf & the Blind (MSDB) provides comprehensive educational opportunities for Montana's students who are deaf, hard of hearing, blind, visually impaired, and deafblind, giving them their best chance for independence and success.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Montana School for the Deaf and Blind
3911 Central Avenue
Great Falls, MT 59405

Phone: (406) 771-6000

Official Website: <http://www.msdb.mt.gov/>

Email/Contact: info@msdb.mt.gov

MONTANA TALKING BOOK LIBRARY

Montana residents who are unable to use standard print materials due to visual, physical, and/or reading disabilities can apply to the Montana Talking Book Library (MTBL). Services focus on free loan of braille and digital audio library books and magazines delivered two ways: 1) free mail loan of braille and digital audio books (with playback equipment) and/or 2) downloadable braille and audio books and magazines for patrons who have high-speed internet. Eligibility is determined based on NLS (National Library Service) standards.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Dog Guide Training; Radio Reading Services; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Montana Talking Book Library
1515 East 6th Avenue
Helena, MT 59620-1800

Phone: (406) 444-2064; (1-800) 332-3400; & (406) 444-3005 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://msl.mt.gov/tbl/tbl.asp>

Email/Contact: mtbl@mt.gov

MONTANA VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AND BLIND SERVICES

Blind and Low Vision Services Program provides a broad range of services through three programs to assist eligible individuals with visual disabilities in finding or maintaining employment and increasing independence. These programs are (1) Vocational Rehabilitation, (2) Visual Medical, and (3) Older Blind.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Montana Vocational Rehabilitation and Blind Services
111 North Last Chance Gulch
P.O. Box 4210, Suite 4C
Helena, MT 59604

Phone: (406) 444-2590; (1-877) 296-1197; (406) 444-2590 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://dphhs.mt.gov/detd/vocrehab>

Email/Contact: vrinfo@mt.gov

MONTECH PROGRAM RURAL INSTITUTE - MONTECH UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

MonTECH provides free, confidential information about assistive technology (AT) devices and services for Montanans. Assistive Technology (AT) is any item, piece of equipment, software, or product system used to increase, maintain, or improve functional capabilities of persons with disabilities. We use our professional staff, our network of AT resources, and our database of AT manufacturers and service providers to provide you with up-to-date information on AT-related issues.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

MonTECH Program Rural Institute - MonTECH University of Montana
52 Corbin Hall
Missoula, MT 59812

Phone: (406) 243-5751 & (1-877) 243-5511

Official Website: <http://montech.ruralinstitute.umt.edu>

Email/Contact: montech@ruralinstitute.umt.edu

LOW VISION MONTANA

Our mission is to advance work and independence for Montanans with blindness or visual disabilities. Blind and Low Vision Services provides services through three programs to assist individuals in finding or maintaining employment, learning to live with low vision or blindness, and increasing independence. These programs are (1) Vocational Rehabilitation, (2) Business Enterprise Program, and (3) Older Blind. Blind and Low Vision Services is available statewide. Our Central Office administrative staff is located in Helena.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Low Vision Montana
P.O. Box 664
Helena, MT 59624

Phone: (800) 601-5004

Official Website: <https://dphhs.mt.gov/detd/blvs/blindlowvision>

Email/Contact: vrinfo@mt.gov

MONTANA ACADEMY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

The Montana Academy of Ophthalmology (MAO) is the organizational and representative body of the medical eye physicians/surgeons in the State of Montana. Ophthalmologists (Eye MDs) are medical doctors with additional specialized training in all aspects of eye care; medical, surgical, and optical.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Montana Academy of Ophthalmology
34 West 6th Avenue
Suite 2E
Helena, MT 59601

Phone: (406) 443-1570

Official Website: <https://www.montanaeyemds.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.montanaeyemds.org/contact-2/>

MONTANA OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Montana Optometric Association
36 South Last Chance Gulch
Suite A
Helena, MT 59601

Phone: (406) 443-1160

Official Website: <http://www.mteyes.com>

Email/Contact: N/A

CHRISTIAN RECORD SERVICES, INC.

Christian Record Services, Inc. is a ministry of compassion that serves people who are blind or visually impaired. It sponsors summer and winter camps through National Camps for Blind Children and provides free Christian publications and programs for people with visual impairments. Materials are available in braille, large print, and audio.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Christian Record Services, Inc.
5900 South 58th Street
Suite M
Lincoln, NE 68512

Phone: (402) 488-0981

Official Website: <http://www.christianrecord.org/>

Email/Contact: info@christianrecord.org

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF STATE AGENCIES FOR THE BLIND

The mission of the NCSAB is to promote through advocacy, coordination, and education the delivery of specialized services that enable individuals who are blind and visually impaired to achieve personal and vocational independence

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

National Council of State Agencies for the Blind
4600 Valley Road
Suite 100
Lincoln, NE 68510-4844

Phone: (402) 471-8100

Official Website: <http://www.ncsab.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.ncsab.org/home/contact>

NEBRASKA ACADEMY OF EYE PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS

The mission of the Nebraska Academy of Eye Physicians and Surgeons is to promote the highest quality medical and surgical eye care through public and professional education, membership services, and legislative advocacy.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nebraska Academy of Eye Physicians and Surgeons
233 South 13th Street
Suite 1512
Lincoln, NE 68508

Phone: (402) 474-4472

Official Website: <http://www.nebeye.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.nebeye.org/contact/>

NEBRASKA AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES NEBRASKA STATE OFFICE BUILDING

The Network of Care is a comprehensive, Internet-based community resource for seniors and persons with disabilities, as well as their caregivers and service providers. This easy-to-use Web site provides an extensive directory to put people in touch with the right services at the right time. It also offers vital information about diseases, situations, assistive devices and caregiving, as well as daily news from around the world concerning aging and disabilities. This unique, one-stop information tool enables you to keep personal records, create an online family meeting place, and communicate directly with elected officials to make your voice heard in the legislative halls. The Network of Care originally was sponsored by a California Department of Aging innovation grant in partnership with the Alameda County Department of Aging and Adult Services. The project is part of a broad effort to improve and better coordinate long-term care services in our community.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nebraska Aging and Disability Resource Center Department of Health and Human Services Nebraska State Office Building
301 Centennial Mall South
Lincoln, NE 68508

Phone: N/A

Official Website: <http://nebraska.networkofcare.org/aging/>

Email/Contact: admin@trilogyir.com

NEBRASKA ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PARTNERSHIP

Since 1989, The Assistive Technology Partnership (ATP) has assisted Nebraskans with disabilities, their families, educators, service coordinators, employers and a host of agencies to learn about and use assistive technology. ATP is a state agency in the Department of Education

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nebraska Assistive Technology Partnership
3901 North 27th Street
Suite 5
Lincoln, NE 68521

Phone: (402) 471-0734 & (1-888) 806-8287

Official Website: <http://www.atp.nebraska.gov/>

Email/Contact: atp@nebraska.gov

NEBRASKA CENTER FOR THE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN WHO ARE BLIND OR VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Founded in 1875, the Nebraska Center for the Education of Children who are Blind or Visually Impaired (NCECBVI) serves children from infancy to age 21. NCECBVI's program offers the expertise and specialized skills of the center's staff to blind, visually impaired, and multi-handicapped students in residential, day, and outreach settings. Services are provided to Locally Run school districts, students, families, teachers, and other support staff upon request.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nebraska Center for the Education of Children Who Are Blind or Visually Impaired
824 10th Avenue
Nebraska City, NE 68410

Phone: (402) 873-5513 & (1-800) 826-4355

Official Website: <http://www.ncecbvi.org>

Email/Contact: sschreiner@esu4.net

NEBRASKA COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Nebraska Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired (NCBVI), the state vocational rehabilitation agency for the blind, is committed to helping blind and visually impaired Nebraskans achieve fuller and more rewarding lives through services promoting a positive understanding of blindness and the potential abilities of blind people.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support for Parents; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nebraska Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired
4600 Valley Road
Suite 100
Lincoln, NE 68510-4844

Phone: (402) 471-2891 & (1-877) 809-2419

Official Website: <http://www.ncbvi.nebraska.gov>

Email/Contact: carlos.servan@nebraska.gov

NEBRASKA DEAF-BLIND PROJECT

The Nebraska Deaf-Blind Project strives to provide information and support to students with a combined vision and hearing loss, educational team members, and families.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nebraska Deaf-Blind Project
6949 South 110th Street
Omaha, NE 68128

Phone: (402) 873-5513 & (402) 595-1810 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.nedbp.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.nedbp.org/about/index.html#form>

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: SPECIAL EDUCATION OFFICE

Consults with educators serving students with visual impairments, to assist with program planning, instructional and material modifications, and accessing resources. Provides in-home and center-based assistance to meet needs of students with visual impairments in all developmental areas.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nebraska Department of Education: Special Education Office
301 Centennial Mall South
Lincoln, NE 68509-4987

Phone: (402) 471-2471 & (402) 471-2295 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://www.education.ne.gov/sped/>

Email/Contact: denise.fisher@nebraska.gov

NEBRASKA EARLY DEVELOPMENT NETWORK

The Nebraska Early Development Network provides early intervention services for families with children birth to age three with developmental delays and/or health care needs and connects families to needed services.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nebraska Early Development Network
302 Centennial Mall South
Lincoln, NE 68509

Phone: (402) 471-2447

Official Website: <https://edn.ne.gov/cms/>

Email/Contact: <https://edn.ne.gov/cms/contact-us>

NEBRASKA INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCE CENTER

The Nebraska Instructional Resource Center (NIRC) is a depository of specialized materials that exists to support the unique educational needs of blind and visually impaired students statewide. Housed at NCECBVI, these materials may be accessed when a student is registered by NIRC in the Federal Quota Program.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nebraska Instructional Resource Center
824 10th Avenue
P.O. Box 129
Nebraska City, NE 68410

Phone: (402) 873-5513

Official Website: <http://www.ncecbvi.org/nirc/index.html>

Email/Contact: <http://www.ncecbvi.org/about/contact.html>

NEBRASKA LIBRARY COMMISSION: TALKING BOOK AND BRAILLE SERVICE THE ATRIUM

The Nebraska Library Commission's Talking Book and Braille Service (TBBS) is part of a nationwide network of cooperating libraries headed by the National Library Service (NLS), a division of the Library of Congress. TBBS provides free audiobooks and audio magazines and braille through the mail and through digital download to individuals with a visual or physical condition, or a reading disability which limits use of regular print.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nebraska Library Commission: Talking Book and Braille Service The Atrium
1200 N Street
Suite 120
Lincoln, NE 68508-2023

Phone: (402) 471-4038 & (1-800) 742-7691

Official Website: <http://nlc.nebraska.gov/tbbs/index.aspx>

Email/Contact: <http://nlc.nebraska.gov/scripts/mail/mail2staff.asp?readadv>

NEBRASKA OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The Nebraska Optometric Association is the only organization representing the interests of optometrists in Nebraska. For over 100 years, the NOA has been dedicated to protecting and advancing the profession of optometry. The NOA focuses on advocacy – to lawmakers, regulators, third party insurance payors, and consumers - and on enhancing the professional knowledge and skills of members and their staffs, and maximizing the business success of members' practices. NOA is dedicated to enhancing the vision care and health of the public and providing better access to the best eye care for the public.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nebraska Optometric Association
1633 Normandy Court
Suite A
Lincoln, NE 68512

Phone: (402) 474-7716

Official Website: <https://nebraska.aoa.org/>

Email/Contact: noa@assocoffice.net

RADIO TALKING BOOK SERVICE

The Nebraska Optometric Association's membership includes over 275 licensed doctors of optometry throughout the state. Nebraska optometrists are independent primary health care providers who examine, diagnose, treat and manage diseases and disorders of the vision system, the eye, and associated structures, as well as diagnose related systemic conditions.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Radio Talking Book Service
7101 Newport Avenue
Suite 205
Omaha, NE 68152

Phone: (402) 572-3003

Official Website: <http://www.rtbs.org/>

Email/Contact: info@rtbs.org

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-LINCOLN DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATION DISORDERS

The University of Nebraska - Lincoln has graduate level programs which prepares individuals to be outstanding teachers of students with visual impairments (TVIs). We are a hybrid program with courses offered online in the Fall and Spring. Students have to opportunity to engage face-to-face with colleagues and children for one to two weeks each summer. Students can attend the program part time while continuing to work full time, or there is an option for students to attend full time.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

University of Nebraska-Lincoln Department of Special Education and Communication Disorders
274 Barkley Memorial Center
Lincoln, NE 68583-0738

Phone: (402) 472-3801

Official Website: <https://cehs.unl.edu/secd/>

Email/Contact: kstempson2@unl.edu

UNMC WEIGEL WILLIAMSON CENTER FOR VISUAL REHABILITATION

Using the latest in technology and training, our skilled physicians and therapists will develop a tailored program to assist you in maximizing the use of your remaining vision.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

UNMC Weigel Williamson Center for Visual Rehabilitation
704 South 38th Ave
Omaha, NE 68

Phone: (402) 559-2463

Official Website: <http://www.unmc.edu/lowvision>

Email/Contact: lowvision@unmc.edu

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BLIND CENTER OF NEVADA

The Blind Center of Nevada assists people who are blind or visually impaired in reaching their highest physical, social, intellectual, and economic potential. To achieve these objectives we pursue three focus areas: personal development, social interaction, and provident living.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Support Groups; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blind Center of Nevada
1001 North Bruce Street
Las Vegas, NV 89101

Phone: (702) 642-6000

Official Website: <http://www.blindcenter.org>

Email/Contact: info@blindcenter.org

BLINDCONNECT, INC.

Our Mission is to connect blind people to other blind persons, to available services and resources, and to their community-at-large. Blindconnect strives to educate about blindness, to advocate for increased services and inclusion, and to encourage community support. We're passionate about our commitment of helping others with the issues of vision loss. Blindness can be a frightening, isolating experience. But it doesn't need to be. Those of us who have lost our vision know all too well what it's like. Six of us created Blindconnect to help like-minded visually challenged individuals connect with others without fear or shame.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blindconnect, Inc.
5165 West Sunset Road
Las Vegas, NV 89118

Phone: (702) 631-9009

Official Website: <https://www.blindconnect.org/>

Email/Contact: contact@blindconnect.org

KNPR RADIO READING SERVICE

Broadcasts selections from newspapers, magazines, grocery ads, books of Locally Run and national interest. Publications include Las Vegas Review Journal, Las Vegas Sun, New York Times, Wall Street Journal.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

KNPR Radio Reading Service
1289 South Torrey Pines Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89146

Phone: (702) 258-9895; & (1-866) 895-5677

Official Website: <http://www.knpr.org>

Email/Contact: jayb@knpr.org

NEVADA AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES DIVISION

The Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD) in the State of Nevada, Department of Health and Human Services, represents Nevada's elders, children and adults with disabilities or special health care needs.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division
3416 Goni Road
Suite D-132
Carson City, NV 89706

Phone: (702) 687-4210 & (1-866) 687-6822

Official Website: <http://adsd.nv.gov/>

Email/Contact: adsd@adsd.nv.gov

NEVADA ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY COLLABORATIVE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

The Nevada Assistive Technology Collaborative and Aging and Disability Services Division provide for a variety of assistive technology (AT) services to support people to live more independently and within their communities. Supported through Grant Number NOA 90AG0008-01-00 from the Administration for Community Living (ACL).

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nevada Assistive Technology Collaborative Department of Human Resources
3656 Research Way
Suite 32
Carson City, NV 89706

Phone: (775) 687-4210; (1-800) 992-0900; & (775) 687-3388 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: [http://adsd.nv.gov/Programs/Physical/ATforIL/Nevada Assistive Technology Collaborative \(NATC\)/Nevada Assistive Technology Collaborative \(NATC\)/](http://adsd.nv.gov/Programs/Physical/ATforIL/Nevada_Assistive_Technology_Collaborative_(NATC)/Nevada_Assistive_Technology_Collaborative_(NATC)/)

Email/Contact: N/A

NEVADA BUREAU OF SERVICES TO THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Services to the Blind and Visually Impaired (BSBVI) provides a variety of services to eligible individuals, whose vision is not correctable by general eye care. The Bureau helps individuals with vision disabilities make decisions about their future employment through evaluation and testing tailored to the participant's needs. The program also offers counseling and training to help individuals learn to maneuver safely with confidence.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nevada Bureau of Services to the Blind and Visually Impaired
1933 North Carson Street
Carson City, NV 89701

Phone: (775) 684-4040 & (775) 684-8400 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.nvdetr.org/Rehab%20pages/blind%20services.htm>

Email/Contact: N/A

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MAILING ADDRESS:

Nevada Bureau of Services to the Blind and Visually Impaired
1933 North Carson Street
Carson City, NV 89701

Phone: (775) 684-4040 & (775) 684-8400 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://detr.state.nv.us/Rehab%20Pages/blind%20services.htm>

Email/Contact: detradm@nv.detr.org

NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Nevada Department of Education (NDE), Office of Special Education is committed to ensuring that ALL students in Nevada are college- and career- ready upon exit from the public school system. To accomplish this, the NDE Office of Special Education strives to build and improve on collaborative efforts with state partners and education stakeholders state-wide. It is our goal to promote educational success for Nevada's students through increased academic rigor; use of evidenced-based practices; providing sustained professional development for administrators, teachers, and staff; providing technical assistance in data-based decision making; and building meaningful partnerships with districts, schools, and parents.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Recreation Services; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nevada Department of Education: Office of Special Education
700 East 5th Street
#113
Carson City, NV 89701

Phone: (775) 687-9171

Official Website: http://www.doe.nv.gov/Office_of_Special_Education/

Email/Contact: N/A

NEVADA DUAL SENSORY IMPAIRMENT PROJECT 2 UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, RENO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL SPECIALTIES

The purpose of the Nevada Dual Sensory Impairment Project is to enhance the educational services provided to children and youth, birth through 21 years, with vision and hearing impairments. The project provides statewide technical assistance to support parents, service providers, and other service agencies in meeting the educational needs of children who have dual sensory impairments.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nevada Dual Sensory Impairment Project 2 University of Nevada,
Reno Department of Educational Specialties
MS 299
Reno, NV 89557

Phone: (775) 784-6471

Official Website: <http://www.unr.edu/educ/ndsip>

Email/Contact: MAD@unr.edu

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SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nevada Dual Sensory Impairment Project 2 University of Nevada,
Reno Department of Educational Specialties
MS 299
Reno, NV 89557

Phone: (775) 784-6471 & (1-877) 621-5042

Official Website: <http://www.unr.edu/educ/ndsip>

Email/Contact: mad@unr.edu

NEVADA IDEA PART C OFFICE - EARLY INTERVENTION DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

The Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is the Lead Agency for Early Intervention Services (EIS). The Part C Office provides the oversight of Early Intervention Services of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). The IDEA was created with a vision for comprehensive, interagency, multidisciplinary, family-centered, and community-based services accessible to all infants and toddlers with disabilities and to many who are at risk for disabilities. This law has been reauthorized as the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 (IDEA) or Public Law 108-446.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nevada IDEA Part C Office - Early Intervention Department of Health and Human Services
4126 Technology Way
Suite 100
Carson City, NV 89706

Phone: (775) 687-0587 & (1-800) 522-0066

Official Website: <http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/PartC/>

Email/Contact: ProjectAssist@dhhs.nv.gov

NEVADA OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The Nevada Optometric Association represents optometrists throughout the great state of Nevada from large metropolitan areas to small towns. Every member of the association holds to the highest ideals in the delivery of eye care to the public.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nevada Optometric Association
P.O. Box 3022
Reno, NV 89505

Phone: (702) 220-7444

Official Website: <https://nvoptometric.com/>

Email/Contact: terri@nvoptometric.com

NEVADA TALKING BOOK SERVICES

Nevada Talking Book Services (NTBS) is a free library service for Nevadans who are unable to use standard print materials due to a visual or physical disability. Books and players are mailed to and from our patrons postage free. The library's collection includes fiction and nonfiction audio books and magazines for all ages.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Braille and Reading Instruction; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nevada Talking Book Services
100 North Stewart Street
Carson City, NV 89701-4285

Phone: (775) 684-3354; (1-800) 922-9334; & (775) 687-8338 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: [http://nsla.nv.gov/Library/Talking_Books/Nevada Talking Book Services/](http://nsla.nv.gov/Library/Talking_Books/Nevada_Talking_Book_Services/)

Email/Contact: N/A

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ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY FOR EDUCATION & ACCESS4EMPLOYMENT

The AT Professionals and Educational Consultants who work for Assistive Technology for Education are highly qualified, certified professionals who specialize in Assistive Technology, UDL, Personalized Learning, AAC and Accessibility services including needs assessments/ comprehensive evaluations, consultation, training, professional development, implementation strategies, demonstrations and loans, and accessibility support. We are a multidisciplinary team of nationally and internationally renowned professionals with various experiences and expertise, collaborating daily to provide the best services to our clients. Our experienced consultants and trainers are well-known leaders in the field of AT, UDL, Personalized Learning, AAC, Literacy and Accessibility- Locally Runly, nationally, and abroad! All consultants and professionals are avid users of assistive and educational technology on a daily basis. We are dedicated and enthusiastic professionals with significant and personal experience in the field that contributes to our passion, dedication and service delivery. We will support all individuals with finding the appropriate AT (assistive technology) to support the user (child or adult) to be successful in Education, Employment (workplace) or activities of daily living (home and community).

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

New Hampshire

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Assistive Technology for Education & Access4Employment
35 Center Street-1174 Wolfeboro
Wolfeboro Falls, NH 3896

Phone: (603) 998-4980

Official Website: <http://atfored.com/>

Email/Contact: diana@atfored.com

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY IN NEW HAMPSHIRE INSTITUTE ON DISABILITY/UCED THE CONCORD CENTER

The IOD prepares leaders in disability-related fields through university academics. IOD faculty and staff design and implement innovative learning experiences, interdisciplinary teaching models, and programs of study that incorporate universal design principles, include self-advocates' perspectives, and employ varied instructional methods and formats.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Assistive Technology in New Hampshire Institute on Disability/UCED
The Concord Center
10 West Edge Drive
Durham, NH 3824

Phone: (603) 862-4320

Official Website: <https://iod.unh.edu/assistive-technology>

Email/Contact: <https://iod.unh.edu/contact>

CAMP ALLEN

Camp Allen provides opportunities for growth, friendship, and fun for children and adults with intellectual and/or physical challenges in an outdoor environment.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Camp Allen
56 Camp Allen Road
Bedford, NH 03110-6606

Phone: (603) 622-8471

Official Website: <http://www.campallennh.org>

Email/Contact: <http://campallennh.org/contact-us/>

FUTURE IN SIGHT

Future In Sight is a nonprofit organization that is dedicated to transforming the lives of those who are blind, visually impaired, and their families. We provide a range of services in education, rehabilitation, and social services to infants and toddlers, children (3-21,) adults, and seniors. We also partner with medical and eye professionals, healthcare facilities, social service organizations, and state agencies, including the Department of Education and Department of Rehabilitation Services. We offer our clients a holistic continuum of care that includes counseling, group therapy, occupational therapy, low vision therapy, vision rehabilitation therapy, orientation and mobility training, education services, and technology training. We also work to educate the public about the advancements in medical care, therapies, treatments, and technology, which can improve life for the growing number of people with vision loss. Services are personalized to meet our clients' needs — in the home, at work, at school and in the community — and we don't deny anyone based on their financial ability to pay.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

New Hampshire

MAILING ADDRESS:

Future In Sight
25 Walker Street
Concord, NH 3301

Phone: (603) 224-4039 & (1-800) 464-3075

Official Website: <https://futureinsight.org/>

Email/Contact: services@futureinsight.org

INTER-ACTIONS

Camp Inter-Actions in Kingston, NH provides a traditional summer camp experience for boys and girls ages 8-15 who are blind or visually impaired. Through challenging and rewarding experiences the campers will make new friends, learn new skills, gain self-confidence, and develop independence. All program activities are designed in a safe and fun environment for children who are blind or visually impaired. Inter-Actions is located on 200 acres with a secluded shorefront on a crystal clear lake. A sandy beach, canoes, and kayaks add to the fun at the waterfront. Campers and their counselors sleep in screened cabins. The dining hall, main house, and nurse's cabin are close by in a rustic setting. Camp Inter-Actions is an ideal setting for a traditional summer camp experience. Activities include; music, swimming, boating, fishing, adapted sports and games, arts and crafts, pottery, woodworking, camping, nature activities, leadership skills, and daily living skills. All activities are incorporated into fun-filled days!

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Radio Reading Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Inter-Actions
170 West Road, Suite 6-B
Portsmouth, NH 3801

Phone: (603) 319-6120

Official Website: www.inter-actions.org

Email/Contact: campinfo@inter-actions.org

NEW HAMPSHIRE ACCESSIBLE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

NHAIM provides instructional materials purchased through the American Printing House For the Blind Federal Quota Funds.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Hampshire Accessible Instructional Materials New Hampshire
Department of Education
101 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH 3301

Phone: (603) 271-0818

Official Website: <https://www.education.nh.gov/instruction/special-ed/nhaim.htm>

Email/Contact: info@doe.nh.gov

NEW HAMPSHIRE BUREAU OF ELDERLY AND ADULT SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

The Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services (BEAS) provides a variety of social and long-term supports to adults age 60 and older and to adults between the ages of 18 and 60 who have a chronic illness or disability.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Hampshire Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services Department of Health and Human Services
129 Pleasant Street
Annex Building #1
Concord, NH 03301-3852

Phone: (603) 271-9203; (1-800) 351-1888; & (1-800) 735-2964 (TDD)

Official Website: <http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dcbcs/beas/index.htm>

Email/Contact: <http://business.nh.gov/EmailContact/EmailContact.aspx?a=beas&b=Bureau%20of%20Elderly%20and%20Adult%20Services>

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BUREAU OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

Special Education is charged with providing oversight and implementation of federal and state laws that ensure a free appropriate public education for all children and youth with disabilities in New Hampshire. Given this charge, the Mission of the Special Education is to improve educational outcomes for children and youth with disabilities by providing and promoting leadership, technical assistance and collaboration statewide. Through close coordination with the Department's general curriculum and instruction activities, the Bureau of Special Education guides and directs a comprehensive array of statewide educational initiatives.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Hampshire Department of Education Bureau of Special
Education
101 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH 03301-3860

Phone: (603) 271-3494 & (1-800) 735-2964

Official Website: http://www.education.nh.gov/instruction/special_ed/index.htm

Email/Contact: N/A

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: SERVICES FOR BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED WALKER BUILDING

Services for Blind and Visually Impaired provides those services necessary to help people with visual loss to enter, re-enter, or maintain employment. Most services are provided without charge to the referred individual as the Services for Blind and Visually Impaired Program is supported by your State and Federal tax dollars.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Hampshire Department of Education: Services for Blind and Visually Impaired Walker Building
21 South Fruit Street
Suite 20
Concord, NH 3301

Phone: (603) 271-3537 & (1-800) 735-2964 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: https://www.education.nh.gov/career/vocational/blind_visu.htm

Email/Contact: N/A

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES: FAMILY CENTERED EARLY SUPPORT AND SERVICES PROGRAM BUREAU OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

In NH Family-Centered Early Supports and Services (FCESS) are delivered by contractual agreements between Bureau of Developmental Services and designated non-profit and specialized service agencies located throughout the state. Anyone who is concerned about an infant or toddler's development, including a parent, may make a referral to FCESS. The program is designed for children birth through age three who have a diagnosed, established condition that has a high probability of resulting in delay, are experiencing developmental delays, or are at risk for substantial developmental delays if supports and services are not provided.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services:
Family Centered Early Support and Services Program Bureau of
Developmental Services
129 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH 03301-3852

New Hampshire

Phone: (603) 271-5034 & V/TTY: (1-603) 271-3471

Official Website: <http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dcbcs/bds/earlysupport/index.htm>

Email/Contact: <http://business.nh.gov/EmailContact/EmailContact.aspx?a=bds&b=Bureau%20of%20Developmental%20Services>

NEW HAMPSHIRE OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The New Hampshire Optometric Association (NHOA) is the professional association representing the vast majority of New Hampshire's practicing Doctors of Optometry. We were founded over 110 years ago and have served our members and the citizens of New Hampshire all the years of our existence. We are affiliated with the American Optometric Association. The NHOA is a membership-governed organization which operates under a set of Bylaws approved by the members. A Board of Directors leads the Association between our quarterly membership meetings. We retain the services of an Executive Director to conduct the day-to-day operations of the Association, and since optometry is (and always will be) a profession controlled by the Legislature and the administrative agencies, we retain a Governmental Affairs firm to guide us through our involvement with these functions. Our most visible activity is providing high-quality continuing education ("CE") for all New Hampshire optometrists, but behind the scenes we are very active in promoting optometry to the general public and to those who control our professional lives. We pay particular attention to ensuring that optometrists are permitted to practice to the full scope of their education and training, and that they are fairly and equitably paid for their professional skills (especially by third-party payers.)

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Hampshire Optometric Association
466 Washington Road
Rye, NH 3870

Phone: (603) 964-2885

Official Website: <http://www.nheyedoctors.org/>

Email/Contact: nheyedoctors@comcast.net

TALKING BOOK SERVICES NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE LIBRARY DOLLOFF BUILDING

The Talking Books Program exists to meet the reading needs and interests of New Hampshire residents who are physically unable to see, handle or process printed material comfortably. Talking Book Services provides library materials to over 2,000 New Hampshire residents and lends over 70,000 audio and braille books each year.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Talking Book Services New Hampshire State Library Dolloff Building
117 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH 3301

Phone: (603) 271-5034; (1-800) 491-4200; & (1-800) 735-2964 (TDD)

Official Website: http://www.nh.gov/nhsl/talking_books/

Email/Contact: N/A

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY ADVOCACY CENTER DISABILITY RIGHTS NEW JERSEY

The Richard West Assistive Technology Advocacy Center (ATAC) of Disability Rights New Jersey (DRNJ) serves as New Jersey's federally funded assistive technology project through a sub-contract with New Jersey's Department of Labor and Workforce Development. Its purpose is to assist individuals in overcoming barriers in the system and making assistive technology more accessible to individuals with disabilities throughout the state.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Assistive Technology Advocacy Center Disability Rights New Jersey
210 South Broad Street
3rd Floor
Trenton, NJ 08608

Phone: (609) 292-9742 & (609) 633-7106 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.drnj.org/atac/>

Email/Contact: advocate@drnj.org

BERGEN FAMILY CENTER

Bergen Family Center's Shining Lights program is part of the Social Adult Day Care. The Shining Lights meets on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Participants are people who are visually impaired, ambulatory, and independent.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Bergen Family Center
44 Armory Street
Englewood, NJ 07631

Phone: (201) 568-0817

Official Website: <http://www.bergenfamilycenter.org>

Email/Contact: info@bergenfamilycenter.org

BESTWORK INDUSTRIES FOR THE BLIND

Bestwork Industries product line includes examination gloves, traffic safety clothing, industrial paper wipes, durable vinyl coated nylon cloth tool bags, reinforced construction worker aprons, military clothing for the Navy and the Army, numerous prime manufactured products, plus a variety of customer site services, such as warehouse and distribution management, 24/7 telephone switchboard operations, and high-volume order processing.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Bestwork Industries for the Blind
1940 Olney Ave
Suite 200
Cherry Hill, NJ 08003

Phone: (856) 424-2510 & (1-800) 370-9560

Official Website: <http://www.bestworkindustries.org>

Email/Contact: info@bestworkindustries.org

BRILLE THIS, LLC

Braille This Transcription service will take your print materials and transcribe these materials into an accessible Braille format for the Braille reader. Our emphasis is on quality professional transcription of your print materials into Braille while providing attentive customer service. Your print materials will be transcribed into Braille, embossed and proofread by an experienced certified Teacher of the Blind.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Braille This, LLC
584 Shark Lane
Manahawkin, NJ 08050

Phone: (609) 978-9724

Official Website: <http://www.braillethis.com>

Email/Contact: Braillethis@verizon.net

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK: PROGRAM FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

This program offers a variety of services for visually impaired and blind Union County residents aged 60 and above, including educational, social, and recreational activities, information about supportive community services, referrals, and social/recreational outings. Transportation and snacks are provided.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark: Program for the Visually Impaired
505 South Avenue East
Cranford, NJ 07106

Phone: (908) 497-3900

Official Website: http://www.ccannj.com/visually_impaired.php

Email/Contact: <http://www.ccannj.com/contact-us.php>

ELECTRONIC INFORMATION AND EDUCATION SERVICE

The Electronic Information and Education Service's mission is to provide in an efficient manner, immediate, direct and convenient access to the printed word, to those individuals whose ability to read is severely impaired by a visual disability. Access is provided by utilizing state of the art electronic technology, including, but not limited to radio, cable TV/FM systems, and telephones and computerized telecommunications.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Electronic Information and Education Service
59 Scotland Road
South Orange, NJ 07079

Phone: (973) 762-0552

Official Website: <http://www.eiesofnj.org/index.html>

Email/Contact: eiesnj@aol.com

LEARNING ALLY

We are a national non-profit dedicated to helping students with print disabilities, including blindness, visual impairment and dyslexia. Learning Ally improves the way students learn at home and in the classroom.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Learning Ally
20 Roszel Road
Princeton, NJ 08540

Phone: (866) 732-3585 & (1-800) 221-4792

Official Website: <http://www.learningally.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.learningally.org/contact-us>

NEW EYES FOR THE NEEDY

New Eyes purchases new prescription eyeglasses through a voucher program for children and adults in the United States who cannot afford glasses on their own. New Eyes accepts, recycles and distributes donated glasses for poor people overseas. The voucher program application is available on New Eyes' website: www.neweyesforthe needy.org.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Eyes for the Needy
549 Millburn Avenue
Short Hills, NJ 8608

Phone: (973) 376-4903

Official Website: <http://www.neweyesforthe needy.org>

Email/Contact: info@new-eyes.org

NEW JERSEY ACADEMY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

Founded in 1975, the New Jersey Academy of Ophthalmology is the state's premier professional society of Ophthalmologists. It is nationally recognized for its leadership in innovative programming, quality education and strong State advocacy in Trenton. The purpose of the Society is to: to promote the ophthalmologic welfare of the public; to promote the scientific progress of ophthalmology; and to promote the skills and education of its members.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Jersey Academy of Ophthalmology
202 West State Street
Trenton, NJ 08608

Phone: (609) 392-1201

Official Website: <http://www.njao.org/>

Email/Contact: membership@njao.org

NEW JERSEY COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED A DIVISION OF THE STATE DEPT. OF HUMAN SERVICES

CBVI services and programs are available to all blind or vision-impaired NJ residents without regard to other disabling condition, gender, age, race, nationality, or religious and sexual orientation. A person may be eligible for services if he or she is experiencing a vision impairment that is affecting his or her daily life activities. CBVI was created in 1910 by the State Legislator.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Jersey Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired A Division of the State Dept. of Human Services
153 Halsey Street
P.O. Box 47017 6th Floor
Newark, NJ 07102

Phone: (973) 648-3333

Official Website: www.cbvi.nj.gov

Email/Contact: askcbvi@dhs.state.nj.us

NEW JERSEY COUNCIL OF THE BLIND

New Jersey Council of the Blind is an affiliate of the American Council of the Blind (ACB). Our Council's goals are to increase the independence of people with visual impairments through education, networking and mentoring. We have two chapters throughout all areas of New Jersey. Our membership is primarily made up of legally blind people over the age of 16. We also have some sighted members who share our interest and goals. We have four meetings a year in January, April, July, and October (our biennial convention is held in October on even-numbered years) that meet at different locations around the state.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Jersey Council of the Blind
259 Rossiter Ave.
Paterson, NJ 07502

Phone: (973) 595-0116

Official Website: <http://www.njcounciloftheblind.org/>

Email/Contact: njcounciloftheblind@gmail.com

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The New Jersey special education offices are responsible for supervising and monitoring the implementation of the federal requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004 (IDEA) in Locally Run education agencies (LEAs) which include all school districts. The state special education offices provide leadership to ensure compliance with state and federal regulations and to establish standards that promote improved outcomes for students with disabilities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Jersey Department of Education: Office of Special Education Programs
P.O. Box 500
Trenton, NJ 08625-0500

Phone: (609) 292-4469 & (609) 984-8432 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.state.nj.us/njded/specialed/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/cbvi/staff/email/>

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: DIVISION OF AGING SERVICES

The Division of Aging Services administers a number of federal and state-funded programs that make it easier for older adults to live in the community as long as possible with independence, dignity and choice. DoAS receives federal Older Americans Act funding from the U.S. Administration for Community Living and serves as the focal point for planning services for aging adults, developing comprehensive information about New Jersey's older adult population and its needs, and maintaining information about services available to older adults throughout the state.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Jersey Department of Human Services:
Division of Aging Services
P.O. Box 715
Trenton, NJ 08625-0715

Phone: (877) 222-3737

Official Website: <http://www.nj.gov/humanservices/doas/home/index.html>

Email/Contact: N/A

NEW JERSEY SOCIETY OF OPTOMETRIC PHYSICIANS

We are dedicated to advance the profession of optometry and serve optometrists in meeting the eye care needs of the public. NJSOP is focused on improving the quality and availability of vision care and we fulfill this objective by providing reliable and current information regarding eye care and health care policies. One of our most important responsibilities is to educate the public to enhance and ensure competent, quality patient care along with promoting the importance of routine comprehensive eye exams. Additionally, NJSOP assists members in conducting their practices successfully in accordance with the highest ethical standards of patient care and efficiency.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Jersey Society of Optometric Physicians
4 AAA Drive
Suite 204
Hamilton, NJ 08691-1813

Phone: (609) 323-4012

Official Website: <http://www.njsop.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.njsop.org/aws/NJSOP/pt/sp/contact>

NEW JERSEY STATE LIBRARY TALKING BOOK & BRAILLE CENTER

Welcome to The New Jersey State Library Talking Book & Braille Center (TBBC). Founded in 1967, TBBC is a library that provides no-cost, home-delivered services, on behalf of the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped at the Library of Congress, to children, teens and adults in New Jersey who have difficulty reading standard print or trouble holding a book.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Jersey State Library Talking Book & Braille Center
2300 Stuyvesant Avenue
Trenton, NJ 08625-0501

Phone: (1-800) 792-8322 & (1-877) 882-5593 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.njstatelib.org/talking-book-braille-center/>

Email/Contact: tbbc@njstatelib.org

STREET JOSEPH'S HOME FOR THE BLIND

SPONSOR: N/A

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Street Joseph's Home for the Blind
537 Pavonia Avenue
Jersey City, NJ 07306

Phone: (201) 653-8300

Official Website: N/A

Email/Contact: info@cusackcarecenter.org

STREET JOSEPH'S SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

St. Joseph's School for the Blind is committed to the educational, psychological, social and physical development of persons with special needs in an environment of caring, acceptance and respect for each individual's rights and dignity. The Center provides life span comprehensive services to people with blindness, visual impairments and/or multiple disabilities. The Center is a NJ Department of Education Approved Private School for the Disabled and is licensed by the Department of Developmental Disabilities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Street Joseph's School for the Blind
761 Summit Avenue
Jersey City, NJ 07307

Phone: (201) 876-5432

Official Website: <http://www.schoolfortheblind.org>

Email/Contact: info@schoolfortheblind.org

THE SEEING EYE

The Seeing Eye is a philanthropic organization whose mission is to enhance the independence, dignity, and self-confidence of blind people through the use of Seeing Eye® dogs. In pursuit of this mission, The Seeing Eye: Breeds and raises puppies to become Seeing Eye dogs; Trains Seeing Eye dogs to guide blind people; Instructs blind people in the proper use, handling, and care of the dogs; Conducts and supports research on canine health and development.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Employment/Job Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

The Seeing Eye
10 Washington Valley Road
P.O. Box 375
Morristown, NJ 07963

Phone: (973) 539-4425 & (1-800) 539-4425

Official Website: <http://www.seeingeye.org>

Email/Contact: info@seeingeye.org

VISION LOSS ALLIANCE

Vision Loss Alliance of New Jersey is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization that provides practical training and emotional support to help those who have experienced profound vision loss regain self-esteem and self-reliance. Programs are currently offered in Morris County and additional, but limited, classes in Essex and Bergen Counties.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Information and Referral; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vision Loss Alliance
155 Morris Avenue
Suite 2
Denville, NJ 07834

Phone: (973) 627-0055

Official Website: <https://vlanj.org/>

Email/Contact: info@vlanj.org

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NEW MEXICO ACADEMY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

The New Mexico Academy of Ophthalmology is an organization representing our state's eye physicians and surgeons (M.D. or D.O. degree). We are committed to providing the highest level of care and most up-to-date information for our patients.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Mexico Academy of Ophthalmology
P.O. Box 4175
Albuquerque, NM 87196-4175

Phone: (505) 366-3273

Official Website: <http://www.nmao.org/>

Email/Contact: ml@nmao.org

NEW MEXICO AGING AND LONG-TERM SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department (ALTSD) provides accessible, integrated services to older adults, adults with disabilities, and caregivers to assist them in maintaining their independence, dignity, autonomy, health, safety, and economic well-being, thereby empowering them to live on their own terms in their own communities as productively as possible.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department
2550 Cerrillos Road
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Phone: (505) 476-4799 & (1-800) 432-2080

Official Website: <http://www.nmaging.state.nm.us>

Email/Contact: http://www.nmaging.state.nm.us/contact_us.aspx

NEW MEXICO COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND

The Commission for the Blind provides vocational rehabilitation and independent living services designed to enable persons who are blind to become more participating and contributing members of society. Blind people lead normal lives, have families, raise children, participate in community activities, and work in a wide range of jobs. They are secretaries, lawyers, teachers, engineers, machinists, scientists, supervisors and business owners.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Support for Parents; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Mexico Commission for the Blind
2200 Yale Blvd. SE
Albuquerque, NM 87106

Phone: (505) 841-8844 & (1-888) 513-7958

Official Website: <http://www.cfb.state.nm.us/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.cfb.state.nm.us/contact>

NEW MEXICO FAMILY INFANT TODDLER PROGRAM NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SUPPORTS DIVISION

The Family Infant Toddler (FIT) program provides a statewide system of early intervention in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part C. The FIT Program provides early intervention services to over 14,000 children age birth to three who have or who are at risk for developmental delay, and their families. Early intervention services are provided through a network of early intervention provider agencies across New Mexico. Please see the FIT Providers List for a current index of provider agencies. These agencies are funded through a combination of state and federal funds, including Medicaid, IDEA Part C grant, and private health insurance.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Mexico Family Infant Toddler Program
New Mexico Department of Health
Developmental Disabilities Supports Division
810 San Mateo
Santa Fe, NM 87506

Phone: (1-877) 696-1472

Official Website: <https://nmhealth.org/about/ddsd/pgsv/fit/>

Email/Contact: <https://nmhealth.org/about/ddsd/pgsv/fit/staff/>

NEW MEXICO INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCE CENTER ENMU STATION 32

The Instructional Resource Center (IRC) is one of six Regional Evaluation Centers for the Instructional Materials Bureau of the New Mexico Department of Public Education. It is a depository of K-12 textbooks and teaching materials adopted by the New Mexico Board of Public Education for use in New Mexico public schools.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Mexico Instructional Resource Center ENMU Station 32
1500 S Ave K
Portales, NM 88130

Phone: (575) 562-2624

Official Website: <http://www.nmsbvi.k12.nm.us/content/irc.htm>

Email/Contact: <https://my.enmu.edu/web/golden-library/contact>

NEW MEXICO LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS) was established by an act of Congress in 1931, and placed under the jurisdiction of the Library of Congress. Subsequent legislation expanded the program in the 1950's and 1960's. From a start of 19 libraries in 1931, the network has grown to 56 regional and 65 sub-regional libraries throughout the United States. The New Mexico program was established in 1967. The program in New Mexico is administered by the New Mexico State Library, a division of the Department of Cultural Affairs. The New Mexico network consists of the regional library in Santa Fe and a number of depository libraries located throughout the state. The LBPH is responsible for meeting the reading and information needs of nearly 3,000 New Mexico citizens who are blind, visually impaired, physically handicapped, or reading disabled. Patrons are issued playback equipment that allows them to utilize books, magazines, and other material in alternate formats (digital cartridge, cassette, Braille, and electronic text). The collection focuses mainly on recreational reading, and contains more than 60,000 titles in a variety of genres. Patrons may also download titles directly from the NLS through BARD (Braille and Audio Reading Download).

