

New Mexico Directory of Resources for
People who are Blind or Visually Impaired
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As Schools for the Blind around the country move forward into the 21st century, it is increasingly clear that it does, indeed, “take a village” to raise a child. When that child is blind, the village, by necessity, becomes even larger. While New Mexico School for the Blind and Visually Impaired continues to have an integral role in the education of many of New Mexico’s children, many other services can be provided through the resources listed on the following pages. As local school districts begin to develop their own services in the field of vision impairment, this resource can help locate services, find an expert in the field or provide a contact for a family seeking information.

We invite you to consider this a working document; if you identify other areas that should be included, or if you have resources of your own that you would like to share, please contact Sherri Lyle with your ideas. Changes, additions, corrections can be made by contacting Sherri at style@nmsbvi.k12.nm.us.

We look forward to continuing our shared journey with you as together we seek the best for our children in New Mexico. With that end in mind, we offer the 2008-2009 Directory of Resources for your use.

Sincerely,

Linda M. Lyle, Superintendent
New Mexico School for the Blind & Visually Impaired

Education, Training, and New Skills for Daily Living

ACVREP

330 N. Commerce Park Loop, # 200
Tucson, AZ 85754
(520) 887-6816 FAX (520) 887-6826 www.acvrep.org

Services Provided: Established in January 2000, the Academy for Certification of Vision Rehabilitation and Education Professionals (ACVREP) is a private, non-profit 501 (c) (6) organization. It is an independent and autonomous legal certification body governed by a volunteer Board of Directors. ACVREP's mission is to offer professional certification for vision rehabilitation and education professionals in order to improve service delivery to persons with vision impairments. It is committed to quality certification programs that meet rigorous recognized standards. Programs are designed to offer certificants the means to demonstrate knowledge, skills, and professionalism. ACVREP offers certification in three disciplines: [Orientation & Mobility](#), [Vision Rehabilitation Therapy \(formerly Rehabilitation Teaching\)](#), and [Low Vision Therapy](#).

Association of Education and Rehabilitation for the Blind and Visually Impaired (AER)

1703 N. Beauregard Street, Suite 440
Alexandria, VA 22311-1717
(877) 492-2708 (703) 671-4500 FAX (703) 671-6391 <http://aerbvi.org>

Services Provided: The Association for Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired (AER) is the only international membership organization dedicated to rendering all possible support and assistance to the professionals who work in all phases of education and rehabilitation of blind and visually impaired children and adults; publications, international and regional conferences, professional development opportunities, and AER provides two scholarships to students who are legally blind and are studying for a career in the field of services to the blind or visually impaired. The scholarships are named in honor of William and Dorothy Ferrell. They are awarded in the even number years.

American Printing House for the Blind (APH)

1839 Frankfort Ave.

PO Box 6085

Louisville, KY 40206-0085

(502) 895-2405 (800) 223-1839 M-F 8-4:30

FAX (502) 899-2274 www.aph.org info@aph.org

Services Provided: APH manufactures Braille, large type, recorded, computer disk, and tactile graphic publications, as well as embossers for Braille business cards and a wide assortment of educational and daily living products. It also offers a variety of services to assist consumers and professionals in the field of vision, such as Louis, a database listing materials available inaccessible media from organizations across North America, instructional and recreational materials, products and reference center for people who are visually impaired, accessible tests department, and the Callahan Museum, recorded and large-print weekly periodicals including Newsweek and Reader's Digest.

Commission for the Blind

Administrative Office

2905 Rodeo Park Drive, East

Building 4, Suite 100

Santa Fe, NM 87505

(505) 476-4479 (800) 513-7968 FAX (505) 476-4475

Newslines (575) 841-8844 www.state.nm.us.cfb

Industries for the Blind &
Albuquerque Field Offices
2200 Yale Blvd. SE
Albuquerque, NM 87106
(505) 841-8844 (888) 513-7958

Las Vegas Field Office
2505 Ridge Runner Office
Las Vegas, NM 87701
(505) 425-3546 (888) 513-7963

Alamogordo Orientation Center
408 North White Sands Blvd.
Alamogordo, NM 88310
(575) 437-0401 (888) 513-7967
FAX (575) 434-3713

Las Cruces Field Office
Matrix Capital Bank Building
227 East Amador, Suite 101
Las Cruces, NM 88001
(575) 524-6450 (888) 513-7960

Roswell Field Office
400 North Pennsylvania, Suite 900
Roswell, NM 88201
(575) 624-6140 (888) 513-7961

Farmington Field Office
3535 E. 30th, Suite 110
Farmington, NM 87402
(505) 327-3031 (888) 513-7964

Services Provided: Vocational rehabilitation and independent living services to persons who are blind or visually impaired; the vocational rehabilitation services can start as early as age 14 with "transition" services. The Commission can provide a wide variety of vocational rehabilitation services, including provision of assistive technology, payment of college tuition, and training at the Orientation Center. Children and young adults age 14 through 21 may also be able to participate in a summer job-training program called the Students in Transition to Employment Program (STEP). Persons of any age may sign up for *Newslines* for the Blind; a free publication reading service through which over 30 newspapers and publications can be accessed using a touch-tone telephone.

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)

There are offices throughout the state, to locate one near you call (800) 235-5387 or visit www.dvrgetsjobs.com

Services Provided: Provides vocational counseling and guidance and other services to assist person with disabilities in finding and maintaining suitable employment, including help in finding a job, help in learning a job, help in keeping a job, help in post-secondary education, on-the-job training, apprenticeships, and other related services.

Education for Parents of Indian Children with Special Needs (EPICS)

412 Camino Don Tomas
 PO Box 788
 Bernalillo, NM 87004-0788
 (505) 867-3398 V/TTY (800) 765-7320

Services Provided: Training and information project for Parents of children with disabilities who are American Indian and living in urban and reservation communities.

Hadley School for the Blind

700 Elm Street
 Winnetka, IL 60093-2554
 (800) 323-4238 (847) 446-8111 FAX (847) 446-9916
www.hadley-school.org info@hadley.edu

Services Provided: If you are a blind adult (14+ years of age), a relative of a blind or visually impaired child, a family member of a blind or visually impaired adult, or a professional in the blindness field you may access the Hadley School for the Blind. Hadley offers more than 90 distance education courses to eligible students completely free of charge. Course materials arrive in the mail (a few are downloadable), and for students in the U.S. and Canada, instructors are just a toll-free call away.

New Mexico School for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Campus Programs
 Linda Lyle, Acting Co-Superintendent
 1900 N. White Sands Blvd.
 Alamogordo, NM 88310
 (800) 437-3505 (575) 437-3505 FAX (575) 439-4411
 general information www.nmsbvi.k12.nm.us

Services Provided: A residential/day student campus in Alamogordo, NMSBVI delivers education in the areas of orientation and mobility, independent living skills, Braille, adaptive technology, traditional academics, vocational preparation for students, summer camps and enrichment programs, customized short-term placement programs, and comprehensive evaluations for students ages four through 21. Call for more information.

New Mexico School for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Early Childhood Program

Phil Schweigert, Coordinator

230 Truman NE

Albuquerque, NM 87108

(505) 268-9506 FAX (505) 268-8187 www.nmsbvi.k12.nm.us

Services Provided: Provides services for young children birth through eight. Birth-to-three services are delivered statewide using a home-based model. Children under the age of three may be served by the school prior to receiving a diagnosis of visual impairment if they are at risk for that diagnosis, and if their visual performance does not match their development. A preschool in the Albuquerque area serves children over three using a center-based or itinerant model. Using an early childhood model of instruction, children receive orientation and mobility, Braille instruction, and independent living skills. Additional services, if needed, include occupational therapy, speech/ language therapy, physical therapy, nursing, audiology, and/or assistive technology. Call for more information.

**New Mexico School for the Blind and Visually Impaired,
Department of Outreach Services**

Valerie Tiensvold, Coordinator

230 Truman NE

Albuquerque, NM 87108

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(505) 268-9506 FAX (505) 268-8187 www.nmsbvi.k12.nm.us

Sherri Lyle, Coordinator Mentorship Support Services

(575) 430-8443 FAX (575) 534-1310 slyle@nmsbvi.k12.nm.us

Patricia (Pat) Stevenson, Accessible Materials Supervisor

(575) 437-3505 Extension 112 FAX (575)439-4498 pstevens@nmsbvi.k12.nm.us

Ruthie Ford, [Instructional Resource Center](#) (IRC)

(575) 437-3505 Extension 137 FAX (575)439-4498 rford@nmsbvi.k12.nm.us

Services Provided: A statewide program, Outreach provides licensed itinerant Teachers for the Visually Impaired and Orientation and Mobility Specialists who deliver services to students aged three through 21 in their homes, schools and communities as appropriate. Students must be residents of New Mexico and have been diagnosed as having a visual impairment that impacts their ability to access education. The Outreach Department also is responsible for registering students for the American Printing House for the Blind quota registry, producing accessible reading media for students with visual impairments, and providing an extensive loaning library of APH materials and Braille/large print books. Call for more information or a referral packet.

Project Adobe, Parents Reaching Out (PRO)

1920 B. Columbia Dr. SE

Albuquerque, NM 87106

(505) 247-0192 (800) 524-5176 FAX (505) 247-1345 www.parentsreachingout.org

Services Provided: Workshops for families, parents, educators, service providers and other professionals, networking and support through Parent to Parent connections, Resource Center and free lending library offering information and materials about the programs and systems families use.

Wemagination Center

University of New Mexico

4010 Copper NE

Albuquerque, NM 87108

(505) 268-8580 (505) 277-5915 wedonate@unm.edu www.unm.edu/~wemagine

Services Provided: The center promotes open ended, hands-on, play-based learning through the creative reuse of recycled materials. The Center provides materials and teachers ways you can design creative experiences to support children's different learning styles; free workshops for parents and teachers, handouts, individual consultations, current research.

Information and Support

Acoustic Neuroma Association

P.O. Box 12402
Atlanta, GA 30341
(404) 237-8023 www.anausa.org

Services Provided: A patient member organization, providing information and support to persons diagnosed with or treated for acoustic neuroma and other benign tumors of the cranial nerves. The Acoustic Neuroma Association creates and publishes a quarterly newsletter, distributes patient information booklets, presents a biennial national symposium, provides access to a network of local support groups, and maintains a website for patient information and discussion.

Agenesis of Corpus Callosum (ACC) Network

5749 Merrill Hall, Room 118
University of Maine
Orono, ME 04469-5749
(207) 581-3119 FAX (207) 581-3120 um-acc@maine.edu

Services Provided: The ACC Network gathers and disseminates information concerning Agenesis of the Corpus Callosum and related conditions to individuals with ACC, their families, and service providers. It also provides a directory and newsletter to foster communication among network participants. In addition, ACC Network has a bibliography of books and articles that are available to members and will provide referrals to other providers and organizations. The ACC Network publishes, The Callosal Connection newsletter on an irregular basis at no cost. They offer a new parent packet that includes a variety of information: a chapter from a book on ACC; profiles of families with children that have ACC; newspaper articles about individual children with ACC; a newsletter; a questionnaire and accompanying consent form; a list of references; a list of resources; and a list of syndromes and conditions associated with ACC.

Alliance of Genetic Support Groups

35 Wisconsin Circle, Suite 440

Chevy Chase, MD 20815-7015

(800) 336-GENE (301) 652-5553 FAX (301) 654-0171 www.geneticalliance.org

Services Provided: A national coalition of genetic support groups, involved professionals and concerned individuals. Distributes publications and newsletter, many free or discounted to members. Provides technical assistance to new and existing genetic support groups, links families to the appropriate group or needed service, sponsors national symposia on various topics.

American Cancer Society

1599 Clifton Road, NE

Atlanta, GA 30329

800.ACS.2345 www.cancer.org

Services Provided: This is a national organization that offers a variety of support services to patients and families coping with cancer. Some local offices may offer reimbursement for expenses related to cancer treatment, such as transportation, medicine, and medical supplies.

American Diabetes Association

National Services Center

PO Box 25757

1660 Duke Street

Alexandria, VA 22313

(703) 549-1500 (800) 342-2383 www.diabetes.org

Services Provided: Promotes the free exchange of information about diabetes mellitus, its complications, nutrition and recipes, weight loss and exercise, prevention and research. Conducts public, patient, and professional education and seeks to find a cure for diabetes. Publishes a variety of pamphlets and a monthly periodical, "Diabetes Forecast," for people with diabetes and their families. Also publishes research journals for general practitioners and physicians who specialize in diabetes.

American Council of the Blind

1155 15th Street NW, Suite 1004
 Washington, DC 20005

(202) 467-5081 (800) 424-8666 (202) 467-5085 FAX (202) 467-5085 www.acb.org

Services Provided: Publishes a newsletter and magazine "The Braille Journal". Offers support, advocacy, and information to families and professionals.

American Foundation for the Blind

(212) 502-7661 or (800) AFB-LINE www.afb.org

Hotline (800) 232-5463 FAX (800) 676-3299

Publications/Videos (212) 620-2155 FAX (212) 620-2105

Communications (212) 620-2020

Governmental Relations (202) 457-1487

ADA Consulting Group (212) 620-2047

Services Provided: Provides direct and technical assistance services to people who are blind or visually impaired, their families, professionals in specialized agencies for the blind, community agencies, organizations, schools, and corporations. Acts as national clearinghouse for information about visual impairment; maintains the Helen Keller archives. Operates a toll-free national telephone hotline to dispense information; publications; "Journal of Visual Impairment and Blindness," "AFB News," "Long Cane News," "Directory of Services for Blind and Visually Impaired Persons."

American Foundation for Vision Awareness

243 N. Lindbergh Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63141

(800) 927-AFVA www.aoa.net.org

Services Provided: a non-profit charitable organization dedicated to educating the public about their vision, to creating awareness of quality eye and vision care and to supporting vision-related scientific research. The AFVA awards research grants and scholarships, conducts public service projects and provides educational materials to the public. Distributes a poster of famous people wearing glasses.

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Association (ALS)

10801 Rockville Pike
 Rockville, Maryland 20852
 (800) 638-8255 FAX (301) 571-0457 actioncenter@asha.org

Services Provided: Provides ALS-specific information and educational materials as well as referrals to local community resources to person(s) with ALS, family members, caregivers, and the healthcare community; also funds research grants.

Association for Macular Diseases, Inc.

210 East 64th Street, 8th floor
 New York, NY 10021
 (212) 605-3719 FAX (212) 605-3795 association@retinal-research.org

Services Provided: Support groups, promotes public education and research, newsletter, network system.

Autism Society of America

7910 Woodmont Ave., Suite 300
 Bethesda, MD 20814-3067
 V (800) 328-8476 (301) 657-0881 www.autsim-society.org

Services Provided: Information and referral for parents and professionals, conferences, workshops, e-newsletter, and advocacy.

Battens Disease Support

2600 Parsons Ave.
 Columbus, OH 43207-2972
 (800) 448-4570 (740) 927-4298 www.bdsra.org

Services Provided: Information, education, and medical referrals along with support to people with Battens Disease and their families; chat rooms, e- newsletters, linked sites.

Brain Injury Association of New Mexico

121 Cardenas

Albuquerque, NM 87108

(505) 292-7414 (888) 292-7415 FAX (505) 271-8983 info@braininjurynm.org

Services Provided: Education and self advocacy, public awareness and prevention, advocacy and public policy, information and resources, and awareness products.

Brain Tumor Foundation for Children, Inc.

1835 Savoy Drive, Suite 200

Atlanta, GA 30341

(770) 458-5554 www.btfcgainc.org

Services Provided: Support programs, medical news, research, links to related sites, organizes events, sells awareness products.

Brain Tumor Foundation of Canada

620 Corborne Street, Suite 301

London, Ontario N6B 3R9

CANADA

(519) 642-7755 FAX (519) 642-7192 www.braintumour.ca

Services Provided: Fact sheets, resource handbook, and research

Brain Tumor Society

124 Watertown Street, Suite 3H

Watertown, MA 02472

(800) 770-8287 www.tbts.org

Services Provided: Virtual conferences, tips for healthy choices, financial and insurance resource links.

Candlelighters Childhood Cancer Foundation

PO Box 498

Kensington, MD 20895-0498

(800) 366-2223 (301) 962-3520 FAX (301) 962-3521 www.candlelight.org

Services Provided: Provides information to parents; library information relating to childhood cancer; computerized searches of protocols, treatment options, and literature; clearing house to match families with sources of help; publishes the "Candlelighters Quarterly," articles and poetry by and for parents and the professional community, "CCCF Youth Newsletter," by and for children with cancer, survivors, and siblings, "Phoenix" by and for members of the Candlelighters Survivors of Childhood Cancer Network, "Bibliography and Resource Guide, Bone Marrow Transplant Handbook, Progress Report," research updates.

Cancer Fund of America

Eastern Region

2901 Breezewood Lane

Knoxville, TN 37921

(865) 938-5281

Western Division:

2223 N. 56th Street

Mesa, AZ 85215

(480) 654-4715 www.cfoa.org

Services Provided: CFA provides financial assistance to the medically indigent cancer patient anywhere in the United States. Since they are strictly funded by donations, they can only provide financial aid when funds are available. Call for an application and please note that a physician must certify diagnosis and financial need.

CASE

Please see Community Alliance for Special Education

CDLS

Please see Cornelia de Lange Syndrome Foundation, Inc.