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Mexico Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
1209 Camino Carlos Rey
Santa Fe, NM 87507-5166

Phone: (505) 476-9776

Official Website: <http://nmstatelibrary.org/direct-and-rural-services/lbph>

Email/Contact: sl.lbph@state.nm.us

NEW MEXICO LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

We serve those with Visual Impairments, Physical Disabilities preventing use of print books, and Reading Disabilities resulting from organic dysfunction.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Mexico Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
1209 Camino Carlos Rey
Santa Fe, NM 87507-5166

Phone: (505) 476-9770

Official Website: <http://www.nmstatelibrary.org/lbph>

Email/Contact: sl.lbph@state.nm.us

NEW MEXICO OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The New Mexico Optometric Association (NMOA) is the professional organization of optometrists in New Mexico. Over 150 New Mexico Doctors of Optometry are voluntary members of the Association. For over 100 years, the NMOA has assisted its members in providing the highest standard of professional care to their patients by sponsoring continuing education programs for doctors, advocating in Locally Run and state governments for programs and laws that represent patients' best interests, and providing information to assist doctors practicing in a variety of clinical settings. The NMOA remains committed to representing future generations of optometrists as they provide the most up-to-date eye care to New Mexico's citizens. The NMOA also answers questions from the public and provides referrals to eye care providers upon request.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Mexico Optometric Association
1335 Paseo del Pueblo Sur
#241
Santa Fe, NM 87571

Phone: (575) 751-7242

Official Website: <http://www.newmexicooptometry.org/>

Email/Contact: info@newmexicooptometry.org

NEW MEXICO SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The New Mexico School for the Blind & Visually Impaired is an innovative leader and unifying entity in the field of educating students birth-high school who are blind or visually impaired, will identify and ensure quality education through collaborative relationships with students, families, and Locally Run/ state/national partners to provide outstanding advocacy, training, resources, and support services, thus ensuring that all students who are blind or visually impaired will become independent, productive members of their communities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Mexico School for the Blind and Visually Impaired
1900 North White Sands Boulevard
Alamogordo, NM 88310

Phone: (505) 437-3505 & (1-800) 437-3505

Official Website: <http://www.nmsbvi.k12.nm.us/>

Email/Contact: webmasters@nmsbvi.k12.nm.us

NEW MEXICO SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

Preschool services are available on both the Alamogordo and the Albuquerque campuses. Preschool/kindergarten is part of NMSBVI's continuum of services offered to children throughout each stage of growth and development. The Preschool and Kindergarten Program serves children who are blind or visually impaired between the ages of 2 ½ and 6 from Albuquerque and the surrounding areas. Students are required to have a diagnosed vision impairment that adversely impacts their capacity to learn in a more traditional classroom. All students are placed in the program by IEP committee decision held by the student's resident public school system. The academic program for Preschool and Kindergarten consists of literacy (print and Braille), math, concept development, socialization and all aspects of the expanded core curriculum for blindness. Students are encouraged to explore and to become familiar with their immediate environment; then expand outward to travel successfully into new and unfamiliar areas. Guided exploration and self-discovery are used to support learning at every level. All children are placed in the preschool programs by IEP team decision because they require daily support from a teacher of the visually impaired.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

New Mexico

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Mexico School for the Blind and Visually Impaired Early
Childhood Programs
801 Stephen Moody Street, SE
Albuquerque, NM 87123

Phone: (505) 271-3060

Official Website: <http://www.nmsbvi.k12.nm.us/preschool.html>

Email/Contact: N/A

NEW MEXICO STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: SPECIAL EDUCATION OFFICE

Assures the provision of special education services by Locally Run education agencies as specified under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, New Mexico state statutes, and New Mexico Standards for Excellence.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Mexico State Department of Education: Special Education Office
300 Don Gaspar Street
Santa Fe, NM 87501-2786

Phone: (505) 827-6541

Official Website: <https://webnew.ped.state.nm.us/bureaus/special-education/>

Email/Contact: N/A

NEW MEXICO TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The New Mexico Technology Assistance Program (NMTAP) offers free services to New Mexicans with disabilities to help them get the Assistive Technology (AT) they need.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New Mexico Technology Assistance Program
625 Silver Street, SW
100 B
Albuquerque, NM 87102

Phone: 505-841-4464 & (1-800) 866-2253

Official Website: <http://www.tap.gcd.state.nm.us/>

Email/Contact: Tracy.Agiovlasitis@state.nm.us

PROJECT FOR NEW MEXICO CHILDREN WHO ARE DEAFBLIND THE CENTER FOR DEVELOPMENT AND DISABILITY

The Project for New Mexico Children and Youth Who Are Deaf-Blind is a statewide program to provide technical assistance, training and support to families, service providers and educators of children and youth who are deaf-blind.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Project for New Mexico Children Who Are Deafblind The Center for Development and Disability
2300 Menaul, NE
Albuquerque, NM 87107

Phone: (505) 272-0321 & (1-877) 614-4051

Official Website: <http://cdd.unm.edu/deafblind/index.htm>

Email/Contact: nmdb@salud.unm.edu

PROJECT FOR NEW MEXICO CHILDREN WHO ARE DEAFBLIND THE CENTER FOR DEVELOPMENT AND DISABILITY

The Project for New Mexico Children and Youth Who Are Deaf-blind is a statewide program designed to provide technical assistance, training, and support to families, service providers, and teachers of children and youth who are deaf-blind. The Project is responsible for maintaining an annual “Deaf-Blind Child Count Census Report” on children and youth, birth through 21 years, who live in New Mexico. Project personnel work closely with families, service providers, and educational teams to coordinate service delivery, disseminate information regarding best practice interventions, and to facilitate improved outcomes for children who are deaf-blind.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Project for New Mexico Children Who Are Deafblind The Center for Development and Disability
2300 Menaul, NE
Albuquerque, NM 87107

Phone: (505) 272-0321 & (1-877) 614-4051

Official Website: <http://cdd.unm.edu/deafblind/index.htm>

Email/Contact: nmdb@salud.unm.edu

AABR

For over six decades, AABR has been guided by the dream: “May each life find meaning.” We are proud of our directors, managers and staff for their extraordinary dedication to children and adults with developmental disabilities. They teach daily living skills, inspire self-confidence and empower our individuals to lead productive and rewarding lives.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Association for the Advancement of Blind and Retarded
15-08 College Point Boulevard
College Point, NY 11356

Phone: (718) 321-3800

Official Website: <http://aabr.org>

Email/Contact: info@aabr.org

ACCESS - USA

Braille and Alternate Format provider. Braille business cards, braille and large print production, audio and video services, braille/print labels and specialty items for awareness and fundraising.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Braille and Reading Instruction; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Access - USA
242 James Street
P.O. Box 160
Clayton, NY 13624

Phone: N/A

Official Website: <http://www.access-usa.com>

Email/Contact: info@access-usa.com

ACHILLES INTERNATIONAL

ATC has 40 chapters in the United States and over 110 chapters on six continents, including countries like Norway, New Zealand, Mongolia, Dominican Republic, Russia, South Africa, Vietnam and Japan. Achilles Kids is a free running-walking-”rolling” program for children with all types of disabilities. We meet twice a month year-round on weekend mornings. Our program is structured so that any child, regardless of ability/disability, can participate at a level that is appropriate for them. Our emphasis is on fun; all we ask is for children to do their best.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Achilles International
42 West 38th Street
Suite 400
New York, NY 10018

Phone: (212) 354-0300

Official Website: <http://www.achillesinternational.org/>

Email/Contact: info@achillesinternational.org

AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND

The American Foundation for the Blind removes barriers, creates solutions, and expands possibilities so people with vision loss can achieve their full potential.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Foundation for the Blind
2 Penn Plaza
Suite 1102
New York, NY 10121

Phone: (212) 502-7600

Official Website: <http://www.afb.org>

Email/Contact: afbinfo@afb.net

ANDREW HEISKELL BRAILLE AND TALKING BOOK LIBRARY NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Andrew Heiskell Library provides talking books and magazines and braille for people who are blind, visually impaired, or are otherwise physically unable to read standard print. The library serves residents who live in New York City and Long Island.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Andrew Heiskell Braille and Talking Book Library New York Public Library
40 West 20th Street
New York, NY 10011-4211

Phone: (212) 206-5400 & (212) 206-5458 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.nypl.org/locations/heiskell>

Email/Contact: talkingbooks@nypl.org

ASSOCIATION FOR MACULAR DISEASES

The Association for Macular Diseases offers support to individuals with vision loss, their families and friends, and the professional community.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Association for Macular Diseases
210 East 64th Street
New York, NY 10021

Phone: (212) 605-3719

Official Website: <https://ophthalmicedge.org/patient/>

Email/Contact: <https://ophthalmicedge.org/patient/contact-us/>

ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF GREATER ROCHESTER, INC.

Founded in 1911, ABVI-Goodwill is the only not-for-profit organization in Greater Rochester providing a full range of programs, services and jobs to people who are blind or visually impaired. Its mission is to prepare and empower people who are blind or visually impaired to be self-sufficient and contribute to their families and communities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired Goodwill Industries of Greater Rochester, Inc.

422 South Clinton Avenue

Rochester, NY 14620-1198

Phone: (585) 232-1111 & (585) 232-1698 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://seegreatthings.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://seegreatthings.org/resources/contactabvi.aspx>

ASSOCIATION FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Association for the Visually Impaired, Inc. (AVI), a private, non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization, founded in 1973, serves blind and severely visually impaired residents of Rockland and Orange Counties in New York. Services are provided on a one-to-one basis in the consumers' homes and communities. Our goal is to enable our consumers to function independently and to maximize their potential.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Association for the Visually Impaired
260 Old Nyack Turnpike
Spring Valley, NY 10977

Phone: (845) 574-4950

Official Website: <http://www.avi-eyes.org>

Email/Contact: avi@avi-eyes.org

ASSOCIATION FOR VISION REHABILITATION AND EMPLOYMENT, INC.

AVRE is a private, non-profit organization that creates opportunities for success and independence with people who are blind or visually impaired. Unique for a non-profit, we follow a hybrid business model. On one hand, AVRE clinical staff provide a range of vision rehabilitation services to people of all ages across our nine-county service territory – Broome, Chemung, Chenango, Cortland, Delaware, Otsego, Schuyler, Tioga, and Tompkins. On the other, we run a business. Our Business Division includes the manufacture of a variety of paper-based office products, customized contract packaging, and several switchboard operations.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Association for Vision Rehabilitation and Employment, Inc.
174 Court Street
Binghamton, NY 13901

New York

Phone: (607) 724-2428

Official Website: <http://www.avreus.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

AURORA OF CENTRAL NEW YORK

The mission of Aurora of CNY is to promote independence, opportunity, and full-access for individuals of all ages who are blind, visually impaired, deaf, hard-of-hearing, late deafened, and deaf blind.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Aurora of Central New York
518 James Street
Suite 100
Syracuse, NY 13203

Phone: (315) 422-7263 & (315) 422-9746 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.auroraofcny.org/>

Email/Contact: auroracny@auroraofcny.org

BARUCH COLLEGE COMPUTER CENTER FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED PEOPLE (CCVIP)

The Computer Center for Visually Impaired People (CCVIP) has been in the business of Assistive Technology training, research and service since 1978. See what we have to offer you; the people you serve; your business and your customers. Contact us so we can help you sharpen your skills and find the solutions you need. Whether your visual impairment is recent or long-standing, at the Computer Center for Visually Impaired People, we'll help you access your computer, so that you can access the world.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille/Electronic/Audio/ Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Baruch College Computer Center for Visually Impaired People (CCVIP)
151 East 25th Street
6th floor
New York, NY 10010

Phone: (646) 312-1420

Official Website: <http://www.baruch.cuny.edu/ccvip/>

Email/Contact: judith.gerber@baruch.cuny.edu

BENEFIT MEDIA

DuArt is an industry leader in providing creative, technology and logistical support for production and media companies. DuArt supplies innovative turnkey office environments specifically catered to the needs of production and post production workflows. DuArt's diverse and technically rich divisions offer an extensive list of services to meet the needs of program producers, distributors, and corporate media communications groups. With over 90 years of experience in the creative services business and a Technical Academy award for innovation and leadership, DuArt remains committed to supporting producers and filmmakers with the very best post production and media services available.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Benefit Media
245 West 55th Street
New York, NY 10019

Phone: (917) 522-5695

Official Website: <http://www.duart.com>

Email/Contact: info@duart.com

BRIDGE MULTIMEDIA

Bridge Multimedia is a New York City-based social enterprise dedicated to supporting all facets of universal access for educational, entertainment, corporate and governmental applications. Through its research and development initiatives, accessibility services, and promotion of workforce solutions for individuals with disabilities, Bridge Multimedia is setting the pace for the development of tomorrow's innovations.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Bridge Multimedia
226 West 26th Street
Lower Level
New York, NY 10001

Phone: (212) 213-3740

Official Website: <http://www.bridgemultimedia.com>

Email/Contact: info@bridgemultimedia.com

CAMP ABILITIES - NEW YORK THE COLLEGE AT BROCKPORT STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Camp Abilities Brockport is a one-week educational sports camp for children and teens who are blind, visually impaired, and deafblind. The camp is set up to provide a one-on-one instructional situation for each person, which is often on the contrary to other camps designed for people with visual impairments. Our counselors are pooled from physical education and special education undergraduate and graduate programs across the U.S., and overseas. Since our first summer we have had more than 90 counselors per summer, and we have trained more than 2,000 future teachers in the area of sport and recreation for children with sensory impairments. Many of our specialists are blind themselves, and serve as excellent role models for our children, some of whom have never met or socially interacted with another person who is blind.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Camp Abilities - New York The College at Brockport State University of New York

350 New Campus Drive
Brockport, NY 14420

Phone: (585) 395-2629

Official Website: <http://www.campabilities.org/>

Email/Contact: campabilitiesbrockport01@gmail.com

CATHOLIC CHARITIES: DISABILITIES SERVICES

Catholic Charities Disabilities Services, a not-for-profit agency of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Albany, was established in 1984. We provide services and supports to children and adults who have intellectual and developmental disabilities residing within eleven counties including Albany, Schenectady, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Warren, Washington, Fulton, Montgomery, Schoharie, Columbia and Greene. We strive to provide individuals who have developmental disabilities and traumatic brain injuries with opportunities and supports to learn the skills and develop the confidence needed to live their lives as independently as possible within the community of their choice. We pledge to maintain the highest level of excellence and sensitivity in all that we do to provide dignified, caring, and professional services that assist the people we support to maximize their potential in every area of life, regardless of their age or the nature of their disabilities. Our values-based approach incorporates, at its core, communication, dignity, empowerment, excellence, independence, integrity, leadership, responsiveness, and safety. These values are woven into all that we do and are, without question, the key to our overall success.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Catholic Charities: Disabilities Services
1 Park Place
Suite 200
Albany, NY 11205

Phone: (518) 785-4894 & (718) 722-6226 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://www.ccdservices.org/>

Email/Contact: info@ccdservices.org

CATHOLIC GUILD FOR THE BLIND

Catholic Guild for the blind offers a guiding hand, proven expertise and a full menu of services. We enable people to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to live independently and to their fullest potential.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Catholic Guild for the Blind
1011 First Ave.
New York, NY 10022

Phone: 646-794-2097 & (631) 789-5219 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://catholiccharitiesny.org/blog/free-services-visually-impaired>

Email/Contact: N/A

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

In 1929, a group of concerned and dedicated citizens in Utica, N.Y. recognized a need in the community and rose to a noble challenge: to help people who were blind and visually impaired. Aspiring to a greater good, they founded the Central Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (CABVI). Their mission then was to assist people who are blind or visually impaired to achieve their highest levels of independence. It remains so today. CABVI continues to operate as a not-for-profit agency that serves people who are blind or visually impaired, from newborns to the elderly. We offer comprehensive vision rehabilitation, employment and technology services personally tailored to meet an individual's needs.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

New York

MAILING ADDRESS:

Central Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired
507 Kent Street
Utica, NY 13501

Phone: (315) 797-2233 & (1-877) 719-9996

Official Website: <http://www.cabvi.org>

Email/Contact: <https://www.cabvi.org/contact/>

CHAUTAUQUA BLIND ASSOCIATION

The mission of the Chautauqua Blind Association is to enable visually impaired people to be active members of their communities and to provide education and services to prevent vision loss.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Chautauqua Blind Association
510 West 5th Street
Jamestown, NY 14701

Phone: (716) 664-6660

Official Website: <http://www.chautauquablind.org/>

Email/Contact: clmcba@alltel.net

CHOICE MAGAZINE LISTENING

Choice Magazine Listening is a nonprofit organization that provides audio recordings of memorable articles, stories, interviews, essays and poems from outstanding current magazines, completely free of charge, to blind, visually impaired, physically disabled or dyslexic adults. Based in Port Washington, NY, CML has proudly served the blind and print-disabled community since 1962!

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Choice Magazine Listening
85 Channel Drive
Port Washington, NY 11050

Phone: (516) 883-8280 & (1-888) 724-6423

Official Website: <http://www.choicemagazinelisting.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.choicemagazinelisting.org/content/contact-us-0>

COMMISSION ON QUALITY OF CARE AND ADVOCACY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES - TR Aid PROGRAM

The TR Aid Program supports a system that responds to the individual needs of people with disabilities who need assistive technology. The TR Aid Program helps people learn about, obtain, and be able to use assistive technology services and devices which meet their needs. TR Aid is federally funded and administered by the NYS Commission on Quality of Care and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities (CQCAPD).

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Commission on Quality of Care and Advocacy for Persons with
Disabilities - TR Aid Program
401 State Street
Schenectady, NY 12305

Phone: (518) 388-0690 & (1-800) 624-4143

Official Website: https://www.health.ny.gov/publications/0548/the_triad_program.htm

Email/Contact: N/A

DOMINICAN COLLEGE

Teacher of Students Who Are Blind and Visually Impaired Program
leading to Master of Science in Education.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision
Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Dominican College
470 Western Highway
Orangeburg, NY 10962

Phone: (845) 359-2908

Official Website: <https://www.dc.edu/teacher-education-2/>

Email/Contact: N/A

ENRICHMENT AUDIO RESOURCE SERVICES, INC.

E.A.R.S. is a nonprofit public charity. We provide, free of charge, audio lessons that teach adaptive daily living skills to the vision impaired and their caregivers. The lessons, modeled after current blind rehabilitation techniques, are a must for anyone coping with loss of eyesight. We are committed to teaching, each of the 1 out of 6 seniors who have developed limited vision, the skills necessary to continue living their lives with confidence and dignity.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Enrichment Audio Resource Services, Inc.
1202 Lexington Avenue
Suite 316
New York, NY 10028

Phone: (800) 843-6816

Official Website: <http://www.earsforeyes.info/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.earsforeyes.info/index.php/pages/contact.html>

ETHEL AND SAMUEL J. LEFRAK SCHOOL

The Ethel and Samuel J. LeFrak School is the Lighthouse International's model program where preschoolers who are visually impaired learn side-by-side with their sighted peers. The curriculum is especially designed to use all the senses to provide an enriching environment for all the children. The school also provides home and school-based early intervention services for infants and toddlers who have developmental delays.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Ethel and Samuel J. LeFrak School
111 East 59th Street
New York, NY 10022-1202

Phone: (212) 821-9604

Official Website: <http://www.lighthouseguild.org/ce/programs-services/education/preschool-the-ethel-and-samuel-j-lefrak-school/>

Email/Contact: cdcschool@lighthouseguild.org

EYE CANCER FOUNDATION

Established in 1998, The Eye Cancer Foundation is an educational and supportive resource for eye cancer patients, their families, and physicians. Our mission is two-fold: one part focused on multi-centered research of new diagnostic treatments for eye cancer research, the other focused on providing much needed, world-wide patient support services.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Eye Cancer Foundation
115 East 61st Street
Suite 5B
New York, NY 10021

Phone: (212) 832-8170

Official Website: <http://www.eyecancer.com/foundation>

Email/Contact: contactus@eyecancercure.com

EYE-BANK FOR SIGHT RESTORATION

The Eye-Bank for Sight Restoration is the world's first eye bank. Established in New York City in 1944, it is a private, not-for-profit organization dedicated to restoring sight through eye donations and cornea transplants, as well as providing ocular tissue for research into treatment and cures for other eye diseases.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Eye-Bank for Sight Restoration
120 Wall Street
3rd floor
New York, NY 10005

Phone: (212) 742-9000 & (1-866) 287-3937

Official Website: <http://www.eyedonation.org>

Email/Contact: info@ebsr.org

FINGER LAKES INDEPENDENCE CENTER

The Finger Lakes Independence Center assists all people with disabilities, their families and friends to promote independence and make informed decisions in pursuit of their goals.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Finger Lakes Independence Center
215 5th Street
Ithaca, NY 14850

Phone: (607) 272-2433 & (607) 272-2433 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.fliconline.org>

Email/Contact: flic@clarityconnect.com

FREEDOM GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND

Freedom Guide Dogs for the Blind, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization based in Upstate New York, which breeds, raises, trains and places guide dogs with the blind and visually impaired through a distinctive program called Hometown Training.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Freedom Guide Dogs for the Blind
1210 Hardscrabble Road
Cassville, NY 13318

Phone: (315) 822-5132

Official Website: <http://www.freedomguidedogs.org/>

Email/Contact: info@freedomguidedogs.org

GLAUCOMA FOUNDATION

The mission of The Glaucoma Foundation (TGF) is to develop a cure for glaucoma through innovative research and collaboration, with its current concentrated effort on seeking a cure for glaucoma caused by exfoliation syndrome. Founded in 1984 by Dr. Robert Ritch, TGF is one of the premier not-for-profit organizations dedicated to eradicating blindness from glaucoma through vital research and education.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Glaucoma Foundation
80 Maiden Lane
Suite 700
New York, NY 10038

Phone: (212) 285-0080 & (1-800) 452-8266

Official Website: <http://www.glaucomafoundation.org/>

Email/Contact: info@glaucomafoundation.org

GLENS FALLS ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Glens Falls Association for the Blind, Inc., provides services to blind and visually challenged persons of all ages in Warren, Washington, Hamilton, Northern Saratoga, Eastern Fulton, and Montgomery Counties.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Glens Falls Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired
144 Ridge Street
Glens Falls, NY 12801

Phone: (518) 792-3421 & (1-800) 792-3421

Official Website: N/A

Email/Contact: gfab@mybluelight.com

GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF GREATER NEW YORK & NORTHERN NEW JERSEY

Goodwill Industries empowers individuals with disabilities and other barriers to employment to gain independence through the power of work.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Goodwill Industries of Greater New York & Northern New Jersey
4-21 27th Avenue
Astoria, NY 11102

Phone: (718) 728-5400

Official Website: <http://www.goodwillnynj.org/>

Email/Contact: info@goodwillnynj.org

GUIDE DOG FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND

Runs a Puppy Walker Volunteer Program in which volunteer families socialize puppies from 7 weeks to 12 months of age. Guidance is provided by our puppy advisors and puppy program manager.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Distance Education; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Guide Dog Foundation for the Blind
371 East Jericho Turnpike
Smithtown, NY 11787-2976

Phone: (631) 930-9000 & (1-800) 548-4337

Official Website: <http://www.guidedog.org>

Email/Contact: info@guidedog.org

GUIDING EYES FOR THE BLIND

Guiding Eyes for the Blind is dedicated to creating and supporting life-changing connections between people and dogs. We are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides superbly bred and trained dogs to people who are blind and visually impaired. Our dogs are known for their exceptional temperaments and success at helping people gain independence and to expand their horizons of opportunity. At our facilities in Yorktown Heights, NY, and Patterson, NY, we breed, raise, and train exceptional dogs. Then we connect them to people who are seeking increased freedom and independence, so that together, they can experience all kinds of life adventures.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Distance Education; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Guiding Eyes for the Blind
611 Granite Springs Road
Yorktown Heights, NY 10598

Phone: (914) 245-4024 & (1-800) 942-0149

Official Website: <http://www.guidingeyes.org>

Email/Contact: <https://www.guidingeyes.org/about/contact-us/>

HELEN KELLER INTERNATIONAL

Founded in 1915, Helen Keller International (HKI) is among the oldest international nonprofit organizations devoted to fighting and treating preventable blindness and malnutrition. HKI is headquartered in New York City, and has programs in 21 countries in Africa and Asia as well as in the United States. HKI builds Locally Run capacity by establishing sustainable programs, and provides scientific and technical assistance and data to governments and international, regional, national and Locally Run organizations around the world. HKI programs combat malnutrition, cataract, trachoma, onchocerciasis (river blindness) and refractive error. The goal of all HKI programs is to reduce suffering of those without access to needed health or vision care and ultimately, to help lift people from poverty.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Helen Keller International
352 Park Avenue South
12th Floor
New York, NY 10010

Phone: (212) 532-0544

Official Website: <http://www.hki.org>

Email/Contact: giving@hki.org

HELEN KELLER NATIONAL CENTER FOR DEAF-BLIND YOUTHS AND ADULTS

HKNC's residential training facility is home to a true adult learning community. Students work closely with a team of experts to develop an individualized action plan and training program tailored to their needs and goals. Everything they learn has practical, real world applications.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults
141 Middle Neck Road
Sands Point, NY 11050

Phone: N/A

Official Website: <http://www.helenkeller.org/hknc>

Email/Contact: hkncinfo@hknc.org

HELEN KELLER SERVICES FOR THE BLIND

HKS offers services and programs through two divisions: Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults and Helen Keller Services for the Blind. Helen Keller National Center is the only comprehensive national program that provides vocational and independent living skills training exclusively to youths and adults with combined vision and hearing loss. Helen Keller Services for the Blind is a comprehensive rehabilitation program serving individuals of all ages who are blind or visually impaired, and who may have additional disabilities, living in the New York Metropolitan Area.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Helen Keller Services for the Blind
57 Willoughby Street
Brooklyn, NY 11201

Phone: (718) 522-2122

Official Website: <http://helenkeller.org/>

Email/Contact: info@helenkeller.org

HUNTER COLLEGE OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION, 909W

Graduate (master's) programs for teachers of students who are blind or visually impaired, or who have severe/multiple impairments including deaf-blindness, rehabilitation teachers of blind or visually impaired individuals, and orientation and mobility instructors. Oversees Intensive Teacher Institute for certification of teachers of students who are blind and visually impaired and orientation and mobility specialists through both traditional and hybrid (classes on-line and on-site) program models.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Hunter College of The City University of New York Department of Special Education, 909W
695 Park Avenue
New York, NY 10065

Phone: (212) 772-4740 & (212) 650-3207 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/education/dept/specialed/index.shtml>

Email/Contact: edadmissions@hunter.cuny.edu

INTANDEM CYCLING, INC.

InTandem is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization whose mission is to provide tandem cycling programs to people who are blind, have low vision, or cannot ride independently due to other disabilities.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

InTandem Cycling, Inc.
P.O. Box 647
New York, NY 10116

Phone: (347) 974-3321

Official Website: <http://www.intandembike.org/>

Email/Contact: info@intandembike.org

JBI INTERNATIONAL (EST. AS THE JEWISH BRAILLE INSTITUTE)

The JBI Library provides individuals who are blind, visually impaired, physically handicapped or reading disabled with books, magazines and special publications of Jewish and general interest in Audio, Large Print and Braille formats. The unique services provided by JBI, all of which are free of charge, enable over 35,000 children, adults and seniors – from New York to New Zealand, from Ft. Lauderdale to Moscow, from Tel Aviv to Buenos Aires – to participate fully in the life of their communities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

JBI International (est. as The Jewish Braille Institute)
110 East 30th Street
New York, NY 10016

Phone: (212) 889-2525 & (1-800) 433-1531

Official Website: <http://www.jbilibrary.org>

Email/Contact: admin@jbilibrary.org

LAVELLE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

Lavelle provides students who are visually impaired and have multiple disabilities with a nurturing educational environment that challenges them and focuses on their individual needs, ensuring each student reaches their full potential.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lavelle School for the Blind
3830 Paulding Avenue
Bronx, NY 10469

Phone: (718) 882-1212

Official Website: <http://www.lavelleschool.org>

Email/Contact: abravo@lavelleschool.org

LEARNING ALLY: NEW YORK

We are a national non-profit dedicated to helping students with print disabilities, including blindness, visual impairment and dyslexia. Learning Ally improves the way students learn at home and in the classroom.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Learning Ally: New York
545 5th Avenue
Suite 1005
New York, NY 10017

Phone: (212) 557-5720 & (1-800) 221-4792

Official Website: <http://www.learningally.org>

Email/Contact: custserv@learningally.org

LONG ISLAND TALKING BOOK LIBRARY OUTREACH SERVICES SUFFOLK COOPERATIVE LIBRARY SYSTEM

SPONSOR: Locally Run

Founded in 1961, the Suffolk Cooperative Library System exists to help Locally Run public libraries provide the best in traditional and innovative public library service to all the people of Suffolk County.

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Long Island Talking Book Library Outreach Services Suffolk
Cooperative Library System
627 North Sunrise Service Road
P. O. Box 9000
Bellport, NY 11713-9000

Phone: (631) 286-1600 & (631) 286-4546 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://portal.suffolklibrarysystem.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS (NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS)

NAPVI is a national membership organization that enables parents to find information and resources for their children who are blind or visually impaired, including those with additional disabilities. NAPVI provides leadership, support, and training to assist parents in helping their children reach their full potential. NAPVI is dedicated to: Giving emotional support Parent education Initiating outreach programs Networking Advocating for the educational needs and welfare of children who are blind or visually impaired With the American Foundation for the Blind (AFB), NAPVI created FamilyConnect (www.FamilyConnect.org), an online, multimedia community that gives parents of visually impaired children a place to support each other, share stories and concerns, and link to Locally Run resources.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

National Association of Parents of Children with Visual Impairments
(National Headquarters)
15 West 65th Street
New York, NY 10023

Phone: (212) 769-6318 & (1-800) 562-6265

Official Website: <http://www.napvi.org>

Email/Contact: NApvi@Lighthouseguild.org

NATIONAL BRAILLE ASSOCIATION

National Braille Association, founded in 1945, is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing continuing education to those who prepare braille, and to providing braille materials to persons who are visually impaired. National Braille Association is an international organization with no Locally Run units or chapters. All members join as individuals. Many of them work through philanthropic, religious or service groups in their own communities or are professionals in related fields. All serve NBA in a volunteer capacity, including those on the Board of Directors. Our mission is to provide continuing education to those who prepare braille, and to provide braille materials to persons who are visually impaired.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

National Braille Association
95 Allens Creek Road
Building 1, Suite 202
Rochester, NY 14618

Phone: (585) 427-8260

Official Website: <http://www.nationalbraille.org>

Email/Contact: <https://www.nationalbraille.org/contact-us/>

NATIONAL FAMILY ASSOCIATION FOR DEAF-BLIND

The National Family Association for Deaf-Blind (NFADB) is the largest nonprofit national organization of families of individuals who are deaf-blind. NFADB believes that individuals who are deaf-blind are valued members of society and are entitled to the same opportunities and choices as other members of their community

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

National Family Association for Deaf-Blind
141 Middle Neck Road
Sands Point, NY 11050

Phone: (800) 255-0411

Official Website: <https://nfadb.org/>

Email/Contact: nfadbinfo@gmail.com

NEW YORK CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS, DISTRICT 75: EDUCATIONAL VISION SERVICES

The New York City Department of Education's Educational Vision Services (EVS) is the largest education program in the world serving students who are blind and visually impaired from 5 to 21 years of age and eligible preschool children. This specialized organization employs over 150 staff members who serve approximately 900 students with vision services, orientation & mobility services, evaluations and parent training. EVS instruction is guided by the Expanded Core Curriculum to support students with visual impairments to prepare for independence in school and the larger community.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New York City Public Schools, District 75: Educational Vision Services
400 1st Avenue
New York, NY 10010

Phone: (917) 256-4259

Official Website: <http://www.edvisionservices.org/>

Email/Contact: info@edvisionservices.org

NEW YORK DEAF-BLIND COLLABORATIVE QUEENS COLLEGE - CUNY

The New York Deaf-Blind Collaborative (NYDBC) is a five-year federally funded project which provides technical assistance — a system of program development and support—to improve services for children and youth who are deaf-blind (ages 0-21). The NYDBC is housed at Queens College in Flushing, New York, and is funded by the United States Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP). The NYDBC maintains a child count of children and youth who are deaf-blind, which allows us to conduct effective outreach and support parents and professionals.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New York Deaf-Blind Collaborative Queens College - CUNY
65-30 Kissena Blvd.
PH 200
Queens, NY 11367

Phone: (718) 997-4856

Official Website: <http://nydbc.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://nydbc.org/contact/>

NEW YORK EYE AND EAR INFIRMARY

The Department of Ophthalmology at New York Eye and Ear Infirmary of Mount Sinai (NYEE) offers patients the most advanced and comprehensive treatments for all eye conditions. Our physicians are experts in managing all eye problems, including cataracts, glaucoma, age-related macular degeneration, corneal disease, retina conditions, and many other ophthalmologic disorders. We specialize in cornea and refractive surgery, eye trauma, neuro-ophthalmology, ocular immunology and uveitis, ocular oncology, oculoplastic and orbital surgery, ophthalmologic pathology, pediatric ophthalmology, and strabismus

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New York Eye and Ear Infirmary
310 East 14th Street
New York, NY 10003

Phone: (212) 979-4000

Official Website: <http://www.nyee.edu/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.nyee.edu/about/contact-us>

NEW YORK INSTITUTE FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION

Founded in 1831 as The New York Institute for the Education of the Blind. In 1986 the name was changed to the New York Institute for Special Education (NYISE) to better reflect the expanded focus and commitment to children with a variety of disabilities. NYISE is a private, 501(c)(3) nonprofit, nonsectarian educational facility for children who are blind or visually disabled, emotionally and learning disabled and preschoolers who are developmentally delayed. NYISE's mission is to provide excellent educational programs with appropriate related services to all students at the Institute in order that they may become successful contributing members of society.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Radio Reading Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New York Institute for Special Education
999 Pelham Parkway
Bronx, NY 10469

Phone: (718) 519-7000

Official Website: <http://www.nyise.org>

Email/Contact: <https://www.nyise.org/apps/contact/>

NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY: MID-MANHATTAN LIBRARY, ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

The renovated building of The New York Public Library for the Performing Arts at Lincoln Center is fully accessible to individuals with disabilities, including the incorporation of ADA-compliant ramps, doorways, restrooms and elevators. In addition, its screening facilities feature wheelchair-accessible viewing carrels, individual laptop computers enabling non-verbal communication, and volume-enhancing headphone adaptors. The Library for the Performing Arts also serves as a source for many performance accessibility projects at Lincoln Center and throughout the area.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New York Public Library: Mid-Manhattan Library, Accessibility Services
455 5th Avenue
New York, NY 10016

Phone: (212) 870-1605

Official Website: <http://www.nypl.org/locations/tid/55/node/36647>

Email/Contact: performingarts@nypl.org

NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT: ADULT CAREER AND CONTINUING EDUCATION SERVICES

Administers 38 Independent Living Centers (private, community-based, non-residential). Offers service programs for employment, including vocational assessment, counseling, transition from school to work, job training and placement, job follow-up. Monitors Long Term Sheltered Employment programs.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New York State Education Department: Adult Career and Continuing Education Services
89 Washington Avenue
1 Commerce Plaza
Albany, NY 12234

Phone: (518) 474-1711; (1-800) 222-5627; & (518) 474-5652 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.acces.nysed.gov/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.acces.nysed.gov/contact-us>

NEW YORK STATE HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUREAU OF EARLY INTERVENTION DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH EMPIRE STATE PLAZA

The New York State Early Intervention Program (EIP) is part of the national Early Intervention Program for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. First created by Congress in 1986 under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), the EIP is administered by the New York State Department of Health through the Bureau of Early Intervention. In New York State, the Early Intervention Program is established in Article 25 of the Public Health Law and has been in effect since July 1, 1993. To be eligible for services, children must be under 3 years of age and have a confirmed disability or established developmental delay, as defined by the State, in one or more of the following areas of development: physical, cognitive, communication, social-emotional, and/or adaptive.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New York State Health Department Bureau of Early Intervention
Department of Health Empire State Plaza
Corning Tower
Room 208
Albany, NY 12237-0618

New York

Phone: (518) 473-7016 & (1-888) 577-2229

Official Website: http://www.health.ny.gov/community/infants_children/early_intervention/

Email/Contact: bei@health.ny.gov

NEW YORK STATE OFFICE FOR THE AGING

Our Mission is to help older New Yorkers be as independent as possible for as long as possible through advocacy, development and delivery of person-centered, consumer-oriented, and cost-effective policies, programs and services which support and empower older adults and their families, in partnership with the network of public and private organizations which serve them.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New York State Office for the Aging
Two Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223-1251

Phone: (518) 474-7012 & (1-800) 342-9871

Official Website: <http://www.aging.ny.gov/>

Email/Contact: <https://aging.ny.gov/nysofa/findhelp.cfm>

NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES: COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND

The mission of the New York State Commission for the Blind is to enhance employability, to maximize independence and to assist in the development of the capacities and strengths of people who are legally blind.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Support for Parents; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New York State Office of Children and Family
Services: Commission for the Blind
52 Washington Street
Rensselaer, NY 12144

Phone: (1-866) 871-3000 & (1-866) 871-6000 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/cbvh>

Email/Contact: N/A

NEW YORK STATE OPHTHALMOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The New York State Ophthalmological Society is a membership organization of Doctors of Medicine and Osteopathy licensed to practice in the State of New York and engaged in the practice of Ophthalmology.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New York State Ophthalmological Society
408 Kenwood Avenue
Delmar, NY 12054

Phone: (518) 438-2020

Official Website: <http://www.nysos.com>

Email/Contact: info@nysos.com

NEW YORK STATE OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The New York State Optometric Association was founded in 1895. It is dedicated to enhancing the vision care and health of the public and promoting the art and science of optometry. For twelve decades, NYSOA has continued to benefit individual doctors of optometry, the profession, and the quality of life of New Yorkers. NYSOA plays a significant role in how optometry is perceived by other professions, government agencies and the public at large.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New York State Optometric Association
119 Washington Avenue
2nd Floor
Albany, NY 12210

Phone: (518) 449-7300 & (1-800) 342-9836

Official Website: <http://www.nysoa.org/>

Email/Contact: nysoa2020@gmail.com

NEW YORK STATE PREFERRED SOURCE PROGRAM FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND

The New York State Preferred Source Program for people who are blind is a state-mandated initiative to create and sustain employment opportunities for New Yorkers who are blind or visually impaired. State and Locally Run agencies are required to purchase products and services that appear on the Preferred Source List through the New York State Preferred Source Program for people who are blind. These commodities are produced by affiliated nonprofit agencies in New York that employ people who are blind or visually impaired.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New York State Preferred Source Program for People Who Are Blind
136 State Street
2nd Floor, Suite 203
Albany, NY 12207

Phone: (800) 421-9010

Official Website: <https://www.abilityone.com>

Email/Contact: customercare@nyspsp.org

NEW YORK STATE RESOURCE CENTER FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED NEW YORK STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

The Office of Special Education provides assistance to parents, advocacy groups, and schools related to services and programs for students with disabilities. Staff work together across various units to provide the most up to date policy and guidance, technical assistance, professional development, and monitoring to attain equal opportunities and positive results for students with disabilities across New York State.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New York State Resource Center for the Visually Impaired New York State School for the Blind
2A Richmond Avenue
Batavia, NY 14020

Phone: (585) 343-5384 ext. 427

Official Website: <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/aim/rcvi.htm>

Email/Contact: ldesanti@mail.nysed.gov

NEW YORK STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

Providing assistance to support students who are blind, visually impaired or print disabled in achieving high standards of learning and independence.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Health-related Services; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New York State School for the Blind
2A Richmond Avenue
Batavia, NY 14020

Phone: (585) 343-5384 & (1-877) 697-7382

Official Website: <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/nyssb/>

Email/Contact: N/A

NEW YORK STATE TALKING BOOK AND BRAILLE LIBRARY CULTURAL EDUCATION CENTER EMPIRE STATE PLAZA

The New York State Talking Book and Braille Library (TBBL) lends audio and braille books and magazines to eligible residents of upstate New York who have a qualifying print disability. Currently, over 14,700 individual New Yorkers of all ages are registered for and receive Talking Book services.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New York State Talking Book and Braille Library Cultural Education
Center Empire State Plaza
222 Madison Avenue
Albany, NY 12230

Phone: (518) 474-5935; (1-800) 342-3688; & (518) 474-7121 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/tbbl/>

Email/Contact: tbbl@nysed.gov

NEW YORK TIMES LARGE TYPE WEEKLY

The New York Times Large Type Weekly provides analysis and perspective on the week's news from The New York Times and seeks to entertain with features, reviews and the crossword puzzle.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New York Times Large Type Weekly
609 Greenwich Street
6th Floor
New York, NY 10014

Phone: (212) 905-3391 & (1-800) 631-2580

Official Website: <http://nytimes.com>

Email/Contact: barber@nytimes.com

NORTH COUNTRY ASSOCIATION FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

NCAVI provides free services to the blind, legally blind and visually impaired in Clinton, Essex, Franklin and St. Lawrence counties in New York State. We service over 200 individuals per year. Our staff travels far and wide over our four-county catchment area to meet this great need and to keep the visually impaired of our community as independent, efficient and safe as they can be. All of the instruction, guidance and training takes place right in the individuals home, school or worksite. NCAVI's professional staff offers a multitude of services to people of all ages who are dealing with vision loss. They include, but are not limited to; visual rehabilitation, orientation & mobility, social casework, instruction on low vision equipment and job saves.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Country Association for the Visually Impaired
22 US Oval, Suite B-15
Plattsburgh, NY 12903

Phone: (518) 562-2330

Official Website: <http://www.ncavi.org/>

Email/Contact: ncavi2001@yahoo.com

OLMSTED CENTER FOR SIGHT

Olmsted Center for Sight (OCS) is a non-profit organization under the leadership of Tammy Owen. OCS has been a provider of quality services for individuals who are blind or visually impaired since 1907. Located in Buffalo, New York the organization offers vocational, educational and rehabilitation services to the visually impaired and/or physically disabled population. Statler Center, a program of OCS developed in 1999, provides career training, placement and advancement service for individuals who are visually impaired and/or physically disabled. Statler Center has graduated more than 600 individuals from 35+ states as well as several other countries. Approximately 76% of Statler grads have successfully procured full or part time employment in hospitality or equivalent fields of customer service. Most earn wages significantly above the federal minimum, receive employee benefits and are eligible for career advancement. The Vision Rehabilitation Department provides comprehensive programs and services to help maximize independence, safety and quality of life for individuals of all ages. Our Vision Clinic, with locations in Buffalo, Orchard Park and Tonawanda, offer specialized low vision evaluations to help maximize functional vision via the use of high-powered lenses, magnifiers, telescopes and lighting. Additional Rehabilitation services include: skills in daily living, safe/independent travel, counseling and linkages to resources.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

New York

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Olmsted Center for Sight
1170 Main Street
Buffalo, NY 14209

Phone: (716) 882-1025

Official Website: www.olmstedcenter.org

Email/Contact: <http://olmstedcenter.org/contact-us/>

QUEENS BOROUGH PUBLIC LIBRARY: SPECIAL SERVICES

Special Services coordinates library programs and services to older adults and people with disabilities for the Queens Borough Public Library. These services include: assistive equipment for people who need auditory or visual enhancement to use library materials; outreach to adults in institutions; audiotaping of materials unavailable through Library for the Blind; staff training on serving customers with special needs; a TDD; and telephone information and referral. Special and ongoing programs concerning disabilities or aging are presented throughout the branches and Central Library.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Queens Borough Public Library: Special Services
89-11 Merrick Boulevard
Jamaica, NY 11432

Phone: (718) 990-0746 & (718) 990-0809 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.queenslibrary.org/services/community-information/community-resources-database/details/67540>

Email/Contact: N/A

RESEARCH TO PREVENT BLINDNESS

Research to Prevent Blindness (RPB) is the leading non-government supporter of eye research with the goal of developing more effective treatments, preventives and cures for all diseases of the visual system that damage and destroy sight. The RPB website can be used to view educational animations, read about the most recent developments in eye research, and to order free literature on eye diseases. RPB is a voluntary health organization that supports eye research directed at the prevention, treatment or eradication of all diseases that threaten vision. In pursuit of this objective, RPB has committed hundreds of millions of dollars in grant support to provide scientific manpower, technological equipment and eye research laboratory facilities. As a result, RPB researchers have been associated with nearly every major breakthrough in the understanding and treatment of the loss of vision across the past 57 years.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Research to Prevent Blindness
360 Lexington Avenue
Floor 22
New York, NY 10017

Phone: (212) 752-4333

Official Website: <http://www.rpbusa.org>

Email/Contact: inforequest@rpbusa.org

RESOURCE CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING

The Resource Center for Independent Living's mission is to aggressively advocate for, and defend the rights of, persons with disabilities. This is to include but is not limited to: Monitor and assess the current legal climate in the area of rights for persons with disabilities on an on-going basis. Suggest and submit legislative initiatives that support persons with disabilities. Be proactive in the political arena to express support of positive improvements in the treatment and care of persons with disabilities. To initiate legal opposition to negative trends or developments when strategically appropriate.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Resource Center for Independent Living
401-409 Columbia Street
Utica, NY 13503-0210

Phone: (315) 797-4642 & (315) 797-5837 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.rcil.com/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.rcil.com/contact>

SOUTHERN TIER ASSOCIATION FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Southern Tier Association for the Visually Impaired (STAVI) has been serving the Locally Run blind and visually impaired community for over 90 years. Currently, we provide support, employment and rehabilitation services to Chemung, Schuyler and Steuben Counties.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Computer/ Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Summer/ Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/ O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Southern Tier Association for the Visually Impaired
719 Lake Street
Elmira, NY 14901

Phone: (607) 734-1554 & (1-800) 548-0440

Official Website: <http://st-avi.org/>

Email/Contact: info@st-avi.org

T-BASE COMMUNICATIONS

T-Base is North America's go-to accessible communications company and industry thought leader, ensuring your customer communications are fully accessible and compliant with legislation. We simplify accessible communications by providing secure design, production and delivery of accessible statements, documents and educational material in braille, large print, e-Text and audio. We also provide digital accessibility services, including web audits and PDF remediation. We specialize in producing statements, documents and textbooks into alternate formats such as braille, large print, e-Text, and audio as well as online with web accessibility and accessible PDF.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

T-Base Communications
806 Commerce Park Drive
Ogdensburg, NY 13669

Phone: (1-800) 563-0668

Official Website: <http://www.tbase.com>

Email/Contact: info@tbase.com

TEACHERS COLLEGE, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY: DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND BEHAVIOR STUDIES PROGRAM FOR EDUCATORS OF LEARNERS WITH BLINDNESS & VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS

Teachers College, Columbia University is the first and largest graduate school of education in the United States and is also perennially ranked among the nation's best. Its name notwithstanding, the College is committed to a vision of education writ large, encompassing our four core areas of expertise: health, education, leadership, and psychology. Teachers College sees its leadership role in two complementary arenas. One is as a major player in policy-making to ensure that schools are reformed and restructured to welcome all students regardless of their socio-economic circumstances. The other is in preparing educators who not only serve students directly but also coordinate the educational, psychological, behavioral, technological, and health initiatives to remove barriers to learning at all ages.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Teachers College, Columbia University: Department of Health and Behavior Studies Program for Educators of Learners with Blindness & Visual Impairments
525 West 120th Street, Box 223
New York, NY 10027

Phone: (212) 678-3878

Official Website: <http://www.tc.columbia.edu>

Email/Contact: N/A

THE MARFAN FOUNDATION

Before our founding in 1981, Marfan syndrome was largely unknown or misunderstood, but our tireless efforts have led to many life-changing advances in our fight for victory over Marfan syndrome and related disorders. We tirelessly advance the research for treatments that save lives and dramatically enhance quality of life for affected people. We provide a supportive community for everyone affected by Marfan syndrome and related disorders. We always have the latest and most accurate information, and we educate everyone—from patients and families to medical professionals and the general public—about Marfan syndrome and related disorders. Click on the links to learn more about us and our life-saving work.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

The Marfan Foundation
22 Manhasset Avenue
Port Washington, NY 11050

Phone: (516) 883-8712 & (1-800) 862-7326

Official Website: <http://www.marfan.org>

Email/Contact: staff@marfan.org

VISIONS/SERVICES FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

VISIONS/Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired provides services free of charge for people of all ages who are legally blind or severely visually impaired. Service areas include children and youth, adults, seniors, employment and job placement, healthy living, volunteer services, social networking, senior center, caregiver support program, in-home vision rehabilitation, residential rehabilitation center and community outreach and training. VISIONS provides outreach, information and services in low income, ethnic minority communities and in buildings with concentrations of frail, low income elders throughout New York City.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

VISIONS/Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired
500 Greenwich Street
3rd Floor
New York, NY 10013-1354

New York

Phone: (212) 625-1616

Official Website: <http://www.visionsvcb.org>

Email/Contact: info@visionsvcb.org

WESTCHESTER INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTER

The Westchester Independent Living Center (WILC) is a peer-driven, community-based organization that empowers people with disabilities to lead self-directed lives in the community through advocacy, training and referral to resources that promote independent living

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Westchester Independent Living Center
10 County Center Road
2nd Floor, Suite 203
White Plains, NY 10607

Phone: (914) 682-3926 & (914) 259-8036 (VP/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.wilc.org/>

Email/Contact: contact@wilc.org

WESTERN NEW YORK CENTER FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Western New York Center for the Visually Impaired uses a team approach to the rehabilitation of visual impairments such as Macular Degeneration. The team includes optometrist, opticians, and vision rehabilitations specialist who help the individual adapt to their vision loss. After reviewing your goals and following a low vision evaluation, the doctor may recommend any of the following:

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Information and Referral; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Western New York Center for the Visually Impaired
3070 Transit Road
Buffalo, NY 14224

Phone: (716) 668-1166

Official Website: <http://www.wnycvi.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

XAVIER SOCIETY FOR THE BLIND

The Xavier Society for the Blind provides free spiritual and inspirational reading materials and lending library services in braille, downloadable audio, and a CD lending library in the Roman Catholic tradition.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Xavier Society for the Blind
248 West 35th Street
New York, NY 10001-2505

Phone: (212) 473-7800

Official Website: <http://www.xaviersocietyfortheblind.org/index.php/contact/>

Email/Contact: info@xaviersocietyfortheblind.org

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ASSOCIATION ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND DISABILITY

Since 1977, AHEAD has offered an unparalleled member experience to disability resource professionals, student affairs personnel, ADA coordinators, diversity officers, AT/IT staff, faculty and other instructional personnel, and colleagues who are invested in creating welcoming higher education experiences for disabled individuals. Informed by its diverse membership, AHEAD.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Preschool Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Association on Higher Education and Disability
107 Commerce Center Drive
Suite 204
Huntersville, NC 28078

Phone: (704) 947-7779

Official Website: <http://www.ahead.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

EARLY CHILDHOOD TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER

The Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center (formerly NECTAC) supports the national implementation of the early childhood provisions of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Our mission is to strengthen systems at all levels to ensure that children (birth through five) with disabilities and their families receive and benefit from high quality, culturally appropriate and family centered supports and services. ECTA Center provides information and publications (free download) about early intervention for infants and toddlers and early childhood special education services for preschool age children via the ECTA Center website.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center
Campus Box 8040-UNC Chapel Hill
Chapel Hill, NC 27599-8040

Phone: (919) 962-2001

Official Website: <http://ectacenter.org/>

Email/Contact: ectacenter@unc.edu

EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Services for Professionals: Professional Training: Offers a graduate certificate in deaf-blindness. This certificate program is taught through distance education, and all courses are offered online.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

East Carolina University College of Education Department of
Curriculum and Instruction
Greenville, NC 27858

Phone: (252) 328-5746

Official Website: http://www.ecu.edu/cs-acad/gcc/upload/03_19_08_SPED_Certificate_in_Deaf_Blindness.doc

Email/Contact: N/A

GOVERNOR MOREHEAD SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

Governor Morehead School (GMS) is the flagship school in North Carolina that serves the special needs of visually impaired students, in a unique residential setting. The innovativeness of the Governor Morehead School extends back to its roots. When the school was established in 1845, it was the eighth school for the blind in the United States. Equally impressive is that North Carolina was the first state to serve the African-American blind and deaf population, beginning just four years after the Civil War. The school moved to the current location on Ashe Avenue in Raleigh in 1923 and was renamed in 1964, in honor of former Governor John Motley Morehead. African-American students attended school at the Garner Road campus until an exchange of students began in 1967, with full integration being achieved in 1977.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Health-related Services; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Governor Morehead School Administration Building
2303 Mail Service Center
301 Ashe Avenue
Raleigh, NC 27699-2303

Phone: (919) 733-6382

Official Website: <http://www.governormorehead.net/>

Email/Contact: denise.williams@esdb.nc.gov

INDUSTRIES OF THE BLIND

Put simply, we make things. After we make them, we store them and after we store them, we ship them. We do all this to the highest standards, including ISO 9001.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Industries of the Blind
920 West Lee Street
Greensboro, NC 27403

Phone: (336) 274-1591

Official Website: <http://www.industriesoftheblind.com>

Email/Contact: customerservice@job-gso.com

LC INDUSTRIES

Services for Adults Counseling Offers individual counseling, employment/job training, career and skill counseling, occupational skill development, job retention, job retraining, competitive and transitional employment. Recreation Services offers evening and weekend recreational programs.

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

LC Industries
4500 Emperor Boulevard
Durham, NC 27703

Phone: (919) 596-8277

Official Website: <http://www.lcibsc.com>

Email/Contact: N/A

LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED STATE LIBRARY OF NORTH CAROLINA

The North Carolina Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NCLBPH) is a special public library that circulates books and magazines especially made for persons who cannot use regular printed material because of a visual or physical disability. The library is located in Raleigh, but mails materials throughout the state. The NCLBPH is a state agency operated by the State Library of North Carolina as a part of the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources. It is also a part of the network of regional libraries operated by the Library of Congress National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS).

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped State Library of
North Carolina
1841 Capital Boulevard
Raleigh, NC 27635

Phone: (919) 733-4376; (1-888) 388-2460; & (919) 733-1462 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://statelibrary.ncdcr.gov/lbph/>

Email/Contact: <https://statelibrary.ncdcr.gov/contact>

LION'S SERVICES

Provide vocational rehabilitation and employment opportunities to individuals who are blind or visually impaired and to provide eye care for those within our community who need financial assistance. We intend to provide these individuals with life long opportunities and choices that promote personal and economic independence for an enhanced quality of life, while respecting their dignity and right of self determination.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lion's Services
4600 A North Tryon Street
Charlotte, NC 28213

Phone: (704) 921-1527

Official Website: <http://www.lionsservices.org>

Email/Contact: lsisale@aol.com

LIONS INDUSTRIES FOR THE BLIND

Lions Industries for the Blind, Inc. (LIB) provides employment opportunities for visually challenged individuals in a work setting that affords both income and dignity to the individual, with no compromise on the quality of the product. Most products are sold to the Federal Government under the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act. LIB also provides employment for people with other serious disabilities, such as deafness, retardation, diabetes, and orthopedic problems.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lions Industries for the Blind
4126 Berkeley Avenue
Kinston, NC 28504-8321

Phone: (252) 523-1019

Official Website: <http://www.lionsindustries.org>

Email/Contact: customerser@lionsindustries.org

LOW VISION CENTER OF MISSION HOSPITALS

Provides comprehensive low vision services including evaluation, prescription and training with low vision devices, occupational therapy, peer counseling, support groups, and training in daily living skills using adaptive techniques and equipment. Also provides information and referral for other services not provided.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Low Vision Center of Mission Hospitals
240 Sardis Road
Asheville, NC 28806

Phone: (828) 213-4370

Official Website: <http://www.missionhospitals.org/LowVision>

Email/Contact: sue.ponder@msj.org

METROLINA ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

Metrolina Association for the Blind (MAB) is a private non-profit agency that has provided services to blind and visually impaired people since 1934. Its mission is to to reduce or eliminate the daily living problems imposed upon people by blindness or severe visual impairment. It became a member agency of United Way in 1938, an affiliation it continues to enjoy today.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Metrolina Association for the Blind
704 Louise Avenue
Charlotte, NC 28204

Phone: (704) 887-5100

Official Website: <http://www.mabnc.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

NORTH CAROLINA ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROJECT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES

The North Carolina Assistive Technology Program (NCATP) is a state and federally funded program that provides assistive technology services statewide to people of all ages and abilities. NCATP leads North Carolina's efforts to carry out the federal Assistive Technology Act of 2004 by providing device demonstration, short-term device loans, and reutilization of assistive technology. We promote independence for people with disabilities through access to technology.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Carolina Assistive Technology Project Department of Health and Human Services Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services
1110 Navaho Drive, Suite 101
Raleigh, NC 27609-7322

Phone: (919) 850-2787

Official Website: <http://www.ncatp.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS

NC-APVI is a non-profit, independent organization made up of parents and professionals who work with families of students who are blind or visually impaired and is dedicated to giving emotional support, parent education, initiating outreach programs, networking, and advocating for the educational needs and welfare of families of children who are blind or visually impaired.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Carolina Association for Parents of Children with Visual Impairments
400 Heathridge Lane
Cary, NC 27513

Phone: (919) 469-8879

Official Website: <http://www.nc-apvi.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY H.M. MICHAUX, JR. SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Personnel Preparation Offers two master's degree programs in the field of visual impairments: Master's of Education in Visual Impairments (M.Ed.) with concentrations in Teaching, O&M, and Masters of Arts of Teaching in Visual Impairments (MAT-VI).

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Carolina Central University H.M. Michaux, Jr. School of Education
700 Cecil Street
Durham, NC 27707

Phone: (919) 530-5346

Official Website: <http://www.nccu.edu/soe/vitp.cfm>

Email/Contact: jkaiser@nccu.edu

NORTH CAROLINA COUNCIL OF THE BLIND

Services for Adults Information and Referral Offers information on programs and services in the blindness field and laws affecting blind persons. **Services for Children Information and Referral** Provides information on programs and services in the blindness field and laws affecting blind persons.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Carolina Council of the Blind
1027 Rosedale Avenue
Durham, NC 27707-1209

Phone: (800) 344-7113

Official Website: <http://www.nccounciloftheblind.org/>

Email/Contact: nccb2020@gmail.com

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION: EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN DIVISION EDUCATION BUILDING

The mission of the Exceptional Children Division is to ensure that students with disabilities develop intellectually, physically, emotionally, and vocationally through the provision of an appropriate individualized education program in the least restrictive environment.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Carolina Department of Public Instruction: Exceptional Children
Division Education Building
301 North Wilmington Street
Raleigh, NC 27601-2585

Phone: (919) 807-3969

Official Website: <http://www.ncpublicschools.org/ec/>

Email/Contact: amy.campbell@dpi.nc.gov

NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF AGING AND ADULT SERVICES

The Division of Aging and Adult Services works to promote the independence and enhance the dignity of North Carolina's older adults, persons with disabilities and their families through a community based system of opportunities, services, benefits and protections.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Carolina Division of Aging and Adult Services
2101 Mail Service Center
693 Palmer Drive
Raleigh, NC 27699

Phone: (919) 855-3400; (1-800) 662-7030; (919) 733-4851 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/daas>

Email/Contact: N/A

NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF SERVICES FOR THE BLIND

The Division of Services for the Blind provides services to people who are visually impaired, blind and deaf-blind to help them reach their goals of independence and employment.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Carolina Division of Services for the Blind
2601 Mail Service Center
309 Ashe Avenue
Raleigh, NC 27699-2601

Phone: 919-527-6700; (1-866) 222-1546; (919) 733-9700 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dsb/>

Email/Contact: N/A

NORTH CAROLINA EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES

Early Intervention/Infant Services Lead agency for North Carolina's early intervention system as required under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Carolina Early Intervention Services
5605 Six Forks Road
Raleigh, NC 27609

Phone: (919) 707-5520

Official Website: <http://www.ncei.org/ei/itp/branch.html>

Email/Contact: <https://beearly.nc.gov/>

NORTH CAROLINA LIONS FOUNDATION

North Carolina Lions, Incorporated is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization established in 1934. As the official charitable organization for the Lions of North Carolina and working closely with community based North Carolina Lions Clubs, we collectively enrich the lives of those blind and visually impaired, offer needed services for those less fortunate in each community and a hallmark of continuous support of research for health related issues concerning vision and overall wellness of all our citizens.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Carolina Lions Foundation
Camp Dogwood Drive
Sherrills Ford, NC 28673-0039

Phone: (828) 478-2135

Official Website: <http://nclf.org/>

Email/Contact: nclions@nclf.org

NORTH CAROLINA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL: LOW VISION CLINIC AMBULATORY CARE CENTER

Services for Adults Computer Training/Assistive Technology Offers CCTV training. Low Vision Services Provides low vision evaluation and follow-up. Prescribes and supplies low vision devices. Assesses low vision devices and provides training in their use.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Carolina Memorial Hospital: Low Vision Clinic Ambulatory Care Center
Mason Farm Road
2nd Floor
Chapel Hill, NC 27599

Phone: (919) 966-2061

Official Website: <http://www.med.unc.edu/opth>

Email/Contact: N/A

NORTH CAROLINA PROJECT FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO ARE DEAF-BLIND EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN DIVISION NC DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

The North Carolina Deaf-Blind Project (NCDBP) is a five year federally funded project which provides Technical Assistance, a system of program development and support, to improve services for infants and toddlers, children, and youth ages birth - 21 years who are deaf-blind. Staff training and assistance are provided in the home, the school, and/or agency setting to improve the quality of life and improve outcomes for individuals who are deaf-blind. The NCDBP is based at the NC Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI) Exceptional Children's Division in Raleigh, NC and is funded by the US Department of Education, Office of Special Education Program (OSEP).

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Carolina Project for Children and Young Adults Who Are Deaf-Blind Exceptional Children Division NC Department of Public Instruction
6356 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-6356

North Carolina

Phone: (919) 807-3991

Official Website: <https://ec.ncpublicschools.gov/disability-resources/deaf-blind>

Email/Contact: Dorothy.snyder@dpi.nc.gov

NORTH CAROLINA SOCIETY OF EYE PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS

Professional Training Provides a range of services and support for ophthalmologists in North Carolina: educational, economic, political/legislative and social.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Carolina Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons
222 North Person Street
Raleigh, NC 27611

Phone: (919) 833-3836

Official Website: <http://www.nceyemd.org>

Email/Contact: ncoph@ncmedsoc.org

NORTH CAROLINA STATE OPTOMETRIC SOCIETY

NC Eyes is a public eye health education resource for the state of North Carolina offered to residents by the North Carolina Optometric Society (NCOS). NC Eyes educates the general public about the benefits of lifelong eye care and the field of optometry, while also delivering relevant information for NCOS members

SPONSOR: State-Run

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Carolina State Optometric Society
P.O. BOX 1206
Wilson, NC 27894-1206

Phone: (252) 237-6197

Official Website: <http://www.nceyes.org>

Email/Contact: nceyecare@aol.com

PREVENT BLINDNESS NORTH CAROLINA

We champion access to care. We advocate for public policies that improve health systems nationwide and provide better access to eye health care. We work to connect patients to appropriate eye care, including distributing vouchers from industry partners for free or reduced cost eye exams and glasses to low income families in need.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Prevent Blindness North Carolina
4011 West Chase Boulevard
Suite 225
Raleigh, NC 27613

Phone: (919) 755-5044

Official Website: <http://www.preventblindness.org/nc/>

Email/Contact: info@pbnc.org

RLCB, INC. (FORMERLY RALEIGH LIONS CLINIC FOR THE BLIND)

RLCB, Inc. (formerly known as the Raleigh Lions Clinic for the Blind) is a private not-for-profit, self sustaining manufacturer and Tele-Services provider. RLCB was formed through a partnership between the North Carolina Division of Services for the Blind and the Raleigh (host) Lions Club on November 12, 1966. Originally organized to provide evaluation, training and job placement services RLCB has since expanded its business.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

RLCB, Inc. (Formerly Raleigh Lions Clinic for the Blind)
2701 Noblin Road
Suite 2705
Raleigh, NC 27604

Phone: (919) 256-4221

Official Website: www.rlcb.net

Email/Contact: jgriffey@rlcb.net

SOUTHEASTERN NORTH CAROLINA RADIO READING SERVICE

Reading Services Broadcasts selections from daily newspapers, In Touch, weekly sports news, area and national news, and books. Publications include the Fayetteville Observer, The Pilot, and other regional newspapers.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Southeastern North Carolina Radio Reading Service
1200 Murchison Road
Fayetteville, NC 28301

Phone: (910) 672-1600

Official Website: <https://www.wereadradio.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

WINSTON-SALEM INDUSTRIES FOR THE BLIND

IFB Solutions is leading individuals with visual impairments into the future of American innovation, one job, one service and one person at a time. Through partnerships with the AbilityOne® Program and commercial entities, we create solutions— not just for employees, but for customers, vendors and communities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Winston-Salem Industries for the Blind
7730 North Point Drive
Winston-Salem, NC 27106

Phone: (336) 759-0551

Official Website: <http://www.wsifb.com/>

Email/Contact: info@wsifb.com

WINSTON-SALEM INDUSTRIES FOR THE BLIND: ASHEVILLE DIVISION

IFB Solutions is leading individuals with visual impairments into the future of American innovation, one job, one service and one person at a time. Through partnerships with the AbilityOne® Program and commercial entities, we create solutions—not just for employees, but for customers, vendors and communities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Winston-Salem Industries for the Blind: Asheville Division
240 Sardis Road
Asheville, NC 28806

Phone: (828) 667-9778

Official Website: <https://www.wsifb.com/>

Email/Contact: info@wsifb.com

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NORTH DAKOTA AGING SERVICES DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - AGING SERVICES

The Department of Human Services administers programs and services that help older adults and adults with physical disabilities to live safely and productively in the least restrictive, appropriate setting.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Dakota Aging Services Division, Department of Human Services
- Aging Services
1237 West Divide Avenue
Suite 6
Bismarck, ND 58501-1208

Phone: (701) 328-8939 & (701) 328-3480 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: www.nd.gov/dhs/services/adultsaging

Email/Contact: carechoice@nd.gov

NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

Administers supplemental state funds for visually impaired children attending Locally Run schools. Provides consultation to school districts on educational programs for blind/visually impaired students. Serves as a resource to Locally Run education agencies throughout the state. The Consultant for the Visual Impairment Program is involved with program planning and development for quality education for students with visual impairments.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Dakota Department of Public Instruction Office of Special Education
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Bismarck, ND 58505-0440

Phone: (701) 328-2277 & (701) 328-4920 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.dpi.state.nd.us/>

Email/Contact: dpi@nd.gov

NORTH DAKOTA DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES UNIT DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Early intervention means early assistance. This program is designed to identify children at risk in the earliest stages, when the right help can make all the difference. If you know a child who may benefit from this program, please contact the regional human service center that serves your area and ask to talk to the Developmental Disabilities staff.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices;
Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Dakota Developmental Disabilities Unit Department of Human Services
1237 West Divide Avenue
Suite 1A
Bismarck, ND 58501

Phone: (701) 328-8936 (701) 328-8969

Official Website: <http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/disabilities/earlyintervention/>

Email/Contact: dhsds@nd.gov

NORTH DAKOTA DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

North Dakota's Vocational Rehabilitation division (DVR) is part of the ND Department of Human Services. DVR is funded by the federal and state government (funding share is 78.7% federal and 21.3% state) and is authorized in the Rehabilitation Act of 1978, as amended with the most recent amendments in 1998. DVR assists individuals with disabilities to achieve competitive employment and increased independence through rehabilitation services. We provide training and employment services to eligible individuals with physical or mental impairments so they can become and remain employed. Services that result in competitive employment are either provided or purchased. DVR is a full service business assistance program for North Dakota business owners and employers. Through DVR services, businesses can gain a critical advantage in today's highly competitive marketplace. We provide professional consultations to assist business owners and employers in finding solutions to their disability-related issues.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Dakota Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
1237 West Divide Avenue
Suite 1B
Bismarck, ND 58501-1208

Phone: (701) 328-8950 & (1-800) 366-6888 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.nd.gov/dhs/dvr/index.html>

Email/Contact: dhsvr@nd.gov

NORTH DAKOTA DUAL SENSORY PROJECT

The North Dakota Dual Sensory Project is funded by the United States Department of Education, Office of Special Education. The mission of the Project is help state educational agencies (SEAs), Locally Run education agencies (LEAs), Part C lead agencies, early intervention service providers, teachers, service providers, and families address the educational, related services, transitional, and early intervention needs of children who are Deaf-Blind to ensure that these children will graduate from high school ready for competitive employment, postsecondary education or independent living options.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Dakota Dual Sensory Project
500 Stanford Road
Grand Forks, ND 58203

Phone: (701) 795-2730 & (1-800) 421-1181

Official Website: <http://www.nd.gov/deafblind/>

Email/Contact: shnelson@nd.gov

NORTH DAKOTA INTERAGENCY PROGRAM FOR ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

ND Assistive (formerly IPAT) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that strives to bring assistive technology into the lives of all North Dakotans that need it. No matter your age, needs, or disability, we are here for you. Our goal is to help you bridge the gap between ability and disability using assistive technology (AT). We do this through training, public awareness, demonstration, and one-on-one consultation. Our job is to keep up-to-date on the latest advances in the world of AT so that we can help you connect to the AT device or service that is right for you.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Dakota Interagency Program for Assistive Technology
3240 15th Street South
Suite B
Fargo, ND 58104

Phone: (701) 365-4728 & (1-800) 895-4728

Official Website: <http://www.ndipat.org>

Email/Contact: <http://ndipat.org/contact>

NORTH DAKOTA OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The North Dakota Optometric Association exists to unite the optometrists within the state of North Dakota, to establish closer relationships among its members, to improve the art and science of optometry, to maintain high standards within the profession, to promote better public understanding of the profession, to foster cooperation and understanding between doctors of optometry and allied health care professionals, and to ensure the citizens of North Dakota access to complete eye care services.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Dakota Optometric Association
921 South 9th Street
Suite 120
Bismarck, ND 58504

Phone: (701) 258-6766

Official Website: <https://www.ndeyecare.com/>

Email/Contact: ndoa@ndeyecare.com

NORTH DAKOTA STATE LIBRARY: TALKING BOOK SERVICES

North Dakota State Library Talking Book offers an array of services for citizens of North Dakota who are unable to read standard print materials because of a visual, physical, or reading disability. The Talking Book program provides patrons with free access to audio books and magazines. The Talking Book program is administered by the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS), a division of the Library of Congress.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Dakota State Library: Talking Book Services
604 East Boulevard Avenue
Department 250
Bismarck, ND 58505-0800

Phone: (701) 328-1408; (1-800) 843-9948; & (701) 328-4923 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://library.nd.gov/talkingbooks.html>

Email/Contact: tbooks@nd.gov

NORTH DAKOTA VISION RESOURCE CENTER NORTH DAKOTA VISION SERVICES/SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

The Vision Resource Center at ND Vision Services/School for the Blind serves patrons from ages birth through end of life; students, teachers, vision professionals, parents, and people with visual impairments or blindness are all encouraged to browse and utilize our materials. We manage and administer materials obtained through federal and state funding as well as grant funding sources. We strive to offer the latest in both professional and practical information for individuals whose lives are touched by visual impairment or blindness. We provide standard materials in non-standard formats, educate patrons in information literacy, and support the rights of all to the freedom of access to information.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Dakota Vision Resource Center North Dakota Vision Services/
School for the Blind
500 Stanford Road
Grand Forks, ND 58203-2799

Phone: (701) 795-2700

Official Website: <https://www.ndvisionservices.com/services/vision-resource-center>

Email/Contact: <https://www.ndvisionservices.com/contact-us-school-blind>

NORTH DAKOTA VISION SERVICES/SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

Children and adults who experience visual impairment face a number of practical challenges. Trained professionals serve a vital role in assisting people meet and overcome these challenges. North Dakota Vision Services/School for the Blind is an agency that is dedicated to providing the resources and trained staff to meet the needs of people (of all ages) throughout the great State of North Dakota.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Dakota Vision Services/School for the Blind
500 Stanford Road
Grand Forks, ND 58203-2799

Phone: (701) 795-2700 & (1-800) 421-1181

Official Website: <http://www.ndvisionservices.com>

Email/Contact: <https://www.ndvisionservices.com/contact-us-school-blind>

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ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY AND ACCESSIBLE EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS CENTER

The AT & AEM Center is a centralized, responsive resource center that empowers individuals with disabilities by providing accessible educational materials, access to assistive technologies and highly specialized technical assistance and professional development support.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Low Vision Services; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Assistive Technology and Accessible Educational Materials Center
470 Glenmont Avenue
Columbus, OH 43214

Phone: (614) 410-1042

Official Website: <http://ataem.org>

Email/Contact: ataem_info@ocali.org

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY OF OHIO

AT Ohio's mission is to help Ohioans with disabilities learn about or acquire assistive technology. Assistive Technology refers to devices, equipment or services that assist individuals with disabilities to function independently in the areas of work, home or school. We offer several programs and services to achieve that goal. We also keep up with current legislative activity that affects persons with disabilities, and educate legislators about the needs and concerns of citizens with disabilities. Assistive Technology of Ohio (AT Ohio) is a federally funded nonprofit organization that is part of the College of Engineering at The Ohio State University. AT Ohio is the officially designated Tech Act program for Ohio.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Assistive Technology of Ohio
1314 Kinnear Road
Area 200
Columbus, OH 43212

Phone: (614) 293-9133 & (1-800) 784-3425

Official Website: <https://atohio.engineering.osu.edu/>

Email/Contact: atohio@osu.edu

CINCINNATI ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Cincinnati Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (CABVI) is a private, not-for-profit organization offering comprehensive vision rehabilitation services for people of all ages who are blind or visually impaired. CABVI is not a state or federal agency and does not directly receive tax dollars. CABVI continues to be a dynamic organization, growing and changing to meet the needs of an increasing number of people in the Greater Cincinnati area. Among the challenges that the new millennium brings will be meeting the quality service, identifying new sources of revenue to address the issues of overall operating expenses increasing at a rate greater than revenue will be required to provide for long-term sustainability. Developing new markets and new products, as well as improved production efficiency, will be required to maintain the viability of the Industries Program and Base Supply Center, as well as new Social Enterprises that are still being developed.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support for Parents; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

Ohio

MAILING ADDRESS:

Cincinnati Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired
2045 Gilbert Avenue
Cincinnati, OH 45202-1490

Phone: (513) 221-8558 & (1-888) 687-3935

Official Website: <http://www.cincyblind.org>

Email/Contact: <https://cincyblind.org/contact/>

CLEVELAND SIGHT CENTER

Cleveland Sight Center (CSC) has served the needs of Northeast Ohio residents who are blind or have low vision for over a century. CSC offers developmental, rehabilitation and vocational services to ensure success in today's society. The services are targeted for all age groups. Our team of optometrists, therapists, employment specialists and other CSC staff are dedicated to assisting our clients live their lives to the fullest. Through education, recreation, training and assistive technology, CSC provides opportunities for those who are blind or have low vision to engage in activities and optimize remaining eyesight.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support for Parents; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Cleveland Sight Center
1909 East 101st Street
Cleveland, OH 44106

Phone: (216) 791-8118 & (216) 791-8119 (TTY number)

Official Website: <http://www.clevelandsightcenter.org>

Email/Contact: info@clevelandsightcenter.org

CLOVERNOOK CENTER FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED MAIN CAMPUS

Clovernook has proudly served women, men and children for over 100 years. Our rich history provides the backdrop for today's progressive and caring campus-like environment, where we remain dedicated to adults and youth who are blind or visually impaired.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Clovernook Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired Main Campus
7000 Hamilton Avenue
Cincinnati, OH 45231

Phone: (513) 522-3860; (1-888) 234-7156; & (513) 728-3940 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.clovernook.org>

Email/Contact: <https://www.clovernook.org/contact/>

DELTA GAMMA FOUNDATION: SERVICE FOR SIGHT

The Delta Gamma Foundation fosters lifetime enrichment for members, promotes Service for Sight and partners with the Fraternity to ensure the future of our sisterhood. Our dedicated members and friends make this mission possible through philanthropy, service and generous gifts to the Foundation which support our three signature programs: Service for Sight, Grants to the Fraternity for Leadership and Educational Programming and Grants to Individual Members.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Delta Gamma Foundation: Service for Sight
3250 Riverside Drive
Columbus, OH 43221-0397

Phone: (614) 481-8169

Official Website: <http://www.deltagamma.org/foundation>

Email/Contact: dgfoundation@deltagamma.org

GOODWILL EASTER SEALS OF MIAMI VALLEY

Every day, we strive with passion and energy to improve the lives of the people we serve through excellent customer service in an exceptional healthy and safe work place. Learn about Goodwill Easter Seals Miami Valley; our organization, its history, mission, and values that guide us and the work in the communities we serve.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Support for Parents; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Goodwill Easter Seals of Miami Valley
660 South Main Street
Dayton, OH 45402

Phone: (937) 461-4800 & (937) 461-1447 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.gesmv.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://gesmv.org/about-us/contact-us/>

JUDITH A. READ LOW VISION SERVICES

United Disability Services (UDS) has nearly 70 years proven experience in helping people with disabilities and their caregivers explore new opportunities, engage in the community and excel in all areas of life. Whether you're looking for interesting work, more involvement in the community or creative programming, we'll work with you to help you meet your personal goals.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Judith A. Read Low Vision Services
701 South Main Street
Akron, OH 44311-1064

Phone: (330) 762-9755

Official Website: <http://www.udsakron.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.udsakron.org/contact-us.aspx>

NATIONAL ACCREDITATION COUNCIL FOR BLIND AND LOW VISION SERVICES

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

National Accreditation Council for Blind and Low Vision Services
P.O. Box 40453
Cincinnati, OH 45240

Phone: (513) 505-6750

Official Website: <http://www.nacblvs.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

OHIO CENTER FOR DEAFBLIND EDUCATION

SPONSOR: N/A

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Ohio Center for Deafblind Education
936 Eastwind Drive
Westerville, OH 43081

Phone: (614) 785-1163; (1-800) 229-0844; & (614) 785-1158 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.sscsco.org/ocdbe/index.html>

Email/Contact: N/A

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF AGING

As the federally designated State Unit on Aging, the Department of Aging serves as the sole state agency to coordinate Older Americans Act programs and services, as well as other services to meet the needs of Ohio's elders. We are a cabinet-level state agency with a director appointed by the governor. The structure of the Department is tied directly to its funding sources. We receive \$65 million in federal funding, primarily from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, which supports services for older Ohioans as well as the administration of Medicaid funded services. We also apply for and use grants from federal and state sources to support and expand our work.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Ohio Department of Aging
246 North High Street
1st Floor
Columbus, OH 43215

Phone: (614) 466-5500

Official Website: <http://www.aging.ohio.gov/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.aging.ohio.gov/contact>

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: OFFICE FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN

The Office for Exceptional Children provides leadership, assistance and oversight to school districts and other entities that provide differentiated instruction for students with disabilities and gifted students. Among its responsibilities, the office administers state and federal funds; coordinates and administers programs to improve outcomes for students with disabilities and gifted students; implements a statewide monitoring and complaint-resolution system designed to assess district/educational agency compliance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations; and provides technical assistance to districts and educational agencies around issues of compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA).