Center for Development and Disability

University of New Mexico
 2300 Menaul NE
 Albuquerque, NM 87107
 (505) 272-3000 FAX (505) 272-5280 cdd@unm.edu

Services Provided: Interdisciplinary training, dissemination of information, provision of direct service and technical assistance, applied research; assistive technology, community support alliance, early childhood services, medically fragile case management program, NM leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities, Native American Network Assistance, Project DISCUSS, Resource Center, Southwest Autism Network, Continuum of Care, HOME New Mexico

CH.A.D.D

Please see Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorders

Childhood Brain Tumor Foundation

20312 Watkins Meadow Drive
 Germantown, MD 20876
 (301) 515-2900 (877) 217-4166 www.cbtf.org

Services Provided: Tri-annual newsletter with educational articles, Family Retreat Day and/or conferences, Childhood Cancer Ombudsman Program, to help with health insurance analysis and application, employment, and educational difficulties that may arise during or after treatment, related articles, organized events, basic science research, sponsorships toward the International Symposium on Pediatric Neuro-Oncology, 1996, 2000, 2002, 2004, and other important conferences.

Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorders (CH.A.D.D.)

8181 Professional Place, Suite 150
 Landover, MD 20785
 (301) 306-7070 FAX (301) 306-7090 New Mexico office: (575) 272-5551

Services Provided: Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorders is a non-profit, parent-based organization that disseminates information on attention deficit disorders, parent support groups. It publishes a magazine; "Attention!," and a newsletter; "CHADDER," national conferences, fat sheets, discount cards for prescription and vision costs.

Children's Craniofacial Association

13140 Coit Road, Suite 307

Dallas, TX 75240

(800) 535-3643 (214) 570.8811 www.ccakids.com

Services Provided: toll-free hotline, doctor referral service, identifies qualified centers, family networking, educational booklets, Dr. Fearon's booklet on Hemifacial Microsomia/Goldenhar Syndrome, information and support, financial assistance, CCA Newsletter, Cher's Family Retreat, public awareness.

Children's Hospice International

901 North Pitt Street, Suite 230

Alexandria, VA 22314

(800) 2-4-CHILD (703) 684-0330 www.chionline.org

Services Provided: CHI provides education, training and technical assistance to those who care for children with life-threatening conditions and their families. CHI promotes hospice support through pediatric care facilities, to encourage the inclusion of children in existing and developing hospices and home care programs, and to include the hospice perspectives in all areas of pediatric care, education and the public arena

Clearinghouse on Disability Information

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)

Communication and Media Support Services (CMSS)

United States Department of Education

550 12th Street, S.W., Room 5133

Washington, DC 20202-2550

V (202) 245-7307 TDD (202) 205-5637 FAX (202) 245-7636 www.ed.gov

Services Provided: The Clearinghouse provides information to people with disabilities, or anyone requesting information, by doing research and providing documents in response to inquiries. Information provided includes areas of federal funding for disability-related programs. Clearinghouse staff is trained to refer requests to other sources of disability-related information, if necessary.

This office is in the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS) which is divided into three areas: the [Office of Special Education Programs](#), the [Rehabilitation Services Administration](#), and the [National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research](#). Information provided may be useful to individuals with disabilities, their families, schools and universities, teacher's and/or school administrators and organizations who have persons with disabilities as clients.

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2905 Rodeo Park Drive, East

Building 4, Suite 100

Santa Fe, NM 87505

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Community Alliance for Special Education (CASE)

1031 Franklin Street, Suite B5

San Francisco, CA 94109

(415) 928-2273 www.pai-ca.org

Services Provided: Support and advocacy for school issues.

Cornelia de Lange Syndrome Foundation, Inc. (CDLS)

302 West Main Street #100

Avon, CT 06001

(800) 223-8355 or (800) 753-2357 FAX (860) 676-8337 www.cdlsusa.org

Services Provided: Services include CDLS Link, an international professional network; Reaching Out, bi-monthly newsletter; a Family Support Program supplemented by regional gatherings and coordinators; a Scientific Advisory Committee that offers professional expertise to families at no cost. Information is available free, along with publications, and audio/video resources list. International conference held yearly for families and professionals.

Corporate Angel Network, Inc

Westchester County Airport

One Loop Road

White Plains, NY 10604-1215

Toll-Free Patient Line (866) 328-1313 (914) 328-1313

FAX (914) 328-3938 www.corpangelnetwork.org

Services Provided: This is a charitable organization in the USA whose sole mission is to ease the emotional stress, physical discomfort and financial burden of travel for cancer patients by arranging free flights to treatment centers, using the empty seats on corporate aircraft. Eligibility is not based on financial need and patients may travel as often as necessary.

Council of Families with Visual Impairment

1515 15th Street N.W., Suite 720

Washington, DC 2005

(800) 424-8666 (202) 467-5081 FAX (202) 467-5085 www.acb.org

Services Provided: National advocacy group affiliated with the American Council for the Blind. They also provide public information and help families with a child who has a vision impairment connect with the appropriate services in their area, web seminars, publications, and conferences.

Council for Exceptional Children

Division on Visual Impairments

1110 North Glebe Road, Suite 300

Arlington, VA 22201-5704

888-CEC-SPED (703) 620-3660 TTY (866) 915-5000 FAX (703) 264-9494

www.cec.sped.org

Services Provided: Promotes professional growth by encouraging research and dissemination of information, web seminars, international conferences, advocates on behalf of visually impaired children and youth, develops standards and guidelines for professional programs, Publishes DVI Quarterly and Position Papers to members, facilitates the Helen Keller International Art Show. This membership organization is primarily for professionals, but will provide information for those who wish it.

Disabled Children's Relief Fund

PO Box 89

Freeport, NY 11520

(516) 377-1605 www.dcrf.com

Services Provided: provides disabled children with assistance to obtain wheelchairs, orthopedic braces, walkers, lifts, hearing aids, eyeglasses, medical equipment, physical therapy, and surgery. Blind, Deaf, Amputees, and children with Cerebral Palsy, Muscular Dystrophy, Spastic Quadriplegia, Encephalitis, Rheumatoid Arthritis, Spina Bifida, Down's Syndrome, and other disabilities receive assistance. DCRF focuses special attention on helping children throughout the U.S. that do not have adequate health insurance, especially the physically challenged. Call or email for an application

Drug Assistance Programs from Pharmaceutical Companies

Compiled by Supportive Cancer Care

Berkeley, CA

(510) 649-8177

www.cancersupportivecare.com/drug_assistance.html

Services Provided: Collected links to programs offered by pharmaceutical companies for specific drugs.

Epilepsy Foundation of America

4351 Garden City Drive, Suite 500

Landover, MD 20785-2267

(301) 459-3700 (800) 332-1000 FAX (301) 577-2684 www.efa.org

Closest Field Office:

PO Box 25084

Phoenix, AZ 85002-5084

(602) 406-3581 (888) 768-2690

Services Provided: Epilepsy Gene Discovery Project, H.O.P.E. (Helping Other People with Epilepsy) Mentoring Program, JobTech, Public Policy Institute, Elderly and Women's Health Initiatives, and Research Grants Program. Services commonly provided in local communities are information and referral, counseling, patient and family advocacy, school alert, community education, support groups and camps for children.

ERIC Clearinghouse on Disabilities and Gifted Education

1920 Association Drive

Reston, VA 22091-1589

(703) 254-9474 FAX (703) 264-9494 (800) 328-0272 www.ericec.org

Services Provided: Resources for learning to read, reading to learn, research connections, e-mail lists for discussion groups, links to other information sources, digests, fact sheets, links to the laws, and a guide to disability rights regulations.

FACES: The National Craniofacial Association

P. O. Box 11082

Chattanooga, TN 37401

(800) 332-2373 faces@faces-cranio.org

Services Provided: Provide financial support for non-medical expenses to patients traveling to a craniofacial center for treatment. Eligibility is based on financial and medical need. Resources include newsletters, information about craniofacial conditions, and networking opportunities.

Families with Heart

Children's Hospital of New Mexico
 Tully Conference Room, 3rd Floor
 2211 Lomas NE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106
 (505) 272-2671

Services Provided: A support group composed of parents of cardiac patients, as well as, professionals at Children's Hospital of New Mexico. The first half of the meeting features a speaker on an applicable topic; the remainder of the time is reserved for group-led mutual supports. No fees.

Family Village

Waisman Center
 University of Wisconsin-Madison
 1500 Highland Avenue
 Madison, WI 53705
www.familyvillage.wisc.edu familyvillage@waisman.wisc.edu

Services Provided: The Family Village uses the power of the Internet to help families of persons with cognitive and other disabilities find information and communicate with other families. The project consists of Village web site, e-matches, parent-to-parent program, and publications that provide families with information they need to access the internet.

Foundation Fighting Blindness

(Formerly RP Foundation)
 11435 Cronhill Drive
 Owings Mills, MD 21117-2220
 (888) 394-3937 TDD (800) 683-5555 (800) 683-5551 (410) 568-0150
www.blindness.org

Services Provided: Publishes a newsletter, information/support group related to Retinitis Pigmentosa, macular degeneration, usher's syndrome, stargardts and other retinal diseases. Also facilitates "Parent Self-Help Network," and the "Spouse Self-Help Network."

Glaucoma Research Foundation

251 Post Street, Suite 600

San Francisco, CA 94104

(800) 826-6693 (415) 986-3162 FAX (414) 986-3763 www.glaucoma.org

Services Provided: A national, nonprofit organization that sponsors and conducts research, provides comprehensive patient education material and support services for individuals with glaucoma. GRF conducts the Glaucoma Support Network; a national telephone-based peer support network for glaucoma patients and their families. GRF publishes a free newsletter for glaucoma patients and health professionals which offers information about treatments and therapies called "Gleams," and "Understanding and Living with Glaucoma," a patient guide that offers information about treatment therapies, as well as, advice on coping with this disease.

Goldenhar Syndrome Support Network

9325 163rd Street

Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T5P 2P4

(403) 465-9534 www.goldenharsyndrome.org

Services Provided: Barb Miles, a parent of a child with Goldenhar Syndrome, created this support and information network.

Heath

George Washington University

Heath Resource Center

2121 K Street, N.W., Suite 220

Washington, D.C. 20037

V/TTY (202) 973-0904 (800) 544-3284 FAX (202) 973-0908

www.heath.gwu.edu askheath@gwu.edu

Services Provided: A National Clearinghouse on post-secondary education for individuals with disabilities. The Center gathers and disseminates this information to help people with disabilities develop to their fullest potential through post secondary education and training. Provides national conferences, training sessions, workshops, prepares policy background information for the Department of Education, publishes resource papers, pamphlets, directories, a web site, and publishes "How to Choose a College: Guide for the Student with a Disability."

Hemifacial Microsomia/Goldenhar Syndrome Family Support Network

3619 Chicago Avenue
 Minneapolis, MN 55407-2603
 (612) 823-3529

Services Provided: This organization provides information packets for new parents

Hydrocephalus Association

870 Market Street, Suite 705
 San Francisco, CA 94102
 (415) 732-7040 www.hydroassoc.org

Services Provided: links to related sites, newsletter, fact sheets, publications including The Resource Guide; More than 600 articles on all aspects of hydrocephalus. Articles may be ordered from the Association for a small fee. Updated annually; The Directory of Pediatric Neurosurgeons containing names and addresses of more than 200 neurosurgeons who specialize in pediatrics, listed alphabetically and geographically; The Directory of Neurosurgeons Who Treat Adults containing names and addresses of neurosurgeons who treat adult-onset normal pressure hydrocephalus and adult-acquired hydrocephalus, listed alphabetically and geographically; A Teacher's Guide to Hydrocephalus, a 28-page booklet discusses education needs of children with hydrocephalus, and free information packets; Prenatal Packet, Infant/Childhood Packet, Acquired Hydrocephalus Packet, Adult-Onset Normal Pressure Hydrocephalus Packet. And for a nominal fee the video packet A Family's Guide to Hydrocephalus.

IDEA Website

US Department of Education
<http://idea.ed.gov>

Services Provided: This new site was created to provide a one-stop shop for resources related to IDEA and its implementing regulations.

Information Center for New Mexicans with Disabilities

Protection and Advocacy System
 2201 San Pedro NE, Bldg. 4, Suite 140
 Albuquerque, NM 87110
 (800) 552-8195 (505) 272-8549 TTY (505) 272-0321
www.cdd.unm.edu infonet@unm.edu

Services Provided: The Information Center for New Mexicans with Disabilities provides information to individuals with disabilities, families, advocates, therapists, and case managers about service providers, support groups, and other local, state, and national resources.

Institute for Families of Blind Children

PO Box 54700
 Mail Stop 111
 Los Angeles, CA 90054
 (323) 669-4649 FAX (323) 665-7869
www.instituteforfamilies.org info@instituteforfamilies.org

Services Provided: Publishes the “Retinoblastoma Support News” quarterly, and “Parent to Parent” for parents of blind or visually impaired children, health care and educational professionals. Videos include “Heart to Heart” in which Dom DeLuise hosts conversations with parents about their feelings in coping with a blind or visually impaired child; “Diagnosis: Retinoblastoma” in which Dom DeLuise talks with parents about their feelings and experiences of having a child with retinoblastoma; “Breaking the News,” in which physicians discuss their feelings when conveying a serious diagnosis to patients and parents of patients; “Brothers and Sisters...Growing up with a Blind Sibling.” Books (free) “My Fake Eye, The Story of My Protheses” and “My new Glasses, A book for Parents and Children.”

International Dyslexia Association

Chester Building, Suite 382
 8600 La Salle Road
 Baltimore, MD 21286-2044
 (410) 296-0232 (800) 222-3123 FAX (410) 321-5069

Services Provided: Adult and child support groups, teacher-training workshops, and informational conferences. Particular emphasis is placed on understanding the neurological aspects of language disabilities. Call for an information packet.

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation

120 Wall Street

New York, NY 10005-4001

(800) 533-CURE FAX (212) 785-9595 www.jdf.org info@jdrf.org

Services Provided: A voluntary health agency dedicated to supporting research into the cause, cure, treatment and prevention of diabetes and its complications. JDRF produces magazines, informational pamphlets, research, a newsletter, an on-line diabetes support team, and JDRF Kids Online; featuring pen-pals, stories, and back to school tips for kids and parents.

Lilli Works

1815 Encinal Avenue

Alameda, CA 94501

(510) 814-9111 FAX (510) 814-3941 www.lilliworks.com

Services Provided: This non-profit organization is the authorized distributor of Lilli Nielson's Active Learning products and literature.

Lupus Foundation of America, Inc.

New Mexico Chapter

6001 Marble Ave. NE, Suite 9

Albuquerque, NM 87110

(800) 843-9081 (505) 881-9081 www.lupusnm.org www.lupus.org

Services Provided: Patient services, physician referrals, support groups, publications, fact sheets, and audiocassettes on related material, chapter newsletter; "What Black Women Should Know About Lupus" available in Braille, large print, and audiocassette.

Macular Degeneration International

MDI has become a support organization for the Foundation Fighting Blindness. Please see Foundation Fighting Blindness.

Make-A-Wish Foundation

New Mexico Chapter
 PO Box 356
 Albuquerque, NM 87103-0356
 (505) 888-9474 FAX (505) 232-0678 www.wishnm.org

Services Provided: This foundation grants the wishes of children, under the age of 18, with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength, and joy.

March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation

New Mexico Chapter - Northern Division
 5900 Jefferson NE, Suite F
 Albuquerque, NM 87109
 (505) 344-5150 FAX (505) 344-5178

New Mexico Chapter - Southern Division
 PO Box 2066
 Mesilla Park, NM 88047
 (575) 523-2627 FAX (575) 523-2627
www.marchofdimes.com nm410@marchofdimes.org

Services Provided: Community services, advocacy, research and education, e-newsletter

Mothers United for Moral Support, Inc. (MUMS)

150 Custer Court
 Green Bay, WI 54301
 (920) 366-5333 FAX (920) 339-0995
 (877) 366-5333 (920) 366-5333 FAX (920) 339-0995 www.netnet.net/mums

Services Provided: Matches families whose children have rare or not so rare disorders for support, friendship, sharing, support groups, and a newsletter. No fees for matching services.

Move International

1300 17th Street
 City Centre
 Bakersfield, CA 93301-4533
 (661) 636-4000 www.move-international.org

Services Provided: An organization dedicated to helping children and adults with disabilities to become more mobile through training and education; professional curriculum; web based training through the University of West Florida; fact sheets, e-newsletter, awareness and logo products.

MUMS

Please see Mothers United for Moral Support above.

Muscular Dystrophy Association

New Mexico Chapter
 District Director (505) 828-1331 www.mdausa.org

Services Provided: The primary objective of MDA is the support of scientific investigators seeking the causes of and effective treatments for the 40 neuromuscular diseases to which MDA attends. MDA distributes informational disease-specific brochures, clinics, support groups, MDA summer camp, e-newsletter, Quest Extra, Qwest Magazine, and the MDA/ALS News Magazine.

NAEYC

Please see the National Association for the Education of Young Children

National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)

Technical Assistance Network
 Early Childhood Special Education
 1509 16th St. NW
 Washington, DC 20036
 (202) 232-8777 (800) 424-2460 www.naeyc.org

Services Provided: Information and pamphlets regarding ADA, technology and mainstreaming children with special needs.

National Association of Hospital Hospitality Houses, Inc

NAHHH Inc.
 P.O. Box 18087
 Asheville, NC 28814-0087

National Association of Hospital Hospitality Houses, Inc.
 44 Merrimon Ave., 1st Floor
 Asheville, NC 28801
 (800) 542-9730 (828) 253-1188 FAX (828) 253-8082
www.nahhh.org helpinghomes@nahhh.org

Services Provided: This is a non-profit corporation serving facilities that provide lodging and other supportive services to patients and their families when confronted with medical emergencies. Each facility assures that a homelike environment is provided to persons who must travel to be with a patient or to receive necessary outpatient care.