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Ohio Department of Education: Office for Exceptional Children
25 South Front Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Phone: (614) 466-2650

Official Website: <http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Special-Education>

Email/Contact: exceptionalchildren@education.ohio.gov

OHIO EARLY INTERVENTION STATE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Early Intervention (EI) is a statewide system that provides coordinated early intervention services to parents of eligible children under the age of three with developmental delays or disabilities. EI is grounded in the philosophy that young children learn best from familiar people in familiar settings. Every family served in EI will have a Locally Run EI team that consists of a service coordinator, service providers, and your family. Your team works with you in your home or other places you and your family spend time to develop a coordinated plan called an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP). You and your team will work through your IFSP plan to use your existing supports and resources—and build upon them—to learn to enhance your child’s learning and development.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Ohio Early Intervention State Department of Developmental Disabilities
30 East Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Phone: N/A

Official Website: <https://ohioearlyintervention.org/>

Email/Contact: ei@dodd.ohio.gov

OHIO LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY DISABLED

The Ohio Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled (OLBPD) is part of the Cleveland Public Library. In partnership with the State Library of Ohio Talking Book Program, OLBPD serves as the Regional Library for the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS) of the Library of Congress, and administers a free library program of braille and audio materials circulated to eligible borrowers in the State of Ohio by postage-free mail. OLBPD and the State Library of Ohio Talking Book Program received the 2010 National Library Service Network Library of the Year Award.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Ohio Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled
17121 Lake Shore Boulevard
Cleveland, OH 44110-4006

Phone: (216) 623-2911

Official Website: <http://cpl.org/thelibrary/ohio-library-for-the-blind-physically-disabled/>

Email/Contact: olbpd@cpl.org

OHIO OPHTHALMOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The Ohio Ophthalmological Society is the most comprehensive, cohesive group of professionals dedicated to ophthalmology in Ohio. Since its creation in 1961, the Ohio Ophthalmological Society has evolved into more than just a conglomeration of peers, it is recognized as a vital resource for members providing valuable professional knowledge, services, and determined legislative advocacy.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Ohio Ophthalmological Society
3401 Mill Run Drive
Hilliard, OH 43026

Phone: (614) 527-6799

Official Website: <http://www.ohioeye.org>

Email/Contact: oos@ohioeye.org

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OHIO OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The mission of the Ohio Optometric Association is to promote high quality optometric care for the residents of Ohio, preserve and advance the profession of optometry, act as an advocate for patients and members, and serve as the principal resource for public health information regarding the eyes and vision.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Ohio Optometric Association
250 East Wilson Bridge Road
Worthington, OH 43085

Phone: (614) 781-0708

Official Website: <http://www.ooa.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.ooa.org/aws/ooa/pt/sp/contact>

OHIO STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

The Ohio State School for the Blind, a publicly funded educational facility, is dedicated to the intellectual, social, physical, and emotional growth of all students with visual impairments. Our mission is to work cooperatively with students, families, and the community to provide an effective, enjoyable educational experience through specialized, curriculum, equipment, materials, and individualized, disability-specific instruction to develop our students' unique potential.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Ohio State School for the Blind
5220 North High Street
Columbus, OH 43214

Phone: 1-800-310-3317

Official Website: <http://www.ossb.oh.gov/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.ossb.oh.gov/ossbcontact.php>

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY: COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN ECOLOGY

As one of the leading and top-ranked institutions in education, The Ohio State University's Department of Teaching and Learning has excellent programs to achieve your educational and career goals. Our world-renowned faculty know how to get the best out of their students and prepare them to become leaders.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Ohio State University: College of Education and Human Ecology
127 Arps Hall
1945 North High Street
Columbus, OH 43210

Phone: (614) 292-2461

Official Website: <http://ehe.osu.edu/teaching-and-learning/>

Email/Contact: <http://ehe.osu.edu/about/contact-us>

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY: COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY LOW VISION REHABILITATION SERVICE

The Ohio State University College of Optometry has a rich tradition of producing leaders in eyecare. Our faculty optometrists are recognized experts in providing specialty optometric care such as contact lenses, low vision rehabilitation, binocular vision, vision therapy, pediatric optometry, and medical eyecare. Our clinical services strive to provide personalized care to meet the visual and eye health needs of all patients. Our facilities are equipped with new technology and exam procedures to provide contemporary care to patients of all ages.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Ohio State University: College of Optometry Low Vision Rehabilitation Service

338 West 10th Avenue
Columbus, OH 43210

Phone: (614) 292-1104

Official Website: <http://greatvision.osu.edu/>

Email/Contact: N/A

OHIO VALLEY GOODWILL INDUSTRIES: REHABILITATION CENTER

As a member of Goodwill Industries International, we are a part of the world's largest and most successful network providing employment and training services for people with disabilities and other barriers to employment. Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries was founded in 1916 and is one of the largest providers of rehabilitation services in the State of Ohio. The total number of individuals served in 2017 was 3418 and total placed in community employment was 917. We served 852 Veterans in 2017 and recycled more than 54,000,000 lbs of donated material as well as cardboard, steel and office paper.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries: Rehabilitation Center
10600 Springfield Pike
Cincinnati, OH 45215

Phone: (513) 771-4800 & (1-800) 964-8206

Official Website: <http://www.cincinnati goodwill.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.cincinnati goodwill.org/contact/>

PHILOMATHEON SOCIETY OF THE BLIND

SPONSOR: N/A

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Professional Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Philomatheon Society of the Blind
2701 West Tuscarawas Street
Canton, OH 44708

Phone: (330) 453-9157

Official Website: <http://www.philomatheon.com/>

Email/Contact: N/A

OPPORTUNITIES FOR OHIOANS WITH DISABILITIES BUREAU OF SERVICES FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED AND BUREAU OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD) is the State of Ohio agency that partners with Ohioans with disabilities to achieve quality employment and independence. We are also charged with making determinations on Social Security disability. OOD does this through three areas: Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation; Bureau of Services for the Visually Impaired; Division of Disability Determination.

Independence for Ohioans with physical or mental disabilities is the mission that unites all aspects of the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD). OOD works with partners in business, education and non-profits to facilitate customized employment plans for Ohioans with disabilities. OOD's trained and professional staff help Ohio companies recruit and retain employees with disabilities. OOD is the sole agency administering the Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) and the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) programs in Ohio.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Bureau of Services for the Visually Impaired and Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation
150 East Campus View Boulevard
Columbus, OH 43235

Phone: (614) 438-1200 (2 for VR)

Official Website: <http://www.ood.ohio.gov>

Email/Contact: ood.officeofcommunication@ood.ohio.gov

PHILOMATHEON SOCIETY OF THE BLIND

The Philomatheon Society of the Blind was founded in 1924. Its purpose has been to promote the welfare of the blind of Stark County; its success rests on the determination of this group to help blind men, women and children fulfill their roles as productive citizens of our community.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Professional Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Philomatheon Society of the Blind
2701 West Tuscarawas Street
Canton, OH 44708

Phone: (330) 453-9157

Official Website: <http://www.philomatheon.com/>

Email/Contact: N/A

PILOT DOGS

Mission Statement: To provide the finest of guide dogs to the qualified sightless. This service was made available without charge, and includes the Pilot Dog, four weeks in-residence training, and round trip transportation.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Pilot Dogs
625 West Town Street
Columbus, OH 43215-4496

Phone: (614) 221-6367

Official Website: <http://www.pilotdogs.org>

Email/Contact: jgray@pilotdogs.org

PREVENT BLINDNESS OHIO

The Ohio Affiliate of Prevent Blindness is celebrating 50+ years as Ohio's leading volunteer nonprofit public health organization dedicated to preventing blindness and preserving sight. Founded in 1957 by U.S. Senator John Bricker and Lion's Club Member, Bob Morrison with support from Nationwide, the Ohio Department of Health and Delta Gamma Fraternity, PBO serves all 88 Ohio counties. We provide direct services to more than 800,000 Ohioans annually and educate millions of consumers about what they can do to protect and preserve their precious gift of sight. Prevent Blindness is the country's second-oldest national voluntary health organization.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Prevent Blindness Ohio
1500 West 3rd Avenue
Suite 200
Columbus, OH 43212-2874

Phone: (614) 464-2020 & (1-800) 301-2020

Official Website: <http://www.preventblindness.org/ohio>

Email/Contact: <https://ohio.preventblindness.org/contact-us-0>

SAMUEL WEST BELL HOME FOR SIGHTLESS, INC.

Samuel W. Bell Home for Sightless, Inc. has been providing a home for sightless men and women since our founding in 1925. It is our mission to provide a safe, clean and homelike residence for any adult legally blind person.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Samuel West Bell Home for Sightless, Inc.
3775 Muddy Creek Road
Cincinnati, OH 45238

Phone: (513) 241-0720

Official Website: <http://www.samuelbell.org>

Email/Contact: swbellhome@gmail.com

SIGHT CENTER OF NORTHWEST OHIO: TOLEDO SOCIETY FOR THE BLIND

The Sight Center of Northwest Ohio offers a unique blend of programs and services that can help people of all ages work, learn, play, and live independently with permanent vision loss. From the Low Vision Clinic to high tech assistive devices, rehabilitation therapy, mobility training, Braille services, and resource information, The Sight Center is changing lives every day!

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille/Electronic/Audio/ Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/ Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Radio Reading Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Sight Center of Northwest Ohio: Toledo Society for the Blind
1002 Garden Lake Parkway
Toledo, OH 43614

Phone: (419) 720-3937 & (1-800) 624-8378

Official Website: <http://www.sightcentertoledo.org>

Email/Contact: <http://sightcentertoledo.org/contact-us/>

STATE LIBRARY OF OHIO: TALKING BOOK PROGRAM

Library service for the blind and physically handicapped in the United States is delivered through a network of libraries and agencies coordinated by the Library of Congress National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS). The Talking Book Program provides free recorded books, magazines and playback equipment to approximately 15,000 eligible blind, visually impaired, physically disabled and reading disabled Ohio residents. Our Talking Book Program coordinates the Ohio program and serves as the machine lending agency for the state. To help in this effort, we have signed formal agreements with 61 machine sub-lending agencies, Locally Run public libraries or social service organizations to lend the machines to eligible citizens in their areas. A network of volunteer repair persons work with the staff of the Talking Book Program to keep the equipment in good condition. The talking books are circulated by the Ohio Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled in Cleveland. Funding is provided by a combination of federal, state and Locally Run funds.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

State Library of Ohio: Talking Book Program
17121 Lake Shore Boulevard
Cleveland, OH 44110-4006

Ohio

Phone: (1-800) 686-1531

Official Website: http://www.library.ohio.gov/PCS/tlk_bk

Email/Contact: tbooks@library.ohio.gov

VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE SERVICES

Vocational Guidance Services is a highly acclaimed, successful, private, not-for-profit, 501(c)(3) vocational rehabilitation agency with over 125 years of dedicated experience serving individuals with disabilities or other barriers to employment.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vocational Guidance Services
2239 East 55th Street
Cleveland, OH 44103

Phone: (216) 431-7800

Official Website: <http://www.vgsjob.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.vgsjob.org/contact-us/>

WOOD COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER

The Wood County Educational Service Center develops, delivers, and implements quality educational services; including low vision screening; consultation; and instruction, adaptation and materials to parents of children with low vision.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wood County Educational Service Center
1867 North Research Drive
Bowling Green, OH 43402

Phone: (419) 354-9010

Official Website: <http://www.wood.k12.oh.us/>

Email/Contact: N/A

DEAN A. MCGEE EYE INSTITUTE

The Dean McGee Eye Institute is dedicated to serving all Oklahomans and the global community through excellence and leadership in patient care, education, and vision research. Patient care is provided in all the major subspecialty areas of ophthalmology including corneal and external diseases, glaucoma, medical and surgical diseases of the retina and vitreous, refractive surgery, orbital and oculoplastic diseases, neuro-ophthalmology, pediatric ophthalmology and strabismus, cataract surgery and lens implantation, ophthalmic pathology and oncology, contact lenses, ocular prosthetics, trauma and low vision services.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Dean A. McGee Eye Institute
608 Stanton L. Young Boulevard
Oklahoma City, OK 73104

Phone: (405) 271-6060

Official Website: <http://www.dmei.org>

Email/Contact: DMEI-Clinicians@dmei.org

LITTLE LIGHT HOUSE

Children, from birth to the chronological age of six with physical and mental challenges causing a developmental delay in one or more areas of development are eligible for Little Light House services. Conditions which typically create these challenges are Down Syndrome, Spina Bifida, Cerebral Palsy, Autism and sensory deprivations such as blindness

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Little Light House
5120 East 36th Street
Tulsa, OK 74135

Phone: (918) 664-6746

Official Website: <http://www.littlelighthouse.org>

Email/Contact: events@littlelighthouse.org

NARRATIVE TELEVISION NETWORK

Since 1988, NTN has been a leader in making television, movies, and educational programming accessible to our nation's 13 million people who are blind and visually impaired and their families.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Health-related Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Narrative Television Network
5840 South Memorial Drive
Suite 312
Tulsa, OK 74145

Phone: (918) 627-1000

Official Website: <http://www.narrativeTV.com>

Email/Contact: N/Arrative@aol.com

NEW VIEW OKLAHOMA

We seek to accomplish this mission through our two comprehensive low vision clinics, which provide one-of-a-kind vision rehabilitation services for individuals living with blindness and vision loss. The clinics offer assessments and low vision solutions and devices to people with impaired vision that cannot be corrected with glasses, surgery or medication. Through low vision rehabilitation, NewView works to keep children in school, adults at work and senior citizens living independently in their homes.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

New View Oklahoma
501 North Douglas Avenue
Oklahoma City, OK 73106-3124

Phone: (405) 232-4644

Official Website: <http://www.newviewoklahoma.org/>

Email/Contact: info@newviewoklahoma.org

**NORTHEASTERN STATE UNIVERSITY OKLAHOMA
COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY LESLEY L. WALLS VISION
CENTER NORTHEASTERN STATE UNIVERSITY
OKLAHOMA COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY**

The Doctor of Optometry (O.D.) degree is based on the NSU Tahlequah campus. The program is four years of intensive doctoral-level training that prepares students to become effective members of a comprehensive health care team. The Optometric Physician has been trained to diagnose and treat a wide-variety of eye and vision problems at the primary care level. In addition, the optometrist learns to identify and assist in managing a wide-variety of non-ocular systemic and psychological conditions. By working effectively with members of many other health care disciplines, Optometric Physicians play a significant role in providing for the comprehensive needs of the patients they serve.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Information and Referral; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Northeastern State University Oklahoma College of Optometry Lesley
L. Walls Vision Center Northeastern State University Oklahoma
College of Optometry
3100 E New Orleans Street
Broken Arrow, OK 74014

Oklahoma

Phone: (918) 449-6210

Official Website: <http://optometry.nsuok.edu/>

Email/Contact: simpsond@nsuok.edu

OKLAHOMA ABLE TECH SERETEAN WELLNESS CENTER

ABLE Tech's AT (Assistive Technology) Discovery is a clearinghouse for many resources relating to a specific disability – for ALL ages! You'll find tips, financial information, factsheets, videos and more to help you improve your, or your loved one's life.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oklahoma ABLE Tech Seretean Wellness Center
1514 West Hall of Fame
Stillwater, OK 74078-2026

Phone: (405) 744-9864; (1-800) 257-1705; & (1-888) 885-5588 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://www.okabletech.org/>

Email/Contact: abletech@okstate.edu

OKLAHOMA AGING SERVICES DIVISION DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

The Aging Services Division (ASD) helps develop systems that support independence and help protect the quality of life for older persons as well as promotes citizen involvement in planning and delivering services.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oklahoma Aging Services Division Department of Human Services
50 NE 23rd St.
Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Phone: (405) 521-2281 & (1-800) 211-2116

Official Website: <http://www.okdhs.org/services/aging/Pages/AgingServicesMain.aspx>

Email/Contact: N/A

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SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oklahoma Aging Services Division Department of Human Services
2401 NW 23rd
Suite 40
Oklahoma City, OK 73107-2422

Phone: (405) 521-2281 & (1-800) 211-2116

Official Website: <http://www.okdhs.org/services/aging/Pages/AgingServicesMain.aspx>

Email/Contact: infoferral@okdhs.org

OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION OF OPTOMETRIC PHYSICIANS

To lead optometric physicians through education and opportunities to improve vision, eye care, and health care.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oklahoma Association of Optometric Physicians
4545 North Lincoln Boulevard
#105
Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Phone: (405) 524-1075

Official Website: <http://www.aaop.org>

Email/Contact: saundra@aaop.com

OKLAHOMA COUNCIL OF THE BLIND

OCB is a statewide organization of blind and visually impaired individuals, their families and friends. The organization works to encourage, empower, educate and enhance the lives of Oklahomans who are blind or visually impaired. OCB strives to empower blind Oklahomans to become full and independent participants in society through advocacy, leadership and public education on issues that affect the lives of citizens with visual impairments. By connecting, sharing ideas and common concerns, and working together, we build an alliance that, more than individuals working alone, has the power to “improve tomorrow, today” for all Oklahomans who are blind or visually impaired.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oklahoma Council of the Blind
P.O. Box 1476
74103
Oklahoma City, OK 74103

Phone: (877) 578-6212

Official Website: <http://www.okcb.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

OKLAHOMA DEAF-BLIND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT

Oklahoma Deaf-Blind Technical Assistance Project provides technical assistance to children, families, SoonerStart, Oklahoma Public Schools, or other agencies serving students with deaf-blindness at no cost. We provide various types of technical assistance (TA) including web conferencing, site visits, classroom observation, telephone TA, research/evidence based materials, in-service workshops, statewide training, and networking.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oklahoma Deaf-Blind Technical Assistance Project
820 Van Vleet Oval
Room 321
Norman, OK 73019

Phone: N/A

Official Website: <http://www.ou.edu/okdbp/>

Email/Contact: N/A

OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES

The Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services (DRS) expands opportunities for employment, independent life and economic self-sufficiency by helping Oklahomans with disabilities bridge barriers to success in the workplace, school and at home.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Support for Parents; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services
3535 NW 58th Street
Suite 500
Oklahoma City, OK 73112

Phone: (405) 951-3400 (800) 845-8476

Official Website: <http://www.okdrs.gov>

Email/Contact: info@okdrs.gov

OKLAHOMA LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

The Oklahoma Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped provides free services to Oklahomans who are blind or visually impaired. Those with reading disabilities or physical limitations that make it difficult to use standard print also qualify for our services. The Library provides books, magazines and other materials in audio formats as well as the audio equipment needed to read these materials. There is no cost for library services and no charge to mail the materials back to the library.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Braille and Reading Instruction; Dog Guide Training; Health-related Services; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oklahoma Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
300 NE 18th Street
Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Phone: (405) 521-3514; (1-800) 523-0288; & (405) 521-4672 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.olbph.org/dir/>

Email/Contact: olbph@okdrs.gov

OKLAHOMA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

Established in 1897, OSB is a fully accredited school that offers a complete educational program, tuition free, for blind and visually impaired students from pre-school through high school. Instruction is provided in traditional academic subjects, as well as orientation and mobility, Braille, independent living skills and assistive technology. Students at OSB participate in electives including wrestling, academic team, cheerleading and band. We have also partnered with the Indian Capital Technology Center for those students who wish to receive training in the industrial arts. OSB is the only school of its kind in Oklahoma designed specifically for the needs of pre-k and K-12 students who are blind and visually impaired.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Personnel Preparation; Radio Reading Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oklahoma School for the Blind
3300 Gibson Street
Muskogee, OK 74403

Phone: (918) 781-8200 & (1-877) 229-7136

Official Website: <http://www.osb.k12.ok.us/>

Email/Contact: http://www.osb.k12.ok.us/new/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=18&Itemid=140

OKLAHOMA SOONERSTART OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

SoonerStart is Oklahoma's early intervention program. It is designed to meet the needs of families with infants or toddlers with developmental delays. In accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) the program builds upon and provides supports and resources to assist family members to enhance infant's or toddler's learning and development through everyday learning opportunities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oklahoma Soonerstart Oklahoma State Department of Education
Special Education Services
2500 North Lincoln Boulevard
Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Phone: (405) 521-4880

Official Website: <http://ok.gov/sde/soonerstart>

Email/Contact: N/A

OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES OLIVER HODGE MEMORIAL EDUCATION BUILDING

The Oklahoma State Department of Education, Special Education Services (OSDE-SES) is committed to providing guidance and support in order to promote excellence in education from infancy to adulthood for children with disabilities as outlined in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA).

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oklahoma State Department of Education: Special Education Services
Oliver Hodge Memorial Education Building
2500 North Lincoln Boulevard
Oklahoma City, OK 73105-4599

Phone: (405) 521-3351

Official Website: <http://sde.ok.gov/sde/special-education>

Email/Contact: N/A

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BLIND ENTERPRISES OF OREGON

Blind Enterprises of Oregon (BEO) is a nonprofit organization located in Portland, Oregon, providing name tapes and other embroidered products manufactured by blind and visually impaired individuals. The mission of BEO is to promote opportunities that empower blind and visually impaired individuals to achieve their full potential in the work force. BEO provides on-the-job training and steady employment for blind and visually impaired employees.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blind Enterprises of Oregon
6540 SE Foster Road
Portland, OR 97206

Phone: (503) 774-6387

Official Website: <http://www.blindenterprises.org>

Email/Contact: N/Ametapes@blindenterprises.org

DEVERS MEMORIAL EYE CLINIC

Legacy Devers Eye Institute offers expertise in common procedures such as cataract surgery and LASIK, as well as help for those needing glasses and contact lenses. We also offer specialized care for a wide range of complicated eye diseases. Patients come from across the Pacific Northwest and around the world for our expert care.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Dog Guide Training; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Devers Memorial Eye Clinic
1040 NW 22nd Avenue
Portland, OR 97210

Phone: (503) 413-8499

Official Website: <http://www.legacyhealth.org/locations/clinics/specialty-clinics/legacy-devers-eye-institute-vision-rehabilitation.aspx>

Email/Contact: N/A

**EVELYN L. JONES VISION REHABILITATION CENTER
OREGON HEALTH AND SCIENCE UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY CASEY EYE
INSTITUTE CENTER FOR HEALTH AND HEALING**

OHSU is dedicated to improving the health and quality of life for all Oregonians through excellence, innovation and leadership in health care, education and research.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Evelyn L. Jones Vision Rehabilitation Center Oregon Health and Science University Department of Ophthalmology Casey Eye Institute Center for Health and Healing
3303 SW Bond Avenue
11th floor
Portland, OR 97239

Phone: (503) 494-3098

Official Website: <http://www.ohsu.edu/>

Email/Contact: N/A

GOLDEN HOURS RADIO NETWORK

OMNI Media Networks is a public benefit non-profit organization providing: Education, Information and Entertainment directed to people with disabilities (primarily vision impaired persons) and older individuals who would enjoy the variety of “Webcasting” that we offer.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Braille and Reading Instruction; Preschool Programs; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Golden Hours Radio Network
4352 Trapper Drive, NE
Salem, OR 97305

Phone: (503) 761-3133

Official Website: <http://omnimediantnetworks.org/about-omni/>

Email/Contact: omni@omnimediantnetworks.org

GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND

Since 1942, Guide Dogs for the Blind (GDB) has been creating partnerships between people, dogs, and communities. With exceptional client services and a robust network of instructors, puppy raisers, donors, and volunteers, we prepare highly qualified guide dogs to serve and empower individuals who are blind or have low vision from throughout the United States and Canada.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Guide Dogs for the Blind
32901 SE Kelso Road
Boring, OR 97009

Phone: (503) 668-2100

Official Website: <http://www.guidedogs.com>

Email/Contact: information@guidedogs.com

INDEPENDENT LIVING RESOURCES

In 1957 Independent Living Resources (ILR) began its life of community service. In those early years the agency manually transcribed and duplicated Braille textbooks. Over time this agency expanded services to the blind community. Activities such as orientation and mobility, skills training, crafts, and recreation were there for the asking. Since 1994 services have been extended to people with all disabilities. Through ILR's many changes, a common thread has been our non-profit status and our perseverance in helping others. By offering the four core services of Advocacy, Information and Referral, Peer Counseling and Skills Training, Independent Living Resources helps people to help themselves.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Independent Living Resources
1839 NE Couch Street
Portland, OR 97232

Phone: (503) 232-7411

Official Website: <http://www.ilr.org/>

Email/Contact: info@ilr.org

NATIONAL CENTER ON DEAF-BLINDNESS TEACHING RESEARCH WESTERN OREGON UNIVERSITY

NCDB has the largest collection of information related to deaf-blindness worldwide. Project specialists makes this extensive resource available in response to direct requests, via the NCDB.

SPONSOR: Private/Nonprofit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

National Center on Deaf-Blindness c/o Teaching Research Western
Oregon University
345 North Monmouth Avenue
Monmouth, OR 97361

Phone: (503) 838-8754

Official Website: <https://nationaldb.org/>

Email/Contact: support@nationaldb.org

ORAL HULL FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND

The Oral Hull Foundation for the Blind provides year-round recreational, social, and educational opportunities for persons with blindness and low vision. The facilities are located in a 23-acre park and include a lodge, 24-room dorm with 12-person hot tub, outdoor picnic shelter, Gardens of Enchantment and indoor swimming pool.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oral Hull Foundation for the Blind
43233 SE Oral Hull Road
P.O. Box 157
Sandy, OR 97055

Phone: (503) 668-6195

Official Website: <http://www.oralhull.org/>

Email/Contact: oralhull@gmail.com

OREGON ACADEMY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

The Oregon Academy of Ophthalmology is a professional association of eye physicians and surgeons who specialize in the medical and surgical treatment of eye diseases and other conditions, and also provide vision care services.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oregon Academy of Ophthalmology
833 Southwest 11th Avenue
Suite 315
Portland, OR 97205

Phone: (503) 222-3937

Official Website: <http://www.oregoneyephysicians.org/>

Email/Contact: oao@oregoneyephysicians.org

OREGON COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND

The Oregon Commission for the Blind was established in 1937 as a state agency to provide services to Oregon's citizens who experience vision loss and need specialized training and support to live full and productive lives. The agency receives policy direction and oversight from a seven-member Commission representing consumer organizations, education, ophthalmology/optometry, business and individual citizens.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oregon Commission for the Blind
535 SE 12th Avenue
Portland, OR 97214

Phone: (971) 673-1588; (1-888) 202-5463; (971) 673-1577 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.oregon.gov/blind>

Email/Contact: ocb.mail@state.or.us

OREGON DEAFBLIND PROJECT WESTERN OREGON UNIVERSITY (TRI)

The Oregon Deafblind Project is a federally-funded Technical Assistance and Dissemination project. The Project provides technical assistance, training, and information to enhance services for children in Oregon who are deafblind. The project serves children from birth through age 21 years. Technical assistance and support to IEP teams serving students who are deafblind enables the teams to implement the highly specialized services needed in the provision of a free, appropriate, public education for learners who are deafblind, residing in Oregon. Students eligible to receive services through the Project must meet the federal definition of Deafblindness.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oregon Deafblind Project Western Oregon University (TRI)
345 North Monmouth Avenue
Monmouth, OR 97361

Phone: (503) 838-8328

Official Website: <http://www.oregondb.org/index.htm>

Email/Contact: hearingj@wou.edu

OREGON EARLY INTERVENTION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIAL ED DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The Oregon Department of Education contracts with Locally Run agencies to provide a statewide system of free services for young children with developmental delays and disabilities and their families, including: Early Intervention (EI) - Individually designed services for children birth to three and support for parents to enhance children's physical, cognitive, communication, social emotional and/or adaptive development; and Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) - Specially designed instruction for children ages 3 to the age of public school eligibility in the areas of communication, cognitive, social/emotional, adaptive and others.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oregon Early Intervention and Early Childhood Special Ed Department of Education
255 Capitol Street, NE
Salem, OR 97310-0203

Phone: (503) 947-5811

Official Website: <http://www.oregon.gov/ode/students-and-family/SpecialEducation/earlyintervention/Pages/default.aspx>

Email/Contact: N/A

OREGON OPTOMETRIC PHYSICIANS ASSOCIATION

The Oregon Optometric Physicians Association (OOPA) is a state wide organization comprised of doctors of optometry, college of optometry faculty, optometric students and industry related associates. The OOPA is an affiliate of the American Optometric Association (AOA). It is governed by a president, president-elect, secretary/treasurer, past-president, two directors and an executive director.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oregon Optometric Physicians Association
4404 SE King Road
Milwaukie, OR 97222

Phone: (503) 654-5036

Official Website: <http://www.oregonoptometry.org>

Email/Contact: info@oregonoptometry.org

OREGON SENIORS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Provides referrals to Area Agencies on Aging and information on other Locally Run aging services.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oregon Seniors and People with Disabilities Department of Human Services
500 Summer Street, NE
E-02
Salem, OR 97301

Phone: (503) 945-5811 & (1-800) 282-8096

Official Website: <http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/spwpd/index.shtml>

Email/Contact: spd.web@state.or.us

OREGON STATEWIDE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM ACCESS TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

Provides equipment and training to people with significant combined hearing and vision loss so they can stay connected to friends and family.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oregon Statewide Assistive Technology Program Access Technologies, Inc.
2225 Lancaster Drive, NE
Salem, OR 97305-1396

Phone: (503) 361-1201

Official Website: <http://www.accesstechnologiesinc.org>

Email/Contact: info@accesstechnologiesinc.org

OREGON TEXT AND MEDIA CENTER FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

OTMC is administered by Willamette Education Service District (WESD) under contract from the Oregon Department of Education.

SPONSOR: State-Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Health-related Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Oregon Text and Media Center for the Visually Impaired
2060 Vista Avenue, SE
Suite 100
Salem, OR 97302

Phone: (503) 540-2940

Official Website: <http://www.wesd.org/sped/otmc>

Email/Contact: N/A

PACIFIC UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY FOREST GROVE FAMILY VISION CENTER

At Pacific University's Low Vision Service the examinations are tailored to the patients' needs and desires. Individuals who have lost the ability to perform various tasks of daily living as a result of permanent uncorrectable vision are often faced with a loss of independence and a sense of frustration. The primary goal of our Low Vision Service is to enable these individuals to achieve maximum use of their remaining vision while maintaining as independent a life style as possible. Through an examination of the patient's remaining vision, various optical and non-optical devices and techniques to assist in these daily living skills are evaluated. These devices can range in complexity from various lighting and marking tools, to a full array of hand-held or head-borne optical devices, to highly sophisticated electronic devices.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Pacific University College of Optometry Forest Grove Family Vision Center
2043 College Way
Forest Grove, OR 97116

Oregon

Phone: (503) 352-2020

Official Website: <http://www.pacificu.edu/optometry/patients/clinics/forestgrove.cfm>

Email/Contact: N/A

PACIFIC UNIVERSITY VISION CENTERS

Founded in 1849, Pacific University is a diverse learning community offering a unique combination of undergraduate, graduate and professional programs in the arts and sciences, education, business, optometry and the health professions.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Pacific University Vision Centers
2043 College Way
Forest Grove, OR 97116

Phone: (503) 357-6151

Official Website: <http://www.pacificu.edu/>

Email/Contact: N/A

PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY: SCHOOL OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Visually Impaired Learner (VIL) program is a nationally accredited graduate program to prepare teachers of students with visual impairments (TVIs), birth to 21, including those with multiple disabilities. Nationwide there is a critical need for TVIs, particularly in rural areas of the U.S. Portland State University offers the only program for TVI training in the Pacific Northwest using an innovative and flexible hybrid model.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Portland State University: School of Education Department of Special Education
P.O. Box 751
Portland, OR 97207-0751

Phone: (503) 725-5495

Official Website: <http://www.pdx.edu/sped/vil>

Email/Contact: N/A

READ HOW YOU WANT

Read How You Want was co-founded in 2004 by electronic publishing pioneers Christopher Stephen and Greg Duncan. When Chris's sister, who suffers from MS, developed difficulty reading, they began experimenting to determine whether people with reading difficulties could benefit from changing the text format. After more than four years of testing, Read How You Want has successfully developed award-winning conversion technology that reformats existing books into the widest selection of on-demand, alternative format editions on the market today. Each edition has been optimized for maximum readability. The company's goals are to make reading easier and more enjoyable by delivering formats that suit the reader and to give people with reading difficulties access to books in the formats of their choice—at an affordable price, and as soon as the book is published.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Read How You Want
Downtown
Portland, OR 97201

Phone: (971) 340-9853

Official Website: <http://www.readhowyouwant.com/>

Email/Contact: bradi@readhowyouwant.com

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ALLEGHENY INTERMEDIATE UNIT: SPECIAL EDUCATION DIVISION, BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED SUPPORT PROGRAM

At the Allegheny Intermediate Unit, we touch the lives of hundreds of children, families and educators every day. The Allegheny Intermediate Unit, also known as the AIU, is a regional public education agency and a crucial part of Pennsylvania's public education system. Our caring staff of educators, administrators and support staff provide specialized services to Allegheny County's suburban school districts as well as non-public, charter and vocational-technical schools.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; NLS Libraries; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Allegheny Intermediate Unit: Special Education Division, Blind and Visually Impaired Support Program
475 East Waterfront Drive
Homestead, PA 15120

Phone: (412) 394-5700

Official Website: <https://www.aiu3.net/vision>

Email/Contact: webmaster@aiu3.net

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

Making the Bible available to every person in a language and format each can understand and afford, so all people may experience its life-changing message.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Bible Society
101 North Independence Mall East
Floor 8
Philadelphia, PA 19106-2155

Phone: (215) 309-0900

Official Website: <https://www.americanbible.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.americanbible.org/about/contact>

ASSOCIATED SERVICES FOR THE BLIND & VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Associated Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired (ASB) is a private non-profit organization created to promote self-esteem, independence and self-determination in people who are blind and visually impaired.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support for Parents; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Associated Services for the Blind & Visually Impaired
919 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Phone: (215) 627-0600

Official Website: <https://www.asb.org>

Email/Contact: <https://www.asb.org/about-us/contact-us.html>

BEAVER COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

The BCAB Mission is to provide services to blind and visually impaired persons to promote independence, provide services to prevent blindness and provide employment opportunities to persons who are blind or disabled.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support for Parents; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Beaver County Association for the Blind
616 4th Street
Beaver Falls, PA 15010

Phone: (724) 843-1111

Official Website: <http://bcblind.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://bcblind.org/about-us/contact-us/>

BLAIR/CLEARFIELD ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

The purpose of this association is to act as a member agency to the Pennsylvania Association for the Blind provide supportive and educational resources to persons who are visually impaired and whose income falls within state guidelines, conserve sight and prevent blindness, and to advocate for services and rights of persons who are visually impaired.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blair/Clearfield Association for the Blind
300 5th Avenue
Altoona, PA 16602-2730

Phone: (814) 944-2021

Official Website: <http://bcabvi.org/>

Email/Contact: gpattie@bcabvi.org

BLIND AND VISION REHABILITATION SERVICES OF PITTSBURGH

For more than 100 years, Blind and Vision Rehabilitation Services of Pittsburgh has empowered people who are blind, deaf blind or vision impaired to become independent. Our mission is to change the lives of persons with vision loss and other disabilities by fostering independence and individual choice.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blind and Vision Rehabilitation Services of Pittsburgh
1816 Locust Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Phone: (412) 368-4400

Official Website: <https://www.bvrspittsburgh.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.bvrspittsburgh.org/contact-us/>

BLIND ASSOCIATION OF BUTLER AND ARMSTRONG COUNTIES

Our mission is to raise awareness about blindness and empower and educate individuals who have visual impairments to lead independent and enriched lives.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blind Association of Butler and Armstrong Counties
322 North Cedar Street
Butler, PA 16001-4958

Phone: (724) 287-4059 & (1-866) 382-4232

Official Website: <http://theblindassociation.org/>

Email/Contact: jbindernagel@theblindassociation.org

BOWER HILL BRAILLISTS FOUNDATION

In 1964, Bower Hill Community Church enrolled a young blind student, Rick Miller, in their Sunday school, but the church couldn't provide Braille materials for him and neither could the Locally Run schools. During the past 50 years, 13,791 ink-print titles had been transcribed into 75,554 brailled volumes at Bower Hill.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Bower Hill Braillists Foundation
70 Moffett Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15243

Phone: (412) 561-4114

Official Website: <http://www.bowerhillchurch.org/groups/non-profit-groups/braillist/>

Email/Contact: office@bhcmf.com

BUCKS COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND & VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Our mission is to provide resources, answers and support for people with blindness or other visual impairment that maximize their ability to meet life's daily challenges and realize their continued self-worth and value to our community.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Bucks County Association for the Blind & Visually Impaired
400 Freedom Drive
Newtown, PA 18940

Phone: (215) 968-9400 & (800) 472-8775

Official Website: <http://www.bucksblind.org/>

Email/Contact: info@bucksblind.org

CAMBRIA COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND AND HANDICAPPED

The Cambria County Association for the Blind and Handicapped strives to foster independence for blind and disabled people in our community and manufacture useful, high quality CAB Products for customers worldwide.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Cambria County Association for the Blind and Handicapped
175 Industrial Park Road
Ebensberg, PA 15931

Phone: (814) 472-5077

Official Website: <https://www.cabproducts.com/>

Email/Contact: N/A

CAMP ABILITIES PA AT WCU WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY

The Cambria County Association for the Blind and Handicapped (CCABH) offers vision, rehabilitation, and employment services to persons with disabilities living in Cambria County, Pennsylvania. At the same time, we manufacture a wide variety of high quality products, which are sold worldwide. The sale of our CAB Products helps support our services to more than 500 persons with disabilities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Camp Abilities PA at WCU West Chester University
306 Sturzebecker HSC
West Chester, PA 19383

Phone: (610) 436-2516

Official Website: <http://www.campabilitiespa.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.cabproducts.com/contact-2/>

CAPITAL AREA INTERMEDIATE UNIT: BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED SERVICES

The CAIU employs 5 Teachers of the Visually Impaired (TVI), two of whom are also dually certified as Orientation and Mobility Specialists. The staff serves 150 - 200 students each year with an annual average of 70 additional students assessed for service.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Capital Area Intermediate Unit: Blind and Visually Impaired Services
55 Miller Street
Enola, PA 17025

Phone: (717) 732-8400

Official Website: http://www.caiu.org/Schools_and_Districts/student-services/non-class-placement/consultation-services/blind-and-visually-impaired-services

Email/Contact: info@caiu.org

CENTER FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

CBVI is a not-for-profit agency dedicated to helping individuals in the greater Delaware Valley area prevent, prepare for, and adapt to vision loss in order to achieve independence.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired
100 West 15th Street
Chester, PA 19013

Phone: (610) 874-1476

Official Website: <http://cbvi.net/>

Email/Contact: cbvi@cbvi.net

CENTER FOR VISION LOSS

The Center for Vision Loss prides itself on looking beyond vision and is the region's only non-profit agency dedicated to improving the lives of people with vision loss.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Center for Vision Loss
845 Wyoming Street
Allentown, PA 18103

Phone: (610) 433-6018

Official Website: <http://centerforvisionloss.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://centerforvisionloss.org/contact>

CENTRAL SUSQUEHANNA SIGHT SERVICES

Central Susquehanna Sight Services (CSSS) has been providing education and vision screenings for the prevention of blindness and services for the blind and visually impaired for over 65 years.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Central Susquehanna Sight Services
348 Market Street
Sunbury, PA 17801

Phone: (570) 286-1471

Official Website: <https://cssight.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://cssight.org/>

CHESTER COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

Since 1948 our philosophy has been that visually impaired people can live normal lives regardless of the degree of sight limitation. The objective of the agency and its staff is to promote the adjustment, self reliance, independence, and dignity of every visually impaired person in Chester County.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Chester County Association for the Blind
71 South 1st Street
Coatesville, PA 19320

Phone: (610) 384-2767 (610) 384-7224

Official Website: <https://www.chescoblind.org/>

Email/Contact: info@chescoblind.org

FAYETTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

Fayette County Association for the Blind provides comprehensive, supportive services and programs that empower individuals with vision loss in Fayette County, PA to change their lives for the better—helping them regain their own independence.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Fayette County Association for the Blind
48 Bierer Lane
Uniontown, PA 15401

Phone: (724) 437-2791

Official Website: <http://fayetteblindassociation.org/>

Email/Contact: fayetteblindassociation@gmail.com

FORSIGHT VISION

Since 1932, ForSight Vision (formerly the York County Blind Center) has been a pivotal connection to education, occupational and social services for York County residents who are blind or visually impaired. In recent years, services have been extended to Adams County. We're here to help, to lend a hand, or just to listen.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

ForSight Vision
1380 Spahn Avenue
York, PA 17403

Phone: (717) 848-1690 ext. 9

Official Website: http://unitedway-york.galaxydigital.com/agency/detail/?agency_id=9629

Email/Contact: info@forsight.com

KEYSTONE BLIND ASSOCIATION

Keystone Independence Management (KIM) is an affiliate of Keystone Blind Association and Keystone Vocational Services. KIM provides management services for all KBA programs, services and operations. Our mission is to empower, educate, and employ individuals with vision loss or other disabilities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Counseling; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support for Parents; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Keystone Blind Association
3056 East State Street
Hermitage, PA 16148

Phone: (724) 347-5501

Official Website: <http://keystoneblind.org/>

Email/Contact: info@keystoneblind.org

KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY: DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Special Education Department offers certification programs in both Special Education (dual with Pre K-4, 4-8, or secondary education) and Visual Impairment areas.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Kutztown University: Department of Special Education
Beekey Education Center, Room 111
College Boulevard
Kutztown, PA 19530

Phone: (610) 683-4290

Official Website: <https://www.kutztown.edu/specialeducation>

Email/Contact: lynch@kutztown.edu

LACKAWANNA COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

The mission of the Lackawanna Blind Association is to support and promote the interests of the blind and visually impaired, and the prevention of avoidable blindness. Our services equip blind or visually impaired adults with the skills and confidence they need to meet the challenges of everyday life.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lackawanna County Association for the Blind
228 Adams Avenue
Scranton, PA 18503

Phone: (570) 342-7613

Official Website: <http://www.lackawannablind.org/>

Email/Contact: info@lackawannablind.org

LAWRENCE COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lawrence County Association for the Blind
2304 Wilmington Road
New Castle, PA 16015

Phone: (724) 856-3527

Official Website: <https://www.pablind.org/tag/lawrence-county/>

Email/Contact: N/A

LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED CARNEGIE LIBRARY OF PITTSBURGH LEONARD C. STASEY BUILDING

Through Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, the people of our region will develop the literacies and connections that support individual achievement and strengthen the power of community.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Dog Guide Training; Employment/ Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Carnegie Library of
Pittsburgh Leonard C. Staisey Building
4724 Baum Boulevard
Pittsburgh, PA 15213-1389

Phone: (412) 687-2440 & (1-800) 242-0586

Official Website: https://www.carnegielibrary.org/clp_location/library-for-the-blind-and-physically-handicapped/

Email/Contact: <https://www.carnegielibrary.org/contact/>

LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED FREE LIBRARY OF PHILADELPHIA

The Free Library of Philadelphia's Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (LBPH), as part of the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress (NLS) serves Pennsylvania residents who have difficulty reading due to a physical impairment, a reading disability, or a vision challenge.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Free Library of Philadelphia
1500 Spring Garden Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Phone: (215) 683-3213 & (1-800) 222-1754

Official Website: <https://libwww.freelibrary.org/lbph/>

Email/Contact: flpblind@freelibrary.org

MIDDLE ATLANTIC BLIND GOLF ASSOCIATION

Since 1948, the Middle Atlantic Blind Golf Association, a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation, has been providing blind and visually impaired (legally blind) men, women and children the opportunity to enjoy the challenges and rewards that golf offers. Today, MABGA has over 115 totally blind, visually impaired golfers and coaches, with another 78 junior blind golfers. Our Junior Golf program has expanded to North Jersey with sites coming soon in Atlanta, Georgia, and Baltimore, Maryland.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

N/A

Phone: (610) 917-9174

Official Website: <http://www.mabga.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.mabga.org/mabga-resources.htm>

MONTGOMERY COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

Montgomery County Association for the Blind's mission is to enhance the quality of life and independence of people coping with blindness and vision impairment through rehabilitation, education, support and advocacy. Founded in 1945, MCAB is supported by contributions from donors, private foundations and corporate grants, special events, bequests, and other gifts. MCAB is not part of county government.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Montgomery County Association for the Blind
25 East Marshall Street
3rd Floor
Norristown, PA 19401

Phone: (215) 661-9800

Official Website: <http://mcab.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

MOORE EYE FOUNDATION: LOW VISION REHABILITATION SERVICE HEALTHPLEX PAVILION II

At Moore, we provide state-of-the-art retina and anterior segment eye care along with expert pediatric eye services and low vision rehabilitation. Our ophthalmologists and optometrists help patients preserve their vision and get the clarity they deserve for active, healthy lifestyles.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Moore Eye Foundation: Low Vision Rehabilitation Service Healthplex Pavilion II
100 West Sproul Road
Suite 100
Springfield, PA 19064

Phone: (610) 690-4900

Official Website: <http://mooreeye.com/>

Email/Contact: celeste.tucker@mooreeye.com

NORTH CENTRAL SIGHT SERVICES, INC.

For fifty-eight years, North Central Sight Services, Inc. has assisted individuals who are blind or visually impaired to maximize their quality of life. We have helped prevent vision loss through our education programs and screenings for children and adults. To accomplish our mission, we offer Vision Rehabilitation Therapy, Support Services, an Employment Program, and a Prevention of Blindness Program.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

North Central Sight Services, Inc.
2121 Reach Road
P.O. Box 3292
Williamsport, PA 17701

Phone: (570) 323-9401 & (1-866) 32-2580

Official Website: <http://www.ncsight.org/>

Email/Contact: ncss@ncsight.org

NORTHEASTERN EYE INSTITUTE

Northeastern Eye Institute (NEI) is the largest and most comprehensive eye care center in Northeastern Pennsylvania. In response to changing regulation and a dynamic market environment, NEI was formally established in 1984 through the merger of several ophthalmic practices including those of Dr. Jerome J. Jordan, Dr. William J. Jordan, Dr. Arthur J. Jordan, Dr. William H. Kehrli and Dr. Stanley W.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Northeastern Eye Institute
200 Mifflin Avenue
Scranton, PA 18503

Phone: (570) 342-3145 & (855) 283-3501

Official Website: <https://www.neivision.com/locations>

Email/Contact: <https://www.neivision.com/contact.html>

NORTHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Open since 1968, Northland Public Library has nearly 200,000 items in its physical collection including books, magazines, newspapers, DVDs and CDs. Additionally the collection includes access to over 645,000 downloadable eBooks, eAudio, eMagazines, eVideos, eMusic. The library provides programming for people of all ages, as well as a quiet place to study, read and learn. Northland is the second largest library in Allegheny County. The geographic area served, the population base, collection and circulation are second only to the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh in Allegheny County. Our service area consists of over 81,000 residents spanning 61.15 square miles. Northland is also a member of the Allegheny County Library Association (ACLA) a system of 46 independent public libraries with more than 70 locations that work together, share resources and cooperate to provide a high level of public service to county residents.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Northland Public Library
300 Cumberland Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15237

Phone: (412) 366-8100 & (1-888) 292-2798

Official Website: <https://www.northlandlibrary.org/>

Email/Contact: northland@einetnetwork.net

NUVISIONS CENTER

NuVisions Center assists people with visual impairments remain independent persons in their communities, educates the community on vision loss and its prevention with programs for all ages, helps people who have no other means to obtain eyeglasses and eye exams, conducts vision screenings for preschoolers and adults. The Association employs persons with disabilities in several programs. NuVisions Center assists participants in learning new ways to accomplish old tasks so they can function independently in their homes. Our caseworkers go to the home and help them adjust within their own environment - it is customer driven plan of services. We work with their families to ensure that the loss of vision does not cause loss of family position. Referrals are made to Locally Run agencies to provide additional support and services as needed. We have a monthly Life Skills group that gives low vision clients an opportunity to meet others in similar life situations and learn tips from each other. In addition, speakers present information about new procedures and research in the vision field and new low vision aids that are available. The Center provides “door to door” transportation for our customers to medical appointments - our drivers pick up folks at their door and escort them into the medical office and then home again.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

Pennsylvania

SERVICES: Audio, Braille or Large Print Books; Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

NuVisions Center
658 Valley Street
Lewistown, PA 17044

Phone: (717) 242-1444 & (1-877) 741-7411

Official Website: <http://www.nu-visions.net/>

Email/Contact: info@nu-visions.net

OVERBROOK SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

At Overbrook we can provide related services, like orientation and mobility, and continue IEP goals on day one of the ESY program. Having ESY on campus creates a smooth transition for our students, and it also helps us to make the most of our “campers” educational time, so that we can ensure they maintain the skills they worked so hard on in the school year. A continuum of services is incredibly important to our hard-working, goal-smashing students and prepares them for the upcoming year. Our students and our staff waste no time -- right back to cane skills and traveling safely on day one! Our travelers have places to go and routes to master!

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Overbrook School for the Blind
6333 Malvern Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19151-2597

Phone: (215) 877-0313

Official Website: <http://www.obs.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

PATTAN (PENNSYLVANIA TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE NETWORK)

The PaTTAN AIM (Accessible Instructional Materials) Center supports Locally Run Education Agencies (LEAs) in meeting the requirements of IDEA 2004 for the provision of accessible instructional materials. The AIM Center serves as a central location for material production and technical support and assists LEAs in obtaining specialized formats of instructional materials for eligible students with print disabilities. Specialized formats include digital text, audio, braille, large print, and accessible PDF.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

PaTTAN (Pennsylvania Training and Technical Assistance Network)
6340 Flank Drive
Suite 600
Harrisburg, PA 17112-2793

Phone: (717) 541-4960 & (1-800) 360-7282

Official Website: <http://www.pattan.net/category/Resources/AIM%20Center/>

Email/Contact: N/A

**PENN CENTER FOR LOW VISION REHABILITATION
AND RESEARCH SCHEIE EYE INSTITUTE
DEPARTMENT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY UNIVERSITY OF
PENNSYLVANIA HEALTH SYSTEM**

The Penn Center for Low Vision Rehabilitation and Research is affiliated with the Ralston Center for Geriatric Medicine. It is a state-of-the-art facility that combines the skills of ophthalmology, optometry and occupational therapy to make the most of vision that cannot be restored further through medical or surgical means.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Penn Center for Low Vision Rehabilitation and Research Scheie Eye
Institute Department of Ophthalmology University of Pennsylvania
Health System
3615 Chestnut Street
Ralston House, Room 141
Philadelphia, PA 19104

Phone: (215) 662-2600

Official Website: <https://www.pennmedicine.org/for-patients-and-visitors/find-a-program-or-service/ophthalmology/low-vision>

Email/Contact: N/A

PENNSYLVANIA ACADEMY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

The purpose of the Pennsylvania Academy of Ophthalmology is to act as the voice of Ophthalmologic medicine in Pennsylvania.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Pennsylvania Academy of Ophthalmology
777 East Park Drive
Harrisburg, PA 17111

Phone: (717) 558-7750 & (1-888) 633-5784

Official Website: <http://www.paeyemds.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

PAB, founded in 1910, is a network of 25 Member Agencies across the state serving over 132,000 Pennsylvanians annually. With over 110 years of experience serving Pennsylvanians with Vision Loss, PAB knows what it takes to respond to your needs. Whether you're the parent of a blind child, a Veteran, or an older adult looking to connect with peers who are experiencing the same issues, we offer customized instruction and support to improve your quality of life, or that of a loved one. PAB is the nation's only statewide private non-profit organization providing services for people who are blind or visually impaired, as well as prevention of blindness programs to the general population.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

Pennsylvania

MAILING ADDRESS:

Pennsylvania Association for the Blind
555 Gettysburg Pike
Suite A300
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Phone: (717) 766-2020

Official Website: <http://www.pablind.org>

Email/Contact: info@pablind.org

PENNSYLVANIA DEAFBLIND INITIATIVE PENNSYLVANIA TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE NETWORK

Through PaTTAN, the Pennsylvania Deaf-Blind Project offers a variety of training, technical assistance, and resources to assist educators and families in the areas of assessment, instruction, and family involvement activities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Pennsylvania Deafblind Initiative Pennsylvania Training and Technical Assistance Network
3190 William Pitt Way
Pittsburgh, PA 15238

Phone: (412) 826-2338 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.pattan.net/category/Educational%20Initiatives/Deaf-Blind>

Email/Contact: N/A

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SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Personnel Preparation; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Pennsylvania Deafblind Initiative Pennsylvania Training and Technical Assistance Network
3190 William Pitt Way
Pittsburgh, PA 15238

Phone: (412) 826-2338 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.pattan.net/category/Educational%20Initiatives/Deaf-Blind>

Email/Contact: N/A

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF AGING

Responsible for the administration of all Aging programs and services for the commonwealth. Promotes prevention and protection for older Pennsylvanians.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Pennsylvania Department of Aging
555 Walnut Street
5th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17101-1919

Phone: (717) 783-1550

Official Website: <http://www.aging.state.pa.us/>

Email/Contact: aging@pa.gov

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY OFFICE OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION BUREAU OF BLINDNESS AND VISUAL SERVICES

Pennsylvania's Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Bureau of Blindness and Visual Services (BBVS) provides services to assist Pennsylvanians who are blind or visually impaired to work and maintain independent lives.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Recreation Services; Support for Parents; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Bureau of Blindness and Visual Services
1521 North 6th Street
Harrisburg, PA 17102

Phone: (717) 787-320; (1-800) 622-2842; (1-866) 830-7327 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.dli.pa.gov/Individuals/Disability-Services/bbvs/Pages/default.aspx>

Email/Contact: N/A

PENNSYLVANIA LIONS BEACON LODGE CAMP

The Pennsylvania Lions Beacon Lodge Camp is a beautiful five hundred and eighty-three acre summer camp for children and adults with special needs including blindness, deafness, and many other physical and mental challenges. It is nestled in the natural woodlands along the Juniata River of Central Pennsylvania just two miles west of Newton Hamilton, near Mount Union. Beacon Lodge was established in 1948 as a summer camp for blind residents of Pennsylvania. It has grown into a favorite retreat for many people with disabilities as well as a conference center for special groups, an educational facility for families, a rental camp for group retreats, and more. The goals of the camp were and are to present a well-rounded program adaptable to all campers and others, regardless of age, race, creed or color.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Pennsylvania Lions Beacon Lodge Camp
114 SR 103 South
Mt. Union, PA 17066-9601

Phone: (814) 542-2511

Official Website: <http://www.beaconlodge.com>

Email/Contact: <http://www.beaconlodge.com/contact/>

PENNSYLVANIA OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The Pennsylvania Optometric Association is the professional organization for Doctors of Optometry in Pennsylvania. An affiliate of the American Optometric Association, the POA promotes the highest quality eye and vision care by optometrists, represents optometry to state government, provides its members with post-graduate education and membership benefits, and conducts activities in the interest of the visual welfare of the public.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Pennsylvania Optometric Association
218 North Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Phone: (717) 233-6455

Official Website: <http://www.poaeyes.org>

Email/Contact: mail@poaeyes.org

PENNSYLVANIA'S INITIATIVE ON ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTE ON DISABILITIES TEMPLE UNIVERSITY

Pennsylvania's Initiative on Assistive Technology (PIAT) strives to enhance the lives of all Pennsylvanians with disabilities, older Pennsylvanians, and their families, through access to and acquisition of assistive technology devices and services, which allow for choice, control and independence at home, work, school, play, and in their neighborhoods.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Pennsylvania's Initiative on Assistive Technology Institute on Disabilities Temple University
1755 North 13th Street
Student Center, Room 411S
Philadelphia, PA 19122

Phone: (215) 204-3330; (215) 204-1356; (1-866) 268-0579 (TTY); & (215) 204-1805 (TTY)

Official Website: <http://disabilities.temple.edu/programs/assistive/piat/>

Email/Contact: atinfo@temple.edu

ROYER-GREAVES SCHOOL FOR BLIND

Realizing that many blind children were being denied the education they needed and deserved, Dr. Jessie Royer-Greaves founded Royer-Greaves School for the Blind in 1921. Other schools that accepted students with visual impairments then only accepted those who could demonstrate a minimum IQ score. Dr. Royer-Greaves realized that this left the vast potential of many young people unmet, and founded Royer-Greaves for them. This was a pioneering concept; ours was the first school of its kind in the country.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Royer-Greaves School for Blind
118 South Valley Road
Paoli, PA 19301-1444

Phone: (610) 644-1810

Official Website: <http://www.royer-greaves.org/>

Email/Contact: info@royer-greaves.org

RUDOLPHY/MERCY-DOUGLASS HOME FOR THE BLIND

Mercy-Douglass is a housing development and full service property management company with over 30 years of experience. Our specialty focuses on developing and managing Housing and Urban Development funded projects. Mercy has embarked on developing 21st century skills to empower the youth and families in our properties and surrounding neighborhoods through TechCORE2 and the Everyone On initiatives.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Rudolphy/Mercy-Douglass Home for the Blind
3827 Powelton Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19145

Phone: (215) 386-1808

Official Website: <http://mercydouglass.org/property/rmdhftb2g/>

Email/Contact: info@mercydouglass.org

SAINT LUCY DAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN WITH VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS

Saint Lucy Day School for Children with Visual Impairments and Archbishop Ryan Academy for the Deaf are two of the four Special Education Schools of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. We are accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and School Commission on Elementary and Secondary Schools.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Saint Lucy Day School for Children with Visual Impairments
4251 L Street
Philadelphia, PA 19124

Phone: (215) 289-4220

Official Website: <http://stl.ocephila.org>

Email/Contact: principalardslds@gmail.com

SALUS UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND REHABILITATION ELKINS PARK CAMPUS

The Pennsylvania College of Optometry innovates and leads in the development of optometrists who advance health and health care through excellence in discovery, patient care, and professionalism. By 2018 the Pennsylvania College of Optometry will be recognized as an innovator in providing optometric education with emphasis on an interdisciplinary approach to healthcare.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Salus University College of Education and Rehabilitation Elkins Park
Campus
8360 Old York Road
Elkins Park, PA 19027-1598

Phone: (215) 780-1400; (1-800) 824-6262

Official Website: <http://www.salus.edu>

Email/Contact: admissions@salus.edu

SIGHT CENTER OF NORTHWEST PA

To prevent blindness and promote independence in those with vision loss.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support for Parents; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Sight Center of Northwest PA
2545 West 26th Street
Erie, PA 16505-3261

Phone: (814) 455-0995

Official Website: <http://www.sightcenternwpa.org/>

Email/Contact: www.sightcenternwpa.org/contact/

UNITED STATES BLIND GOLF ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP CHAIR PERSON

The United States Blind Golf Association (USBGA) is a national non-profit 501c3 organization. USBGA promotes golf for the blind and vision-impaired and provides opportunities for blind and vision-impaired golfers to play the game of golf. Recognizing the unique skills that blind and vision-impaired golfers possess, ABG hopes to inspire, motivate, and serve the community.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

United States Blind Golf Association c/o Membership Chair Person
125 Gilberts Hill Road
Lexington, PA 18235

Phone: NA

Official Website: <http://usblindgolf.com/>

Email/Contact: info@usblindgolf.com

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH: DEPARTMENT OF INSTRUCTION AND LEARNING

The Vision Studies Program (VSP) at the University of Pittsburgh (Pitt) began preparing teachers of students with visual impairment (TVI), orientation and mobility (O&M) specialists, and doctoral leadership personnel in 1963, making it one of the longest running vision programs in the U.S. Throughout that time, the VSP at Pitt has prepared thousands of highly specialized teachers and O&M specialists to serve the education and rehabilitation needs of children and adults who are blind or visually impaired (B/VI) nationwide. Presently, there is a substantial demand for certified professionals to serve the needs of this population Locally Runly, regionally, and nationally. Positions far exceed the number of qualified personnel available. Doctoral graduates of Pitt's VSP have become leaders in the field of blindness and visual impairment (B/VI), forging research agenda that have made a significant impact upon improving the lives of individuals who are B/VI around the world.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

University of Pittsburgh: Department of Instruction and Learning
Department of Instruction and Learning
5500 Wesley W. Posvar Hall
230 South Bouquet Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15260

Phone: (412) 648-7308

Official Website: <http://www.education.pitt.edu/AcademicDepartments/InstructionLearning/Programs/VisionStudies.aspx>

Email/Contact: <https://www.education.pitt.edu/ContactUs.aspx>

VENANGO COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

The mission of the Venango County Association for the Blind is to provide quality and consistent services to the blind and visually impaired and to prevent unnecessary blindness.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Venango County Association for the Blind
3035 State Route 257
Seneca, PA 16346

Phone: (866) 415-1107

Official Website: <http://venangoblind.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://vcblind.comcastbiz.net/contact-us.shtml>

VISION RESOURCE CENTER OF BERKS COUNTY

For over 85 years the Vision Resource Center of Berks County has proudly provided services to prevent blindness and make it possible for visually impaired Berks County residents to lead independent and productive lives within their community. The agency serves over 600 blind and visually impaired Berks County residents. The Vision Resource Center of Berks County is a 501 (c)(3), non-profit social service agency that was founded in 1929 by the Reading Lions Club.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vision Resource Center of Berks County
2020 Hampden Boulevard
Reading, PA 19604-1499

Phone: (610) 375-8407

Official Website: <http://vrcberks.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://vrcberks.org/contact-us/>

VISION RESOURCES OF CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA

Vision Resources of Central Pennsylvania include our prevention of blindness programs like the preschool and adult vision screenings. We also provide specialized services such as bill paying, and door to door transportation services for clients that are visually impaired that help them to remain independent and living in their own homes. Last year, we served over 16,000 people in the community. Over the years, we have continued to expand our services and programs, in the 1990's Vision Resources added: Computer Technology Training Low Vision Aids Services and a Necessity Store stocked with products designed to encourage independence. In this past decade we have added: Franklin County to our service area for Prevention and Specialized Services, Custodial/Lawn Care to the Business-to-Business services Since 2000, we added Photo License ID to the Business-to-Business services, Summer Camp for kids, and teens who are blind/visually impaired, No-Cost Eye Clinic to serve the needs of the uninsured, an Eye Wear Shoppe stocked with low cost and no cost eye glasses and opened a Vision Rehab Center specializing in Low Vision Care.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vision Resources of Central Pennsylvania
1130 South 19th Street
Harrisburg, PA 17104

Phone: (717) 238-2531

Official Website: <http://www.vrocp.org/>

Email/Contact: info@vrocp.org

VISIONCORPS

VisionCorps was founded in 1926 and is one of the oldest, and largest, non-profit organizations in Pennsylvania. Its goal is to empower people who are blind or vision impaired to attain independence.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

VisionCorps
244 North Queen Street
Lancaster, PA 17603

Phone: (717) 291-5951 & (1-866) 876-6550

Official Website: <https://visioncorps.net/>

Email/Contact: <https://visioncorps.net/contact/>

WASHINGTON-GREENE ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

Incorporated in 1948, the Blind Association offers services and referrals designed to assist the blind and visually impaired residents of Washington and Greene Counties to maintain independence with dignity.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Washington-Greene Association for the Blind
566 East Maiden Street
Washington, PA 15301

Phone: (724) 228-0770

Official Website: <http://www.wgcba.org/>

Email/Contact: washgreene@wgcba.org

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA SCHOOL FOR BLIND CHILDREN

The Mission of the Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children is to be a leading educational facility and Outreach provider. The School offers a full range of exceptional individualized special education services fostering maximum independence for students with visual impairment, including blindness and other challenges, and provides support and resources to families and the community.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children
201 North Bellefield Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15213-1499

Phone: (412) 621-0100

Official Website: <http://www.wpsbc.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

WESTMORELAND COUNTY BLIND ASSOCIATION

WCBA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization led by a volunteer Board of Directors and a talented staff. WCBA is dedicated to improving productivity, independence and quality of life for sight impaired, intellectually, and physically challenged individuals.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Westmoreland County Blind Association
911 South Main Street
Greensburg, PA 15601-4140

Phone: (724) 837-1250

Official Website: <http://www.wcbainpa.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://wcbainpa.org/contact/>

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IN-SIGHT

Founded in 1925 as the Rhode Island Association for the Blind, INSIGHT's mission is to inspire confidence, build skills, and empower people who are blind and visually impaired to become fully integrated, equally valued members of society by providing diverse services that produce opportunities and choices.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Radio Reading Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support for Parents; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

IN-SIGHT
43 Jefferson Boulevard
Suite 1
Warwick, RI 02888

Phone: (401) 941-3322

Official Website: <https://in-sight.org/>

Email/Contact: info@in-sight.org

PAUL V. SHERLOCK CENTER ON DISABILITIES

The Rhode Island Vision Services Education and Services Program, supported by the Rhode Island Department of Education, provides teaching and consultation services to children who are blind or visually impaired, their families and educational staff within the school environment. The array of services available includes Early Intervention, Orientation and Mobility, and the instruction of specific compensatory skills to children from birth through 21 years.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Paul V. Sherlock Center on Disabilities
600 Mount Pleasant Avenue
Providence, RI 2908

Phone: (401) 456-8072; (1-800) 745-5555 (TTY); & (1-866) 355-9241 (Spanish)

Official Website: <http://www.ric.edu/sherlockcenter/vision.html>

Email/Contact: mpallack@ric.edu

RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: CENTER FOR CHILD AND FAMILY HEALTH

Rhode Island's Early Intervention Program promotes the growth and development of infants and toddlers who have a developmental disability or delay in one or more areas. Developmental disabilities or delays can affect a child's speech, physical ability, or social skills. Children referred to the Early Intervention Program receive a comprehensive developmental evaluation to determine if they are eligible. One of the goals of Early Intervention is to provide support to families so their children can develop to their fullest potential. Services are provided in places where children usually play or take part in daily activities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Rhode Island Department of Human Services: Center for Child and Family Health
74 West Road
Building 74
Cranston, RI 02920

Phone: (401) 462-3425 & (1-800) 942-7434

Official Website: <http://www.eohhs.ri.gov/Consumer/FamilieswithChildren/EarlyIntervention.aspx>

Email/Contact: N/A

RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES: SERVICES FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The purpose of Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired is to provide eligible individuals with visual impairments the opportunities and support that will enable them to become independent, active, self-sustaining members of their communities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Radio Reading Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Rhode Island Department of Human Services: Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired
40 Fountain Street
Providence, RI 02903-1898

Phone: (401) 277-2382 & (1-800) 752-8088

Official Website: <http://www.ors.state.ri.us>

Email/Contact: N/A

RHODE ISLAND DIVISION OF ELDERLY AFFAIRS LOUIS PASTEUR BUILDING

Our programs and services empower seniors, preserve independence and enrich lives.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Rhode Island Division of Elderly Affairs Louis Pasteur Building
25 Howard Avenue
2nd Floor
Cranston, RI 02920

Phone: (401) 462-3000 & (401) 462-0740 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.dea.state.ri.us/>

Email/Contact: N/A

RHODE ISLAND MATERIALS ACCESS CENTER

The Rhode Island Materials Access Center (RIMAC) is the support center for the RI AEM Initiative, a statewide system designed to provide appropriate accessible instructional materials to students who cannot access standard print materials. RIMAC serves RI to implement the requirements in Part B of IDEA.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Rhode Island Materials Access Center
110 Jefferson Boulevard Suite
Suite I
Warwick, RI 02888

Phone: (401) 463-0202 (TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.techaccess-ri.org/rimac/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.techaccess-ri.org/rimac/>

RHODE ISLAND SERVICES TO CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH DUAL SENSORY IMPAIRMENTS SHERLOCK CENTER ON DISABILITIES

RI Services to Children and Youth with Dual Sensory Impairments, also known as the DSI Project, is a federally funded grant designed to provide technical assistance to educational teams and families who serve learners with deaf-blindness (birth - 22 years old) in Rhode Island.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Rhode Island Services to Children and Youth with Dual Sensory Impairments Sherlock Center on Disabilities
600 Mount Pleasant Avenue
Providence, RI 02908

Phone: (401) 456-8773 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.ric.edu/sherlockcenter/dualsensory.html>

Email/Contact: <http://www.ric.edu/sherlockcenter/dsicontact.html>

RHODE ISLAND SOCIETY OF EYE PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS

Rhode Island Medical Society is a voluntary association of physicians, physician assistants and medical students. It supports and advocates for all Rhode Island physicians in their efforts to provide the best possible care to their patients. The Society is the vehicle by which the medical community in Rhode Island meets the evolving challenges of medical practice and quality patient care. The Society represents the interests, values and needs of the medical profession and promotes enlightened public policy in the field of health care.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Rhode Island Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons
405 Promenade Street
Suite A
Providence, RI 02908

Phone: (401) 331-3207

Official Website: <http://www.rimedicalsociety.org/rhode-island-society-of-eye-physicians-and-surgeons.html>

Email/Contact: mbialek@rimed.org

TALKING BOOKS PLUS OFFICE OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SERVICES

Talking Books Library, the Rhode Island Regional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, provides library service free of charge to anyone in Rhode Island who is unable to read standard print material because of a temporary or permanent visual or physical handicap. The program is part of the National Library Service network which provides free digital books and equipment to eligible residents and agencies. The Talking Books Library program is administered by the Rhode Island Office of Library and Information Services.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Talking Books Plus Office of Library and Information Services
1 Capitol Hill
Providence, RI 02908

Phone: (401) 574-9310

Official Website: <http://www.olis.ri.gov/tbl/>

Email/Contact: olis.tbplus@olis.ri.gov

TECHACCESS OF RHODE ISLAND

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit
access to technologies and technology services to support their full participation in all aspects of life.

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

TechACCESS of Rhode Island
161 Comstock Parkway
Cranston, RI 2921

Phone: (401) 463-0202

Official Website: <http://www.techaccess-ri.org/>

Email/Contact: techaccess@techaccess-ri.org

SOUTH CAROLINA ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM USC SCHOOL OF MEDICINE UNIVERSITY CENTER FOR EXCELLENCE CENTER FOR DISABILITY RESOURCES

The South Carolina Assistive Technology Program (SCATP) uses technology devices and services to help people with disabilities live, work and learn more independently. We are federally funded and part of a national network of technology-related assistance programs that provide the devices that increase, maintain or improve functional capabilities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

South Carolina Assistive Technology Program USC School of Medicine University Center for Excellence Center for Disability Resources
8301 Farrow Road
Columbia, SC 29203

Phone: (803) 935-5263 (800) 915-4522

Official Website: <http://www.sc.edu/scatp/>

Email/Contact: carol.page@uscmed.sc.edu

SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND

Our mission is to provide quality individualized vocational rehabilitation services, independent living services and prevention-of-blindness services to blind and visually impaired consumers leading to competitive employment and social and economic independence.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

South Carolina Commission for the Blind
1430 Confederate Avenue
Columbia, SC 29201

Phone: (803) 898-8764 & (1-888) 835-5951

Official Website: <http://www.sccb.state.sc.us/>

Email/Contact: publicinfo@sccb.sc.gov

SOUTH CAROLINA INTERAGENCY DEAF-BLIND PROJECT SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOLS FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND

The SC School for the Deaf and the Blind is the state's specialized school for students who are deaf or blind. The main campus is located in Spartanburg, but the school serves students statewide through its campus and outreach programs.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

South Carolina Interagency Deaf-Blind Project South Carolina Schools
for the Deaf and the Blind
355 Cedar Springs Road
Spartanburg, SC 29302

Phone: (1-888) 447-2732 & (864) 585-7711

Official Website: <https://www.scsdb.org/domain/121>

Email/Contact: <https://www.scsdb.org/domain/145>

SOUTH CAROLINA LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ON AGING

The Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging (LGOA) enhances the quality of life for seniors in South Carolina. The LGOA works with a network of regional and Locally Run organizations to develop and manage services that help seniors remain independent in their homes and in their communities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

South Carolina Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging
1301 Gervais Street
Suite 350
Columbia, SC 29201

Phone: (803) 734-9900 & (1-800) 868-9095

Official Website: <http://www.aging.sc.gov/>

Email/Contact: N/A

SOUTH CAROLINA OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

We are leading in developing changes in eyecare and in the prevention of blindness. Striving to provide the most advanced and highest-quality eyecare to our patients, we pledge to maintain excellence in caring for South Carolina citizens and protecting their visual welfare.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

South Carolina Optometric Association
2730 Devine Street
Columbia, SC 29205

Phone: (803) 799-6721

Official Website: <https://www.sceyedoctors.com/>

Email/Contact: info@sceyedoctors.com

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2730 Devine Street
Columbia, SC 29205

Phone: (803) 799-6721 & (1-877) 799-6721

Official Website: <https://www.sceyedoctors.com/>

Email/Contact: info@sceyedoctors.com

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SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; NLS Libraries; Radio Reading Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

South Carolina School for the Deaf and the Blind
355 Cedar Springs Road
Spartanburg, SC 29302

Phone: (864) 585-7711 & (1-888) 447-2732

Official Website: <https://www.scsdb.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

TALKING BOOK SERVICES SOUTH CAROLINA STATE LIBRARY

The South Carolina State Library develops, supports, and sustains a thriving statewide community of learners committed to making South Carolina stronger. We serve the people of South Carolina by supporting state government and libraries to provide opportunities for learning in a changing environment.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Talking Book Services South Carolina State Library
1500 Senate Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Phone: (1-800) 922-7818; (803) 734-4611; & (711) 734-4611 (TTY)

Official Website: <http://sctalkingbook.org/>

Email/Contact: tbsbooks@statelibrary.sc.gov

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA UPSTATE

Offers a Master of Education in Special Education: VI Program cooperatively with South Carolina School for The Deaf and The Blind. The unique 39-hour program includes courses offered on campus and through distance education.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

University of South Carolina Upstate
800 University Way
Spartanburg, SC 29303

Phone: (864) 503-5572 & (864) 503-5000

Official Website: <https://www.uscupstate.edu/academics/school-of-education/>

Email/Contact: info@uscupstate.edu

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA UPSTATE

The Master of Education in Visual Impairment Program is shaped and aligned with the School of Education's core values and disposition and the standards set by the Council for Exceptional Children. The SC Department of Education requirements for endorsement in visual impairment have also been embedded into the program. Candidates in the program are typically full-time teachers from across the state. Thus, the two-year program offers live classes at the South Carolina School for the Deaf and the Blind in the summer and distance learning classes in the fall and spring.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

University of South Carolina Upstate
800 University Way
Spartanburg, SC 29303

Phone: (864) 503-5000; (1-800) 277-8727; & (864) 503-5572

Official Website: <https://www.uscupstate.edu/academics/majors-programs/masters/special-education-visual-impairment/>

Email/Contact: therzberg@uscupstate.edu

VISION INSTITUTE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

TVI is a non-profit entity committed to promoting achievement, independence and accessibility for people who are visually impaired or blind. TVI was founded in June 2010 in response to a state-wide need for a non-profit organization to assist in providing a variety of services for individuals who are visually impaired or blind.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vision Institute of South Carolina
P.O. Box 1923
Irmo, SC 29063

Phone: (803) 627-8847

Official Website: <http://www.tvisc.org/Default.aspx>

Email/Contact: info@tvisc.org

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DAKOTALINK

DakotaLink is a program of the South Dakota Department of Human Services, Division of Rehabilitation Services administered by Black Hills Special Services Cooperative and funded in part through a grant from the United States Department of Health and Human Services through the Administration for Community Living under Public Law 108-364, referred to as the Assistive Technology Act of 2004 or the Assistive Technology Act of 1998, as amended.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

DakotaLink
1161 Deadwood Avenue
Suite 5
Rapid City, SD 57702

Phone: (605) 394-6742 & (1-800) 645-0673

Official Website: <http://dakotalink.org>

Email/Contact: atinfo@dakotalink.net

NORTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY: SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

The special education degree gives you the skills necessary to support students with diverse learning needs in a variety of settings, and often is paired as a double major with NSU's elementary education degree.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Northern State University: Special Education Program
1200 South Jay Street
Aberdeen, SD 57401

Phone: (605) 626-3169

Official Website: <http://www.northern.edu/programs/special-education>

Email/Contact: info@northern.edu

SOUTH DAKOTA BRAILLE AND TALKING BOOK LIBRARY STATE LIBRARY BUILDING

The mission of the Braille and Talking Book Library is to provide equal access to print materials in a format acceptable to all citizens of South Dakota who cannot read standard print. The inability to read standard print may be caused by a visual impairment that prevents seeing the print, a physical disability that prevents holding the materials and/or turning the pages, or a learning disability caused by an organic dysfunction. The alternative formats include large print, Braille, audio books or electronic files.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

South Dakota Braille and Talking Book Library State Library Building
800 Governors Drive
Pierre, SD 57501-2294

Phone: (605) 773-3131 & (1-800) 423-6665

Official Website: <http://library.sd.gov/BTB/index.aspx>

Email/Contact: talkbkreq@state.sd.us

SOUTH DAKOTA DEAF-BLIND PROJECT CENTER FOR DISABILITIES SANFORD SCHOOL OF MEDICINE THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Every state in the nation has a Deaf-Blind Program and South Dakota's is at the Center for Disabilities. These programs provide technical assistance, training and resources to families and service providers of children (birth to 21) with varying levels of both hearing and vision loss. Services are geared toward improving educational outcomes for children of all ages in order to help prepare them for eventual transition into adulthood. Technical assistance is free of charge.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