National Association for Parents of Visually Impaired (NAPVI)

PO Box 317
 Watertown, MA 02471
 (800) 562-6265 (617) 972-7441 FAX (617) 972-7444
napvi@perkins.org www.spedex.com/NAPVI

Services Provided: This national support and information network promotes and provides information which help parents meet the special needs of their children with visual impairments; workshops and publications, information and referral service, promote the development of state and local organizations, provide seed money awards for establishment of local chapters, and produce the newsletter "Awareness."

National Association for Visually Handicapped (NAVH)

3201 Balboa Street
 San Francisco, CA 94121
 (415) 221-3201 FAX (415) 221-8754 staffca@navh.org

Services Provided: Produces and distributes large type (18 point) reading materials to schools, libraries, senior citizen's centers, hospitals, and individuals upon request. Assists libraries and senior centers in establishing large print libraries. Acts as an information clearinghouse and referral center regarding resources available to people whom are visually impaired. Produces and distributes information materials (many in large print) for the layperson and professional about low vision and visual aids. Sells magnifiers, large print books, and other non-optical low vision aids. Annual membership fees

National Brain Tumor Foundation

22 Battery Street, Suite 612

San Francisco, CA 94111-5520

(800) 934-CURE (2873) nbtf@braintumor.org www.braintumor.org

Services Provided: This web site can [help you cope](#) by offering information about [brain tumors](#) and [treatment](#), [malignant](#) and [benign brain tumors](#), brain tumor [medical centers](#), the latest brain tumor [clinical trials](#) as well as connecting you to a network of [brain tumor survivors](#). And find out how you can support brain tumor research by participating in [Angel Adventures](#) across the country. If you would like to view this website in another language, you may use the translation button to engage Chinese, German, Japanese, Korean, French, Italian, Portuguese, and Spanish views of the site.

National Children's Cancer Society

1015 Locust, Suite 600

St. Louis, MO 63101

Families: (800) 532-6459 FAX Families: (314) 446-5264

General: (314) 241-1600 FAX General: (314) 241-1996 www.children-cancer.com

Services Provided: N.C.C.S. is a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide direct financial support to children with cancer and their families, for expenses related to cancer treatment. They assist children from birth to age 18 and their families throughout the United States.

National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities

(Formally NICHCY)

PO Box 1492

Washington, DC 20013-1492

V/TTY (800) 695-0285 FAX (202) 884-8441 Nichcy@aed.org www.nichcy.org

Services Provided: A referral and information clearinghouse that provides free information on disabilities and disability-related issues, provides free publications, including state resource sheets, fact sheets on disabilities, issue and briefing papers, legal information, parent guides, bibliographies, as well as, IDEA, No Child Left Behind (as it relates to children with disabilities), and research-based information on effective educational practices; materials available in alternative format, in Spanish.

National Down Syndrome Congress

1370 Center Drive, Suite 102

Atlanta, GA 30338

(800) 232-6372 (800) 232-NDSC (770) 604-9500

www.ndscenter.org (governmental affairs and news line) info@ndscenter.org

Services Provided: Publishes the "NDSC Down Syndrome News (DSN)," clearing house for information on Down Syndrome, advocacy, annual conventions, parent group networks, public awareness information for individuals and parent groups legislative activities information national and statewide.

National Down Syndrome Society

666 Broadway

New York, NY 10012

(800) 221-4602 (212) 460-9330 FAX (212) 979-2873

www.ndss.org info@ndss.org

Services Provided: Clearing house for information on Down Syndrome, advocacy, annual conventions, parent group networks, public awareness information for individuals and parent groups, national legislative activities information

National Eye Institute (NIH)

2020 Vision Place

Bethesda, MD 20892-3655

(301) 496-5248 2020@nei.nih.gov www.nei.nih.gov

Services Provided: Health information regarding eye diseases and disorders, vision eye care resources

National Father's Network, Kindering Center

16120 NE Eighth Street

Bellevue, WA 98008

V (425) 747-4004 Ext. 4286 FAX (425) 747-1069

www.fathersnetwork.org cmorris@fathersnetwork.org

Services Provided: National database of; father support and mentoring programs; curriculum designed to enhance the involvement of fathers in the home and service provision (i.e., health care settings, schools); technical assistance to organizations and agencies so their services are increasingly "father friendly"; newsletter and quarterly e-newsletter, and local, regional and national conferences.

National Federation of the Blind

1800 Johnson Street
 Baltimore, MD 21230
 (410) 659-9314 FAX (410) 685-5653 or (575) 243-6165 www.nfb.org

Services Provided: Monitors state and federal laws and regulations affecting blind people. Maintains National Blindness Information Center and operates the Job Opportunities for the Blind Program (JOB) in partnership with the US Department of Labor. JOB is a listing and referral service for the blind job applicants. Offers a statewide support group called Parents of Blind Children (POBC). Publishes "Braille Monitor" monthly, "Future Reflections" quarterly, "Voice of the Diabetic" quarterly. Call for your local representative.

National Health Information Center (NHIC)

PO Box 1133
 Washington, DC 20013-1133
 (800) 336-4797 (301) 565-4167 FAX (301) 984-4256
www.health.gov/NHIC info@nhic.org

Services Provided: Health information and referral service linking consumers and health professionals. The Health Information Resource Database includes 1,400 organizations and government offices that provide health information upon request. Entries include contact information, short abstracts, and information about publications and services the organizations provide. NHIC does not diagnose disease, recommend health care providers, or perform in-depth research.

National Health Law Program

1101 14th Street, NW, Suite 405
 Washington, DC 20005
 (202) 289-7661 <http://www.healthlaw.org>

Services Provided: provides extensive information on health care law affecting families with children who have special health care needs.

National Hydrocephalus Foundation

12413 Centralia Road
 Lakewood, CA 90715-1623
 (888) 857-3434 (562) 402-3523 FAX (562) 924-6666 www.nhfonline.org

Services Provided: Issues a quarterly newsletter, provides a network for communication, and produces educational information and resources.

National Library of Medicine (NLM)

National Institute of Health
 8600 Rockville Pike
 Bethesda, MD 20894
 (888) 346-3656 (301) 594-5983 FAX (301) 402-1384 www.nlm.nih.gov

Services Provided: World's largest research library in a single scientific and professional field

National Marfan Foundation

22 Manhasset Avenue
 Port Washington, NY 11050
 (800) 862-7326 ext. 10 (516) 883-8712 FAX (516) 883-8040 www.marfan.org

Services Provided: Conferences, newsletter "Connective Issues," provides information about Marfan Syndrome to patients, family members, the medical community, and other interested parties, networking systems, encourage and support research.

National Mental Health Association

2001 N. Beauregard Street, 12th Floor
 Alexandria, Virginia 22311
 (703) 684-7722 (800) 969-6642 TTY (800) 433-5959 FAX (703) 684-5968
www.nmha.org

Services Provided: Advocacy, public education, information and referrals to support groups. Call for an affiliate local to you.

National Neurofibromatosis Foundation, Inc.

95 Pine Street, 16th Floor
 New York, NY 10005
 (800) 323-7938 FAX (212) 747-0004 www.nf.org

Services Provided: Doctor search, research, awareness products

National Patient Air Transportation Hotline

c/o Mercy Medical Airlift
 4620 Haygood Road, Suite 1
 Virginia Beach, VA 23455
 (800) 296-1217 (757) 318-9174 FAX (757) 318-9107
mercymedical@erols.com <http://www.npath.org>

Services Provided: This hotline provides information about all forms of charitable, long-distance medical air transportation and provides referrals to appropriate sources of help available in the national charitable medical air transportation network.

Neurofibromatosis, Inc.

PO Box 18246
 Minneapolis, MN 55418
 (800) 942-6825 (301) 918-4600 www.nfnic.org

Services Provided: Doctor locator, e-newsletter, Camp New Friends, conferences

National Organization for Albinism Hypopigmentation (NOAH)

PO Box 959
 East Hampstead, NH 03826-8923
 (800) 473-2310 (603) 887-2310 www.albinism.org

Services Provided: National clearinghouse for information about albinism, networking systems, encourages research, publishes a periodic newsletter, and fact sheets. Membership fees.

National Organization of Disorders of the Corpus Callosum (NODCC)

18032-C Lemon Drive

PMB 363

Yorba Linda, CA 92886

(714) 747-0063 info@corpuscallosum.org www.corpuscallosum.org

Services Provided: NODCC works in collaboration with The ACC Network and several neuropsychological research programs, information and support, develops written materials and videos, and sponsors conferences for families and professionals.

National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD)

PO Box 8923

New Fairfield, CT 06812-8923

(203) 746-6518 FAX (203) 746-6481 (800) 999-6673 www.raredisease.org

Services Provided: A national database for the large number of rare disorders and syndromes, encourages and supports research on rare disorders, networking systems

National Parent Network on Disabilities

1130 17th Street, NM, Suite 400

Washington, DC 20036

(202) 463-2299 FAX (202) 463-9403 www.npnd.org

Services Provided: A coalition of parent organizations, specific disability organizations, professionals who work with and for people with disabilities, concerned friends and parents. It was established to provide a presence and national voice for parents of people with disabilities. Conditions served; [Orthopedic Disabilities](#), [Muscular Dystrophy](#), [Multiple Sclerosis](#), [Multiple Births](#), [Metabolic Conditions](#), [Mental Retardation](#), [Mental Illness](#), [Medically Fragile](#), [Lupus \(SLE\)](#), [Lung / Respiratory Disease](#), [Learning Disability](#), [Kidney Disease](#), [Hydrocephalus](#), [Heart Disease](#), [Hearing Impaired / Deaf](#), [Genetic Disorder](#), [Fetal Alcohol Syndrome](#), [Down Syndrome](#), [Diabetes](#), [Developmental Delays](#), [Death and Dying](#), [Cystic Fibrosis](#), [Congenital Disorders](#), [Cleft Lip / Palate](#), [Cerebral Palsy](#), [Central Nervous System Disorders](#), [Cancer](#), [Behavior Difficulties](#), [Autism](#), [Attention Deficit \(Hyperactivity\) Disorder](#), [Allergies / Asthma](#), [AIDS HIV+](#), [Abuse/ Neglect](#).

National Spinal Cord Injury Association

7000 Jefferson, NE
 Albuquerque, NM 87107
 (575) 766-4700 (800) 962-9629 www.spinalcord.org

Services Provided: Publishes "SCI Life" quarterly, newsletters fact sheets, information and referrals, merchandise and service discounts available to members, conferences, educational seminars, teleconferences and publications.

National Tuberous Alliance

(Formally National Tuberous Sclerosis Association)
 801 Roeder Road, Suite 750
 Silver Spring, MD 20910
 (800) 225-6872 (301) 562-9890 FAX (301) 562-9870
info@tsalliance.org www.tsalliance.org/

Services Provided: Non profit referrals for genetic counseling, support groups, patient advocacy, legislation, and newsletter

National Tuberous Sclerosis Association

Please see National Tuberous Alliance

New Mexico Learning Disabilities Association

6301 Menaul Blvd. NE #556
 Albuquerque, NM 87110
 (505) 821-2545 www.vivanewmexico.com

Services Provided: A non-profit volunteer organization affiliated with the Learning Disabilities Association of America (LDAA), gives support and information to persons with learning disabilities, parents, teachers, and other professionals, conferences, monthly meetings, newsletter. Membership fees.

New Mexico State Department of Education

See Public Education Department

New Mexikids

(888) 997-2583 TDD (800) 659-8331 www.state.nm.us/hsd/mexikids.html

Services Provided: no cost or low cost health coverage for children under 19 years old. If your household income is less than 185% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines, health care services are provided to your child at no cost. If your household income is between 185% - 235% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines, some of the health care services your child receives may require that you make a co-payment at the time each service is provided. Preventive services, such as Tot to Teen Health Checks and immunizations do not require a co-payment. New Mexikids pays for regular check-ups, doctor visits, dental visits, hospital care, prescriptions, glasses and hearing and vision exams. Other services may be covered if they are medically necessary.

New Mexico Technology Assistance Program

NMDVR / NMTAP

435 St. Michael's Dr., Bldg. D

Santa Fe, NM 87505

(800) 866-2253 TTY (800)659-4915 FAX(575) 954-8608

Services Provided: Consumer protection, [Assistive Bank of Loanable Equipment\(ABLE\)](#), [Financial Loan Program](#), [information & referral](#), and [training services](#). NMTAP offers regional trainings throughout the state year round. If your school district, agency, or family would like additional training on assistive technology, please contact the office.

NHIC

Please see National Health Information Center

NICHCY

Please see National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities

NLM

Please see National Library of Medicine

NOAH

Please see National Organization for Albinism Hypopigmentation

NODCC

Please see the National Organization of Disorders of the Corpus Callosum

NORD

Please see the National Organization of Rare Disorders

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Please see International Dyslexia Society

Parents of Behaviorally Different Children

1101 Cardenas, Suite 202

Albuquerque, NM 87110

(800) 273-7232 (505) 265-0430 (505) 265-0431 FAX (505) 255-6578

advocacy@pbdconline.org www.pdc.org

Services Provided: Services and support for families with children who have been diagnosed as having a neuro-biological, emotional, or behavioral difference.

Parents of Blind Children, New Mexico

Division of National Federation of the Blind

David Baland, President

6701 Los Trechos Ct. NE

Albuquerque, NM 87109

(505) 872-4050 davidbaland@yahoo.com

Services Provided: Information and support groups, seminars, networking groups, literature, cane bank, publications, toys list, and summer activities for blind children, sighted siblings, and sighted children of blind parents.

Parents Reaching Out (PRO)

1920 B Columbia Dr. SE

Albuquerque, NM 87106

(505) 247-0192 (800) 524-5176 FAX (505) 247-1345 www.parentsreachingout.org

Services Provided: Connect parents with other parents who have children with disabilities, provide information on local resources, conferences, workshops, lending library, newsletter, and advocacy for parents who have children receiving special education services.

Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation of the US

302 Ridgefield Court

Asheville, NC 28806

(800) 253-6530 FAX (828) 665-6894 www.pbtfus.org

Services Provided: internet conferences, family support programs, research, International Neuro-Oncology Journal, and the national brain tumor database

Pituitary Network Association

Formally Pituitary Tumor Network Association

P.O. Box 1958

Thousand Oaks, CA 91358

(805) 499-9973 Fax: (805) 480-0633 www.pituitary.com

Services Provided: The Pituitary Network Association (PNA) is an international non-profit organization for patients with pituitary tumors and disorders, their families, loved ones, and the physicians and health care providers who treat them; "Pituitary Patient Resource Guide," awareness products, public awareness programs and educational seminars, web links, and a referral program

PRO

Please see Parents Reaching Out

Protection and Advocacy (P&A)

1720 Louisiana NE Suite 204

Albuquerque, NM 87110

V/TTY (505) 256-3100 V/TTY (800) 432-4682 FAX (505) 256-3184

www.nmprotection-advocacy.com

Services Provided: P&A is a disability rights agency providing a wide variety of free advocacy and informational services. P&A may provide advocacy on behalf of children with some disputes related to special education services; information and assistance with developmental disability, mental health and HIV/AIDS services, housing, employment, education, and access rights, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) and Commission for the Blind, funding for specialized equipment.

Public Education Department; Special Education Department

120 South Federal Place, Room 206

Santa Fe, NM 87501

(575) 827-1457 FAX (575) 954-0001 www.ped.state.nm.usTo contact a particular person: person's name [@ped.state.nm.us](mailto:person@ped.state.nm.us)

Services Provided: conferences and workshops, state interpretation of education laws, fact sheets, web links, dispute resolutions, data warehouse, and publication library

Respite Services for Children

Call for your local affiliate

Alta Mira Specialized Family Services Inc.

1605 Carlisle Blvd NE

Albuquerque, NM 87110

(505) 262-0801

Services Provided: Respite service is a flexible family support service. The Respite Care personnel assist the family by providing relief, allowing periods of time away from the caregiver's duties. The Respite Care personnel assists the individual in activities of daily living to promote the individual's health and safety, as well as maintain a clean and safe environment. In collaboration with the contractor, the family will arrange respite. Respite includes, but is not limited to: providing non-medical health care; assisting the individual to enhance self-help skills and community and social awareness; preparing or assisting the individual in preparation of meals and in eating; providing opportunities for community and neighborhood integration and involvement; Providing opportunities for leisure, play and other recreational activities; providing opportunities for the individual to make his/her own choices with regard to daily activities.

Resources for Rehabilitation

22 Bonad Road

Winchester, MA 01890

(781) 368-9095 FAX (781) 368-9096 info@rfr.org www.rfr.org

Services Provided: Publishes Living with Low Vision: A Resource Guide for People with Sight Loss; a directory of services and products for people with low vision of all ages, including self-help groups, the ADA, high-tech equipment, internet resources and more. 18 point bold type.

Ronald McDonald House

Family Support Residence of New Mexico

1011 Yale, NE

Albuquerque, NM 87106

(505) 842-8960 FAX (505) 764-0412 www.rmhc-nm.org smann@nm.net

Services Provided: When home is far away and your seriously ill child is undergoing medical treatment in Albuquerque, there is a "home away from home" for you.

Shaken Baby Alliance

P.O. Box 150734

Ft. Worth, TX 76108

(877) 6-END-SBS (877) 636-3727 info@shakenbaby.com www.shakenbaby.com

Services Provided: A web site for family support, victim advocacy, community center, e-newsletter, legal and justice issues, awareness products, conferences, links, and a library.

Shriners Hospital for Children

2900 Rocky Point Dr.

Tampa, Florida 33607

(800) 237-5055

Services Provided: Assists and treats congenital orthopedic deformities, problems resulting from orthopedic injuries, and diseases of the bones, joints and muscles, as well as, burns and scarring.