South Dakota Deaf-Blind Project Center for Disabilities Sanford
School of Medicine The University of South Dakota
414 E. Clark Street
Vermillion, SD 57069

Phone: (1-877) 269-6837

Official Website: <https://www.usd.edu/medicine/center-for-disabilities/deaf-blind-program>

Email/Contact: cd@usd.edu

SOUTH DAKOTA DIVISION OF ADULT SERVICES AND AGING DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

LTSS provides home and community-based service options to individuals 60 years of age and older and 18 years of age and older with disabilities. In accordance with the Older Americans Act and other applicable state and federal laws, LTSS provides or purchases services for South Dakotans who meet program eligibility.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

South Dakota Division of Adult Services and Aging Department of Social Services
700 Governors Drive
Pierre, SD 57501-2291

Phone: (605) 773-3656 & (1-866) 854-5465

Official Website: <http://dss.sd.gov/asa/>

Email/Contact: dssinfo@state.sd.us

SOUTH DAKOTA DIVISION OF SERVICE TO THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED HILLSVIEW PROPERTIES PLAZA 500 EAST CAPITAL

The mission of the Division of Service to the Blind and Visually Impaired (SBVI) is to provide individualized rehabilitation services that result in optimal employment and independent living outcomes for citizens who are blind or visually impaired.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Support for Parents; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

South Dakota Division of Service to the Blind and Visually Impaired
Hillsview Properties Plaza c/o 500 East Capital
3800 East Hwy. 34
Pierre, SD 57501

Phone: (605) 773-4644 & (1-800) 265-9684

Official Website: <http://dhs.sd.gov/sbvi/>

Email/Contact: infodhs@state.sd.us

SOUTH DAKOTA OFFICE OF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES AND SUPPORTS: SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

State education agency that is focused on providing special education programs to South Dakotans.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

South Dakota Office of Educational Services and Supports: Special Education Programs
800 Governors Drive
Pierre, SD 57501-2291

Phone: (605) 773-3678

Official Website: <http://doe.sd.gov/sped/index.aspx>

Email/Contact: betty.leidholt@state.sd.us

SOUTH DAKOTA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Preparing students to step forward with confidence and a vision of lifetime success: The South Dakota School for the Blind and Visually Impaired (SDSBVI) has been designated by state law to provide a variety of services to meet the individual needs of students in South Dakota who are visually impaired, blind, or deaf-blind. As a part of the state's educational system, the school does not charge for tuition, room, and board or fees for any services provided by the school or staff, including educational assessments. We encourage you to tour the school or talk with us about our service

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

South Dakota School for the Blind and Visually Impaired
423 17th Avenue, SE
Aberdeen, SD 57401-7699

Phone: (605) 626-2580 & (1-888) 275-3814

Official Website: <http://sdsbvi.northern.edu/default.htm>

Email/Contact: marje.kaiser@sdsbvi.northern.edu

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SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

South Dakota School for the Blind and Visually Impaired
423 17th Avenue SE
Aberdeen, SD 57401

Phone: (605) 626-2582

Official Website: <http://sdsbvi.northern.edu/home-links.htm>

Email/Contact: <http://sdsbvi.northern.edu/contact.htm>

EYE CENTER AT SOUTHERN COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY

The Eye Center offers doctors with advanced degrees and training, a renowned reputation for excellence in patient care, and services for all ages, ranging from infants to seniors. The doctors at The Eye Center are also educators, training interns and residents to use the newest techniques and treatment options for diseases and disorders of the eye and visual system.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Eye Center at Southern College of Optometry
1225 Madison Avenue
Memphis, TN 38104

Phone: (901) 722-3250

Official Website: <https://tec.sco.edu/>

Email/Contact: questions@tec.sco.edu

LIONS VOLUNTEER BLIND INDUSTRIES/ OPPORTUNITY EAST

Since 1951, Lions Volunteer Blind Industries has been helping the American Dream come true for thousands of visually impaired individuals across the state. Our goal is to help people who are blind to help themselves by achieving personal and economic independence. What began as a small manufacturing site with only seven blind employees has grown into a highly competitive work environment where quality, delivery, and competitive pricing drive our market.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lions Volunteer Blind Industries/Opportunity East
758 West Morris Boulevard
Morristown, TN 37813

Phone: (423) 586-3998

Official Website: <http://lvbi.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

MEMPHIS CITY SCHOOLS: COLONIAL VISUALLY LIMITED CENTER

Colonial Hearing, Speech, and Vision Center provides services to Shelby County Schools students with visual impairments.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Memphis City Schools: Colonial Visually Limited Center
4774 Sea Isle Road
Memphis, TN 38117

Phone: (901) 416-8960

Official Website: <http://www.scsk12.org/schools/colonial.ex/site/index.shtml>

Email/Contact: N/A

MEMPHIS CLOVERNOOK CENTER FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Clovernook has proudly served women, men and children for over 100 years. Our rich history provides the backdrop for today's progressive and caring campus-like environment, where we remain dedicated to adults and youth who are blind or visually impaired. Our mission is to empower people who are blind and visually impaired to be self-sufficient and full participants in their communities.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Memphis Clovernook Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired
2693 Union Avenue
Suite 101
Memphis, TN 38112

Phone: (901) 523-9590

Official Website: <https://www.clovernook.org/>

Email/Contact: fd@clovernook.org

MIDDLE TENNESSEE COUNCIL OF THE BLIND

We are a 501(C)(3) nonprofit organization open to anyone sighted, visually impaired, or blind and of any race, creed, or religion. We contact and meet with Tennessee legislators as well as send Delegates from MTCB to Washington to speak with our representatives regarding legislation that will impact the blind and visually impaired. Our endeavors include providing social and community opportunities such as sports and fitness, social events such as a picnic and a hayride, as well as cultural outings such as tours and theatre

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Middle Tennessee Council of the Blind
4936 Tulip Grove Lane
Hermitage, TN 37076

Phone: (615) 562-1104

Official Website: <http://www.acb.org/tennessee/MTCB/>

Email/Contact: peggy-ivie@comcast.net

MIDDLE TENNESSEE COUNCIL OF THE BLIND

The Mid-Tennessee Council of the Blind (MTCB) is one of five 501(c)(3) not-for-profit chapters across the state whose members are concerned about the dignity and well-being of blind people and vision impaired Middle Tennesseans. Our members include persons who are blind, losing vision, or are parents of a child who is blind or visually impaired or fully sighted. We welcome anyone who wishes to work toward equal rights and full participation in society for everyone with a disability.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Middle Tennessee Council of the Blind
4936 Tulip Grove Lane
Hermitage, TN 37076

Phone: (615) 562-1104

Official Website: <http://www.acb.org/tennessee/MTCB/index.html>

Email/Contact: peggy-ivie@comcast.net

NASHVILLE TALKING LIBRARY

Nashville Talking Library is an audio-information service of Nashville Public Library. We read aloud current newspapers, magazines, books, and special programs to print-impaired residents. We are on the air seven days a week, at all hours. Listeners use special radios which we loan at no charge to eligible individuals in Nashville and Davidson County.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Nashville Talking Library
505 Heritage Drive
Madison, TN 37210

Phone: (615) 862-5874

Official Website: <https://library.nashville.org/locations/nashville-talking-library>

Email/Contact: N/A

PEABODY COLLEGE OF VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY: DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM IN VISUAL DISABILITIES PEABODY COLLEGE VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

Peabody's master's and Ed.D. programs offer distinct benefits: a solid reputation we protect with high standards and personal attention, theory-driven practice, supported by more than 15 research centers and outreach programs, opportunities to work on critical research.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Peabody College of Vanderbilt University: Department of Special Education Program in Visual Disabilities Peabody College Vanderbilt University

P.O. Box 328

Nashville, TN 37203

Phone: (615) 322-2249

Official Website: <https://peabody.vanderbilt.edu/degrees-programs/masters-edd-programs/index.php>

Email/Contact: https://peabody.vanderbilt.edu/degrees-programs/masters-edd-programs/request_info.php

TEMPLE ISRAEL SISTERHOOD

WRJ provides you with the opportunity to put your talents, time and gifts to work for many causes, both large and small. It will enable you to enrich your life as well as that of our congregation and community. In order to meet these goals, Sisterhood needs the support of all women from our Congregation, including those with little or no time to spare.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Temple Israel Sisterhood
1376 East Massey Street
Memphis, TN 38120

Phone: (901) 761-3130

Official Website: <https://wrjtempleisraelsisterhood.wildapricot.org/>

Email/Contact: sisterhood@timemphis.org

TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION OF OPTOMETRIC PHYSICIANS

The mission of the Tennessee Association of Optometric Physicians (TAOP) is to promote the highest quality eye health and vision care for the residents of Tennessee; to advance the profession of optometry through education and advocacy; and to serve as the primary resource for public health information regarding eye health and vision care in Tennessee.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Tennessee Association of Optometric Physicians
2727 Branford Avenue
Nashville, TN 37204

Phone: (615) 269-9092

Official Website: <https://taoponline.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://taoponline.org/contact-us/>

TENNESSEE COMMISSION ON AGING AND DISABILITY ANDREW JACKSON BUILDING

The Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability is the designated state agency on aging and is mandated to provide leadership relative to aging issues on behalf of older persons in the state. Our mission is to bring together and leverage programs, resources, and organizations to protect and ensure the quality of life and independence of older Tennesseans and adults with disabilities

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability Andrew Jackson Building
502 Deaderick Street
9th Floor
Nashville, TN 37243-0860

Phone: (615) 741-2056 & (1-866) 836-6678

Official Website: <http://www.tn.gov/aging>

Email/Contact: jim.shulman@tn.gov

TENNESSEE COUNCIL OF THE BLIND

The Tennessee Council of the Blind (TCB) is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit membership organization whose members are concerned about the dignity and well-being of blind people and a proud affiliate of the American Council of the Blind. Our members include persons who are blind, losing vision, or are parents of a child who is blind or visually impaired or fully sighted. We welcome anyone who wishes to work toward equal rights and full participation in society for everyone with a disability.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

N/A

Phone: N/A

Official Website: <http://www.acb.org/tennessee/>

Email/Contact: cnfrancisco@comcast.net

TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION ANDREW JOHNSON TOWER

The department promotes educational services and programs for all Tennessee's students with special education needs. The department is committed to systematic planning along with plan implementation, tracking, and accountability as a vehicle for providing the leadership necessary for fulfilling this purpose.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Tennessee Department of Education: Office of Special Education
Andrew Johnson Tower
710 James Robertson Parkway
5th Floor
Nashville, TN 37243

Phone: (615) 741-2851 & (1-888) 212-3162

Official Website: <https://www.tn.gov/education/student-support/special-education.html>

Email/Contact: N/A

TENNESSEE LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED TENNESSEE STATE LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES

Provides free loan of audio books, magazines and players, large-print books, and braille books and magazines for persons who are unable to read standard print, due to a physical disability. More than 25,000 audio and braille titles are available for download. This service is available to eligible residents of the State of Tennessee of any age.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Tennessee Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
Tennessee State Library and Archives
403 7th Avenue North
Nashville, TN 37243-0313

Phone: (615) 741-3915

Official Website: <http://www.sos.tn.gov/tsla>

Email/Contact: tlbph.tsla@tn.gov

TENNESSEE RESOURCE CENTER FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED TENNESSEE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

Provides access to instructional materials in the appropriate media in a timely manner to students with visual disabilities, including those with multiple disabilities, enrolled in Locally Run education agencies across the state of Tennessee.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Tennessee Resource Center for the Visually Impaired Tennessee
School for the Blind
115 Stewarts Ferry Pike
Nashville, TN 37214

Phone: (615) 231-7340

Official Website: http://www.tsb.k12tn.net/TSB_Website_folders/Resource%20Center/resource_center.htm

Email/Contact: N/A

TENNESSEE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

What an exciting time to be involved in education, the plight of the blind and the issues of visual impairment. Through advancements in knowledge and technology, new doors are ever opening to allow our world to be visualized as never before. I'm glad you are here! We hope this site will become a place you frequent often as we together explore and learn and see advancements made in the lives of those at TSB. Our commitment and continuous efforts in advocating for the causes of the blind and visually impaired bring daily growth and change to the lives of our students, faculty and staff.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Tennessee School for the Blind
115 Stewarts Ferry Pike
Nashville, TN 37210

Phone: (615) 231-7340

Official Website: <https://www.tsbtigers.org/rcvi-resorces/4-resource-center-for-the-visually-impaired.html>

Email/Contact: <https://www.tsbtigers.org/contact.html>

TENNESSEE SERVICES FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Tennessee Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired is a State agency that is part of the Department of Human Services, Division of Rehabilitation Services. It provides a wide range of services to persons of all ages who are blind or severely visually impaired.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Tennessee Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired
400 Deaderick Street
11th Floor
Nashville, TN 37243

Phone: (615) 313-4914 & (1-800) 628-7818

Official Website: <http://www.tn.gov/humanserv/rehab/bvis.html>

Email/Contact: N/A

TENNESSEE TECHNOLOGY ACCESS PROGRAM CITIZEN'S PLAZA

The Tennessee Technology Access Program (TTAP) is a statewide program designed to increase access to, and acquisition of, assistive technology devices and services. Through its four core programs: Funding Assistance, Device Demonstration, Device Loan and Device Reutilization, TTAP and a network of five assistive technology centers help people with disabilities and their families find and get the tools that they need to live independent, productive lives where and how they choose.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Tennessee Technology Access Program Citizen's Plaza
400 Deaderick Street
12th Floor
Nashville, TN 37243

Phone: (615) 313-5183; (1-800) 732-5059; & (615) 741-4566 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://www.tn.gov/humanservices/ds/ttap.html>

Email/Contact: tn.ttap@tn.gov

TENNESSEE'S EARLY INTERVENTION SYSTEM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD

Tennessee's Early Intervention System is a voluntary educational program for families with children birth through age two with disabilities or developmental delays.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Tennessee's Early Intervention System Department of Education Office of Early Childhood
710 James Robertson Parkway
7th Floor
Nashville, TN 37243

Phone: (615) 741-9873 & (1-800) 852-7157

Official Website: <https://www.tn.gov/education/early-learning/tennessee-early-intervention-system-teis.html>

Email/Contact: tabatha.siddiqi@tn.gov

THE STAR CENTER, INC.

The STAR Center provides services for education, employment, and quality of life for all ages and needs. We will help a child learn to read, help a person get their first job, and help the elderly stay in their homes. We are dedicated to making West Tennessee a place where people with disabilities can make their dreams a reality.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Distance Education; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

The STAR Center, Inc.
1119 Old Humboldt Road
Jackson, TN 38305

Phone: (731) 668-3888

Official Website: <http://www.star-center.org/>

Email/Contact: info@star-center.org

VISION IMPAIRMENT SERVICES AT THE TENNESSEE REHABILITATION CENTER

The Department of Human Services' Division of Rehabilitation Services offers several programs to assist individuals who are blind or visually impaired.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vision Impairment Services at the Tennessee Rehabilitation Center
460 Ninth Avenue
Smyrna, TN 37167

Phone: (615) 459-6811

Official Website: <https://www.tn.gov/humanservices/ds/trc-smyrna.html>

Email/Contact: N/A

Tennessee

WYPL-FM

Broadcasts selections from newspapers, magazines, books and airs roundtable book discussions. Publications include the Commercial Appeal, USA Today, other Locally Run newspaper

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

WYPL-FM
3030 Poplar Avenue
Memphis, TN 38111

Phone: (901) 415-2752

Official Website: <http://www.memphislibrary.org/wypl/>

Email/Contact: wypl@memphis.lib.tn.us

ACB OF TEXAS

The American Council of the Blind of Texas, Inc. (ACBT) was organized in Waco in 1978 as an affiliate of The American Council of the Blind (ACB). The mission statement of ACB states that the American Council of the Blind “strives to increase the independence, security, equality of opportunity, and to improve quality of life for all blind and visually impaired people.” ACBT subscribes to this mission statement and works to be an advocacy organization and positive, proactive support system to Texans who are blind or visually impaired. Our state motto is ACBT ... Advancing the Cause of Blind Texans. Although the majority of members are blind or visually impaired, sighted persons who share the common goals and interests of our organization are also welcome to join.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

ACB of Texas
8445 Allison Way
Beaumont, TX 77707

Phone: (409) 866-5838

Official Website: <http://www.acbtexas.org/>

Email/Contact: prhunt1@att.net

ALL BLIND CHILDREN OF TEXAS

All Blind Children of Texas was created in the spring of 2004 to assess the educational opportunities of blind students in Texas and help provide programs, services and materials that will fill in the gaps in both core and expanded curricular areas. The Board of Trustees of the 501(c)(3) organization is comprised of experts in the field of education of the visually impaired, including several who are blind themselves as well as parents of visually impaired children.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Radio Reading Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

All Blind Children of Texas
1100 West 45th Street
Austin, TX 78756

Phone: (512) 206-9234

Official Website: <http://www.abctx.org/>

Email/Contact: info@abctx.org

AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND CENTER ON VISION LOSS

The American Foundation for the Blind Center on Vision Loss, located in Dallas, Texas, is a unique part of AFB dedicated to helping the 25 million Americans with vision loss find resources, professional services, and workable solutions to many issues related to living independently. We offer life-changing information and have over 500 products and devices on display that can help you read, use a computer, identify medications, use the telephone, and move about your home independently and safely.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Foundation for the Blind Center on Vision Loss
11030 Ables Lane
Dallas, TX 75229

Phone: (214) 352-7222

Official Website: <http://www.afb.org/info/programs-and-services/center-on-vision-loss/12>

Email/Contact: dallas@afb.net

BEACON LIGHTHOUSE

To enhance economic and personal independence of people who are blind and visually impaired, primarily through employment in the manufacturing and sale of quality goods and services.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Beacon Lighthouse
300 7th Street
Wichita Falls, TX 76301

Phone: (940) 767-0888 & (1-800) 262-6412

Official Website: <http://www.beaconwf.com/index.php>

Email/Contact: jkoszarek@beaconwf.com

CENTER FOR SIGHT ENHANCEMENT LOW VISION REHABILITATION UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

The Center for Sight Enhancement (CSE) provides multidisciplinary service, training and resources in low vision rehabilitation to help people of all ages with vision loss lead independent and productive lives. With cutting-edge technology and a nationally renowned faculty, we provide excellence in care and compassion.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Center for Sight Enhancement Low Vision Rehabilitation University of Houston
4901 Calhoun Road
Houston, TX 77204

Phone: (713) 743-0799

Official Website: <https://www.opt.uh.edu/patient-care/uei/our-services/low-vision/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.opt.uh.edu/patient-care/uei/appointments/>

CENTER FOR VISUAL REHABILITATION THE ROBERT CIZIK EYE CLINIC MEMORIAL HERMANN MEDICAL PLAZA

The mission and goals of the Cizik Eye Clinic have remained the same for thirty-two years: to provide the best eye care possible in a personalized setting, to act as a center for the referral of difficult cases, to care for indigent patients with serious eye problems, to teach ophthalmology at all levels, to be innovative in diagnosis and treatment, to make a flexible environment capable of adapting to change, to develop basic and clinical research programs, to provide patient education, rehabilitation, and social counseling, and to be fiscally responsible.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Center for Visual Rehabilitation The Robert Cizik Eye Clinic Memorial
Hermann Medical Plaza
6400 Fannin Street, 18th Floor
Houston, TX 77030

Phone: (713) 559-5200

Official Website: <http://www.cizikeye.org/low-vision-visual-rehabilitation/>

Email/Contact: N/A

DALLAS LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND

Dallas Lighthouse for the Blind is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that focuses on improving and enhancing the lives of people with blindness and visual impairments in North Texas.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Dallas Lighthouse for the Blind
4306 Capitol Avenue
Dallas, TX 75204

Phone: (214) 821-2375

Official Website: <http://www.dallaslighthouse.org/>

Email/Contact: info@dallaslighthouse.org

DALLAS SERVICES

The Low Vision Clinic serves the general public through routine eye exams to determine if you need glasses and contact lenses. Our optometrist will discuss the various options with you to determine what solution best fits your needs and lifestyle. Unique to our Clinic is the ability to serve any individual, regardless of age or disability.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Dallas Services
5442 La Sierra Drive
Dallas, TX 75204

Phone: (214) 828-9900

Official Website: <http://dallasservices.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://dallasservices.org/low-vision-clinic/contact/>

DEVELOPMENTAL EDUCATION BIRTH THROUGH THREE (DEBT PROGRAM)

ECI assures that families with young children with developmental delays have the resources and support they need to reach their goals.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Developmental Education Birth through Three (DEBT Program)
1628 19th Street
Room 221 East Building
Lubbock, TX 79401

Phone: (806) 766-1172

Official Website: <https://www.lubbockisd.org/domain/1713>

Email/Contact: N/A

EAST TEXAS LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND THE LIGHTHOUSE

Created in 1976 to serve the needs of the blind and visually impaired, the mission of The Lighthouse is to empower blind Americans through rehabilitation, education, training, and employment leading to a fully independent lifestyle. To accomplish that, The Lighthouse offers a wide range of programs and services through Client Services and Horizon Industries.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

East Texas Lighthouse for the Blind The Lighthouse
411 West Front St
Tyler, TX 75702

Phone: (903) 593-3111

Official Website: <http://www.tylerlighthouse.org/>

Email/Contact: info@tylerlighthouse.org

EL PASO LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND

The El Paso Lighthouse works with individuals, their families, and the community by focusing on the needs, goals and capabilities of each client and removing physical, economic, and social barriers that can affect quality of life.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

El Paso Lighthouse for the Blind
200 Washington Street
El Paso, TX 79905

Phone: (915) 532-4495

Official Website: N/A

Email/Contact: htyler@elp.rr.com

GUIDE DOGS OF TEXAS

They say that a dog is man’s best friend, but at Guide Dogs of Texas our highly-trained, service dogs are more than just that – they’re the “eyes” for countless, visually impaired Texans, as well as their loving and constant companions, providing them with the freedom, mobility and independence to go about their daily lives. From the moment they are born, our puppies are groomed to be future guide dogs that will be paired with their new owners, who without a guide dog might not enjoy the freedom and independence they desire.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Daily Living Skills/Independent Living Skills Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Guide Dogs of Texas
1503 Allena Drive
San Antonio, TX 78213

Phone: (210) 366-4081 & (1-800) 831-9231

Official Website: <http://guidedogsoftexas.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://guidedogsoftexas.org/contact-us/>

HELEN KELLER NATIONAL CENTER FOR DEAF-BLIND YOUTHS AND ADULTS: SOUTH CENTRAL REGION OFFICE

HKNC has been fostering self-empowerment in the deaf-blind community for nearly five decades by providing training and resources exclusively to people age 16 and over who have combined vision and hearing loss.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults: South Central Region Office
P.O. Box 152080
Austin, TX 78715

Phone: (516) 393-7997; (512) 605-0714; & (512) 298-1825

Official Website: <https://www.helenkeller.org/hknc>

Email/Contact: molly.sinanan@hknc.org

KUT 90.5 FM

KUT and KUTX create experiences that deepen understanding and connect people. We are committed to authenticity, craft, context and the unique power of the human voice in all its forms.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Preschool Programs; Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

KUT 90.5 FM
300 W.
A0704
Austin, TX 78712

Phone: (512) 471-1631

Official Website: <http://kut.org/>

Email/Contact: kut@kut.org

LEARNING ALLY: AUSTIN

Learning Ally empowers students who read and learn differently so that they may thrive. We help them to overcome obstacles and discover strengths, as we guide them along a path that ensures success.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Learning Ally: Austin
1314 West 45th Street
Austin, TX 78756

Phone: (512) 323-9390

Official Website: <http://www.learningally.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.learningally.org/contact-us>

LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND OF FORT WORTH

The mission of Lighthouse for the Blind of Fort Worth is to empower individuals who are blind through superior training, meaningful employment and specialized client services so that they lead full lives with the highest level of independence and quality of life.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lighthouse for the Blind of Fort Worth
912 West Broadway
Fort Worth, TX 76104

Phone: (817) 332-3341

Official Website: <https://lighthousefw.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://lighthousefw.org/contact-us/contact/>

LIGHTHOUSE OF HOUSTON

Established in 1939, The Lighthouse of Houston is a private, nonprofit education and service center dedicated to assisting blind and visually impaired people to live independently. The Lighthouse serves approximately 7, 000 people each year and is a member agency of the United Way of Greater Houston. The primary goal of the Lighthouse of Houston is direct service to the individual.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Community Outreach Programs; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lighthouse of Houston
3602 West Dallas Avenue
Houston, TX 77019-0435

Phone: (713) 527-9561

Official Website: <https://www.houstonlighthouse.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.houstonlighthouse.org/contact/>

LIONS LOW VISION CENTER OF TEXAS

Our goal is to maximize the vision potential of each patient. Thanks to the partnership of the Lions Sight Research Foundation, the Lions Low Vision Center provides rehabilitative services to help patients with visual impairments, maximize the functionality of their remaining vision.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Lions Low Vision Center of Texas
8403 Floyd Curl Drive
San Antonio, TX 78229

Phone: (210) 567-8600

Official Website: <https://www.uthscsa.edu/patient-care/physicians/facility/UT-Health-Science-Center-Greehey-Campus-Research-Admin-Blg>

Email/Contact: N/A

PREVENT BLINDNESS SOUTHEAST TEXAS REGION

The mission of Prevent Blindness Texas is to prevent blindness and preserve sight. Focused on providing a continuum of vision care, Prevent Blindness Texas touches the lives of thousands of Texans through our sight-saving programs and services through our network of volunteers and offices located in Dallas, Houston, and San Antonio.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Dog Guide Training; Employment/ Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Prevent Blindness Southeast Texas Region
2202 Waugh Drive
Houston, TX 77006

Phone: (713) 526-2559

Official Website: <https://texas.preventblindness.org/>

Email/Contact: cjewett@preventblindnesstexas.org

SAN ANTONIO LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND

The San Antonio Lighthouse for the Blind & Vision Impaired provides rehabilitation services as well as employment for the blind and vision impaired in its light manufacturing assembly plant. The mission is empowering the blind and visually-impaired.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Personnel Preparation; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

San Antonio Lighthouse for the Blind
2305 Roosevelt Avenue
San Antonio, TX 78210

Phone: (210) 533-5195

Official Website: <https://www.salighthouse.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.salighthouse.org/contact-us/>

SIGHT INTO SOUND

Sight into Sound is an independent non-profit organization with a mission to Turn Sight into Sound, enriching the lives of individuals with visual, physical and learning disabilities. We do this through our Radio Reading, Custom Recording and Audio Description services. Who we serve: individuals with a total blindness or vision impairment, anyone with a physical impairment who has difficulty holding a book anyone with a learning difference, those with cognitive issues which prevent them from comprehending the written word.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Sight Into Sound
3935 Essex Lane
Houston, TX 77027

Phone: (713) 622-2767

Official Website: <http://sightintosound.org/>

Email/Contact: info@sightintosound.org

SOUTH TEXAS LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND

The mission of South Texas Lighthouse for the Blind is to employ, educate, and empower our neighbors who are blind or visually impaired. Employ people who are visually impaired. Educate our employees through on-the-job training and provide resources and information to make our communities more blind-friendly. Empower those we serve so that they may enjoy a quality life independently and confidently.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

South Texas Lighthouse for the Blind
4421 Agnes Street
Corpus Christi, TX 78405

Phone: (361) 883-6553

Official Website: <http://www.stlb.net/>

Email/Contact: info@stlb.net

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY

We are a faculty body of researcher-practitioners, who are invested in the future recipients of our students' knowledge and skills, and in the personal and professional development of our students. Respect for and appreciation of the rich diversity of our student body and their future clientele/students are valued and embedded in the curriculum, departmental policies, and practices within the training environment. We are about helping others help themselves most effectively. This department is committed to the best training practices based on national standards, and program accreditation by national professional organizations is the norm. The Department of Human Services prepares undergraduates and graduate students for leadership and service roles in East Texas and the global community. The department is committed to incorporation of community-based, service-learning experiences within its educational programs to maximize the advancement of students personal and professional development. Objectives of the department include (1) the preparation of special education teachers for elementary and secondary schools, (2) the preparation of persons for careers in rehabilitation, orientation and mobility, counseling and related human services, occupations serving persons with disabilities, speech language pathology and school psychology.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

Texas

MAILING ADDRESS:

Stephen F. Austin State University
2100 North Raguet Street
P.O. Box 13019
Nacogdoches, TX 75962

Phone: (936) 468-6401 (936) 468-2906

Official Website: <http://www.sfasu.edu/humanservices/>

Email/Contact: humanservices@sfasu.edu

TEXAS ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROJECT TEXAS CENTER FOR DISABILITY STUDIES UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

Our mission is to increase access for people with disabilities to Assistive Technology that provides them more control over their immediate environments and an enhanced ability to function independently. We develop programs to improve access, advocacy, and awareness of Assistive Technology to meet the needs of Texans with disabilities.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Texas Assistive Technology Project Texas Center for Disability Studies
University of Texas at Austin
10100 Burnet Road
Commons Learning Center, Suite 1.154
Austin, TX 78759

Phone: (512) 232-0740; (512) 232-0761; (1-800) 828-7839; & (512) 232-0762 (TTY)

Official Website: <http://techaccess.edb.utexas.edu/>

Email/Contact: <http://techaccess.edb.utexas.edu/contact3.html>

TEXAS DEAF-BLIND PROJECT TEXAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED TSBVI OUTREACH

TSBVI Outreach Programs provide information, training and support to families, professionals in education and rehabilitation, and community members involved in the lives of individuals with visual impairments or deafblindness, who range in age from birth through twenty-two years old. Our focus is on students and programs in Locally Run communities throughout Texas. We bring most of our services directly to you.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Texas Deaf-Blind Project Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired TSBVI Outreach
1100 West 45th Street
Austin, TX 78756

Phone: (512) 454-8631 & (1-800) 872-5273

Official Website: <http://www.tsbvi.edu/index.php/outreach>

Email/Contact: info@tsbvi.edu

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES

Almost 12 percent of Texans – 3.2 million people – are 65 and older and the number is growing. By 2050 that figure is expected to increase to almost 20 percent. An increasing number of older people will likely mean an increase in the demand for all kinds of services – health care, home care, personal care and long-term care. Texas Health and Human Services (HHS) is rising to meet this challenge. HHS programs provide a range of services to older Texans that help ensure their well-being, dignity and choice. Programs also are in place to support family caregivers.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services
701 West 51st Street
Suite 253
Austin, TX 78714

Phone: 1-855-937-2372 & (1-800) 252-9240

Official Website: <https://hhs.texas.gov/services/aging>

Email/Contact: N/A

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF ASSISTIVE AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES: CRISS COLE REHABILITATION CENTER

The Criss Cole Rehabilitation Center (CCRC) is an innovative, residential vocational rehabilitation training facility that serves adults who are legally blind by helping them learn alternative techniques to prepare for, find or retain employment, attend a college, university or trade school, and live independently in the community. CCRC is named in honor of Judge Criss Cole, who lost his sight while serving as a Marine during World War II. As a member of the Texas House of Representatives from 1955 to 1962, and the Texas Senate from 1963 to 1970, he was instrumental in improving state services for all people with disabilities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Texas Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services: Criss Cole Rehabilitation Center
4800 North Lamar, CCRC
Austin, TX 78756

Phone: (512) 377-0300

Official Website: <http://www.dars.state.tx.us/dbs/ccrc/index.shtml>

Email/Contact: ccrc.admissions@twc.state.tx.us

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF ASSISTIVE AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES: DIVISION FOR BLIND SERVICES

The Division for Blind Services (DBS) assists blind or visually impaired individuals and their families. Depending upon their goals and needs, DBS offers services to help regain independence or find a job. DBS staff work in partnership with Texans who are blind or visually impaired to get high quality jobs, live independently, or help a child receive the training needed to be successful in school and beyond.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Texas Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative
Services: Division for Blind Services
4800 North Lamar Boulevard
Suite 310
Austin, TX 78756-3178

Phone: (512) 377-0500

Official Website: <http://www.dars.state.tx.us>

Email/Contact: N/A

TEXAS EARLY CHILDHOOD INTERVENTION SERVICES TEXAS HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) is a statewide program within the Texas Health and Human Services Commission for families with children birth up to age 3, with developmental delays, disabilities or certain medical diagnoses that may impact development. ECI services support families as they learn how to help their children grow and learn.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Distance Education; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Texas Early Childhood Intervention Services Texas Health and Human Services

6330 East Highway 290

Suite 300

Austin, TX 78723-1072

Phone: (512) 424-6754; (1-877) 787-8999; & (512) 424-6770 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://hhs.texas.gov/services/disability/early-childhood-intervention-services>

Email/Contact: N/A

TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY

The Texas Education Agency is the state agency that oversees primary and secondary public education. It is headed by the commissioner of education. The mission of TEA is to provide leadership, guidance and resources to help schools meet the educational needs of all students.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Texas Education Agency
1701 North Congress Avenue
Austin, TX 78701

Phone: (512) 463-9414 (800) 252-9668;

Official Website: <http://www.tea.state.tx.us>

Email/Contact: https://tea.texas.gov/about_tea/contact/

TEXAS OPHTHALMOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

The Texas Ophthalmological Association is a non-profit organization founded in 1956 to promote and advance the science and art of medical eye care. The TOA provides continuing medical education programs to members. The TOA provides representation to various legislative, regulatory, and associative bodies.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Texas Ophthalmological Association
401 West 15th Street
Suite 825
Austin, TX 78701

Phone: (512) 370-1504

Official Website: <https://www.texaseyes.org/>

Email/Contact: https://toa.memberclicks.net/index.php?option=com_mcform&view=ngforms&id=15413#/

TEXAS OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

Mission Statement: Doctors of Optometry working together to advance excellence in eyecare for every Texan.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Texas Optometric Association
3011 N. Lamar Blvd.
Suite 300
Austin, TX 78705

Phone: (512) 707-2020

Official Website: <http://texas.aoa.org/>

Email/Contact: toa@txeyedoctors.com

TEXAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired (TSBVI) serves as a special public school in which students, ages 6 through 21, who are blind, deaf-blind, or visually impaired, including those with additional disabilities, are eligible for consideration for services on the TSBVI campus. It is also a statewide resource to parents of these children and the professionals who serve them, from birth through transition from school.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired
1100 West 45th Street
Austin, TX 78756-3494

Phone: (512) 454-8631; (1-800) 872-5273; & (512) 206-9451 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.tsbvi.edu>

Email/Contact: <http://www.tsbvi.edu/contact-us>

TEXAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

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SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired
1100 West 45th Street
Austin, TX 78756-3494

Phone: (512) 454-8631 & (1-800) 872-5273

Official Website: <http://www.tsbvi.edu/>

Email/Contact: info@tsbvi.edu

TEXAS STATE LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES COMMISSION, TALKING BOOK PROGRAM

The Talking Book Program (TBP) provides free library services to qualifying Texans with visual, physical, or reading disabilities. TBP is part of the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, a program administered by the Library of Congress. The TBP collection consists of more than 100,000 titles, including hundreds of titles in Spanish, and some in French, German, Russian, and other languages.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Texas State Library and Archives Commission, Talking Book Program
1201 Brazos Street
Austin, TX 78711-2927

Phone: (512) 463-5458

Official Website: <https://www.tsl.texas.gov/tbp/index.html>

Email/Contact: info@tsl.texas.gov

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER: DEPARTMENT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY AND VISUAL SCIENCES

The Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences' mission is to excel in the areas of patient care, physician education, and clinical research. We accomplish this mission with a variety of fellowship trained subspecialties unmatched in our region working with optometrist, comprehensive ophthalmologist as well as clinical researchers. The Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences provides informed and compassionate care for a variety of vision and eye conditions, including adult and pediatric retina, glaucoma, cataracts, cornea, neuro-ophthalmology, pediatric ophthalmology, external eye diseases, and emergency services. Additionally we offer high quality and personalized LASIK and refractive surgery, as well as a full range of optometry services including contact lenses and eyeglasses.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center: Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences
3601 4th Street
MS 7217, Room 2A100
Lubbock, TX 79430

Phone: (806) 743-2020 & (1-800) 535-8006

Official Website: <https://www.ttuhsct.edu/medicine/ophthalmology/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.ttuhsct.edu/medicine/ophthalmology/>

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY: VIRGINIA MURRAY SOWELL CENTER FOR RESEARCH AND EDUCATION IN SENSORY DISABILITIES

The Sowell Center promotes quality research to address the academic and social needs of school-age students with visual impairments and provides public service to assist Locally Run, national and international constituencies.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Texas Tech University: Virginia Murray Sowell Center for Research and Education in Sensory Disabilities
3008 18th Street
College of Education
Lubbock, TX 79409-1071

Phone: (806) 742-1997

Official Website: <http://www.depts.ttu.edu/education/outreach-and-research/sowell/index.php>

Email/Contact: educ.webmaster@ttu.edu

TRAVIS ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

The mission of the Travis Association for the Blind, otherwise known as the Austin Lighthouse, is to assist people who are blind or vision impaired to attain the skills they need to become gainfully employed in the community. It supplies various products to thousands of customers nationwide.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Travis Association for the Blind
2307 Business Center Drive
P.O. Box 3297
Austin, TX 78764-3297

Phone: (512) 442-2329

Official Website: <http://www.austinlighthouse.org/>

Email/Contact: info@austinlighthouse.org

VISUAL AID VOLUNTEERS

Mission: To promote the independence and success of people with visual impairments by providing quality braille materials. VAV is able to produce customized projects to best suit your needs, including textbooks, tests, daily work sheets, partial books and chapters, from both print materials and electronic text. VAV is at the cutting edge of current technology, enabling us to produce braille with a rapid turn-around time so the student always has the materials they need to keep up with the curriculum. Our Library of Congress certified staff specializes in UEB, literary EBAE, computer, foreign language, music, and math (Nemeth) transcription.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Visual Aid Volunteers
617 West State Street
Garland, TX 75040

Phone: (972) 272-1615

Official Website: <https://www.vavtx.org/>

Email/Contact: mklepper@vavtx.org

WEST TEXAS LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND

We create jobs, and not just any jobs. We provide stable jobs with competitive pay and benefits to those who need it most: blind people. About 70% of Americans with severe vision loss are unemployed. Our employees share stories of being turned away by potential employers over and over again before finding meaningful work at the Lighthouse. We have never turned away a blind applicant--if they're at the door looking for work, then we have a job for them. By using adaptive technologies, we have legally blind employees in every department, including manufacturing, logistics, eCommerce, marketing, and accounting. Over 90% of our direct employees are legally blind and nearly 75% of all of our employees are legally blind.