Sibling Support Groups

Parents Reaching Out
 1920 B Columbia Dr. SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106

(505) 247-0192 (800) 524-5176 FAX (505) 247-1345 www.parentsreachingout.com

Services Provided: Arranges support groups targeting children who are siblings of children with disabilities

Simon Foundation

PO Box 815
 Wilmette, Illinois 60091

(800) 23SIMON (800-237-4666) www.simonfoundation.org

Services Provided: The Simon Foundation for Continence offers information, lectures, education/support groups, product database, educational materials, discussion board, monitors legislation, and research.

Social Security Administration

www.socialsecurity.gov (800) 772-1213 TTY (800) 325-0778

Services Provided: See the Social Security Administration "Blue Book" for qualification criteria and services provided.

Spencer Cerebral Palsy Clinic

Carrie Tingley Hospital for Physical Disabilities
 1127 University Blvd. NE
 Albuquerque, NM 87102

(800) 472-3235 (505) 272-5301 www.hospitals.unm.edu

Services Provided: Library of resources, pamphlets, magazines, books, and videos.

Spina Bifida Association of New Mexico

1127 University Blvd. NE

Albuquerque, NM 87102

(505) 242-1184 (800) 750-2044 www.sbanm.com

Services Provided: Provides brochures, media releases, newsletters, seminars, individual and family counseling, assistance to teachers and schools, education seminars, meetings and social events, scholarships to camp and ski programs, supporting wheelchair sports, public and private advocacy, networking with families and legislation.

Tash, Inc.

Technical Aids and Systems for the Handicapped, Inc.

29 W. Susquehanna Ave., 210

Baltimore, MD 21204

V (410) 828-8274 FAX (410) 828-6706

Services Provided: International conferences, phone conferences, awareness products, newsmagazine, educational journals, alternative technology to increase accessibility for those with physical disabilities; alternative keyboard control for PC and Macintosh, alternative mouse control for PC and Macintosh, key guards, picture symbol communication systems, switches single/multiple, etc.

Technical Assistance Network

Please see National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)

Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired (TSBVI)

1100 West 45th

Austin, TX 78756-3494

(512) 454-8631 www.tsbvi.edu

Services Provided: Information dissemination about issues related to children who are blind, visually impaired, or deafblind. The TSBVI website offers curriculum info, teaching lessons, Braille music and books to be down loaded, and links to other resources.

TSBVI

Please see Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Tuberous Sclerosis Alliance

801 Roeder Rd. #750

Silver Spring, MD 20910

(800) 225-6872 (301) 562-9890 FAX (301) 562-9870 www.tsalliance.org

Services Provided: conferences and volunteer outreach programs, outreach and advocacy programs helping individuals and families in their efforts to obtain entitlements (social security and medical benefits), appropriate educational opportunities (placements and vocational services), and transitional issues, which include, but are not limited to, housing and community connections.

United Leukodystrophy Foundation

2304 Highland Drive

Sycamore, Illinois 60178

(800) 728-5483 FAX (815) 895-2432 www.ulf.org

Services Provided: Support and communication for families, diagnostic and carrier test development, gene identification, support of dietary, pharmacological and transplant scientific symposiums.

United States Postal Services

USPS provides free mailing of letters and other reading material for blind and other physically impaired people who are unable to read conventional print. The following conditions are set forth by law:

1. The material must be sent BY, TO or be intended FOR persons with a reading impairment, that is, visual or physical handicap.
2. The material must be in a format intended for use by person(s) with a visual impairment, that is, large-print, Braille, or recorded (disk, cassette, reel-to-reel tape, etc.)
3. The words "Free Matter for the Blind or Handicapped" must appear in the upper right-hand corner of the address side of the envelope, where a stamp is normally placed.

Mailing privileges also extend to equipment used by persons for reading and writing such as Braillewriters and recorders. Rules and regulations appear in Section 138 of the U.S. Postal Manual. If questions or difficulties occur concerning free mailing privileges for the blind, consult your local Post Master.

United Way

2340 Almo Way SE, 2nd Floor
Albuquerque, NM 87106
(505) 247-3671 FAX (505) 242-35763 www.unitedway.org

Services Provided: What began in 1934 as the Albuquerque Community Chest, is now United Way of Central New Mexico. They serve the people of [Bernalillo](#), [Sandoval](#), [Torrance](#) and [Valencia](#) counties who are least able to help themselves. Their purpose is to build a stronger community by making it easier for neighbors to help each other. The United Way may know of local charities and philanthropic organizations that can provide financial assistance. Call them or visit their website for more information.

US Department of Education

IDEA Website
<http://idea.ed.gov>

Services Provided: This new site was created to provide a one-stop shop for resources related to IDEA and its implementing regulations.

Vision World Wide, Inc.

5707 Brockton Drive #302
Indianapolis, IN 46220-5481
(800) 431-1739 (317) 254-1332 FAX (317) 251-6588 www.visionww.org

Services Provided: Provides information, education, guidance, support and consumer protection for visually impaired individuals and professionals; bookstore; "Journal Vision Enhancement" and e-newsletter, fact sheets and information packets, free electronic books and audio library, help line, and job postings.

Scholarship Opportunities

The resources in this section are subject to change without notice and should not be considered all inclusive.

American Council of the Blind

1155 15th Street NW, Suite 720
Washington, DC 20005
(800) 424-8666 (202) 467-5081 www.acb.org

Awards scholarships annually to legally blind students in undergraduate, graduate, technical, and vocational studies. The scholarship awards range from \$500.00 To \$4000. A number of affiliates of the ACB offer scholarships to students in their states. Some of the state affiliates that offer scholarships are: Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kansas, Massachusetts, Missouri, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Utah, Virginia, and Washington. For further information, please contact the local chapter of the ACB or the ACB national office.

American Foundation of the Blind

11 Penn Plaza, Suite 300
New York, NY 1001
(800) 232-5463 (212) 502-7661 afbinfo@afb.org

Delta Gamma Foundation Florence Margaret Harvey Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to blind students who wish to study in the field of rehabilitation and/or education of persons who are blind or visually impaired.

Karen D. Carsel Memorial Scholarship. Awarded to a full-time graduate student who is legally blind and who represents evidence of economic need.

Gladys C. Anderson Memorial Scholarship. Awarded to legally blind undergraduate or graduate women who are studying religious or classical music.

R.L. Gillette Scholarship. Awarded to legally blind undergraduate women who are studying literature or music.

Rudolph Dillman Memorial Scholarship. Awarded to legally blind undergraduate or graduate students studying in the field of rehabilitation and/or education of persons who are blind and visually impaired.

Rederick A. Downes Scholarship. Awarded to persons who are 22 years of age or less, legally blind, and enrolled in a course of study leading to credentials in a profession or vocation.

TeleSensory Scholarship. Awarded to blind undergraduate students studying in any field.

Ferdinand Torress AFB Scholarship. Awarded to a full-time post-secondary student who is legally blind and who presents evidence of economic need. Preference will be given to applicants residing in New York City metropolitan area and new immigrants to the U.S.

ASCAP Foundation

1 Lincoln Plaza
New York, NY 10023
(212) 621-6219

Administers and provides educational scholarships, workshops, and other programs for music students, aspiring composers, and songwriters in a variety of musical genres.

Association for Education and Rehabilitation of Blind and Visually Impaired (AER)

206 North Washington Street, Suite 320
Alexandria, VA 22314
(703) 548-1884

Ferrell Scholarship Fund.

Two \$500.00 awards available biennially to legally blind students preparing for careers in education or rehabilitation of blind and visually impaired children or adults.

Blinded Veterans Association

477 H Street NW
Washington, DC 20001
800-669-7079 • (202) 371-8880

Kathryn F. Gruber Scholarships. Awards 12 scholarships of \$2000 each to dependent children and spouses of blinded veterans.

Christian Record Services, Inc.

4444 South 52nd Street
Lincoln, NE 68516
(402) 488-0981

Offers scholarships and student loans to blind undergraduate students studying in any field.

Council of Citizens with Low Vision International

(616) 381-9566 • 800-733-2258 • (941) 755-3846

Dayton Amateur Radio Association

45 Cinnamon Court
Springboro, OH 45066

Amateur radio licensees graduating from high school are eligible for \$2000 scholarships. DARA offers eight scholarships each year.

Delta Gamma Foundation

3250 Riverside Drive
Columbus, OH 43221
(614) 481-8169

Ruth Billow Memorial Fund.

Provides grants to Delta Gammas pursuing professional training in areas working with blind or visually impaired people, seeking to restore or maintain their sight, experiencing financial difficulties due to their responsibility directly related to visually impaired dependents, or for elderly Delta Gammas.

Foundation for Exceptional Children

1920 Association Drive
Reston, VA 22091
(703) 620-1054

Stanley E. Jackson Scholarship Awards and Infnitec Scholarship Awards. Awards five \$1000 scholarships to entering freshmen in each of the following categories: Students with disabilities, ethnic minority students with disabilities, gifted/talented students with disabilities, ethnic minority gifted/talented students with disabilities, and students with disabilities using an augmentative communication device.

Foundation for Science and Disability, Inc.

Richard Mankin, Chair, Grants Committee
503 NW 89 Street
Gainesville, FL 32607
(352) 374-5774

Awarded to graduate students or college seniors who are enrolled in, or have been accepted to, a graduate or professional program in science, computer science, math, engineering, or medicine. The grants are for \$1000.

George Washington University

Disability Support Services
 Rice Hall, Suite 401
 2121 Eye Street, NW
 Washington, DC 20052
 (202) 994-8250

Barbara Jackman Zuckert Scholarship. Awarded to blind part-time students attending George Washington University.

Jewish Braille Institute of America

Gerald M. Kass, Executive Vice President
 110 East 30th Street
 New York, NY 10016
 (212) 889-2525

Awards scholarships to blind and visually impaired students who seek to become rabbis, cantors, Jewish educators, or Jewish communal professionals. Funds available for professional training only.

Kiwanis International

Key Club Department
 3636 Woodview Trace
 Indianapolis, IN 46268
 (317) 875-8755, ext. 247

Awards scholarships to high school seniors entering college whom have been members of Key Club for at least one year

Lions Clubs International

300 22nd Street
 Oak Brook, IL 60521
 (708) 571-5466

Awards financial assistance such as scholarships or funds for the purchase of equipment. Contact your local Lions Club or contact Lions Club International for the local phone number.

National Tour Foundation, Inc.

546 East Main Street
 Lexington, KY 40508
 (800) 682-8886

Provides scholarships to physically or sensory challenged college students studying travel and tourism.

North Carolina Division of Services for the Blind

309 Ashe Avenue
 Raleigh, NC 27606
 (919) 733-9700

Provides vocational rehabilitation assistance to eligible North Carolina residents who are legally blind or diagnosed as having a progressive eye disorder leading to blindness. Students must be enrolled in undergraduate, or graduate studies in a North Carolina school.

Pennsylvania College of Optometry

1200 West Godfrey Avenue
 Philadelphia, PA 19141
 (215) 276-6214

Awards Rehabilitation Services Administration scholarships to graduate students studying Rehabilitation Teaching, Orientation and Mobility, and/or Vision Rehabilitation at the Pennsylvania College of Optometry.

Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic

20 Roszel Road
 Princeton, NJ 08540
 (609) 452-0606

Mary P. Oenslager Scholastic Achievement Award. Nine awards are given annually in three categories: three Scholarship Achievement Award winners receive \$6000 each; three Special Honors winners receive \$3000 each; and three Honors winners receive \$1000 each. Applicants must be legally blind, registered with Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic, hold a bachelor's degree, and have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

The Marion Huber Learning Through Listening Award awards six scholarships, three for \$3000 and three for \$2000, to high school seniors who attain a 3.0 grade point average. Scholarships are awarded to students who have been members of RFB & D at least one year prior to the filing date, which is February 21 for the coming scholastic year.

Rotary Foundation of Rotary International

Scholarship Department
 One Rotary Center
 1560 Sherman Avenue
 Evanston, IL 60201
 (847) 866-3000

Academic-Year Ambassadorial scholarships provide funding for one academic year of study in another country. Multi-Year Ambassadorial scholarships provide for either two or three years of degree-oriented study in another country. Cultural Ambassadorial scholarships provide for either three or six months of intensive language study and cultural immersion in another country.

Scripps College for Women

Office of Admission
 1030 Columbia Avenue
 Claremont, CA 91711
 (909) 621-8149 • 800-770-1333

Juliet Esterly Scholarship. Awarded to blind and visually impaired women enrolled at Scripps College who have demonstrated scholastic abilities and personal qualities essential for success in their chosen field. Preference is given to blind/visually impaired women, but may be awarded to sighted applicants studying in a field of service for the blind.

US Association of Blind Athletes

33 North Institute
 Colorado Springs, CO 80903
 (719) 630-0422

Arthur E. Copeland Scholarship. Awarded to a legally blind male who has participated in USABA sports programs, is a current USABA member and has been for at least one-year prior.

Helen Copeland Scholarship. Awarded to a legally blind female who has participated in USABA sports programs, is a current USABA member and has been for at least one-year prior.

**US Department of Education
Office of Post-secondary Education
Student Financial Assistance Programs
600 Independence Avenue SW
Washington, DC 20202**

Provides FREE cassette containing information on federal, state, and private sources of financial aid for visually impaired post-secondary students.

Vanderbilt University

Department of Special Education
BOX 328 Peabody
Nashville, TN 37203
(615) 322-8150

Awards scholarships and fellowships to students interested in pursuing studies in the education of children and youths with visual disabilities.

Vermont Student Assistance Corporation

PO Box 2000
Champlain Mill, Winooski, VT 05404
(802) 655-9602 (800) 642-3177

Vermont Association of the Blind: Charles E. Leonard Memorial Scholarship. Applicants must be blind or visually impaired, from Vermont, a child of a blind or visually impaired Vermonter, or a Vermonter attending college to pursue a career in education or rehabilitation of blind or visually impaired people. Applications are due May 1 of each year.

Very Special Arts

John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts
Washington, DC 20566

Panasonic Young Soloists Award. Awards scholarships to a student with a disability that wishes to pursue their interest in music. The award is intended to recognize a student with a disability that has exhibited unique talents as either a vocalist or instrumentalist.

Western Michigan University

Department of Blind Rehabilitation
Kalamazoo, MI 49008
(616) 367-1000

Awards several scholarships to blind and visually impaired students studying at the graduate level in the field of blind rehabilitation at Western Michigan University.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

ADA Home Page

[Toll-Free ADA Information Line](#)

V (800) 514-0301 TDD (800) 514-0383 www.usdoj.gov/crt/ada

Services Provided: Call to obtain answers to general and technical questions about the ADA and to order technical assistance materials or visit the web site for free downloads

American Printing House for the Blind

1839 Frankfort Avenue

P.O. Box 6085

Louisville, Kentucky 40206-0085

(800) 223-1839 US and Canada (502) 895-2405 FAX 502-899-2274

info@aph.org www.aph.org

Services Provided: a free copy of the Americans with Disabilities Act in alternative formats. Additional copies for a fee.

Abledata

www.abledata.com

Services Provided: Provides information on: national on-line database of assistive technology and lists for products, manufacturers, and organizations.

Access to Recreation

8 Sandra Court

Newbury Park, CA 91320

(800) 634-4351 www.accesstr.com

Services Provided: Products making recreation accessible; tip site, books and videos, beach wheelchairs, pool lifts, peddle master, Easypivot, exercise equipment, and other accommodations for swimming, cycling, golfing, bath bench, ramps, bowling, fishing, shooting, and aids for daily living.

Active Forever (A Division of Independent Living Products)

10799 N. 90th Street
 Scottsdale, AZ 85260
 (800) 377-8033 (480) 767-6800 www.activeforever.com

Services Provided: catalog of products with gift ideas, etc. The web site also offers product suggestions for specific disabilities

American Association of the Deaf-Blind

814 Thayer Avenue
 Silver Spring, MD 20910
 V (301) 459-2121 TDD (301) 588-6545

Services Provided: Information about accommodations for people who are blind, deaf-blind, or visually impaired

American Council of the Blind

1155 15th Street, N.W., Suite 1004
 Washington, DC 20005
 V (202) 467-5081 info@acb.org <http://www.acb.org/>

Services Provided: Information about accommodations for people who are blind, deaf-blind, or visually impaired

American Foundation for the Blind

AFB Information Center (800) AFB-LINE (800-232-5463) afbinfo@afb.net
 AccessWorld® Solutions (800) 392-3305 awsolutions@afb.net
 AFB Press: Publication/Video Orders (800) 232-3044 (412) 741-1398
 (412) 741-0609 afbborder@abdintl.com
 CareerConnect® (888) 824-2184 careerconnect@afb.net
 AFB Technology and Employment Center at Huntington, West Virginia (AFB TECH)
 (304) 523-8651 (304) 523-8656 AFBTECH@afb.net
 949 Third Avenue, Suite 200
 Huntington, WV 25701

Services Provided: Offers “ADA Solutions Modules” which contain how-to recommendations for making business accessible to people who are blind or visually impaired. Each module contains accessibility planning checklist, fact sheets with implementation tips, and basic information about blindness.

Atlanta Paralympic Organizing Committee

www.paralympic.org

Services Provided: Competitive sporting events for people who have physical disabilities and/or visual impairments; for most up-to-date information on sports and qualifying events check the web site; Archery, Rugby, Bocce, Equestrian, Lawn Bowls, Tennis, Athletics, Basketball, Goal Ball, Yachting, Cycling, Fencing, Judo, Power Lifting, Table Tennis, Volleyball, Football, Racquetball, Shooting, Wheelchair rugby-tennis-basketball-and dance sports

Beneficial Designs

www.beneficialdesigns.com

Services Provided: Provides information on rehabilitation engineering and design and the innovative Universal Trail Assessment Process for mapping levels of difficulty for trails.

Braille International, Inc.

3290 SE Slater Street

Stuart, FL 34977

(772) 286-8366 FAX (772) 286-8909 www.brailenet.org infor@brailleintl.org

Services Provided: Non for profit organization that provides a Braille bookstore, sales brochures and catalogs, technical manuals, theme park guidebooks, employee communication materials for ADA, restaurant menus, and Braille business cards

Center for Universal Design

www.design.ncsu.edu:8120/cud

Services Provided: Provides information on: principles of Universal Design and the concept of designing products and environments to be usable by all people.

Civil Rights Division

Disability Rights Section

U.S. Department of Justice

P.O. Box 66738

Washington, DC 20035-9998

V (202) 514-0301 TDD (202) 514-0383 www.usdoj.gov/crt/ada/adahom1.htm

Services Provided: Services Provided: Information on Title II (State and Local Governments); Title III (Public Accommodations), copies of the ADA regulations, and technical assistance manuals available in Braille, large print, audiotape, and electronic file.

Council of Citizens with Low Vision International

5707 Brockton Drive #302

Indianapolis, IN 46220

(800) 733-2258 (317) 254-1185 <http://www.cclvi.org/>

Services Provided: Information about accommodations for people who are blind, deaf-blind, or visually impaired

Commission for the Blind

Newslines (575) 841-8844 (888) 513-7968

Services Provided: NEWSLINE for the Blind is a telephone-based system that allows blind and visually impaired persons to access a variety of newspapers and publications. Using the buttons on a touch-tone telephone, the listener selects a category of the paper, such as local news, area events, or grocery ads. The listener can read the first story of the selected category, or skip to the next story, raise the volume, or exit the category and choose another category or publication. The service is available free of charge, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Dia Dot

Route 23, Po Box 113, Building 22

Sussex, NJ 07461

(973) 875-5669 FAX (973) 875-5634 www.diadot.com

Services Provided: Disability home renovation solutions, web site has a list of pros and cons of various accommodations and of home appliances for various disabilities

Disability and Business Technical Assistance Centers

www.ncddr.org

Services Provided: Provides information on technical assistance for entities covered by Title II and III of the ADA; listings of Regional Centers; and the most frequently asked questions on the provision of access for people with disabilities.

EEOC

Please see Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)

1801 L Street, N.W.

Washington, DC 20507

(800) 669-EEOC TDD 202-663-4399 www.eeoc.gov/facts/howtofil.html

Services Provided: Information on Title 1 (Employment), copies of the ADA regulations, and technical assistance manuals available in Braille, large print, audiotape, and electronic file.

First Gov

www.firstgov.com

Services Provided: Access to all online US Federal Government resources

First Gov for Kids

www.kids.gov

Services Provided: Federal kid's sites along with some of the "best" kids sites from other organizations all grouped by subject.

General Electric

G.E. Appliance Park
 Building 6, Room 106
 Louisville, KY 40225
 Answer Center (800) 626-2005

Services Provided: Braille labels for controls on ranges, microwave ovens, and laundry appliances. Free to GE appliance owners.

Healthcare Catalog

PO Box 7821
 Edison, NJ 08818-7821
 Order (800) 785-0880 Customer Service (800) 455-1918 FAX (732) 572-2118
www.drleonards.com

Services Provided: Clothing and accessories, home adaptation equipment, wheelchairs and accessories, transfer aids, furniture, mobility, self-help aids, medical equipment, alternative enlarged touch-phone keyboard, talking blood pressure monitor, Braille overlay kits for controls of Kenmore appliances.

International Disability Access Symbols

www.gag.org

Services Provided: Provides information on international symbols organized by the Graphic Artists Guild Foundation; and, symbols for downloading, including audio description, volume control, sign language interpretation, closed captioning and others.

Job Accommodation Network

PO Box 6080
 Morgantown, WV 26506-6080
 V/TTY (800) 526-7234 ADA Info (800) ADA-Work FAX (304) 293-5407
www.jan.wvu.edu jan@jan.wvu.edu

Services Provided: A free consulting service designed to increase the employability of people with disabilities by: providing individualized worksite accommodations solutions, providing technical assistance regarding the ADA and other disability related legislation, and educating callers about self-employment options.

NAEYC

Please see National Association for the Education of Young Children

National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)

Technical Assistance Network

Early Childhood Special Education

1509 16th St. NW

Washington, DC 20036

(202) 232-8777 (800) 424-2460 www.naeyc.org

Services Provided: Information and pamphlets regarding ADA, technology and mainstreaming children with special needs.

National Center on Accessibility (NCA)

www.indiana.edu/~nca/

Services Provided: Provides information on: access for individuals with disabilities to park and recreation areas and programs; training programs and opportunities; technical assistance for park and recreation professionals; and research and demonstration projects.

National Center on Accessible Media (WGBH-Boston)

www.wgbh.org/wgbh/index.html

Services Provided: Provides information on research and development for accessible media; Rear-Window movie captioning system; and recommendations for accessible web pages.

National Easter Seal Society

230 Westmore Street, Suite 1800

Chicago, IL 60606

(800) 221-6827 V (312) 762-6200 TDY (312) 726-4258 FAX (312) 726-1494

www.seals.com

Services Provided: "Providing Public Transportation to Everyone," a 14 minute video on the transit provisions of ADA, "Nobody is Burning Wheelchairs," a 15 minute video describing the impact of ADA using humor and interviews, "The Americans with Disabilities Act Resource Catalog."

National Federation of the Blind

1800 Johnson Street
 Baltimore, MD 21230
 (410) 659-9314 epc@roudley.com www.nfb.org

Services Provided: Information about accommodations for people who are blind, deaf-blind, or visually impaired

National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR)

<http://www.ed.gov/offices/OSERS/NIDRR/>

Services Provided: Provides information on NIDRR projects, publications, and other disability and rehabilitation resources.

National Lekotek Toy Resource Helpline

3204 W. Armitage Ave.
 Chicago, IL 60647
 (800) 366-PLAY (773) 276-5164 FAX (773) 276-8644 www.lekotek.org

Services Provided: Offers resources and suggestion of toys for children with particular disabilities

National Organization on Disability, Religion and Disability Program

910 16th Street, NW Suite 600
 Washington, DC 20006
 (202) 293-5960 TTY (202) 293-5968 FAX (202) 293-7999 ability@nod.org

Services Provided: Works with local congregations, national faith groups and seminaries to remove barriers of architecture, communications and attitudes that prevent people with disabilities from full and active religious participation. The award-winning series of interfaith guides, That All May Worship, Loving Justice and From Barriers to Bridges, help religious communities identify and remove barriers to a full life of faith for people with disabilities. In addition, the program sponsors "That All May Worship" conferences nationwide.

NCA

Please see National Center on Accessibility

New Mexico Technology Assistance Program

NMDVR / NMTAP

435 St. Michael's Dr., Bldg. D

Santa Fe, NM 87505

(800) 866-2253 TTY (800) 659-4915 FAX (575) 954-8608

Services Provided: Consumer protection, [Assistive Bank of Loanable Equipment\(ABLE\)](#), [Financial Loan Program](#), [information & referral](#), and [training services](#). NMTAP offers regional trainings throughout the state year round. If your school district, agency, or family would like additional training on assistive technology, please contact the office.

NIDRR

National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research

Power Access Corporation

170 Main Street

PO Box 1050

New Hartford, CT 06057-0980

(800) 344-0088 FAX (860) 693-0641 www.power-access.com

Services Provided: Automatic door opener for wheel chair users with a choice of [Push Plate Wall Switches](#), [Push Button Wall Switches](#), [Touch Plate Wall Switch](#), [Coded Radio Transmitter/Receiver](#), [Keyless Entry Systems](#), and [Electric Door Lock \(Strike\)](#)

Project ACTIONwww.projectaction.org

Services Provided: Provides information on technical assistance programs promoting accessible transportation systems within communities throughout the US.

Qwest Special Needs Office

421 SW Oak Street, Room 480B

Portland, OR 97204

(800) 223-3131 TTY 711 FAX (503) 242-6565

Services Provided: Free directory assistance for people who have a physical disability that impairs their ability to access the printed phone books.

Resource Center on Accessible Housing

www.abledata.com

Services Provided: Informed consumer's guide to accessible housing

Resources for Rehabilitation

22 Bonad Road

Winchester, MA 01890

(781) 368-9095 FAX (781) 368-9096 info@rfr.org www.rfr.org

Services Provided: Publishes Living with Low Vision: A Resource Guide for People with Sight Loss; a directory of services and products for people with low vision of all ages, including self-help groups, the ADA, high-tech equipment, internet resources and more. 18 point bold type.

Technical Assistance Network

Please see National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)

Toys "R" Us: Toy Guide for Differently-Abled Kids!

(800) 732-3298 TDD (888) 859-8011 www.toysrus.com www.imaginarium.com

Services Provided: Through its partnerships with the National Lekotek Center and the National Parent Network on Disabilities Toys "R" Us developed and distributed this digest-sized catalog of toys for children with disabilities including dolls with disabilities; a resource for parents, family members and friends who just don't know what to get for a child with special needs.

Trace Research and Development Center

www.trace.wisc.edu/index.html

Services Provided: Provides information on interdisciplinary research, development and resource materials on technology and disability and recommendations for designing accessible web pages.

TransCen, Inc.

www.transcen.org

Services Provided: Provides information on accessibility standards, training programs and opportunities, and additional accessibility resources.

U.S. Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board

(U.S. Access Board)

www.access-board.gov

Services Provided: Provides information on: current status of accessibility standards and proposed accessibility guidelines; future meetings of the Access Board and minutes to previous meetings; Access Board newsletter and other publications; Information on activities of ongoing projects.

U. S. Department of Justice- ADA Home Page

www.usdoj.gov/crt/ada

Services Provided: Provides comprehensive information on the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities act, updates on new developments, and technical assistance information.

U. S. Department of Transportation

400 Seventh Street, S.W., #10424

Washington, DC 20590

(202) 366-9306 TDD (202) 755-7687 www.fta.dot.gov/office/civil

Services Provided: Services Provided: Information on Title II/Title III (Transportation), copies of the ADA regulations, and technical assistance manuals available in Braille, large print, audiotape, and electronic file.

U.S. Census Bureau

www.census.gov/hhes/www/disability.html

Services Provided: Provides information on the Office on Statistics and on disability population statistics.

Whirlpool Corporation

Information Service

Benton Harbor, MI 49022

(800) 253-1301 (800) 785-8897 www.whirlpool.com/braille/braille

Services Provided: Offers suggestions for adaptations for homes, which accommodate helper dogs, people who use wheelchairs, people who have mobility trouble, and people who are visually impaired; kits to help disabled people in the operation of appliances, including Braille overlays, large type/audio instructions for a variety of Whirlpool appliances and a Braille/large microwave cookbook. These kits are free to owners of Whirlpool appliances. Contact your nearest Whirlpool dealer or call the 800 number.

Wilderness Inquirywww.wildernessinquiry.org

Services Provided: Provides information on outdoor adventures for people of all ages and abilities.

Infants and Toddlers

Blind Children's Center

4120 Marathon Street

Los Angeles, CA 90029

(800) 222-3566 (323) 664-2153 FAX (323) 665-3828 www.blindcntr.org

Services Provided: Provides services to families of infants who are visually impaired, and publishes booklets including; "Heart to Heart; Parents of Blind and Partially Sighted Children Talk about their Feelings," "Talk to Me; A Language Guide for Parents of Blind Children," "Talk to Me II," "Common Concerns," "Learning to Play," "Move with Me," and "Eating!" (Video also available).

Blind Children's Fund

311 West Broadway, Suite 1

Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

(989) 779-9966 FAX (989) 779-0015

www.blindchildrensfund.org www.bcf.blindchildrensfund.org

Services Provided: Source of information for families and professionals about visual impairments. Also distributes books: "Get a Wiggle On," "Move It," "Learning to Look; A Handbook for Parents of Low Vision Infants and Children," "A Unique Way of Learning; Teaching Young Children with Optic Nerve Hypoplasia," and "Watch Me Grow." BCF is also a clearinghouse for information about, and materials by Lilli Nielsen.

BrailleInk

Bruce Curtis

2401 E. McKinney Street, Suite 1526

Denton, TX 76209

(940) 483-9343 (800) 324-2919 FAX (940) 243-8771

bcurtis@brailleink.org www.brailleink.org

Services Provided: Print/Braille children's books with word to word print/Braille match and tactual images.

Children's Medical Center

Nursing Education Office
 One Children's Plaza
 Dayton, Ohio 45404
 (800) 228-4055 (937) 641-3000

Services Provided: Publishes a series of 11 pamphlets including; "Parents Guide for Baby Discovering His Hands," and "Grasp and Hand Skills for Visually Impaired Infants" for a small fee.

Educational Productions

9000 SW Gemini Drive
 Portland, OR 97008-7151
 (800) 950-4949 (503) 644-7000 FAX (503) 350-7000

Services Provided: Video series on encouraging and understanding children's communication aged birth to three years called "First Steps."

NAEYC

Please see National Association for the Education of Young Children

National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)

Technical Assistance Network
 Early Childhood Special Education
 1509 16th St. NW
 Washington, DC 20036
 (202) 232-8777 (800) 424-2460 www.naeyc.org

Services Provided: Provides information on developmentally appropriate practices, research in the education of young children and publishes "Young Children" and various books and pamphlets for professionals and parents. Membership fee

National Information Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities (NICHCY)

PO Box 1492

Washington, DC 20013-1492

V/TTY (800) 695-0285 FAX (202) 884-8441 www.nichcy.org

Services Provided: A referral and information clearinghouse that provides free information on disabilities and disability-related issues. Provides free publications, including: state resource sheets, fact sheets on disabilities, issue and briefing papers, legal information, parent guides, bibliographies; technical assistance to parent and professional groups; materials available in alternative formats in Spanish.

National Health Information Center (NHIC)

PO Box 1133

Washington, DC 20013-1133

(800) 336-4797 (301) 565-4167 FAX (301) 984-4256

www.health.gov/NHIC info@nhic.org

Services Provided: Health information and referral service linking consumers and health professionals. The Health Information Resource Database includes 1,400 organizations and government offices that provide health information upon request. Entries include contact information, short abstracts, and information about publications and services the organizations provide. NHIC does not diagnose disease, recommend health care providers, or perform in-depth research.

National Lekotek Toy Resource Helpline

3204 W. Armitage Ave.

Chicago, IL 60647

(800) 366-PLAY (773) 276-5164 FAX (773) 276-8644 www.lekotek.org

Services Provided: Offers resources and suggestion of toys for children with particular disabilities

National Library of Medicine

National Institutes of Health

8600 Rockville Pike

Bethesda, MD 20894

(888) 346-3656 (301) 594-5983 FAX (301) 402-1384 www.nlm.nih.gov

Services Provided: World's largest research library in a single scientific and professional field.

New Mexico Family Infant Toddler Program

New Mexico Department of Health, Long Term Services Division

1190 St. Francis Drive

Santa Fe, NM 87502-6110

(575) 827-0103 (877) 696-1472 (575) 272-1040 www.health.state.nm.us

Services Provided: If you are concerned about how your baby is learning, developing, hearing, or seeing, you may access this network of state agencies and community providers across the state to get assistance. Call for a representative in your area.

NHIC

Please see National Health and Information Center

NICHCY

Please see National Information Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities

NLM

Please see National Library of Medicine

New Mexico School for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Phil Schweigert, Coordinator Early Childhood Program

230 Truman NE

Albuquerque, NM 87108

(505) 268-9506 FAX (505) 268-8187 www.nmsbvi.k12.nm.us

Services Provided: Provides services for young children birth through eight. Birth-to-three services are delivered statewide using a home-based model. Children under the age of three may be served by the school prior to receiving a diagnosis of visual impairment if they are at risk for that diagnosis, and if their visual performance does not match their development. A preschool in the Albuquerque area serves children over three using a center-based or itinerant model. Using an early childhood model of instruction, children receive orientation and mobility, Braille instruction, and independent living skills. Additional services, if needed, include occupational therapy, speech/ language therapy, physical therapy, nursing, audiology, and/or assistive technology. Call for more information.

Seedlings Braille Books for Children

PO Box 51924

Livonia, MI 48151-5924

(800) 777-8552 V (734) 427-8552 FAX (734) 427-8552

www.seedlings.org info@seedlings.org

Services Provided: Print/Braille, Braille, and picture books (including The Touch Me Book) for infants and young children; classic stories in contracted and un-contracted Braille.

Shoofly: An Audio Magazine for Children

9621 Leslie Drive

Chapel Hill, NC 27516

(919) 968-7846 (800) 919-9989

Services Provided: A quarterly compilation of original stories, songs, and poems performed by actors and musicians. The hour-long cassette magazine is targeted for children ages 3-7; an introductory annual subscription fee, plus postage; a free 20 minute sample is available upon request

Toys "R" Us: Toy Guide for Differently-Abled Kids!(800) 732-3298 TDD (888) 859-8011 www.toysrus.com www.imaginarium.com

Services Provided: Through its partnerships with the National Lekotek Center and the National Parent Network on Disabilities Toys "R" Us developed and distributed this digest-sized catalog of toys for children with disabilities including dolls with disabilities; a resource for parents, family members and friends who just don't know what to get for a child with special needs.

Toys to Grow On

2695 E. Dominguez St.

Carson, CA 90895

Order (800) 987-4454 Customer Service (800) 874-4242 FAX (800) 537-5403

www.toystogrowon.com

Services Provided: Carries a magnetic jumbo block set; twenty-one bright rainbow striped magnetic locks, includes wheels and ramp and flexi-tubes.