SPONSOR: Private Non-Profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

West Texas Lighthouse for the Blind
2001 Austin Street
San Angelo, TX 76903

Phone: (325) 653-4231

Official Website: <http://www.lighthousefortheblind.org/>

Email/Contact: customerservice@lighthousefortheblind.org

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FRIENDS FOR SIGHT

Vision disorders are the most prevalent disabling condition for children in the United States—and most can be corrected. Friends for Sight offers screenings and education throughout the state of Utah. The Friends for Sight Vision Clinic is located in the Glendale-Mountain View Community Learning Center, a Salt Lake City School District project. With a population of 93% economically disadvantaged in the area, the support that this clinic provides is a tremendous asset to this vibrant, diverse, and often under-served community. Working with Locally Run school districts, SIGHTFEST will provide day-long events offering free eye exams and glasses to qualified, low income children.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Friends for Sight
6715 South 1300 East
Suite 250
Salt Lake City, UT 84121

Phone: (801) 524-2020 & (1-800) 675-5665

Official Website: <https://www.friendsforsight.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.friendsforsight.org/contact>

JOHN A. MORAN EYE CENTER UNIVERSITY OF UTAH

The John A. Moran Eye Center provides the most comprehensive eye care in the Mountain West, with more than 35 specialists and 11 convenient locations offering a full range of leading-edge treatments. We provide a robust patient support program, and we believe no person with a blinding condition, eye disease, or visual impairment should be without hope, understanding, and treatment.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

John A. Moran Eye Center University of Utah
65 Mario Capecchi Drive
Salt Lake City, UT 84132

Phone: (801) 581-2352

Official Website: <https://healthcare.utah.edu/moran/>

Email/Contact: N/A

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH: MULTI-UNIVERSITY CONSORTIUM TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAM IN SENSORY IMPAIRMENTS UNIVERSITY OF UTAH DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

Creating a learning environment that fosters discovery and dissemination of knowledge to promote learning, equitable access, and enhanced learning outcomes for all students.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

University of Utah: Multi-University Consortium Teacher Preparation Program in Sensory Impairments University of Utah Department of Special Education
1721 Campus Center Drive
SAEC 3202
Salt Lake City, UT 84112

Phone: (801) 581-8221

Official Website: <https://education.utah.edu/>

Email/Contact: collegeofeducation@utah.edu

UTAH ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM CENTER FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

The UATP is a federally funded program serving individuals with disabilities of all ages throughout the state of Utah. Our job is to provide assistive technology devices and services as well as train university students, parents, children with disabilities and professional service providers about assistive technology. We coordinate our services with community organizations and others who provide independence-related supports to individuals with disabilities.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Utah Assistive Technology Program Center for Persons with Disabilities

6855 Old Main Hill

Logan, UT 84322-6855

Phone: (800) 524-5152

Official Website: <http://www.uatpat.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.uatpat.org/contact/>

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH: DIVISION OF FAMILY SERVICES BABY WATCH EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM

The purpose of the Baby Watch Early Intervention Program (BWEIP) is to enhance early growth and development in infants and toddlers, who have developmental delays or disabilities or both, by providing individualized support and services to the child and their family. Early Intervention (EI) services are provided through a family coaching model that focuses on helping children meet goals in all areas of development. All services take place in the child's natural environment (home, child care, etc.) and are tailored to meet the individual needs of the child and family.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Utah Department of Health: Division of Family Services Baby Watch
Early Intervention Program
44 N Mario Capecchi Drive
P.O. Box 144610
Salt Lake City, UT 84114

Phone: (810) 584-8226; (1-800) 961-4226

Official Website: <https://health.utah.gov/cshcn/programs/babywatch.html>

Email/Contact: cshcn@utah.gov

UTAH DIVISION OF AGING AND ADULT SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

The Utah Division of Aging and Adult Services serves as a link between the national Administration on Aging and Locally Run programs, Area Agencies on Aging. Area Agencies administer a wide variety of home and community-based services for Utah residents who are 60 and older. The goal is to ensure services are provided statewide that allow people to remain independent.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Utah Division of Aging and Adult Services Department of Human Services
195 North 1950 West
Salt Lake City, UT 84116

Phone: (801) 538-3910

Official Website: <http://daas.utah.gov/>

Email/Contact: debooth@utah.gov

UTAH FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Utah Foundation for the Blind (UFB) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization committed to promoting independence for blind and visually impaired children age 5-25 throughout Utah.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Radio Reading Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Utah Foundation for the Blind and Visually Impaired
6905 S 1300 E
#193
Cottonwood Heights, UT 84047

Phone: (801) 997-9400

Official Website: <http://www.ufbvi.org/index.html>

Email/Contact: tony@ufbvi.org

UTAH OPHTHALMOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The Utah Ophthalmology Society is the largest state membership association of Eye M.D.s. Eye M.D.s are ophthalmologists, medical and osteopathic doctors who provide comprehensive eye care, including medical, surgical and optical care. More than 90 percent of practicing Utah Eye M.D.s are Utah Ophthalmology members. The Utah Ophthalmology Society is the largest state membership association of Eye M.D.s. Eye M.D.s are ophthalmologists, medical and osteopathic doctors who provide comprehensive eye care, including medical, surgical and optical care. More than 90 percent of practicing Utah Eye M.D.s are Utah Ophthalmology members.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Utah Ophthalmological Society
310 East 4500 South
Suite 500
Salt Lake City, UT 84107-4502

Phone: (801) 747-3500, ext. 236

Official Website: <https://www.utaheyemds.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.utaheyemds.org/contact>

UTAH OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The mission of the Utah Optometric Association is to promote the highest professional standards in vision care so that its delivery will be the finest available to patients and citizens of Utah.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Utah Optometric Association
P.O. Box 862
Draper, UT 84020

Phone: (801) 364-9103

Official Website: <https://www.utaheyedoc.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.utaheyedoc.org/contact.php>

UTAH STATE DIVISION OF SERVICES FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED (DSBVI)

Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired assist Utah residents who are blind or visually impaired and their families. Their dedicated staff is committed to create solutions that will help each client achieve their goals, whether through education, employment or living independently in their home. With their community partners, they work to serve all Utahns who are blind and visually impaired through the following programs: Vocational Rehabilitation: Helping individuals prepare for competitive integrated employment. Training and Adjustment Services: Helping students achieve greater independence through a mastery of skills. Low Vision Services: Providing devices, resources and services to help individuals learn how to use their remaining vision. Business Enterprise Program: Offering training for individuals to operate their own businesses. Deafblind Services: Providing services for blind or visually impaired individuals with hearing loss. Vision Screening: Performing vision screening tests for Utah children.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Computer/ Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Utah State Division of Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired
(DSBVI)
250 North 1950 West
Suite B
Salt Lake City, UT 84116-7902

Phone: (801) 323-4343; (1-800) 284-1823; (801) 323-4395 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://jobs.utah.gov/usor/dsbvi/index.html>

Email/Contact: <https://jobs.utah.gov/usor/dsbvi/contact.html>

UTAH STATE LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND & DISABLED PROGRAM FOR THE BLIND AND DISABLED

The Program for the Blind and Disabled provides materials found in public libraries in formats that are accessible to the blind and disabled. Books and magazines are available in braille, in large print, and audio format.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Utah State Library for the Blind & Disabled Program for the Blind and Disabled
250 North 1950 West
Suite A
Salt Lake City, UT 84116-7901

Phone: (801) 715-6789

Official Website: <http://blindlibrary.utah.gov>

Email/Contact: blind@utah.gov

UTAH STATE OFFICE OF EDUCATION: SPECIAL EDUCATION SECTION

The Utah State Board of Education (USBE) Special Education Services (SES) section provides leadership and support for educators, parents, and students with disabilities receiving special education and related services throughout Utah public schools and communities, in an effort to improve educational outcomes.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Utah State Office of Education: Special Education Section
PO Box 144200
Salt Lake City, UT 84114-4200

Phone: (801) 538-7587 & (801) 538-7876 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://www.schools.utah.gov/specialeducation>

Email/Contact: neil.stevens@schools.utah.gov

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VERMONT AGENCY OF EDUCATION: SPECIAL EDUCATION UNIT

The Agency of Education has overarching responsibility for compliance with the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and the corresponding Vermont state regulations regarding the provision of a free and appropriate public education (FAPE) for students with disabilities. To accomplish this task, the Agency of Education employs a team of highly skilled professionals charged with assuring that all Vermont public and independent schools and early education programs educate students with disabilities consistent with the content and intent of the law.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vermont Agency of Education: Special Education Unit
219 North Main Street
Suite 402
Barre, VT 05641

Phone: (802) 828-2755

Official Website: <http://education.vermont.gov/student-support/special-education>

Email/Contact: aoe.edinfo@vermont.gov

VERMONT ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Our mission is to enable Vermonters whether blind or visually impaired, to be more independent, to cultivate adaptive skills and to improve their quality of life.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired
60 Kimball Avenue
South Burlington, VT 5403

Phone: (1-800) 639-5871 & (802) 863-1358

Official Website: <https://www.vabvi.org/>

Email/Contact: general@vabiv.org

VERMONT ASSOCIATION OF BUSINESS, INDUSTRY, AND REHABILITATION

VABIR is the Vermont Association of Business, Industry and Rehabilitation, a statewide private non-profit agency working to assist Vermonters, who face barriers to employment, in finding gainful employment. Since its inception in 1979, VABIR has been Vermont's liaison between private sector employment and skilled workers with disabilities and other life barriers. As our success and expertise have grown, so too have our relationships with other organizations and professionals who share our goal to assure meaningful, appropriate employment for all members of our community. Our mission is to provide pragmatic, real-world information to both employers and job-seekers. By providing work experiences, on the job training opportunities (OJT), temp to hire and other resources, we are able to find the most qualified applicants for employers risk free.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vermont Association of Business, Industry, and Rehabilitation
75 Talcott Road, Suite 70
Williston, VT 5495

Phone: (802) 878-1107 & (1-800) 639-2909

Official Website: <https://www.vabir.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

VERMONT DEAFBLIND PROJECT UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT CENTER ON DISABILITY AND COMMUNITY INCLUSION

VSAP provides support through a number of initiatives to families, early intervention providers, teachers, related service providers, school administrators, medical professionals and other community partners. Technical assistance (collaborative consultation) and training can be provided to children and youth with combined vision and hearing loss, birth through 22 years of age in his or her home, school, and community environments. Technical assistance and training activities may include: in-home consultation, school consultation, family support, networking, in-services, Locally Run/ regional/statewide trainings and workshops, referrals to other agencies, and resources.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vermont Deafblind Project University of Vermont Center on Disability and Community Inclusion
208 Colchester Avenue
Mann Hall 3rd Floor
Burlington, VT 5405

Phone: N/A

Official Website: <https://www.uvm.edu/cess/cdci/vermont-sensory-access-project-vsap>

Email/Contact: <https://www.uvm.edu/cess/cdci/contact-vsap>

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES: CHILD DEVELOPMENT DIVISION: EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM

Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA): Part C – Early Intervention program for infants and toddlers provides a broad array of services to children with special needs, birth through three years of age, and their families.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vermont Department of Children and Families: Child Development
Division: Early Intervention Program
103 South Main Street
DCF - 2 North
Waterbury, VT 05671-2901

Phone: (802) 769-6174 & (1-800) 649-2642

Official Website: http://dcf.vermont.gov/child-development/cis/IDEA_part_C

Email/Contact: N/A

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARIES SPECIAL SERVICES UNIT: LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND & PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

The Special Services Unit provides services to the visually impaired and print disabled as well as state supported institutions.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vermont Department of Libraries Special Services Unit: Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped
578 Paine Turnpike North
Berlin, VT 5602

Phone: (802) 828-3273; (1-800) 479-1711

Official Website: http://libraries.vermont.gov/library_for_the_blind

Email/Contact: http://libraries.vermont.gov/contact_us

VERMONT DIVISION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Division for the Blind and Visually Impaired (DBVI) is the designated state unit to provide vocational rehabilitation and independent living services to eligible Vermonters who are blind and visually impaired. DBVI's Mission is to support the efforts of Vermonters who are blind and visually impaired to achieve or sustain their economic independence, self reliance, and social integration to a level consistent with their interests, abilities and informed choices.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vermont Division for the Blind and Visually Impaired
HC 2 South
280 State Drive
Waterbury, VT 5671

Phone: (802) 241-0238

Official Website: <http://dbvi.vermont.gov/>

Email/Contact: <http://dbvi.vermont.gov/contact>

VERMONT OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The mission of the Vermont Optometric Association is to provide its members with the resources necessary to deliver the highest standard of professional and ethical optometric care to the citizens and neighbors of Vermont and to be a representative voice for Vermont optometrists.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vermont Optometric Association
124 East Main Street
Suite 1
Newport, VT 5855

Phone: (802) 334-2772

Official Website: <https://www.vtoptometrists.org/>

Email/Contact: https://www.vtoptometrists.org/contact_us.php

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ACCESS SERVICES FAIRFAX COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Access Services branch removes barriers to library services for people with disabilities. Their many services include: providing opportunities to learn about assistive technology and equipment, providing books in alternative formats to people with vision impairments and delivering books to readers who cannot visit a Locally Run library. They welcome invitations to present informational programs and participate in community events.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Access Services Fairfax County Public Library
12000 Government Center Parkway
Suite 123
Fairfax, VA 22030

Phone: (703) 324-8380 & (703) 324-8365 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/access-services>

Email/Contact: access@fairfaxcounty.gov

ALEXANDRIA LIBRARY-BEATLEY CENTRAL LIBRARY: TALKING BOOK SERVICE

The Alexandria Library's Talking Book Department offers service to Alexandria city residents who are print disabled: people who are blind, visually impaired, physically challenged or have a reading disability (such as dyslexia) that prevents them from reading even large print books in print format. An application form certified (signed) by a qualified professional must be completed before service can begin. You can download the application [here](#). This free, by-mail service provides both reading machines and specially designed, digital talking books to play on them. These digital audiobooks are professionally recorded through the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, a department of the Library of Congress. The talking book collection contains complete, unabridged books ranging from classical literature to current best sellers and cover a wide array of subjects in both fiction and non-fiction for adults and children. A number of monthly and weekly magazines are available in this audio format as well. Once enrolled for service, Talking Book patrons can also apply online for access to BARD, the Library of Congress' Braille and Audio Reading Download website, and download digital materials for themselves using their own username and password. To apply for BARD access, please click [here](#). There is also a free BARD mobile app available for iOS, Android and Kindle that you can download it [here](#) from the BARD website. For further information and to request print forms, please call the Talking Book Service at 703-746-1760 between 10 am and 3 pm, Monday through Friday. A support group, The Low Vision Resource Group, created in partnership with the Prevention of Blindness Society, meets

quarterly. Please call Talking Book Service for more information about these periodic events.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Alexandria Library-Beatley Central Library: Talking Book Service
5005 Duke Street
Alexandria, VA 22304

Phone: (703) 746-1760 & (703) 746-1790 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: https://alexlibraryva.org/client/en_US/home/

Email/Contact: https://alexlibraryva.org/client/en_US/home/?rm=TALKING+BOOK+S1|||1|||0|||true&dt=list

AMERICAN COUNCIL OF THE BLIND

At the heart of the philosophy of the American Council of the Blind is the belief that we must accept people who are blind where they are and value each and every person for their individual accomplishments. Our organization encourages Locally Run and state affiliates to operate autonomously and provide through our resolutions process and through our Board of Directors direction to our national office. Each blind person must be valued as an individual and while the American Council of the Blind expects its members to strive to be all that they can be, we do not support the adoption of a set of values that tell people who they are.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Council of the Blind
1703 North Beauregard Street
Suite 420
Alexandria, VA 22311

Phone: (202) 467-5081 & (1-800) 424-8666

Official Website: <http://www.acb.org/>

Email/Contact: info@acb.org

AMERICAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION

We lead the fight against the deadly consequences of diabetes and fight for those affected by diabetes. We fund research to prevent, cure, and manage diabetes. We deliver services to hundreds of communities. We provide objective and credible information. We give voice to those denied their rights because of diabetes.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Diabetes Association
2451 Crystal Drive
Suite 900
Alexandria, VA 22202

Phone: (1-800) 342-2383

Official Website: <http://www.diabetes.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.diabetes.org/about-us/contact-us/?loc=superfooter>

AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND PUBLIC POLICY AND RESEARCH CENTER

The mission of the American Foundation for the Blind is to create a world of no limits for people who are blind or visually impaired. We mobilize leaders, advance understanding, and champion impactful policies and practices using research and data.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Foundation for the Blind Public Policy and Research Center
1401 South Clark Street
Suite 730
Arlington, VA 22202

Phone: (202) 469-6831

Official Website: <https://www.afb.org/default.aspx>

Email/Contact: <http://www.afb.org/sendMail.asp>

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CATARACT AND REFRACTIVE SURGERY

The American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery is an international, educational society with more than 9,000 members. Its mission is to advance the art and science of ophthalmic surgery and the knowledge and skills of ophthalmic surgeons by providing clinical and practice management education and by working with patients, government, and the medical community to promote the delivery and advancement of high-quality eye care.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery
4000 Legato Road
Suite 700
Fairfax, VA 22033

Phone: (703) 591-2220

Official Website: <http://www.ascrs.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.ascrs.org/form/contact-us>

ANIRIDIA FOUNDATION INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

Aniridia Foundation International is a 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable organization dedicated to assisting those with low vision or blindness due to the genetic blinding eye disease Aniridia. Our members consist of those with aniridia, their families, physicians, researchers, and teachers.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Aniridia Foundation International c/o University of Virginia Department of Ophthalmology
P.O. Box 800715
Charlottesville, VA 22908-0715

Phone: (434) 243-3357

Official Website: <http://www.make-a-miracle.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.make-a-miracle.org/Contact-Us.html>

ASSOCIATION FOR EDUCATION AND REHABILITATION OF THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Mission of AER is to serve and empower professionals to deliver standards-based practices that lead to improved educational and rehabilitative outcomes for individuals with visual impairment and blindness. The Vision of AER is to be a dynamic and thriving professional membership community with innovative practices and standards that result in responsiveness, recognized leadership, and improved outcomes for individuals who are blind and visually impaired.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Association for Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired
1703 North Beauregard Street
Suite 440
Alexandria, VA 22311

Phone: (703) 671-4500 & (1-877) 492-2708

Official Website: <https://aerbvi.org/>

Email/Contact: aer@aerbvi.org

BAYSIDE AND SPECIAL SERVICES LIBRARY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Bayside & Special Services Library, in cooperation with the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, provides library service to Virginia Beach residents with visual and physical disabilities. Talking books, talking book players, magazines and catalogs are mailed directly to customers' homes. An eligible person must fill out and submit an application.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Bayside and Special Services Library Department of Public Libraries
936 Independence Boulevard
Virginia Beach, VA 23455

Phone: (757) 385-2684

Official Website: <https://www.vbgov.com/government/departments/libraries/Using-the-Library/Pages/Disability-Services.aspx>

Email/Contact: libssbh@vbgov.com

BAYSIDE AND SPECIAL SERVICES LIBRARY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Virginia Beach Public Library brings people together and provides equitable and convenient access to resources, educational experiences and opportunities to enrich lives. It's a place where young children acquire skills to help them succeed in school. It's where citizens turn to find unbiased information to research issues of the day, to access emerging technologies, and to find resources for job-seeking and connections with other people. It's where new chapters begin.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Bayside and Special Services Library Department of Public Libraries
936 Independence Boulevard
Virginia Beach, VA 23455

Phone: (757) 385-2684

Official Website: <https://www.vbgov.com/government/departments/libraries/Pages/home.aspx>

Email/Contact: library@vbgov.com

BLINDED VETERANS ASSOCIATION

To promote the welfare of blinded veterans so that, notwithstanding their disabilities, they may take their rightful place in the community and work with their fellow citizens toward the creation of a peaceful world.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Employment/Job Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blinded Veterans Association
125 North West Street
3rd Floor
Alexandria, VA 22314

Phone: (800) 669-7079

Official Website: <http://www.bva.org/BVA>

Email/Contact: bva@bva.org

BRaille CIRCULATING LIBRARY

From its humble beginning in 1925, the Braille Circulating Library originally served only the state of Virginia, but its outreach now spans the entire United States, many foreign countries and countless more with the Library on the web!

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Braille Circulating Library
2700 Stuart Avenue
Richmond, VA 23220

Phone: (804) 359-3743

Official Website: <https://braillecirculatinglibrary.org/>

Email/Contact: braillecirculatinglibrary@gmail.com

COUNCIL FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN

The Council for Exceptional Children is a professional association of educators dedicated to advancing the success of children with exceptionalities. We accomplish our mission through advocacy, standards, and professional development.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Council for Exceptional Children
2900 Crystal Drive
Suite 1000
Arlington, VA 22202-3557

Phone: (1-888) 232-7733 & (1-866) 915-5000 (TTY)

Official Website: <https://www.cec.sped.org/>

Email/Contact: service@cec.sped.org

FREDERICKSBURG AREA SUBREGIONAL LIBRARY, CENTRAL RAPPAHANNOCK REGIONAL LIBRARY

The Library of Congress provides free reading materials to anyone who qualifies so That All May Read. The Assistive Services Department in the Central Rappahannock Regional Library Fredericksburg houses the Talking Book Library. Its books and audio players are supplied by the Library of Congress. Anyone in the Talking Book Library's service area (City of Fredericksburg and Caroline, Culpeper, Fauquier, King George, Orange, Prince William, Spotsylvania, Stafford, and Westmoreland counties) who is unable to read or use standard print materials due to temporary or permanent visual impairment, physical disability, or dyslexia may be eligible for the Talking Books service. Individuals and institutions who are eligible may borrow a free player as long as it is needed and receive free talking books.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Fredericksburg Area Subregional Library, Central Rappahannock
Regional Library
125 Olde Greenwich Dr.
Suite 155
Fredericksburg, VA 22408

Virginia

Phone: (540) 372-1144, ext. 7054 (800) 628-4807 234

Official Website: http://www.librarypoint.org/talking_books

Email/Contact: talking-books@crrl.org

FREDERICKSBURG AREA SUBREGIONAL LIBRARY, CENTRAL RAPPAHANNOCK REGIONAL LIBRARY

Inspiring lifelong learning for everyone in our community. The Central Rappahannock Regional Library improves lives through the transformative power of information, learning, and ideas to meet the growing needs of our region.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Fredericksburg Area Subregional Library, Central Rappahannock
Regional Library
1201 Caroline Street
Fredericksburg, VA 22401

Phone: (540) 372-1144 234

Official Website: http://www.librarypoint.org/talking_books

Email/Contact: webmaster@crrl.org

INFANT AND TODDLER CONNECTION OF VIRGINIA

The Infant & Toddler Connection of Virginia provides early intervention supports and services to infants and toddlers from birth through age two who are not developing as expected or who have a medical condition that can delay normal development. Early intervention supports and services focus on increasing the child's participation in family and community activities that are important to the family. In addition, supports and services focus on helping parents and other caregivers know how to find ways to help the child learn during everyday activities. These supports and services are available for all eligible children and their families regardless of the family's ability to pay.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Infant and Toddler Connection of Virginia
1220 Bank Street
9th Floor
Richmond, VA 23219-1797

Phone: (804) 786-3710; (1-800) 234-1448; & (804) 771-5877 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.infantva.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.infantva.org/contactus.htm>

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE DIRECTORS OF SPECIAL EDUCATION, INC.

NASDSE's mission is to work with state education agencies to ensure that all children and youth with disabilities receive the educational supports and services they need from birth to be prepared for post-school education, career and independent living choices. NASDSE accomplishes its mission by establishing and maintaining relationships with those individuals and groups responsible for the development of policies, educational and other programs serving individuals with disabilities, and those responsible for implementation at the school, Locally Run district, state and national levels. NASDSE promotes leadership development through collaborative relationship building with these stakeholders based on its Leading by Convening initiative and strategies.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

National Association of State Directors of Special Education, Inc.
225 Reinekers Lane
Suite 420
Alexandria, VA 22314

Phone: (703) 519-3800

Official Website: <http://www.nasdse.org/>

Email/Contact: [http://nasdse.org/AboutNASDSE/ContactUs/
tabid/409/Default.aspx](http://nasdse.org/AboutNASDSE/ContactUs/tabid/409/Default.aspx)

NATIONAL INDUSTRIES FOR THE BLIND

Since 1938, NIB has focused on enhancing the opportunities for economic and personal independence of people who are blind, primarily through creating, sustaining and improving employment. NIB and its network of associated nonprofit agencies are the nation's largest employer of people who are blind through the sale of SKILCRAFT® and other products and services provided by the AbilityOne® Program, established by the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

National Industries for the Blind
1310 Braddock Place
Alexandria, VA 22314-1691

Phone: (703) 310-0500

Official Website: <http://www.nib.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.nib.org/content/contact-information>

OPTICIANS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

In essence, the OAA is the collective voice of the opticianry industry. The ongoing mission of the OAA is to work with members, partners and other professionals—both inside and outside of our industry—to assure that opticians receive the recognition, respect, opportunity and protection you deserve. Likewise, we work tirelessly to further a positive and informed brand image for opticianry, in both Locally Run and national markets.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Opticians Association of America
P.O. Box 6544
Ashland, VA 23005

Phone: (1-866) 734-9251

Official Website: <https://oaa.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://oaa.org/contact>

RESNA (REHABILITATION ENGINEERING AND ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY SOCIETY OF NORTH AMERICA)

RESNA, the Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of North America, is the premier professional organization dedicated to promoting the health and well-being of people with disabilities through increasing access to technology solutions. RESNA advances the field by offering certification, continuing education, and professional development; developing assistive technology standards; promoting research and public policy; and sponsoring forums for the exchange of information and ideas to meet the needs of our multidisciplinary constituency.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

RESNA (Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of North America)
1560 Wilson Blvd
Suite 850
Arlington, VA 22209

Phone: (703) 524-6686 & (703) 524-6639 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://www.resna.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.resna.org/contact-us>

SOURCE AMERICA

SourceAmerica makes the American Dream more accessible to a segment of the population where nearly 80% do not have jobs. As an advocate for the disability community, SourceAmerica creates programs such as Pathways to Careers to empower people with disabilities who seek meaningful employment. We are on a mission to open minds and change hearts.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Source America
8401 Old Courthouse Road
Vienna, VA 22182

Phone: (888) 411-8424

Official Website: <https://www.sourceamerica.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.sourceamerica.org/form/contact-us>

TALKING BOOK SERVICE ARLINGTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARIES

For Arlington residents who are unable to read print or hold a book, the National Library Service provides free, specially recorded, unabridged books and listening equipment to qualified blind and physically handicapped recipients.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Talking Book Service Arlington County Department of Libraries
1015 North Quincy Street
Arlington, VA 22201

Phone: (703) 228-6333 & (703) 358-6320 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://library.arlingtonva.us/services/accommodation-services/talking-books-by-mail/>

Email/Contact: talkingbooks@arlingtonva.us

TALKING BOOK SERVICES MELROSE LIBRARY BRANCH

Recorded materials on cassettes and digital book cartridges are available on loan by the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, a division of the Library of Congress. Both digital and cassette recordings require specially designed playback equipment which is also supplied on free loan to eligible individuals and institutions wherever they reside.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Dog Guide Training; Employment/ Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/ O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Talking Book Services Melrose Library Branch
2607 Salem Turnpike NW
Roanoke, VA 24017-5397

Phone: (540) 853-2648 & (1-800) 528-2342

Official Website: <http://www.roanokeva.gov/1162/Talking-Book-Service>

Email/Contact: <https://roanokeva.gov/FormCenter/Citizen-Engagement-39/Contact-Us-153>

THE OFFICE FOR AGING SERVICES OF THE DIVISION FOR COMMUNITY LIVING

The Office for Aging Services of the Division for Community Living helps older Virginians live as independently as possible by coordinating and providing services to help them maintain their dignity and security. Their website provides information that aging Virginians, caregivers and their families can use in making important decisions about their lives and the lives of their loved ones. The Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services is designated by the federal government as the agency to oversee all state programs using funds provided by the federal Older Americans Act and the Virginia General Assembly. Area Agencies on Aging contract with the Division to provide services for older Virginians and their families in communities throughout Virginia. The Office for Aging Services of the Division for Community Living works with 25 Locally Run Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) as well as various other public and private organizations to help older Virginians, their families and loved ones find the services and information they need.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille Transcription; Computer/Assistive Technology; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

The Office for Aging Services of the Division for Community Living
1610 Forest Avenue, Suite 100
Richmond, VA 23229

Phone: (804) 662-9333 & (1-800) 552-3402

Official Website: <https://www.vda.virginia.gov/>

Email/Contact: aging@dars.virginia.gov

THE WHRO VOICE, A RADIO READING SERVICE

If someone you know is legally blind, has a reading disability, or a physical disability which prevents normal reading, he or she might be eligible for a free Voice Radio. Contact James Holzer at 757.889.9379 for more information.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

The WHRO Voice, A Radio Reading Service
5200 Hampton Boulevard
Norfolk, VA 23508

Phone: (757) 889-9366

Official Website: <https://mediaplayer.whro.org/station/voice>

Email/Contact: <https://corporate.whro.org/contact-us/contact-us>

UNITED STATES BRAILLE CHESS ASSOCIATION ALAN SCHLANK, TREASURER

The United States Braille Chess Association (US BCA) has been around since the late nineteen sixties, and is dedicated to encouraging and assisting in the promotion and advancement of correspondence and over-the-board chess among chess enthusiasts who are blind or visually impaired.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Professional Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

United States Braille Chess Association c/o Alan Schlank, Treasurer
1881 North Nash Street
Unit 702
Arlington, VA 22209

Phone: (305) 273-7874

Official Website: <http://www.americanblindchess.org/>

Email/Contact: hazelnutt2001@gmail.com

VALLEY VOICE READING SERVICE FOR THE BLIND JMU WMRA RADIO BUILDING

Valley Voice is a radio reading service for the visually impaired. Trained volunteers read aloud portions of newspapers for broadcast. Around 4,000 listeners each week rely on the service to hear time-sensitive print matter. Listeners are in Harrisonburg, Staunton, Bridgewater, Charlottesville, and portions of the surrounding countryside.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Valley Voice Reading Service for the Blind JMU WMRA Radio Building
983 Reservoir Street
Harrisonburg, VA 22801

Phone: (540) 568-3811 & (1-800) 677-9672

Official Website: <http://wmra.org/valley-voice#stream/0>

Email/Contact: wmra@jmu.edu

VIRGINIA ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM

The mission of the Virginia Assistive Technology System (VATS) is to ensure that Virginians of all ages and abilities can acquire the appropriate, affordable assistive and information technologies and services they need to participate in society as active citizens. The Virginia Assistive Technology System, the statewide assistive technology program for Virginia, is administered by the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services. The project is supported by a grant from the Administration for Community Living. Its contents are solely the responsibility of the authors and do not necessarily represent the official views of Health and Human Services (HHS).

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Virginia Assistive Technology System
Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services (DARS)
2001 Maywill Street, Suite 202
Richmond, VA 23230

Phone: (804) 662-9990 & (1-800) 552-5019

Official Website: <http://www.vats.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.vats.org/contactus.htm>

VIRGINIA ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM

VATS has three Regional Sites that provide an array of services, but also specialize in certain services. VATS contracts with the Foundation for Rehabilitation Equipment & Endowment (F.R.E.E.) to provide Durable Medical Equipment (DME) collection and re-assignment programs in all four regions of the Commonwealth served by DARS. F.R.E.E. is located in southwest Virginia. VATS Southeast Site at Old Dominion University (ODU) has focus on youth in transition and community activities. VATS North Site at George Mason University (GMU) helps coordinate data collection, information and assistance, and youth in transition activities. Both ODU and GMU provide a hand-on demonstration center, short-term equipment loans, training, public awareness, Locally Run and statewide resources, and general technical assistance for consumers who can benefit from the use of assistive technology.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Virginia Assistive Technology System
2001 Maywill Street
Suite 202
Richmond, VA 23230

Phone: (804) 662-9990; (1-800) 552-5019; & (1-800) 464-9950

Official Website: <http://www.vats.org/>

Email/Contact: webmaster@drs.virginia.gov

VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF WORKERS FOR THE BLIND

The Burkeville Lodge is a vacation spot for the visually impaired to gather with family and friends. It was established in 1960 by the Virginia Association of Workers for the Blind and is located in the small rural town of Burkeville Virginia.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Professional Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Virginia Association of Workers for the Blind
341 Oak Street
P.O. Box 116
Burkeville, VA 23922

Phone: (434) 767-4080

Official Website: <http://vawb.org/index.html>

Email/Contact: vwblind@gmail.com

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT FOR THE BLIND AND VISION IMPAIRED

The Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired (DBVI) is committed to providing quality services to assist Virginia's citizens who are blind, deafblind or vision impaired in achieving their maximum level of employment, education, and personal independence. The department provides an array of specialized services to blind Virginians of all ages to assist them in attaining the skills, confidence and positive outlook that are critical to independence. Their primary focus is to assist blind Virginians in achieving quality employment outcomes. Vocational evaluation, job training, job development, placement, follow-up and other services are provided to assist consumers in obtaining jobs in the public and private sectors. Training for and employment as food service managers and vendors are available in cafeterias, snack bars, and other vending facilities in public and private buildings. The Virginia Industries for the Blind provides another employment option for blind Virginians at its two plant locations in Charlottesville and Richmond, its satellite store operations and administrative service positions across the Commonwealth.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Virginia Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired
397 Azalea Avenue
Richmond, VA 23227-3600

Phone: (804) 371-3151

Official Website: <http://www.vdbvi.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT FOR THE BLIND AND VISION IMPAIRED: VIRGINIA INDUSTRIES FOR THE BLIND

Virginia Industries for the Blind is an enterprise division of the Virginia Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired whose mission is to employ and develop Virginians who are blind, visually impaired or deaf/blind to achieve their desired level of employment through the manufacture and delivery of quality products and services.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Virginia Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired: Virginia Industries for the Blind
Deputy Commissioner for Enterprises / General Manager: Matt Koch
397 Azalea Avenue
Richmond, VA 23227

Phone: (855) 842-7867

Official Website: <http://www.vibonline.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.vibonline.org/contact.htm>

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To employ and develop Virginians who are blind, visually impaired or deaf/blind to achieve their desired level of employment through the manufacture and delivery of quality products and services.

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

MAILING ADDRESS:

Virginia Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired: Virginia
Industries for the Blind
397 Azalea Avenue
Richmond, VA 23227

Phone: (434) 295-5168

Official Website: <https://www.vibonline.org/>

Email/Contact: customerservice@vibonline.org

VIRGINIA LIBRARY AND RESOURCE CENTER VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT FOR THE BLIND AND VISION IMPAIRED

The Library and Resource Center (LRC) is a component of the Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired (DBVI) from which two fundamental programs are administered. Library services are offered to persons who are print disabled. The Library and Resource Center service is provided to Locally Run school divisions to support education of visually impaired and blind children. Library services are provided free of charge to those eligible, through the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS) network of the Library of Congress. DBVI works with affiliated subregional libraries in public libraries in Alexandria, Arlington, Fairfax, Fredericksburg, Roanoke, Staunton, and Virginia Beach. The books and equipment are provided free to the affiliated libraries from The Library of Congress, and services are administered at the state and Locally Run level. Currently, 8,000 people who are print disabled are patrons of a lending collection of 80,000 titles recorded on cassette, digital cartridge, Braille, large print and descriptive movies. The library collection includes books and magazines covering a wide range of topics and reading levels. Required playback equipment and accessories are also furnished. Books and equipment are mailed to and from eligible persons using the “free matter for the blind” mailing privilege. The LRC is currently focused on the NLS transition to complete digital format, which will take place over the next three years. A variety of Resource Center services are provided to blind and vision impaired students K-12, school divisions, and teachers in the Commonwealth. The Center houses an inventory of adaptive equipment that is distributed to blind and visually impaired infants, children and youth throughout

the state. Inventory items range from technology such as Braille note-takers and specialized software, to Braille paper. The Resource Center also provides Braille textbooks, workbooks and novels for use by blind and visually impaired students in their Locally Run school districts. Orders for books in adapted formats are placed through the Virginia Department of Education's statewide ordering system, AIM-VA, located at George Mason University. The LRC receives automated copies of orders for Braille. Textbooks are produced by the LRC or purchased from another state, and loaned for the school year. Expanding methods of Braille production continues to be a major focus of this program.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Virginia Library and Resource Center Virginia Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired
395 Azalea Avenue
Richmond, VA 23227

Phone: (1-800) 552-7015 & (804) 371-3661 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: http://www.vdbvi.org/library_resourcecenter.htm

Email/Contact: https://www.vdbvi.org/library_resourcecenter.htm

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SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Virginia Library and Resource Center Virginia Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired

Phone: NA

Official Website: https://www.vdbvi.org/library_resourcecenter.htm

Email/Contact: N/A

VIRGINIA OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

To improve the vision care and health of the public and to promote the art and science of the profession of Optometry. To promote in all lawful ways the welfare of the members of the Association, the profession of Optometry, and the improvement of materials, methods, education, technology and competence of individuals practicing therein. To support the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth of Virginia relating to the profession of Optometry and to assist in the enforcement thereof.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Virginia Optometric Association
4461 Cox Road
Suite 110
Glen Allen, VA 23060

Phone: (804) 643-0309

Official Website: <https://www.thevoa.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.thevoa.org/>

VIRGINIA PROJECT FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH DEAF-BLINDNESS PARTNERSHIP FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES/VCU

The Virginia Project for Children and Young Adults with Deaf-Blindness is a statewide program designed to provide technical assistance, training, distance education, and networking information to families, teachers, and service providers of individuals birth through 21 who have both a hearing loss and a vision loss. The Virginia Deaf-Blind Project is committed to supporting families, teachers, and service providers in their endeavors to improve outcomes for children and youth who experience both vision and hearing loss. Through providing technical assistance, training, and information, we aspire to improve the quality of life for people who are deaf-blind as they live in their homes, learn in their schools, socialize in their communities, and access the services they choose.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Virginia Project for Children and Youth with Deaf-Blindness
Partnership for People with Disabilities/VCU
700 East Franklin Street
Suite 140, Box 843020
Richmond, VA 23219

Phone: (804) 828-3876 & (1-800) 828-1120 (TDD)

Official Website: <https://partnership.vcu.edu/programs/education/vadbp/>

Email/Contact: <https://partnership.vcu.edu/programs/education/vadbp/#contact>

VIRGINIA REHABILITATION CENTER FOR THE BLIND AND VISION IMPAIRED

The Virginia Rehabilitation Center for the Blind and Vision Impaired (VRCBVI) offers training in the skills of blindness to blind and vision-impaired Virginians and encourages people to develop positive attitudes about blindness.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Virginia Rehabilitation Center for the Blind and Vision Impaired
401 Azalea Avenue
Richmond, VA 23227

Phone: (804) 371-3151 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.vrcbvi.org>

Email/Contact: N/A

VIRGINIA REHABILITATION CENTER FOR THE BLIND AND VISION IMPAIRED

VRCBVI offers training in the skills of blindness to blind and vision-impaired Virginians and encourages people to develop positive attitudes about blindness. As you enter the front lobby at VRCBVI, there is a quote on the wall that reads, Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you've imagined. From the first contact with VRCBVI, we want students to focus on the possibilities for their lives, rather than the perceived limitations. Our staff do an excellent job of challenging people to gain competency in the skills of blindness. We also work with them on looking at what the misconceptions of blindness are that are held by the general public and by the blind themselves.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Virginia Rehabilitation Center for the Blind and Vision Impaired
401 Azalea Avenue
Richmond, VA 23227

Phone: (1-800) 622-2155 & (804) 371-3151 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://www.vrcbvi.org/>

Email/Contact: dbvireferralsandinquiriesdbvi@dbvi.virginia.gov

VIRGINIA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND

The Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind (VSDB) provides an environment which fosters self-confident students who are contributing citizens and life-long learners and serves as a resource of excellence for the communities of Virginia who serve students who are deaf/hard of hearing, blind/vision impaired and deafblind.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; Information and Referral; Radio Reading Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind
P.O. Box 2069
Staunton, VA 24402

Phone: (540) 332-9000 & (1-800) 522-8732

Official Website: <http://www.vsdb.k12.va.us>

Email/Contact: info@vsdb.k12.va.us

VIRGINIA VOICE FOR THE PRINT HANDICAPPED

To connect individuals with disabilities to information, culture and community using technology and the human voice. Virginia Voice strives to enhance the quality of life for individuals with disabilities who require audio access to visual experiences. Volunteer readers and live theater describers share the gift of their voices so that our listeners will have access to current print material and Locally Run performing arts events. We are focused on keeping individuals connected to the people, places, events and news of Central Virginia and the world beyond.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Virginia Voice for the Print Handicapped
395 Azalea Avenue
P.O. Box 15546
Richmond, VA 23227

Phone: (804) 266-2477

Official Website: <http://www.virginiavoice.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.virginiavoice.org/contact-us/>

VISION COUNCIL OF AMERICA/THE VISION COUNCIL

Vision: To champion better vision for better lives. **Mission:** Position members for success by promoting growth in the vision care industry through education, advocacy, research, consumer outreach, strategic relationship building and industry forums.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vision Council of America/The Vision Council
225 Reinekers Lane
Suite 700
Alexandria, VA 22314

Phone: (703) 548-4560 & (1-866) 826-0290

Official Website: <http://www.thevisioncouncil.org/>

Email/Contact: info@thevisioncouncil.org

WASHINGTON DC OPHTHALMOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The voluntary membership of the Washington DC Metropolitan Ophthalmological Society (WDCMOS) represents approximately 110 ophthalmologists practicing in the Washington DC area. The primary purposes of the WDCMOS are: to promote excellence in eye care by providing continuing medical education programs for its membership and by maintaining a calendar of events at Locally Run academic institutions, to provide educational resources about eye health for the public, and to serve as a liaison with the American Academy of Ophthalmology.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Washington DC Ophthalmological Society
6355 Walker Lane
Suite 502
Alexandria, VA 22310

Phone: (703) 313-8822

Official Website: <https://www.wdcmos.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.wdcmos.org/contact/>

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HELEN KELLER NATIONAL CENTER FOR DEAF-BLIND YOUTHS AND ADULTS: ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION OFFICE

Our regional offices bring HKNC resources to you. Your regional representative knows all about the programs and services that are available to deaf-blind individuals, their families and service providers in your state and beyond, and can help you find and access the ones that are right for you. Whether you're interested in learning about support services near your home, would like to take advantage of the technology available through the National Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program or want to explore the possibility of training at our national headquarters, your regional representative is your link to all that HKNC has to offer - consultation, advocacy, assessment, training, referrals and more.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults: Rocky Mountain Region Office
1200 12th Avenue South
Suite 175
Seattle, WA 98144

Washington

Phone: Voice: (801) 518-9401 & VP: (385) 355-8392

Official Website: <https://www.helenkeller.org/hknc/rocky-mountain-region>

Email/Contact: laura.benge@hknc.org taryn.hill@hknc.org

OLYMPIC EDUCATIONAL SERVICE: DISTRICT 114

Olympic Educational Service District (ESD) is one of nine regional educational agencies serving school districts, tribal compact schools, and state-approved private schools in Washington State. ESDs function primarily as support agencies and deliver educational services that can be more efficiently or economically performed regionally. ESDs assist the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the State Board of Education in the performance of their duties and provide technical and professional consultation in their liaison capacity between the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and Locally Run school officials.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Olympic Educational Service: District 114
105 National Avenue North
Bremerton, WA 98312

Phone: (360) 479-0993

Official Website: <https://www.oesd114.org/>

Email/Contact: info@oesd114.org

WASHINGTON ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY ACT PROGRAM UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON CENTER FOR TECHNOLOGY AND DISABILITY STUDIES CHDD SOUTH BUILDING

The Advisory Council is made up of a consumer majority with representation of agency appointed staff from OSPI, DVR, DSB, CIL, and Workforce. Community and agency representatives use their AT experience to review and inform WATAP activities statewide.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Washington Assistive Technology Act Program University of
Washington Center for Technology and Disability Studies CHDD South
Building
Box 357920
Room 104
Seattle, WA 98195-7920

Phone: (1-800) 214-8731 & (1-866) 866-0162 (TTY)

Official Website: <http://wataap.org/>

Email/Contact: wataap@uw.edu

WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF EARLY LEARNING: EARLY SUPPORT FOR INFANTS AND TODDLERS PROGRAM

Early intervention services during the first three years can make a big difference in a child's life. The Department of Early Learning's (DEL) Early Support for Infants and Toddlers (ESIT) program provides services to children birth to age 3 who have disabilities or developmental delays. Eligible infants and toddlers and their families are entitled to individualized, quality early intervention services in accordance with the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Part C. Early intervention services are designed to enable young children to be active, independent and successful participants in a variety of settings—in their homes, in child care, in preschool programs and in their communities. In Washington, referrals to early intervention services are provided through Locally Run Lead Agencies. Family Resources Coordinators help families access the early intervention services their child may need. They also help families get a free developmental screening and suggest other community resources. Find the Primary Referral Contact and Locally Run Lead Agency in your county.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

Washington

MAILING ADDRESS:

Washington Department of Early Learning: Early Support for Infants
and Toddlers Program
P.O. Box 40970
Olympia, WA 98504-0970

Phone: (360) 725-3500 & (1-800) 322-2588

Official Website: <http://del.wa.gov/providers-educators/early-support-infants-and-toddlers-esit>

Email/Contact: https://del.wa.gov/sites/default/files/public/ESIT/DEL-ESIT_Contacts_for_Web.pdf

WASHINGTON SENSORY DISABILITIES SERVICES

Washington Sensory Disabilities Services partners with families and service providers to support children who are Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Blind/Visually Impaired or Deaf-Blind. We're here to support the development and learning needs of children aged birth to 21 who are deaf or hard of hearing, are blind or visually impaired, have a combined hearing loss and visual impairment

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Recreation Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Washington Sensory Disabilities Services
800 Oakesdale Avenue SW
Renton, WA 98057

Phone: (1-800) 572-7000 & (425) 917-7827

Official Website: <http://www.wsdsonline.org/>

Email/Contact: wlds@psesd.org

WASHINGTON STATE AGING AND LONG-TERM SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION

Department of Social and Health Services Blake Office Park West
The Aging and Long-Term Support Administration supports seniors and people with disabilities to live with good health, independence, dignity, and control over decisions that affect their lives.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Washington State Aging and Long-Term Support Administration
Department of Social and Health Services Blake Office Park West
PO Box 45600
Olympia, WA 98504-5600

Phone: (360) 725-2300; (1-800) 422-3263; & (360) 493-2637 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.aasa.dshs.wa.gov>

Email/Contact: <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/home-and-community-services/altsa-contact-information>

WASHINGTON STATE BRAILLE SERVICES

The Braille Access Center is a fee for service agency providing quality, accurate braille to customers in accordance with the American with Disabilities Act. Providing transcription services since 1996, the Braille Services Team is a collaborative partnership between the Washington State School for the Blind/Ogden Resource Center, Correctional Industries and the Washington Corrections Center for Women.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Washington State Braille Services
2310 East 13th Street
Vancouver, WA 98661-4120

Phone: (360) 947-3344 & (360) 947-3340

Official Website: <https://www.wssb.wa.gov/wp/departments/bac/>

Email/Contact: braille@wssb.wa.gov

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF SERVICES FOR THE BLIND

Washington State Department of Services for the Blind (DSB) provides training, counseling, and support to help Washington residents of all ages, who are blind or visually impaired, pursue employment, education, and independent living. Their goal is “Inclusion, Independence, and Economic Vitality for People with Visual Disabilities.”