VIPS Parents Newsletter

Visually Impaired Preschool Services

1906 Goldsmith Lane

Louisville, KY 40218

(888) 636-8477 (502) 636-3207 FAX (502) 636-0024 info@vips.org www.vips.org

Services Provided: Bi-monthly publications.

Reading Resources

AAF

Please see American Action Fund for Blind Children and Adults

A Gentle Wind

Please see Gentle Wind, A

American Audio Prose Library, Inc.

Box 842

Columbia, MO 65205

(800) 447-2275 FAX (573) 499-0579

www.americanaudioprose.com

Services Provided: Produces contemporary fiction and poetry on cassette, read by the authors. Some tapes include interviews of authors. Collection is almost entirely fine prose, read by the author and all but one of their recordings has a companion interview with the author.

American Printing House for the Blind (APH)

1839 Frankfort Ave.

PO Box 6085

Louisville, KY 40206-0085

(502) 895-2405 (800) 223-1839 M-F 8-4:30 FAX (502) 899-2274

www.aph.org info@aph.org

Services Provided: APH manufactures Braille, large type, recorded, computer disk, and tactile graphic publications, as well as embossers for Braille business cards and a wide assortment of educational and daily living products. It also offers a variety of services to assist consumers and professionals in the field of vision, such as Louis, a database listing materials available inaccessible media from organizations across North America, instructional and recreational materials, products and reference center for people who are visually impaired, accessible tests department, and the Callahan Museum, recorded and large-print weekly periodicals including Newsweek and Reader's Digest.

American Action Fund for Blind Children and Adults (AAF)

1800 Johnson Street, Suite 100
 Baltimore, MD 21230
 (410) 659-9315 actionfund@nfb.org

Services Provided: Free Braille books for children with visual impairments. The books are for the children to keep and collect for as long as they want them. The titles published every month are the same titles that are available in bookstores and public libraries everywhere. These titles are from the following reading series: Goosebumps®, Goosebumps® Series 2000, Animorphs®, Baby-Sitters Club, Baby-Sitters Club--Friends Forever, The Nightmare Room™, Little House chapter books, Nancy Drew®, The Hardy Boys®, A to Z MysTerieS®, and Junie B. Jones chapter books, A to Z MysTerieS® series (reading levels 2.6 and up), A Jigsaw JonesMystery® series written by James Preller (reading level 2.0 and up), and the Matt Christopher sports biographies (suitable for preteens). Blind youngsters, blind parents, teachers of the blind, schools, and libraries serving the blind are eligible to participate in this program. Applications for membership must be mailed in to the address above.

APH

Please see American Printing House for the Blind

Associated Services for the Blind

Recorded Periodicals
 919 Walnut Street
 Philadelphia, PA 19107
 (215) 627-0600 FAX (215) 922-0692 asbinfo@asb.org www.asb.org

Service Provided: Popular periodicals on four-track cassette in its entirety. Advertisements are not read. There are subscription fees. Call or write for a list of periodicals and various subscription fees.

Audio Editions

Box 6930
 Auburn, CA 95604
 (800) 231-4261 Fax (800) 882-1840 or (530) 888-1840
info@audioeditions.com www.audioeditions.com

Services Provided: Over 8000 audio books encompassing all interests. Call for catalog.

Aurora Ministries

P.O. Box 621

Bradenton, FL 34206

(941) 748-3031 FAX (941) 748-2625

tapes@auroraministries.org www.auroraministries.org

Services Provided: They have Bibles and Bible studies on standard speed cassette free of charge to visually impaired persons in 64 languages. (The English language Bible is available in the King James Version, the New King James Version and a Children's Bible.)

Blindskills, Inc.

Box 5181

Salem, OR 97304-0181

(503) 581-4224 (800) 860-4224 FAX (503) 581-0178

blindskl@teleport.com www.blindskills.com

Services Provided: Publishes Dialogue, a quarterly magazine for the visually impaired in a variety of subject matters, i.e., careers, lifestyles, how to, technology, new products; available in Braille, 4-track cassette tape, large print and computer disk. Annual subscription rates are more for those who are NOT legally blind. Website contains useful information and tips for those wanting to learn about visual impairments; "Interacting with a Blind Person," "Tips for Hospital Staff Members and Caregivers"

Bookshare(650) 475-5440 FAX (650) 475-1066 www.bookshare.org/flexible

Services Provided: enables flexibility of use to optimize access for a given reader's needs. Books can be read with most any assistive technology that supports reading text. Flexible use for diverse students; listen, enlarge, or read in Braille with portable Braille notetakers, refreshable Braille readers, or emboss hard-copy Braille.

Bossert Specialties, Inc.

The Magnifying Center
5130 N. 19th Ave., Suite 7
Phoenix, AZ 85018

(602) 956-6637 (800) 776-5885 FAX (602) 956-1008 www.wemagnify.com

Services Provided: Story books in Braille, large print or cassette, "Touch Book," the first book of color photography for the visually impaired, previously owned video magnification devices.

Bibles for the Blind and Visually Handicapped International

3228 E. Rosehill Ave.

Terre Haute, IN 47805-1297

(812) 466-4899 FAX (812) 466-0529 info@biblesfortheblind.org

Services Provided: King James Version bible in Braille

BrailleInk

Bruce Curtis

2401 E. McKinney Street, Suite 1526

Denton, TX 76209

(940) 483-9343 (800) 324-2919 FAX (940) 243-8771

bcurtis@brailleink.org www.brailleink.org

Services Provided: Print/Braille children's books with word to word print/Braille match and tactual images.

Braille Institute

3450 Cahuenga Blvd. West

Los Angeles, CA 90068

(213) 663-1111 (800) 272-4553 www.brailleinstitute.org

Services Provided: The Braille Mirror: a general interest magazine of current news and entertainment, annual large-print/Braille wall calendar, "Preparing for College and Beyond: a guide for all academic students who need accommodation for a visual impairment, and more than 1200 titles of children's books in Braille, scratch n' sniff, and textured pictures.

Braille International, Inc.

3290 SE Slater Street

Stuart, FL 34977

(772) 286-8366 FAX (722) 286-8909 www.brailenet.org infor@brailleintl.org

Services Provided: Non for profit organization that provides a Braille bookstore, sales brochures and catalogs, technical manuals, theme park guidebooks, employee communication materials for ADA, restaurant menus, and Braille business cards

Brilliance Audio

1704 Eaton Dr.

Grand Haven, MI 49417

(616) 846-5256 (800) 854-7859 FAX (616) 846-0630

catalogcustomerservice@brillianceaudio.com www.brillianceaudio.com

Services Provided: Sells and rents a wide variety of books on cassette.

Braille Bibles International

Box 378

Liberty, MO 64069

(800) 522-4253 info@braillebibles.org www.braillebibles.org

Services Provided: New King James Version Bible in Braille, the New Testament, the Old Testament, and two children's Bibles in Braille; The Beginner's Bible (96 Bible stories in "twin- vision") designed for children under the age of 6, and The Children's Bible in 365 Stories is designed for children ages 7-12. All are free to eligible persons.

Choice Magazine Listening

85 Channel Drive

Port Washington, NY 11050

(888) 724-6423 (516) 883-8280 FAX (516) 944-6849

www.choicemagazinelistening.org

Services Provided: Free audio anthology, 6 items yearly. Each issue features 8 hours of unabridged magazine articles, short stories, poetry, and media selections gathered from over 100 sources.

Christian Record Services, Inc.

4444 South 52nd Street
 Lincoln, NE 68506
 (402) 488-0981 www.christianrecord.org

Services Provided: Magazines are available in Braille, in large print, and on cassette, large-print publications to inform and inspire, [Lending Library](#); books can be checked out on a 30-day loan period, [gift bibles and bible courses](#) available in Braille, large print, and on audio cassette, digital version of the [Seventh-day Adventist Hymnal](#); Software allows Seventh-day Adventist Church members to participate in congregational singing along with their sighted friends, [Full-Vision™ Books](#); a combination of Braille and print enables blind parents to read to their sighted children and sighted parents to help blind children learn to read Braille, and [scholarship assistance](#); partial scholarships are offered to legally blind young people striving to obtain a college education. Scholarships are given on a limited basis to those who qualify (United States only).

Commission for the Blind

Newsline (575) 841-8844 (888) 513-7968

Services Provided: NEWSLINE for the Blind is a telephone-based system that allows blind and visually impaired persons to access a variety of newspapers and publications. Using the buttons on a touch-tone telephone, the listener selects a category of the paper, such as local news, area events, or grocery ads. The listener can read the first story of the selected category, or skip to the next story, raise the volume, or exit the category and choose another category or publication. The service is available free of charge, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Copper Dots

Marjorie Arnott
 4233 East La Costa Drive
 Sungroves, AZ 85249
 (480) 345-8773
marnott@extremezone.com www.cs.cmu.edu/~rowan/marjorie-crafts.html

Services Provided: She has a selection of pattern books for knitting and crochet, afghan and blanket books, potpourri, sweaters, hats, gloves, scarves, baby shower books, as well as, cooking books and more available in Braille, large print, and on computer disk. She also has a wide selection of infant and toddler knitwear for sale.

Descriptive Video Service (DVS) Home Video

PO Box 55742
Indianapolis, IN 46205
(317) 579-0439 www.main.wgbh.org

Services Provided: DVS® has described over 200 titles for DVS Home Video®. No special equipment is required, only a standard TV and VCR are needed to enjoy home videos. All videos are sold at the suggested retail price - there's no additional charge for the description. Described movies are also available on loan from more than 1,200 public libraries.

Doubleday Large Print Home Library

6550 East 30th Street
Box 6225
Indianapolis, IN 46206
(317) 541-8920 (800) 688-4442 FAX (317) 542-6590
www.doubledaylargeprint.com service@memberservice.com

Services Provided: A membership book club with 16pt. large-print books and audio books for sale

DVS

Please see Descriptive Video Service

Gentle Wind, A

(888) fun-song www.gentlewind.com

Services Provided: Stories on tape, folktales, and songs including bedtime, sing-along, and activity songs.

I Can See Books

88 Captain Morgans Blvd.
 Nanaimo, BC V9R6R1
 (800) 987-1231 www.braillebookstore.com

Services Provided: Braille only books for children and adults such as Hardy Boys and Nancy Drew, Anne of Green Gables, Alice in Wonderland, Star Trek, Stephen King, Shakespeare's plays, etc., there is also an area for learning Braille, and gift suggestions. They carry many easy to read Braille books that cannot be found elsewhere and they carry many uncontracted Braille books.

In Touch Networks, Inc.

15 West 65th St.
 New York, NY 10023
 (212) 769-6270 www.intouchnetworks.org www.intouchinfor@org

Services Provided: A national reading service for people who are blind, visually impaired and physically disabled. Stories from major magazines and newspapers are broadcast 24 hours a day, seven days a week. All readers are volunteers. Broadcasts are nationally accessible on pre-tuned receivers by calling and requesting an application, or FM cable-radio. Programs available in Braille, large type or on audiocassette; fee for receiver

Jewish Braille Institute of America, The

110 East 30th Street
 New York, NY 10016
 (800) 433-1531 admin@jbilibrary.org www.jewishbraille.org

Services Provided: The JBI Library provides its readers with a collection ranging from mystery novels to cookbooks to timely topics such as the production of biological weapons. It also offers a broad spectrum of fiction, biography, history, Holocaust studies, short stories, psychology and self-help, memoirs, humor and more. The JBI Library contains the largest collection of Jewish interest books (very broadly defined) for the blind and visually impaired in the world and is the only resource of its kind.

Large Print Literary Reader

Dept. W
 955 Massachusetts Avenue #105
 Cambridge, MA 02139
 (617) 354-5446 (800) 824-3833
info@large-print.net www.large-print.net

Services Provided: Monthly magazine of fiction, essays, and history, including Mark Twain and Nathaniel Hawthorn. 16 point bold narrow font.

Library Reproduction Service

14214 So. Figueroa St.
 Los Angeles, CA 90061
 (800) 255-5002 FAX (310) 354-2601 www.lrs-largprint.com

Services Provided: Large-print books with full color or black and white of the popular classics available for purchase.

Listening Library, Inc.

400 Hahn Road
 Westminster, MD 21157
 (800) 733-3000 www.randomhouse.com/audio/listeninglibrary www.listeninglibrary.com

Services Provided: Book and cassette sets of children's media, middle grade media, young adult media, poetry both classic and contemporary, short stories come with a doll representing the characters of the story that the child may hold while listening.

LiteralSystems

P.O. Box 702
 Santa Fe, NM 87504
 (505) 474-4257 www.literalsystems.com

Services Provided: Creating literary and poetic audio books free for non-commercial enjoyment. "At LiteralSystems.org, all of our audio books are of full quality and are free without any membership or hidden hooks." These English language audio books are made in celebration of classic literature and poetry. The recordings playback on standard MP3 players and can be burned to an audio compact disc

Lutheran Braille Workers

13471 California Street

PO Box 5000

Yucaipa, CA 92399

(800) 925-6092 (909) 795-8977 FAX (909) 795-8970 www.lbwinc.org

Services Provided: New International Version bible in Braille and large print (18 point) free to visually impaired persons in 130 countries and in over 40 languages. They also provide catalogs in large print and Braille.

Matilda Ziegler Magazine

80 8th Ave. Room 1304

New York, NY 10011

(212) 242-0263 FAX (212) 633-1601 blind@bellatlantic.net www.zieglermag.org

Services Provided: General interest monthly magazine available in Braille, 4-track audio cassette, computer disk or email which is free to blind and visually impaired persons. It has a variety of articles reprinted from magazines and newspapers, many otherwise unavailable in Braille. Also poems, short stories, humor, a pen-pal section, and a letters column

Metrolina Association for the Blind

704 Louise Ave.

Charlotte, NC 28204

(800) 926-5460 (704) 372-3870 FAX (704) 372-3872

Services Provided: Distributes large print books and Braille books. Boasts to having many titles not yet listed with the American Printing House for the Blind.

National Braille Press

88 St. Stephen Street

Boston, MA 02115

(888) 965-8965 (617) 266-6160 FAX (617) 437-0456 www.nbp.org

Services Provided: "hot off the press" Braille books, Braille books for adults, Braille books for kids, print books for sighted parents and teachers, electronic formats books, large print with Braille, periodicals, and free downloads, children's book club, and Braille production services.

New Mexico Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

1209 Camino Carlos Rey

Santa Fe, NM 87507-5166

(800) 456-5515 (505) 476-9770 (505) 476-9772 FAX (505) 476-9776

lbph@stlib.state.nm.us www.stlib.state.nm.us

Services Provided: The NMLBPH lends large print books, talking books on cassette, as well as, the cassette player needed to listen to the four track tapes. The NMLBPH maintains a collection of over 40,000 titles. Periodicals are also available some titles include: Braille Press Magazine, Castle (a Chess quarterly), Chess Life, Disabled Outdoors Magazine, Feeling Sports, Sports n' Spokes (wheelchair competitions). You may also obtain leisure-pursuit bibliographies covering a particular sport or recreational activity such as; birding, fishing, horses, sailing, and swimming. For Braille, flexible-disc, or large-print copies of these bibliographies, or further information about the program, contact: Reference Section, National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20542. These services are free, with no registration or annual fee. NMLBPH also has a website that links to application materials, access to a current list of descriptive videos, and information about their "friends" group. Braille books are accessed through their affiliate in Utah: Please see Utah State Library.

New York Times Large Type Weekly

Box 220

Northvale, NJ 07647

(800) 631-2580 FAX (201) 750-5390

Large Text (800) 631-2580 www.nytimes.comElectronic Edition www.nytimes.com/ee

Services Provided: Weekly paper in large print (16 point) including the crossword puzzle; fee for large print material, Braille and recorded versions available for free. You may also obtain the electronic edition that you can download directly to your computer.

Newsweek Talking Magazines

Please see American Printing House for the Blind

Perkins School for the Blind

175 North Beacon St.

Watertown, MA 02472

(800) 972-7671 (617) 972-7336 FAX (617) 972-7334

www.perkins.org info@Perkins.org

Services Provided: Perkins produces a number of publications, workbooks and instructional tools for relatives and other caregivers of people who are blind, visually impaired, deafblind or with multiple disabilities. Perkins Panda Early Literacy Program, a compilation of materials designed to teach early literacy skills to children with visual impairments and to help parents be more involved in their child's literacy development. It is also very appropriate for parents and grandparents with visual impairments for use with sighted children/grandchildren.

Probert Encyclopedia

www.probert-encyclopedia.com

Services Provided: Free on-line encyclopedia, in a special edition designed for blind and visually impaired readers. It contains no pictures, making it easier to read with a screen reader. Also includes an encyclopedia of mythology and slang.

Readers Digest: Braille/Recorded

Please see American Printing House for the Blind

Reader's Digest in Large Print

Box 3010

Harlan, IA 51593

(800) 807-2780 www.rd.com

Services Provided: Large print version of their magazine. American Printing House for the Blind publishes the cassette and Braille editions. For large print Condensed Books call: (800) 877-5293.

Recorded Books, Inc.

270 Skipjack Rd.

Prince Frederick, MD 20678-7802

(800) 638-1304 (410) 535-5590 FAX (410) 535-5499 www.recordedbooks.com

Services Provided: Rents and sells over 3,000 unabridged books for all ages.

Recorded Periodicals

Please see Associated Services for the Blind

Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic (RFB&D)

Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic

20 Roszel Road

Princeton, NJ 08540

(866) 732-3585 Member Services (800) 221-4792 www.rfbd.org

Services Provided: Annual membership includes access for one year to RFB&D's extensive library of more than 104,000 audio textbook titles, access to recording and library reference services, multi-media support and training materials, including strategies for effective use of RFB&D's audio textbooks, unlimited live toll-free member support, ability to order audiobooks and players online 24/7.

Resources for Rehabilitation

22 Bonad Road

Winchester, MA 01890

(781) 368-9095 FAX (781) 368-9096 info@rfr.org www.rfr.org

Services Provided: Publishes Living with Low Vision: A Resource Guide for People with Sight Loss; a directory of services and products for people with low vision of all ages, including self-help groups, the ADA, high-tech equipment, internet resources and more. 18 point bold type.

RFB&D

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Livonia, MI 48151-5924

(800) 777-8552 V (734) 427-8552 FAX (734) 427-8552

www.seedlings.org info@seedlings.org

Services Provided: Print/Braille, Braille, and picture books (including The Touch Me Book) for infants and young children; classic stories in grade one and grade two Braille.

Shoofly: An audio Magazine for Children

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Chapel Hill, NC 27516

(919) 968-7846 (800) 919-9989

Services Provided: A quarterly compilation of original stories, songs, and poems performed by actors and musicians. The hour-long cassette magazine is targeted for children ages 3-7; an introductory annual subscription fee, plus postage; a free 20 minute sample is available upon request

Teaching Company, The

4151 Lafayette Center Dr., Suite 100

Chantilly, VA 20151-1232

(800) 832-2412 FAX (703) 378-3819 Custserv@TeachCo.Com www.teach12.com

Services Provided: Has audio & video cassette and CD courses such as fine arts, math, philosophy, religion and science for sale.

The Teaching Company

Please see Teaching Company, The

Thorndike Press

295 Kennedy Drive

Waterville, ME 04901

(800) 223-1244 FAX (800) 558-4676 www.gale.com/thorndike

Services Provided: Popular fiction and non-fiction, (16pt.) large-print offered in both hardcover and paperbacks. They take purchase orders.

Time Talking Magazines

Please see American Printing House for the Blind

Transaction Publishers

390 Campus Drive
Somerset, NJ 07830
(888) 999-6778 (732) 445-1245 FAX (732) 748-9801
trans@transactionpub.com www.transactionpub.com

Services Provided: Offers large print books in international social science

Ulverscroft Large Print USA, Inc.

914 Union Road
West Seneca, NY 14224
(800) 955-9659 (716) 674-4270 FAX (716) 674-4195
jmcgowan@ulverscroftusa.com www.ulverscroft.com

Services Provided: Produces fiction and non-fiction books in large print. They also produce audio books on CD and cassette.

Utah State Library

250 North 1950 West, Suite A
Salt Lake City, UT 84116-7901
(801) 715-6789 TDD (801) 715-6721 FAX (801) 715-6767
blind@utah.gov blindlibrary.utah.gov

Services Provided: Web Braille; a free Braille book and magazine delivery service available through the Internet. With Web-Braille, and your membership password, you can go onto the Internet and download your own copy of a book, in Braille format. There are over 1,000 titles available for younger readers, with over 4,400 total titles available; Web Braille Music includes music scores and books about music, popular music lead sheets, and a music magazine; magazines, and sports schedules are also available.

VIPS Parent's Newsletter

Visually Impaired Preschool Services

1906 Goldsmith Lane

Louisville, KY 40218

(502) 636-3207 FAX (502) 636-0024 www.vips.org info@vips.org

Services Provided: Bi-monthly publication with articles and tips on parenting and educating children with visual impairments.

Weston Woods

143 Main Street

Norwalk, CT 06851

(800) 243-5020 (203) 845-0197 FAX (203) 854-0498

Services Provided: Dramatization of Caldecott-award books in video, print/cassette, and cassette format, DVD formats

ZBS Foundation

174 North River Rd

Fort Edward, NY 12828

(800) 662-3345 info@zbs.org www.zbs.org

Services Provided: 90 Second CCT, Jack Flanders, Ruby: Gumshoe, children's books, Dr. Fritz, humor, mystery, Sci-Fi, political, spiritual, fiction, and non-fiction books on cassette for the whole family.

Recreation

ABBA

Please see American Blind Bowling Association

Ableware/Maddak

661 Route 23 South

Wayne, NJ 07470

(973) 628-7600 FAX (973) 305-0841 custservice@maddak.com www.maddak.com

Services Provided: Designer and manufacturer of assistive devices for activities of daily living. Offers adapted games, adapted scissors, eating utensils and tableware, enlarged grips, nonskid table mats, and writing devices.

ABDGA

Please see American Blind and Disabled Golf Association

ACA

Please see American Camping Association

ACCESS: National Parks

National Parks Guide

Superintendent of Documents

Washington, DC 20402

(202) 783-3238

Services Provided: Provides information on the accessibility of the parks and you may share your accessibility concerns with this department.

Access to Recreation

8 Sandra Court
 Newbury Park, CA 91320
 (800) 634-4351 www.accesstr.com

Services Provided: Products making recreation accessible; tip site, books and videos, beach wheelchairs, pool lifts, peddle master, Easypivot, exercise equipment, and other accommodations for swimming, cycling, golfing, bath bench, ramps, bowling, fishing, shooting, and aids for daily living.

Achilles Track Club

Regional Office
 Carlton Odom
 4002 Prescott Avenue, #4
 Dallas, TX 75219
 (214) 528-1720 www.achillestrackclub.org

Services Provided: Through education, training, and support, enables people with all types of disabilities to participate in mainstream athletics, to promote personal achievement, enhanced self esteem, and the lowering of barriers between people. Achilles includes people with all kinds of disabilities, such as visual impairment, stroke, cerebral palsy, paraplegia, arthritis, amputation, multiple sclerosis, cystic fibrosis, cancer, traumatic head injury, and many others. Runners participate with crutches, in wheelchairs, on prostheses, and without aids.

Adaptive Aquatics, Inc.

681 Bailey Woods Road
 Dacula, GA 30211
 (404) 995-8528 www.adaptiveaquatics.org

Services Provided: Offers water-skiing instruction for physically and mentally disabled people. Provides adaptive equipment. Affiliated with American Water Ski Association, Disabled Ski Committee.

AFB

Please see American Foundation for the Blind

American Blind Bowling Association (ABBA)

315 North Main Street

Houston, PA 15342

(724) 745-5986 (540) 982-3838 abbapres@aol.com

Services Provided: Sponsors blind bowling leagues for adults and an annual tournament; publishes The Blind Bowler. National affiliates

American Blind and Disabled Golf Association (ABDGA)

7634 Benassi Drive

Gilroy, CA 95020

(408) 842-3369 www.abdga.org

Services Provided: Organized tournaments

American Blind Skiing Foundation

2228 Grand Pointe Trail

Aurora, IL 60504

(312) 409-1605 www.absf.org

Services Provided: 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. Visit the web site for a schedule of events.

American Camp Association (ACA)

5000 State Road 67 North

Martinsville, IN 46151-7902

(765) 342-8456 FAX (765) 342-2065

www.ACAcamps.org parents@ACAcamps.org Magazine bookstore@ACAcamps.org.

Services Provided: A directory of camps throughout the United States, bookstore, magazine, resources for families

American Canoe Association

Rocky Mountain Division
(303) 444-3979 www.acanet.org

Services: Offers both sponsorship and volunteer opportunities in program areas such as conservation and river access, safety education, programs for the disabled, instruction, athletic competition, and touring through canoeing and other paddle sport activities; calendar of events, web links, awareness products, and publications.

American Foundation for the Blind (AFB)

Consumer Products
15 West 16th Street
New York, NY 10011
(201) 862-8838

Services Provided: Various balls, games, playing cards, and other equipment for visually impaired persons.

American Printing House for the Blind (APH)

1839 Frankfort Avenue
P.O. Box 6085
Louisville, KY 40206-0085
(800) 223-1839 (502) 895-2405 FAX (502) 899-2274 www.aph.org

Services Provided: The Adult Life Products catalog features Braille products, books, and supplies; large-print books; computer software and access products; labeling and marking products; lighting; low vision devices; mobility devices; personal care products; recreation and leisure products; talking products; and writing and reading devices.

American Water Ski Association Committee on Water Skiing for the Disabled

1251 Holy Cow Road
 Polk City, Florida 33868
 (863) 324-4341 FAX (863) 325-8259

Services Provided: As a member of the International Water Ski Federation, USA Water Ski and its sport divisions select teams that compete in several world-level tournaments, notably the Water Ski World Championships, Junior World Water Ski Championships, Barefoot Water Ski World Championships, Water Ski Racing World Championships, Disabled Water Ski World Championships and Pan American Games.

American Wheelchair Bowling Association

N54 W15858 Larkspur Lane
 Menomonee Falls, WI 53051
 (414) 781-6876 www.awba.org

Services Provided: Promotes wheelchair bowling and sets playing rules; sponsors state and national tournaments; maintains hall of fame and a museum; publishes "The Eleventh Frame: A National Newsletter," web site links to distributors of adaptive bowling devices.

Ann Morris Enterprises, Inc.

Please see Independent Living Aids

Atlanta Paralympic Organizing Committee

www.paralympic.org

Services Provided: Competitive sporting events for people who have physical disabilities and/or visual impairments; for most up-to-date information on sports and qualifying events check the web site; Archery, Rugby, Bocce, Equestrian, Lawn Bowls, Tennis, Athletics, Basketball, Goal Ball, Yachting, Cycling, Fencing, Judo, Power Lifting, Table Tennis, Volleyball, Football, Racquetball, Shooting, Wheelchair rugby-tennis-basketball-and dance sports

BIT

Please see Boston Information and Technology Corporation

Blind Outdoor Leisure Development (BOLD)

Please see Challenge Aspen

Blind Sailing International

www.blindsailing.org

Services Provided: To support the development and conduct of sailing in all of its forms with persons who are blind or visually impaired; conducts national and international competitions

Boston Information and Technology Corporation (BIT)

52 Roland Street
Boston, MA 02129
(800) 333-2481

Services Provided: Catalog of adaptive items; beep balls, chess games, and assistive devices.

Boy Scouts of America

Scouting with Disabilities and Special Needs
PO Box 152079
Irving, TX 75015-2079
(214) 659-2127 www.scouting.org

Services Provided: Since it's founding in 1910, the Boy Scouts of America has had fully participating members with physical, mental, and emotional disabilities. James E. West, the first Chief Scout Executive, was a person with a disability. Although most of the BSA's efforts have been directed at keeping such boys in the mainstream of Scouting, it has also recognized the special needs of those with severe disabilities. The Boy Scout Handbook has had Braille editions for many years; merit badge pamphlets have been recorded on cassette tapes for the blind; and closed-caption training videos have been produced for those who are deaf. Much of the program for Scouts with disabilities and special needs is directed at helping unit leaders develop an awareness of disabled people among youth without disabilities and encouraging the inclusion of Scouts with disabilities and special needs in Cub Scout packs, Boy Scout troops, Varsity Scout teams, Venturing crews, and Sea Scout ships. Call for a local chapter or to start your own.

Challenge Aspen

PO Box M

Aspen, CO 81612

(970) 923-0578 FAX (970) 923-7338 possibilities@challengeaspen.com

Services Provided: Challenge Aspen, a non-profit organization, provides a year-round program offering access to a variety of sports, recreational and cultural activities. Working closely with Aspen Skiing Company and local outfitters the program offers a variety of daily activities such as skiing, whitewater rafting, horseback riding and fishing; Challenge Aspen also hosts a number of camps throughout the year. These camps include a mono-ski camp and a rock climbing camp for paraplegics and amputees, a ski festival for the visually impaired, and children's art and music camps.

Clotilde, LLC

PO Box 7500

Big Sandy, TX 75755-7500

(800) 772-2891 customer service (800) 545-4002 www.clotilde.com

Services Provided: Sewing notions, needle threaders, and regular and adaptive sewing supplies, call customer service for a catalog or for advice.

Copper Dots

Marjorie Arnott

4233 East La Costa Drive

Sungroves, AZ 85249

(480) 345-8773

marnott@extremezone.com www.cs.cmu.edu/~rowan/marjorie-crafts.html

Services Provided: She has a selection of pattern books for knitting and crochet, afghan and blanket books, potpourri, sweaters, hats, gloves, scarves, baby shower books, as well as, cooking books and more available in Braille, large print, and on computer disk.

Courage Center

Department of Sports

Physical Education and Recreation

3915 Golden Valley Rd.

Golden Valley, MN 55422

(612) 588-0811 www.courage.org

Services Provided: organized sporting events for the physically disabled.

Developmental Disabilities Planning Council

810 West San Mateo, Suite C
 Santa Fe, NM 87505
 (800) 311-2229 (505) 476-7330 FAX (505) 476-7320

Services Provided: Three brochures for travelers in New Mexico who are mobility, hearing, and visually impaired; provided free of charge; listing hotels, restaurants, recreational activities for children, amusement parks, camps, national forest camping, and attractions that offer access to travelers with disabilities.

Disabled Outdoors Magazine

John Kopchik, Jr.
 5223 South Lorel Ave.
 Chicago, IL 60638
 (708) 358-4160

Services Provided: A quarterly magazine focusing on the recreational interests of people with disabilities, covering such issues as wheelchairs that are beach accessible, adaptive camping equipment, and many other sports and adventure related activities; annual subscription fees. No website, print only.

Descriptive Video Service (DVS) Home Video

PO Box 55742
 Indianapolis, IN 46205
 (317) 579-0439 www.main.wgbh.org

Services Provided: DVS® has described over 200 titles for DVS Home Video®. No special equipment is required, only a standard TV and VCR are needed to enjoy home videos. All videos are sold at the suggested retail price -- there's no additional charge for the description. Described movies are also available on loan from more than 1,200 public libraries.

Disabled Sports USA

451 Hungerford Drive, Suite 100
 Rockville, MD 20850
 (301) 217-0960 FAX (301) 217-0968 www.dsusa.org

Services Provided: Sports include winter skiing (standing and sitting), track and field, swimming, volleyball (standing and sitting), power lifting, cycling, sailing, table tennis, lawn bowling, and archery. Conducts annual Learn to Ski and SKI SPECTACULAR for Disabled Skiers, in which youth may take part.

DVS

Please see Descriptive Video Service

Easter Seals of New Mexico

2819 Richmond, NE
 Albuquerque, NM 87107
 (505) 888-3811 (800) 279-5261 www.nm.easterseals.org

Services Provided: Brings the great outdoors to disabled children and adults of all ages. Holds several summer camps and seasonal camps.

Foresight Ski Guides, Inc

Mark G. Davis, President
 PO Box 18944
 Denver, CO 80218-0944
 (866) 860-0972 (303) 860-0972: info@foresightskiguide.org

Services Provided: snow boarding, cross country skiing, downhill skiing by the blind with guides provided.

Girl Scouts of the USA

Programs for Special Populations
 830 Third Avenue
 New York, NY 10022
 (212) 940-7500

Services Provided: Call for a local chapter, or to start your own.

Goal Ball Home Page (Australia)

www.thehub.com.au/~doggie/goalball.html

Greater Outdoor Recreation Pages

<http://gorp.com/default.htm>

Guild for the Blind

180 N. Michigan Avenue

Chicago, IL 60601-7463

(312) 236-8569 Fax 312-236-8128 (312) 236-7463 www.guildfortheblind.org

Services Provided: Offers tactile picture books for children with a visual impairment who want to develop tactual picture recognition skills and color.

Hadley School for the Blind

700 Elm Street

Winnetka, IL 60093-2554

(800) 323-4238 (847) 446-8111 FAX (847) 446-9916

www.hadley-school.org info@hadley.edu

Services Provided: If you are a blind adult (14+ years of age), a relative of a blind or visually impaired child, a family member of a blind or visually impaired adult, or a professional in the blindness field you may access the Hadley School for the Blind. Hadley offers more than 90 distance education courses to eligible students completely free of charge. Course materials arrive in the mail (a few are downloadable), and for students in the U.S. and Canada, instructors are just a toll-free call away. Courses available for recreation, leisure time activities, and technology.

Handi-Hams

www.mtn.org/handiham

Hunter Mountain Handicapped Ski Program

Hunter Mountain Ski Board

Hunter Mountain, NY 12442

www.huntermtn.com

Hunts for Disabled People

125 N. Main
 Roswell, NM 88201
 (575) 622-8401

Services Provided: Organized hunts for people with disabilities

IBGA

Please see International Blind Golf Association

ILA

Please see Independent Living Aids, Inc.

Independent Living Aids, Inc.

200 Robbins Lane
 Jericho, NY 11753-2341
 (800) 537-2118 (516) 937-1848 FAX (516) 937-3906 www.independentliving.com

Services Provided: Braille products and supplies, adapted clocks and watches, computer software and access products, diabetes management products, kitchen and housekeeping items, labeling and marking products, lighting, low vision devices, mobility devices, personal care products, recreation and leisure products, talking products, telephones and accessories, and writing and reading devices.

International Blind Golf Association (IBGA)

www.internationalblindgolf.com

Services Provided: Blind Golf is played strictly to the Rules of Golf produced by the Royal and Ancient (R&A). The R&A has published "A Modification of the Rules of Golf for Golfers with Disabilities" which allows blind golfers to ground their club in a hazard.

A player uses a sighted coach or guide to give verbal information about each hole, help with club selection and then place the club head directly behind the ball. From then on it's down to the blind golfers' swing. Blind golf has many competitions around the world. The World Blind Golf Championship is one of several tournaments sanctioned by the International Blind Golf Association. Other sanctioned tournaments include National Open events in Japan, Britain, Australia, Canada and the United States. The affiliate in the United States is the "United States Blind Golf Association."