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Radio Reading Services; Recreation Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Washington State Department of Services for the Blind
PO Box 40933
Olympia, WA 98504-0933

Phone: (360) 725-3830 & (1-800) 552-7103

Official Website: <https://dsb.wa.gov/>

Email/Contact: <https://dsb.wa.gov/contact/contact-us.shtml>

WASHINGTON STATE OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION: SPECIAL EDUCATION

Special Education serves approximately 130,000 eligible students in Washington state. They fulfill the requirements of the federal Individuals With Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), which ensures that all children with disabilities have access to a free and appropriate public education.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Washington State Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction:
Special Education
600 Washington Street, SE
Olympia, WA 98504

Phone: (360) 725-6075 & (360) 586-0126 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.k12.wa.us/SpecialEd/default.aspx>

Email/Contact: <http://www.k12.wa.us/SpecialEd/ContactUs.aspx>

WASHINGTON STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

The mission of the Washington State School for the Blind is to provide specialized quality educational services to visually impaired and blind youth ages birth – 21 within the state of Washington. Its purpose is to serve as a statewide demonstration and resource center and provide direct and indirect services to students both on campus and in the children's Locally Run communities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Washington State School for the Blind
2214 East 13th Street
Vancouver, WA 98661-4120

Phone: (360) 696-6321

Official Website: <https://www.wssb.wa.gov/wp/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.wssb.wa.gov/wp/welcome-to-wssb/about-us/contact-us/>

AFB TECH

AFB Tech, based in Huntington, West Virginia, addresses critical inequities created by the lack of accessible technology for people with vision loss. AFB Tech conducts product evaluations on mainstream devices such as cell phones and office equipment, and then armed with these results, works with manufacturers to design their products to offer greater accessibility. It also evaluates assistive technology and works with software developers, web site designers, and hardware manufacturers to help them better understand and address the needs of those who are blind or visually impaired.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

AFB Tech
1000 5th Avenue
Suite 350
Huntington, WV 25701

Phone: (304) 523-8651 & (1-888) 824-8656

Official Website: <http://www.afb.org/info/about-afb-tech/5>

Email/Contact: abinfo@afb.net

AMERICAN COUNCIL FOR RURAL SPECIAL EDUCATION

The American Council on Rural Special Education (ACRES) is a non-profit organization comprised of special educators, general educators, related service providers, administrators, teacher trainers, researchers, and parents who are committed to the enhancement of services to children and adults with exceptionalities living in rural communities. ACRES was founded in 1981 by a group of individuals interested in the unique challenges of rural students and individuals needing special services. ACRES is the only national organization devoted entirely to special education issues that affect rural America. The membership of ACRES is geographically diverse, and is representative of all regions of the country. This fact is especially important since rural issues are not only different from urban issues, but also may vary among specific rural areas.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

American Council for Rural Special Education
509 Allen Hall
P.O. Box 6122
Morgantown, WV 26506-6122

Phone: (304) 293-3450

Official Website: <https://www.acres-sped.org/>

Email/Contact: acres-sped@mail.wvu.edu

BLIND AND HANDICAPPED SERVICES CABELL COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Cabell County Public Library services for blind or physically handicapped individuals are provided free to anyone meeting the eligibility requirements. If you or someone you know is unable to use standard printed materials because of a reading disability or other visual or physical impairment, you may be qualified for free library services through the Talking Books Library.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Blind and Handicapped Services Cabell County Public Library
455 9th Street Plaza
Huntington, WV 25701

Phone: (304) 528-5700 (ext.118)

Official Website: https://cabe.ent.sirsi.net/client/en_US/cabell/

Email/Contact: tbooks@cabell.lib.wv.us

CABELL-WAYNE ASSOCIATION OF THE BLIND

Serving the blind and visually impaired of Cabell and Wayne Counties of West Virginia for four decades.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Cabell-Wayne Association of the Blind
38 Washington Avenue
Huntington, WV 25701

Phone: (304) 522-6991

Official Website: <http://cabellwayne.org/>

Email/Contact: http://cabellwayne.org/contact_us.html

INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN BRAILLE MISSION

International Christian Braille Mission, Inc. (ICBM) produces and distributes New Testament Christian literature in formats readable by blind and visually impaired individuals.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

International Christian Braille Mission
P.O. Box 520
Grayson, KY
41143

Phone: (606) 474-6133

Official Website: <http://icbminc.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

MARSHALL UNIVERSITY MASTER OF ARTS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION

A master's degree may be earned with a specialization in any of the Areas of Emphasis. Students without a background in education must acquire certification in regular education prior to endorsement in Special Education, or they can enter the Alternative Certification Program (see Graduate Catalog). The Preschool Special Education endorsement is exempt from this requirement.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Marshall University Master of Arts in Special Education
100 Angus East Peyton Drive
South Charleston, WV 25303

Phone: (304) 696-2853 & (304) 746-1957

Official Website: <https://www.marshall.edu/graduate/select-your-degree-or-certificate-program/special-education/>

Email/Contact: conner4@marshall.edu & lee157@marshall.edu

MOUNTAIN STATE COUNCIL OF THE BLIND

We are West Virginia's state affiliate of the American Council of the Blind. Our mission is to advocate for the improvement of the social, economic, and cultural status of the blind and visually impaired of West Virginia. We have scholarship programs, assistive technology programs, and support the activities of the Locally Run chapters.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Mountain State Council of the Blind
P. O. Box 4006
Morgantown, WV 26504

Phone: (304) 933-9540

Official Website: <http://www.msbcwv.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.msbcwv.org/contact>

SERVICES FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PARKERSBURG AND WOOD COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Parkersburg & Wood County Public Library services for blind or physically handicapped individuals are provided free to anyone meeting the eligibility requirements. If you or someone you know is unable to use standard printed materials because of a reading disability or other visual or physical impairment, you may be qualified for free library services through the Talking Books Library.

SPONSOR: Locally Run

SERVICES: Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Services for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Parkersburg and Wood County Public Library
3100 Emerson Avenue
Parkersburg, WV 26104-2414

Phone: (304) 420-4587 ext. 4

Official Website: <http://park.lib.wv.us/BlindHand.html>

Email/Contact: bhdept@park.lib.wv.us

SPACE CAMP FOR INTERESTED VISUALLY IMPAIRED STUDENTS

SCIVIS is a week long camp that takes place at the US Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama; coordinated by teachers of the visually impaired; accessible; computers used by students in the Space Camp Programs have been adapted for speech and large print output; materials and equipment used during missions are available in braille and large print; participatory - students participate fully (each student is screened based on their eye medical condition --limitations may be placed on some)

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Radio Reading Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Space Camp for Interested Visually Impaired Students
190 Armstrong Street
Romney, WV 26757-1407

Phone: (304) 851-5680

Official Website: <http://www.scivis.org/index.htm>

Email/Contact: scivis@atlanticbb.net

SPECIAL SERVICES WEST VIRGINIA LIBRARY COMMISSION

The Special Services Division administers the regional library serving West Virginia for the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, a division of the Library of Congress. It provides direct library services to West Virginians who cannot utilize standard size print because of blindness, visual impairment, or disability. Special Services loans talking book machines, audio books, descriptive videos, Braille books, and audio newspapers and magazines.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Special Services West Virginia Library Commission
ATTN: Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
1900 Kanawha Boulevard East
Charleston, WV 25305

Phone: (304) 558-4061 & (1-800) 642-8674

Official Website: <https://librarycommission.wv.gov/special-services/Pages/default.aspx>

Email/Contact: talkbks@wvlc.lib.wv.us

THE SEEING HAND ASSOCIATION, INC.

The Seeing Hand Association, Inc. offers an innovative array of specialized services for the blind and visually impaired individuals. The services assist in meeting the identified needs of the individual while maintaining our core values of accountability, honesty, integrity, trust, teamwork, independence, personal and professional growth, dignity and self-esteem. We believe that blind and visually impaired individuals can be truly independent and achieve quality of life with the appropriate individual and family share services. Our services are designed to encourage, challenge, and empower individuals to maximize their potential in all areas of life. The services assist the blind and visually impaired to set personal and professional goals, learn the necessary skills to meet those goals and provide experiential opportunities to practice new skills and build confidence in every aspect of living.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Information and Referral; Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

The Seeing Hand Association, Inc.
750 Main Street
Wheeling, WV 26003-2571

Phone: (304) 232-4810

Official Website: <https://www.seeinghandassociation.com/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.seeinghandassociation.com/contact>

WEST VIRGINIA ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

The West Virginia Assistive Technology System (WVATS) is the designated lead agency that works to enhance the lives of all West Virginia residents with disabilities, including older West Virginians and the families of people with disabilities. By providing access to and help with the acquisition of assistive technology devices and services, WVATS can offer West Virginians with disabilities an opportunity for choice, control and independence at home, work, school, play, and in their neighborhoods. WVATS strives to bring assistive technology into the lives of all state residents with AT needs, through its programs and services. Assistive Technology (AT) is any device used to perform tasks that would otherwise be difficult or impossible. These devices can be as complex as computers with screen reading software or as simple as Velcro used in place of buttons or shoe laces.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

West Virginia Assistive Technology Systems
955 Hartman Run Road
Morgantown, WV 26505

Phone: (1-800) 841-8436

Official Website: <http://wvats.cedwvu.org/>

Email/Contact: wvats@hsc.wvu.edu

WEST VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF OPTOMETRIC PHYSICIANS

The purpose of the WV Association of Optometric Physicians is to meet the vision and eye care needs of the citizens of West Virginia. This purpose is accomplished by providing advanced continuing education, promoting the highest ethical standards, and advocating for the profession of Optometry.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

West Virginia Association of Optometric Physicians
18 California Avenue
Charleston, WV 25311

Phone: (304) 720-8262

Official Website: <https://www.wvaop.org/>

Email/Contact: https://www.wvaop.org/contact_us.php

WEST VIRGINIA BIRTH TO THREE

WV Birth to Three is a statewide system of services and supports for children under age three who have a delay in their development, or may be at risk of having a delay, and their family. The Department of Health and Human Resources, through the Bureau for Public Health and the Office of Maternal, Child and Family Health, WV Birth to Three, as the lead agency for Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), assures that family centered, community based services are available to all eligible children and families.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

West Virginia Birth to Three
350 Capitol Street
Room 427
Charleston, WV 25301-3714

Phone: (304) 558-5388; (1-800) 642-8522; & (304) 558-5388 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.wvdhhr.org/birth23/>

Email/Contact: dhhrwvbtt@wv.gov

WEST VIRGINIA BUREAU OF SENIOR SERVICES

The information that the West Virginia Bureau of Senior Services offers is tailored to those who are seeking to locate programs and services for themselves or their loved ones and also for professionals who may be looking for up-to-date information relating to the field of aging.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

West Virginia Bureau of Senior Services
1900 Kanawha Boulevard East
Charleston, WV 25305

Phone: (304) 558-3317

Official Website: <http://www.state.wv.us/seniorservices>

Email/Contact: <http://www.wvseniorservices.gov/?TabId=94>

WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: OFFICE OF SPECIAL PROGRAMS

The purpose of the Office of Special Programs in West Virginia Department of Education is to improve results for children and youth, primarily through leadership and financial support to Locally Run education agencies.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

West Virginia Department of Education: Office of Special Programs
1900 Kanawha Boulevard East
Charleston, WV 25305

Phone: (304) 558-2696 & (1-800) 642-8541

Official Website: <http://wvde.state.wv.us/osp/>

Email/Contact: <https://wvde.us/contact-us/>

WEST VIRGINIA DIVISION OF REHABILITATION SERVICES

The West Virginia Division of Rehabilitation Services (DRS) helps people with disabilities establish and reach their vocational goals. The primary goal for all DRS clients is to become productive working citizens.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

West Virginia Division of Rehabilitation Services
107 Capitol Street
Charleston, WV 25301-2609

Phone: (304) 356-2060; (1-800) 642-3021; & (304) 766-4970 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.wvdrs.org>

Email/Contact: <http://www.wvdrs.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=home.displaystory&groupID=88&itemid=5>

WEST VIRGINIA DIVISION OF REHABILITATION SERVICES

The West Virginia Division of Rehabilitation Services (DRS) is a state agency that serves West Virginians with disabilities. The mission of DRS is to enable and empower individuals with disabilities to work and to live independently. DRS operates two major programs. The vocational rehabilitation program helps people with disabilities get or keep a job. For those who are unable to work, the Disability Determination Section (DDS) determines eligibility for Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) and Supplemental Security Income (SSI).

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

West Virginia Division of Rehabilitation Services
107 Capitol Street
Charleston, WV 25301-2609

Phone: (304) 356-2060; (1-800) 642-8207; & (304) 766-4970 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.wvdrs.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.wvdrs.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=home.displaystory&groupID=88&itemid=27>

WEST VIRGINIA INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCE CENTER

The West Virginia Instructional Resource Center. The West Virginia Instructional Resource Center (WVIRC) is a statewide, centralized depository for specialized materials and information relating to the education of the blind/low vision.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

West Virginia Instructional Resource Center
West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind
301 East Main Street
Romney, WV 26757

Phone: 304-822-4892

Official Website: https://www.wvsdb2.state.k12.wv.us/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=832088&type=d&pREC_ID=1194661

Email/Contact: N/A

WEST VIRGINIA SCHOOLS FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND

West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (WVSDB) is composed of a multi-sensory school, a school for the blind, and a school for the deaf. WVSDB sets high expectations for learning in a positive climate where lifelong learning is nurtured by example.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Education for Blind or Visually Impaired Children/School-Age Students and Schools for the Blind; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind
301 East Main Street
Romney, WV 26757

Phone: (304) 822-4800

Official Website: <https://www.wvsdb2.state.k12.wv.us/>

Email/Contact: https://www.wvsdb2.state.k12.wv.us/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=805634&type=d&pREC_ID=1193863

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Department of Special Education at West Virginia University offers programs in Special Education, Gifted Education, and Disability Services. We have prepared professional educators for positions in special education and disability services at the undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral levels on campus and online for more than 50 years. Our dedicated faculty are available to assist you in preparing for a career working with individuals with many different exceptionalities. Our programs have earned awards for innovative delivery systems and faculty members are nationally recognized for teaching excellence, innovative research and development, and leadership in the field. Like the quilters of our Appalachian heritage who create a beautiful whole from assorted pieces, we believe special educators work to support individuals of all abilities to become part of and contribute to a just and diverse society.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

West Virginia University Department of Special Education
P.O. Box 6122
Morgantown, WV 26506-6122

Phone: (304) 293-7143 & (1-800) 642-8207

Official Website: <https://special.ed.wvu.edu/home>

Email/Contact: N/A

WVU EYE INSTITUTE

A nationally recognized center for vision care, research, education, and outreach, the WVU Eye Institute provides the full range of eye care under one roof—from routine exams to subspecialty medical and surgical treatment and laser vision correction.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

WVU Eye Institute
1 Medical Center Drive
P.O. Box 9100
Morgantown, WV 26506

Phone: (304) 598-6925; (1-800) 842-3627; & (304) 766-4970 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.wvueye.com/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.wvueye.com/about-us/>

AUDIO & BRAILLE LITERACY ENHANCEMENT

At ABLE (Audio & Braille Literacy Enhancement), our vision is that everyone has access to the printed word because reading—in whatever form it takes—is the key to learning, growth, productivity, self-sufficiency, and full participation in one’s community. To that end, our mission is to provide alternative ways for people with print disabilities to read.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Braille and Reading Instruction; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Audio & Braille Literacy Enhancement
803 West Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53233

Phone: (414) 286-3039

Official Website: <https://www.ablenow.org/>

Email/Contact: info@ablenow.org

BEYOND VISION

In the U.S., the unemployment rate for people who are blind is 70%. Beyond Vision is a 501 (c) (3) self-funded, not-for-profit company with the mission to enrich the lives of people who are blind through the dignity of work valued by customers and the community.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Early Intervention/Infant Services; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Beyond Vision
5316 West State Street
Milwaukee, WI 53208

Phone: (414) 778-5800

Official Website: <http://www.beyondvision.com/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.beyondvision.com/contact-us/>

BRaille LIBRARY & TRANSCRIBING SERVICES (FORMERLY VOLUNTEER BRAILLISTS & TAPISTS)

Braille Library & Transcribing Services, Inc. is a Madison-based non-profit Wisconsin (USA) corporation dedicated to providing print materials in braille or on audio cassette. Our philosophy is that everyone should have the opportunity to read. BLTS serves visually- or print-impaired persons regardless of age, race, religion, sex, or national origin.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Advocacy; Braille and Reading Instruction; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Braille Library & Transcribing Services (Formerly Volunteer Brailleists & Tapists)
517 North Segoe Road
#200
Madison, WI 53705-3172

Phone: (608) 233-0222

Official Website: <https://bltsinc.org/>

Email/Contact: office@bltsinc.org & braille.blts@tds.net

CENTER FOR DEAF-BLIND PERSONS

The Center is the only agency in Wisconsin specializing in services for persons who are totally deaf and blind or who have varying degrees of dual sensory loss. The agency's mission is to provide services needed to minimize the devastating effects of a combined vision and hearing loss upon the individual and family. The Center is able to offer the support and skills training needed to assist clients to live independent productive lives. To assist individuals with the dual hearing-vision loss live independent, productive, and fulfilled lives.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; Professional Training; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Center for Deaf-Blind Persons
8306 West Lincoln Avenue
West Allis, WI 53219

Phone: (414) 481-7477 & (414) 481-7477 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.deaf-blind.org/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.deaf-blind.org/contact>

INDUSTRIES FOR THE BLIND

Our corporate mission is to provide and grow employment opportunities for people who are blind in both the manufacturing of products and fulfillment of services that meet customer needs. Maintain an effective management team that can balance job creation, capital investments, and profitability while adhering to statutory and regulatory requirements supported by an ISO 9001 Standard and Quality Policy. Create and sustain an open and collaborative environment that fosters innovative business ideas, enhanced employee engagement, and a true sense of belonging. Along with providing the best office and industrial supplies with friendly customer service, we want to be the leading voice that educates businesses, Locally Runly and nationally on how to create, design and build accessible workplaces for the disabled and visually impaired through the use of innovative technologies. We strive to provide our customers with the most innovative, cost-effective products and solutions to keep their organization running smoothly and efficiently.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Industries for the Blind
445 South Curtis Road
West Allis, WI 53214

Wisconsin

Phone: (800) 642-8778

Official Website: <http://www.ibmilwaukee.com/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.ibmilwaukee.com/contact/>

LOW VISION REHABILITATION SERVICE: UNIVERSITY STATION EYE CLINIC

Ophthalmologists from the University of Wisconsin Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences have been caring for patients and studying eye diseases since 1925. In addition to developing sight-saving tests and treatments, we are also studying the way the eye changes with age, improving corneal transplantation and providing advanced training for ophthalmologists from throughout the country.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Low Vision Rehabilitation Service: University Station Eye Clinic
2880 University Avenue
Madison, WI 53705

Phone: (608) 263-7171

Official Website: <https://www.uwhealth.org/eyecare/eye-care-services-ophthalmology/10776>

Email/Contact: <https://www.uwhealth.org/contactus/contact-us-miscellaneous-inquiries/51911>

PREVENT BLINDNESS WISCONSIN

Founded in 1958, Prevent Blindness Wisconsin improves the lives of children, adults and families through early detection of eye conditions to prevent blindness and preserve sight. On-going vision screening activities and state-wide public health education lead to a lifetime of healthy vision.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Employment/Job Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Prevent Blindness Wisconsin
731 North Jackson Street
Suite 405
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Phone: (414) 765-0505

Official Website: <https://wisconsin.preventblindness.org/>

Email/Contact: info@pbwi.org

SILVER LAKE COLLEGE DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

Silver Lake College's post baccalaureate licensure program is a specially designed program for Wisconsin licenses in cognitive disabilities, learning disabilities, emotional behavior disabilities, visual impairment, early childhood special education.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Low Vision Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Silver Lake College Department of Special Education
2406 South Alverno Road
Manitowoc, WI 54220

Phone: (920) 686-6219; (920) 686-6175; & (1-800) 236-4752 ext. 219

Official Website: <https://www.sl.edu/future-students/graduate-programs/degrees-offered/master-of-arts-in-education/education-leadership/special-education-licensure>

Email/Contact: admissions@sl.edu pattyb@silver.sl.edu

VISION FORWARD ASSOCIATION

Vision Forward provides a continuum of services, from birth through adulthood, to people with visual impairments, helping them achieve important developmental milestones as well as educational, personal and professional goals. All our programs and services are provided regardless of a person's or family's ability to pay. At Vision Forward, we focus on ability, not disability, because we know that what people can do is far more important than what they can't do. For this reason, we work to empower and educate individuals and families not only about vision issues, but also about the social and emotional aspects of vision loss.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; NLS Libraries; Professional Training; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Support Groups; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Vision Forward Association
912 North Hawley Road
Milwaukee, WI 53213

Phone: (414) 615-0100 & (1-855) 878-6056

Official Website: <https://vision-forward.org/>

Email/Contact: N/A

WAUSAU SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Wausau School District has a program for the visually impaired at Grant Elementary School, John Muir Middle School, and Wausau West High School.

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Braille Transcription; Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Employment/Job Training; NLS Libraries; Recreation Services; Summer/Day Camps and After-School Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

SPONSOR: Locally Run

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wausau School District
415 Seymour Street
P.O. Box 359
Wausau, WI 54402-0359

Phone: (715) 261-0500

Official Website: http://www.wausauschools.org/departments_programs/special_education/Visually%20Impaired

Email/Contact: dbarkhol@wausauschools.org

WISCONSIN BUREAU OF AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

The Wisconsin Bureau of Aging & Disability Resources offers a variety of information on programs and services in Wisconsin for older adults and caregivers.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wisconsin Bureau of Aging & Disability Resources Department of Health Services
1 West Wilson
Madison, WI 53703

Phone: (608) 266-2536

Official Website: <http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/aging/index.htm>

Email/Contact: N/A

WISCONSIN CENTER FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Wisconsin Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired is a school and statewide outreach serving Wisconsin families since 1849.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Early Intervention/Infant Services; NLS Libraries; Personnel Preparation; Professional Training; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wisconsin Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired
1700 West State Street
Janesville, WI 53546

Phone: (608) 758-6100; (1-800) 832-9784; & (608) 758-6127 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.wcbvi.k12.wi.us/>

Email/Contact: <http://www.wcbvi.k12.wi.us/contact>

WISCONSIN COUNCIL OF THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Wisconsin Council of the Blind & Visually Impaired is a private, nonprofit agency. Its mission is to promote the dignity and empowerment of the people in Wisconsin who are blind and visually impaired by providing services, advocating legislation and educating the general public. WCBVI is funded through an annual drive, private grants and bequests.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Employment/Job Training; Information and Referral; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wisconsin Council of the Blind and Visually Impaired
754 Williamson Street
Madison, WI 53703-3546

Phone: (1-800) 783-5213; (608) 255-1166

Official Website: <https://wcblind.org/>

Email/Contact: info@wcblind.org

WISCONSIN DEAFBLIND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT

The Wisconsin Deafblind Technical Assistance Project (WDBTAP) is a federally funded technical assistance and dissemination project. They are a resource to families, agencies and schools supporting infants, children and youth aged birth - 21 with combined vision and hearing loss.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Community Outreach Programs; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wisconsin Deafblind Technical Assistance Project
124 2nd Street
#11
Baraboo, WI 53913

Phone: (608) 356-2023

Official Website: <http://www.wdbtap.wi.gov/>

Email/Contact: wdbtap@wesp-dhh.wi.gov

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES: OFFICE FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Rehabilitation services are provided by the Office for the Blind and Visually Impaired (OBVI) to help individuals who are blind or visually impaired to achieve their own goals of independent living. OBVI staff visit individuals in their homes, conduct group trainings, and teach techniques and technologies for use in daily living (home management, personal care, Orientation & Mobility, and communications). These specialized skills allow individuals to adapt and adjust to vision loss, enabling them to live as independently as possible.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Personnel Preparation; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services:
Office for the Blind and Visually Impaired
1 West Wilson Street
P.O. Box 7851, Rm 558
Madison, WI 53707-7851

Phone: (608) 266-7498 (888) 879-0017;

Official Website: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/blind/index.htm>

Email/Contact: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/blind/contact.htm>

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES: BIRTH TO 3 PROGRAM

The first three years are the most important building blocks of a child's future. The Birth to 3 Program is a federally-mandated Early Intervention program (Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act—IDEA) to support families of children with developmental delays or disabilities under the age of three. The Wisconsin Birth to 3 Program is committed to serving children under the age of 3 with developmental delays and disabilities and their families. We value the family's primary relationship with their child and work in partnership with the family. We work to enhance the child's development and support the family's knowledge, skills and abilities as they interact with and raise their child.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Distance Education; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wisconsin Department of Health Services: Birth to 3 Program
1 West Wilson Street
P.O. Box 7851
Madison, WI 53707-7852

Phone: (608) 267-3270

Official Website: <http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/birthto3/index.htm>

Email/Contact: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/birthto3/contacts/index.htm>

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION: SPECIAL EDUCATION TEAM

The Special Education Team provides leadership to improve outcomes and ensure a free appropriate public education for students protected under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Distance Education; Dog Guide Training; NLS Libraries; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction: Special Education Team
125 South Webster Street
Madison, WI 53707-7841

Phone: (608) 266-1781 & (1-800) 441-4563

Official Website: <https://dpi.wi.gov/sped>

Email/Contact: <https://dpi.wi.gov/user/1075/contact>

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT: DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation provides information for Wisconsin job seekers with disabilities and those recruiting and retaining workers with disabilities.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development: Division of
Vocational Rehabilitation
201 East Washington
Madison, WI 53707-7852

Phone: (608) 261-0050 & (1-888) 877-5939

Official Website: <https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/dvr/>

Email/Contact: dvr@dwd.wisconsin.gov

WISCONSIN OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The Wisconsin Optometric Association (WOA) is a nonprofit affiliation of licensed doctors of optometry and associated businesses dedicated to the preservation and enhancement of the vision welfare of the people of Wisconsin. The WOA assists optometrists in the development and delivery of high quality, cost effective, state of the art eye care to the citizens of the Wisconsin.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-profit

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wisconsin Optometric Association
6510 Grand Teton Plaza
Suite 312
Madison, WI 53719

Phone: (608) 824-2200

Official Website: <https://www.woa-eyes.org/>

Email/Contact: <https://www.woa-eyes.org/contact-us>

WISCONSIN STATEWIDE OUTREACH SERVICES WISCONSIN CENTER FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

In conjunction with Locally Run education agencies, schools, and parents of students who are blind or visually impaired, the WCBVI Statewide Outreach Team provides assessments, consultations, and instruction in areas of the expanded core curriculum (ECC). These services are of no cost to the families or school districts that request them, and are provided by highly trained vision professionals working to support access to learning for Wisconsin students.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Dog Guide Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wisconsin Statewide Outreach Services Wisconsin Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired
1700 West State Street
Janesville, WI 53546

Phone: (608) 758-6100 & (1-866) 284-1107

Official Website: <http://www.wcbvi.k12.wi.us/outreach>

Email/Contact: <http://www.wcbvi.k12.wi.us/outreach/contact>

WISCONSIN TALKING BOOK AND BRAILLE LIBRARY

As part of a national network cooperating with the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS), the Wisconsin Talking Book and Braille Library (WTBBL) provides audio books and brailled materials to persons, living in Wisconsin, who cannot see regular print or handle print materials. WTTBL patrons receive and return books and equipment, postage-free through the U.S. Postal Service. WTBBL currently serves nearly 7,000 registered patrons and over 580 institutions (e.g. libraries, schools, nursing homes, veterans centers). There were 1,147 new registrations in 2015. In addition, the WTBBL circulates audio books and brailled materials about Wisconsin or by Wisconsin authors, as well as audio-described videotapes and DVDs. The NLS Talking Book Program was established by an Act of Congress in 1931. WTBBL joined the NLS network in 1961. The current digital players and cartridges replaced the cassette players and tapes in 2009. Specially-designed USB flash-drive cartridges hold one or more books or magazines. The digital players include a variety of user-friendly options including bookmark navigation controls, optional battery power for portability, and a sleep timer. Using the player's volume, tone and speed controls, patrons enjoy easier listening. Direct downloading of digitized books, magazines and braille materials from the NLS Braille and Audio Reading Download (BARD) website is available. An app introduced in 2013 allows BARD downloads to iOS devices. In 2014, NLS began distributing magazines on digital cartridges. These services are made available by NLS, the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) and the Milwaukee Public Library.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Advocacy; Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Support for Parents; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wisconsin Talking Book and Braille Library
813 West Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53233-1436

Phone: (414) 286-3045

Official Website: <http://talkingbooks.wi.gov>

Email/Contact: wtbbl@milwaukee.gov

WISTECH OFFICE OF INDEPENDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

WisTech provides information on selecting, funding, installing and using assistive technology. Assistive technology (AT) is any product or device that enables people with disabilities to improve their independence and quality of life in the community, at home, at work, and at school.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

WisTech Office of Independence and Employment
1 West Wilson Street
Room 418
Madison, WI 53707-7851

Phone: (608) 266-9880 & (608) 267-9880 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/disabilities/wistech/index.htm>

Email/Contact: masone.aumanstal@dhs.wisconsin.gov

WYOMING AGING DIVISION

The Wyoming Department of Health's Aging Division is committed to providing care, ensuring safety, and promoting independent choices for Wyoming's older adults.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wyoming Aging Division
2300 Capitol Avenue
4th Floor
Cheyenne, WY 82002

Phone: (307) 777-7995 & (1-800) 442-2766

Official Website: <https://health.wyo.gov/aging/>

Email/Contact: <https://health.wyo.gov/header-contact-form/?page-id=86>

WYOMING ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

WATR is Wyoming's Assistive Technology Act program and a resource for all assistive technology (AT) needs in Wyoming. AT may be a device or solution that enhances an individual's ability to live, play, or work independently. AT can take the form of a device, tool, or adaptation that supports a person when participating in everyday activities and settings. The Assistive Technology Act supports state efforts to improve the provision of assistive technology by providing states with financial assistance to implement State Level Activities and State Leadership Activities to meet the assistive technology needs of individuals with disabilities.

SPONSOR: Educational Institution

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Community Outreach Programs; Employment/Job Training; Support Groups; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wyoming Assistive Technology Resources University of Wyoming
1000 East University Avenue
Dept. 4298
Laramie, WY 82071-4298

Phone: (307) 766-6187; (1-888) 989-9463; (1-800) 908-7011; & (307) 766-2720 (TDD/TTY)

Official Website: <http://www.uwyo.edu/wind/watr/index.html>

Email/Contact: watr@uwyo.edu

WYOMING DEAF-BLIND PROJECT

The Wyoming Deaf-Blind Project's mission is to ensure that all students in Wyoming who are deaf-blind receive the appropriate support and tools needed enabling them to achieve improved outcomes in school and go on to become contributing members of their community by providing technical assistance, resources and training to educators, service providers and families.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Employment/Job Training; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wyoming Deaf-Blind Project
215 West Buffalo
Carbon Building, Room 325
Rawlins, WY 82301

Phone: (307) 857-9267 & (1-800) 877-9975

Official Website: <https://edu.wyoming.gov/in-the-classroom/special-programs/deaf-blind-project/>

Email/Contact: leslie.vanorman@wyo.gov

WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: VISION OUTREACH SERVICES

Vision Outreach Services (formerly known as Services for the Visually Impaired) works to address the unique needs of students/clients with visual impairments by building capacity of the agencies and individuals who support them through research-based best practices* (*outlined in the Expanded Core Curriculum of the National Agenda for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Including Multiple Disabilities).

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Assessment/Evaluation; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Dog Guide Training; Instructional Resources (Instructional Materials Centers); Professional Training; Radio Reading Services; Telephone or Personal Reader Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wyoming Department of Education: Vision Outreach Services
320 West Main
Riverton, WY 82501

Phone: (307) 856-5652

Official Website: <http://edu.wyoming.gov/in-the-classroom/special-programs/vision-outreach-services/>

Email/Contact: leslie.vanorman@wyo.gov & jackie.miller@wyo.gov

WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH: DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES PROGRAM

The Developmental Disabilities Section oversees home and community based waiver services (HCBS) programs for people with developmental disabilities and acquired brain injuries. They strive to provide excellent customer service and up to date information to participants, families, providers, and other stakeholders.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wyoming Department of Health: Developmental Disabilities Program
6101 Yellowstone Road
259A
Cheyenne, WY 82002

Phone: (307) 777-7115

Official Website: <http://health.wyo.gov/behavioralhealth/DD/>

Email/Contact: N/A

WYOMING DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

The Wyoming Department of Workforce Services is committed to helping people with disabilities establish and reach vocational goals that help them become productive working citizens. During any given year, the Wyoming Department of Workforce Services - Vocational Rehabilitation Division actively works with more than 4,000 of Wyoming's citizens with disabilities, and, on average, approximately 700 of those citizens successfully complete a rehabilitation program and enter the workforce. For every dollar spent on Vocational Rehabilitation services, a consumer earns, on average, \$11 in increased taxable income. The Wyoming Department of Workforce Services - Vocational Rehabilitation Division can provide only those services which are necessary for eligible individuals to reach the employment goal agreed to in the Individualized Plan for Employment.

SPONSOR: State Run

SERVICES: Braille/Electronic/Audio/Large Print Production; Computer/Assistive Technology; Consultation/Technical Program Assistance; Early Intervention/Infant Services; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wyoming Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
614 South Greeley Highway
Cheyenne, WY 82002

Phone: (307) 777-8650

Official Website: <http://wyomingworkforce.org/workers/vr/>

Email/Contact: <http://wyomingworkforce.org/contact/feedback/>

WYOMING OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION

The Wyoming Optometric Association (WOA) is the professional organization of optometrists in Wyoming. Over 100 Wyoming Doctors of Optometry are voluntary members of the Association. The WOA assists members in providing the highest standard of professional care to their patients by sponsoring continuing education programs for doctors, advocating in Locally Run and state governments for programs and laws that represent patients' best interests, and providing information to assist doctors practicing in a variety of clinical settings. We provide resources to communities through collaboration and partnerships with organizations who help provide eye care for children and adults. These programs help fulfill the WOA Mission of ensuring quality eye care for Wyoming.

SPONSOR: Private/Non-Profit

SERVICES: Personnel Preparation; Training in the Use of Low Vision Devices; Travel/O&M Training

MAILING ADDRESS:

Wyoming Optometric Association
P.O. Box 1967
Cheyenne, WY 82003

Phone: (307) 640-6157

Official Website: <http://www.wyomingoptometricassociation.com/>

Email/Contact: director@wyomingoptometricassociation.com