Judo for Blind Athletes

www.rain.org/~ssa/usaba.htm

Kaye Products, Inc.

535 Dimmocks Mill Road

Hillsborough, NC 27278

(800) 685-5293 (919) 732-6444 FAX (919) 732-1444 www.kayeproducts.com

Services Provided: Adaptive equipment for children, including a molded fiberglass swing seat with safety harness and buckles

Landscape Structures, Inc.

PO Box 198

601 7th Street South

Delano, MN 55328-0198

(800) 328-0035 (612) 972-3391 FAX (763) 972-3391 www.playsi.com

Services Provided: Playground equipment designed around a network of steel ramps for wheelchair access, and adjustable basketball equipment. Catalogs: Park and playground equipment; Early childhood: adventure-scapes, super-scapes, and independent playthings.

Little League Baseball, Inc.

PO Box 3485

Williamsport, PA

(717) 326-1921 www.littleleague.org

Services Provided: Baseball and softball programs for youth ages 5-18. Organized in all US states and territories and more than 100 other countries. Conducts annual International World Series in August. The Challenger Division offers noncompetitive play for physically and mentally disabled young people ages 5-18.

Little Sage Music Together

Albuquerque, NM

Paula James (505) 450-1567

Services Provided: Offers music and movement for families. Music is learned through playful activities through mixed age/ability classes. Developmentally appropriate and research-based activities

LS&S Group

PO Box 673

Northbrook, IL 60065

Order (800) 468-4789 FAX (847) 498-1482 (866) 317-8533 www.lssproducts.com

Services Provided: Recreation and leisure activities, talking calculators, clocks, watches, scales, and blood pressure and blood glucose monitors, answering machine and phone systems, alert system, voice activated recorder, magnifiers, Braille watches, computer accessories, and supplies for daily living.

Maxi Aids

86-30 102nd Street

Richmond Hill, NY 11418

(800) 522-6294 TTY (516) 752-0521 FAX (631) 752-0689 www.maxiaids.com

Services Provided: Recreation and leisure activities, canes, cassette recorders and accessories, watches and clocks (Braille, talking, large-print), calculators, scales, magnifiers and lamps, writing aids and supplies, greeting cards and games, household and kitchen aids, appliances, remote controlled speaker phones, TDDs, medical equipment.

MENVI

Please see Music Education Network for the Visually Impaired

Mother of All Maritime Linkswww.boat-links.com

Services Provided: Links up to many maritime activities for blind and visually impaired

Music Education Network for the Visually Impaired (MENVI)

Southern California Conservatory of Music

MENVI Headquarters

8711 Sunland Boulevard,

Sun Valley, CA 91352

(818) 767-6554 FAX (818)768-6242 taeschr@ix.netcom.com

Services Provided: Offers strategies for teaching Braille music and musical skills

NARHA

Please see North American Riding for the Handicapped Association, Inc.

National Amputee Golf Association, Inc.

P.O. Box 1228

Amherst, NH 03031

(800) 633-NAGA (outside of New Hampshire) (603) 673-1135 www.nagagolf.org

Services Provided: Sponsors local, regional, and national tournaments; conducts prosthetic seminars; offers college scholarships; publishes "Amputee Golfer Magazine"

National Association of Handicapped Outdoor Sportsmen, Inc.

Rural Route 6, Box 33

Centralia, IL 62801

(618) 532-4565

Services Provided: Promotes access to, and adaptation of, fishing and camping areas and updates laws pertaining to camping, fishing, and hunting through each state's conservation department. Also provides a newsletter that lists fishing and hunting events in various states.

National Beep Baseball Association

2231 West 1st Street

Topeka, KS 66606

www.nbba.org nbbaweb@nbba.org

Services Provided: Organizes national and international tournaments and the Beep Baseball World Series, disseminates information on the rules of Beep Baseball, how to obtain equipment, and how to get involved.

National Conference of Synagogue Youth

Orthodox Union

11 Broadway

New York, NY 10004

(212) 563-4000 FAX (212) 564-9058 www.ou.org

Services Provided: A program of educational, cultural, social, and recreational activities for youth ages 13-18 that promotes commitment to a traditional Torah lifestyle. Conducts weekend retreats, US summer tours, recreational camps, and summer programs in Israel. Includes the "Our Way" program for the hearing impaired. Conducts Yacht program for the developmentally disabled.

National Center on Accessibility (NCA)<http://www.ncaonline.org/tech>

Services Provided: NCA is a program of Indiana University's Department of Recreation and Park Administration, in cooperation with the United States National Park Service, Office on Accessibility. NCA provides information to consumers for accessing parks, trails, and beaches (often in the form of a fact sheet). NCA makes recommendations to organizations, such as the U.S. Access Board, U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, municipal parks and recreation agencies.

National Easter Seal Society

230 West Monroe Street

Chicago, IL 60606

(800) 221-6827 V (312) 726-6200 TTY (312) 762-4258 FAX (312) 726-1494

www.easterseals.org

Services Provided: a brochure containing tips for choosing a camp and a list of Easter Seal Societies with Residential Camping Programs.

National Rehabilitation Information Center

8455 Colesville Road, Suite 935

Silver Spring, Maryland

V/TDD (800) 346-2742 (301) 588-9284 FAX (587-1967 www.naric.com)

Services Provided: Reference and referral services, such as providing a list of rehabilitation facilities or independent living centers in your area; sports and recreation resource packet, wheelchair information packet. Fee for service

National Sports Center for the Disabled

PO Box 36

Winter Park, CO 80482

(970) 726-5514 FAX (970) 892-5823 www.nscd.org/nscd

Services Provided: Sponsors Winter Park Disabled Competition Program and Winter Park Disabled Ski Team, both of which emphasize winter skiing instruction and race training. Also provides programs in fishing, hiking, rock climbing, and white-water rafting, and link site for related interests.

NCA

Please see National Center on Accessibility

New Mexico Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

1209 Camino Carlos Rey

Santa Fe, NM 87507-5166

(800) 456-5515 (505) 476-9770 (505) 476-9772 FAX (505) 476-9776

lbph@stlib.state.nm.us www.stlib.state.nm.us

Services Provided: Periodicals available related to sports and recreation, some titles include: Braille Press Magazine, Castle (a Chess quarterly), Chess Life, Disabled Outdoors Magazine, Feeling Sports, Sports n' Spokes (wheelchair competitions). You may also obtain leisure-pursuit bibliographies covering a particular sport or recreational activity such as; birding, fishing, horses, sailing, and swimming.

NMSBVI

Please see New Mexico School for the Blind and Visually Impaired

New Mexico School for the Blind and Visually Impaired (NMSBVI)

Summer Camps

1900 N. White Sands Blvd.

Alamogordo, NM 88310

(800) 437-3505 (575) 437-3505 www.nmsbvi.k12.nm.us

Services Provided: Several camp sessions designed to target particular skills, abilities, and age groups for the visually impaired child; seasonal; age allowances range from 7 to 18; check the web site for upcoming camps.

North American Riding for the Handicapped Association, Inc. (NARHA)

PO Box 33150 Denver

Colorado 80233

(800) 369-7433 FAX (303) 252-4610 NARHA@NARHA.ORG

Services Provided: Offers training and certification for riding instructors working with disabled persons; provides therapeutic classes using horseback riding to improve motor development and emotional and psychological well-being of physically and mentally disabled children and adults in accredited centers; publishes "NARHA News," a quarterly newsletter.

One-Arm Dove Hunt

P.O. Box 582

Olney, Texas 76374

(817) 564-2102 www.onearmhunt.com

Services Provided: Holds an annual "One Arm Dove Hunt." What started as a joke in 1972 (by Jack Northrup, retired City Manager and Jack Bishop, retired County Commissioner) became a reality and has grown as the only event of its kind on Earth. Every arm and hand amputee or the loss of use, across the nation is invited to Olney, Texas the first weekend after Labor Day. It is a two-day event filled with great fellowship, plenty of good Texas food, one arm jokes and tales, the glove swap, entertainment, one arm golf tournament, cow chip chuck'n, amputee vs. politician country skeet shoot contest, auction, and the famous 10 cents a finger breakfast.

Orthodox Union

Please see National Conference of Synagogue Youth

Rock n' Roll Funmachines

Rock N' Roll Cycles

P.O. Box 1558

Levelland, TX 79336

(806) 894-5700 FAX (806) 894-1238

Funmachines@rocknrollcycles.com hayco@door.net

Services Provided: Cycles for special needs; Spina Bifida, Cerebral Palsy, blindness/visual Impairments, partial paralysis, orthopedic disabilities, amputations, developmental delays, Down Syndrome, etc.

SABAH

Please see Skating Association for the Blind and Handicapped

Skating Association for the Blind and Handicapped (SABAH)

1255 Niagara Falls Blvd.

Buffalo, NY 14226

(716) 833-2994 www.sabahinc.org

Services Provided: provides weekly adaptive ice skating lessons, adaptive skating equipment, intense volunteer support, and the opportunity to perform in an Annual ice-skating spectacular. This is a New York based organization, but they can be contacted to answer questions.

Ski for Light

1455 W Lake Street

Minneapolis, MN 55408-2648

(612) 827-3232

Services Provided: Sponsors Nordic or cross-country skiing programs for visually and physically disabled individuals; provides one-on-one instruction by experienced cross-country skiers; maintains a speakers' bureau; publishes a quarterly newsletter, "Ski for Light."

Space Camp for the Blind

West Virginia School for the Blind
 Outreach Department, Dan Oates
 301 E. Main Street
 Romney, WV 26757
 (304) 822-4883 www.tsbvi.edu/spacehome.htm

Services Provided: For children in grades four through twelve. Students participate in various space and aviation simulation training programs. A scholarship is awarded to six participants; letters of recommendation and transcripts are necessary for the process so please do not wait until the last minute to contact the Scholarship Coordinator, US Space & Rocket Center, One Tranquility Base, Huntsville, AL 35803 or (205) 721-7239. You do not need to pre-register in order to apply for a scholarship.

Special Olympics, New Mexico

6600 Palomas NE, Suite 207
 Albuquerque, NM 87109
 (800) 371-5525 (505) 856-0342 FAX (505) 856-0346
www.specialolympicsnewmexico.org info@specialolympicsnewmexico.org

Services Provided: Offers year-round training and competition in 13 Olympic-type sports and the Motor Activities Training Program. Every Special Olympics competition is patterned after the Olympic Games, from opening ceremonies filled with pageantry to supervision by qualified sports officials; aquatics, alpine skiing, basketball, bowling, cycling, equestrian, golf, gymnastics, Nordic skiing, poly hockey, track and field, unified softball, and unified volleyball. To be eligible to participate in Special Olympics, you must be at least 8 years old and identified by an agency or professional as having one of the following conditions: intellectual disabilities, cognitive delays as measured by formal assessment, or significant learning or vocational problems due to cognitive delay that require or have required specially designed instruction. No fee to participate

United States Association of Blind Athletes (USABA)

33 North Institute Street
 Brown Hall, Suite 015
 Colorado Springs, CO 80903
 (719) 630-0422 FAX (719) 630-0616 Bulletins (719) 632-8180 www.usaba.org

Services Provided: Sponsors regional, national, and international competition in such fields as goal ball, swimming, gymnastics, power lifting, judo, Alpine/Nordic/speed skiing, track & field, tandem cycling, tandem windsurfing; publishes a rule book and "Sportscoop," a bimonthly newsletter available on cassette, large, and standard print. Also maintains a division for skiing: See American Blind Skiing Foundation.

United States Blind Golf Association (USBGA)

3094 Shamrock Street, N.

Tallahassee, FL 32309

www.blindgolf.com www.usbga.bellsouth.net

Services Provided: Sponsors local, national, and international tournaments; publishes a newsletter, "Midnight Golfer" offering articles on playing and coaching golf tournaments for the blind.

United States Chess Association

111-20 76th Road Apt 5L

Forest Hills, NY 11375

(718) 275-2209 www.crisscrosstech.com/usbca

Services Provided: Has a list serve toward actively encouraging and assisting in the promotion and advancement of correspondence and over-the-board chess among chess enthusiasts who are blind or visually impaired.

United States Olympic Committee

Disabled Sports Services

One Olympic Plaza

Colorado Springs, Co

(719) 578-4818 mark.shepherd@usoc.org

Services Provided: Offers a clearing-house of information on sports programs for people with disabilities.

USABA

Please see United States Association of Blind Athletes

USBGA

Please see United States Blind Golf Association

Valdosta Music and Publishing

704 Habersham Road
 Valdosta, Georgia 31602
 (912) 249-0628 www.musicvi.com

Services Provided: "Music VI" is a series of music courses and lessons on audiotape for the visually impaired. Included is "Intro to the Guitar for the Visually Impaired," and "Intro to the Piano for the Visually Impaired." Once these courses have been completed, the student is ready to start using the "Guitar By Ear" and the "Piano By Ear" cassette library, which is available from the developer. Also offers online courses for guitar.

Vermont Adaptive Ski and Sports Association

PO Box 139
 Killington, VT 05751
 (802) 786-4991 FAX (802) 786-4986 www.vermontadaptive.org

Services Provided: Year round programs for individuals with disabilities including visual impairments; challenges, camps, learning to ski, carnivals, etc.

Very Special Arts

4904 4th Street
 Albuquerque, NM 87107
 (505) 345-2872 FAX (505) 345-2896 Relay (800) 659-8331
www.usartsnm.org info@vsartsnm.org

Services Provided: This outreach program assists local communities in developing hands-on accessible arts programming through training workshops, bi-annual conferences, networking, newsletters, festivals, and presentations of the work of emerging and established artists with disabilities. The staff is available to provide technical assistance and training in cultural access, universal design, and program design and development.

Wheelchair Motorcycle Association

101 Torrey Street
 Brockton, MA 02401
 (508) 583-8614

Researches, develops, and tests types of all-terrain vehicles for use by paraplegics and quadriplegics; publishes booklets and a newsletter.

Wheelchair Sports USA

1668 320th Way
Earlham, IA 50072
Phone/Fax (515) 833-2450 www.wsusa.org

Services Provided: Sponsors competition for juniors and adults in regional, national, and international sports events such as archery, basketball, pentathlon, shooting, slalom, swimming, table tennis, and weightlifting; organizes and regulates all official wheelchair sports, except basketball, in the U.S.; maintains a hall of fame and a speakers' bureau; publishes a quarterly newsletter and annual rulebooks and maintains a separate division for swimming: "Physically Challenged Swimmers of America."

Wilderness Inquiry

<http://www.wildernessinquiry.org>

Services Provided: Provides information on outdoor adventures for people of all ages and abilities.

Products and Services for People who are Deafblind

A-Z to Deafblindness

www.deafblind.com

Services provided: information on deafblindness and manual sign, links to related resource sites, archives page, conferences and courses about deafblindness throughout the world, deafblindness resources on the Net, the DB Techies mailing list, equipment for deafblind people, mailing list's and newsletters for deafblind people on the Net, organizations for deafblind people throughout the world, poetry page, poetry by and for deafblind people, videos about deafblindness awareness, and training videos.

AADB

Please see American Association of the Deaf-Blind

AFB

Please see American Foundation for the Blind

American Association of the Deaf-Blind (AADB)

8630 Fenton Street, Suite 121

Silver Spring, MD 20910-4500

V(301) 495-4403 TTY (301) 495-4402 FAX (301) 495-4404 www.aadb.org

Services Provided: Promotes better opportunities and services for people who are deafblind; conferences, workshops, meetings, tours, and recreational activities.

American Foundation for the Blind (AFB)

11 Penn Plaza, Suite 300

New York, NY 10011

(800) 232-5463 (212) 502-7600 FAX (212) 502-7777 afbinfo@afb.net

Services Provided: Production/research for "Hand In Hand: It Can Be Done!"; "Hand in Hand: Essentials of Communication and Orientation and Mobility for Your Students Who Are Deaf-Blind."

Assistive Technology Centers, Inc.

PO Box 90294
 Pittsburgh, PA 15224
 TTY (800) 247-5510 V (800) 882-7005

Services Provided: Catalog of products for people who are deafblind; visual alerting devices, clocks, TTY's, sign language and Deaf culture learning books, coloring books, and videos, bumper stickers, T-shirts, bags, and jewelry with ASL pictures.

Boys Town National Research Hospital

Usher Syndrome Project
 555 North 30th Street
 Omaha, NE 68131
 V/TTY (402) 498-6556 FAX (402) 498-6631

Services Provided: Usher Syndrome research and support

Butte Publications, Inc.

Resources Serving the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Communities
 PO Box 1328
 Hillsboro, OR 97123
 (866) 312-8883 www.buttepublications.com

Services Provided: Resources serving the deaf and hard of hearing communities; speech, idioms, reading and written language, biographies, storybooks, parenting, signing, interpreting, etc.

Canadian Deafblind and Rubella Association

2652 Morien HWY
 Port Morien, Nova Scotia, B1B1C6
www.cdbra.ca

Services Provided: Advocacy, summer program, conferences, publishes a magazine "Intervention." Membership fee.

CHOICES Center for Independent Living

Roswell, NM

www.ilchoices.com/product.html

Services Provided: CHOICES is an independent living center that is a consumer-directed agency for Chaves, Lea, and Eddy counties' provides instruction in independent living skills, arranges peer support opportunities, information and referral, advocacy, de-institutionalization, and transition support

Commission for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Persons

1435 South St. Francis Drive

Santa Fe, NM 87505

V/TTY (505) 827-7584 V/TTY (800) 489-8536 FAX (505) 827-7587

Services Provided: Information, referral, advocacy, legislative issues, education and training for deaf, deaf-blind, and hard of hearing persons, family, friends and service providers. Assistive Equipment Distribution/Loan, Real Time Captioning Referral.

Consumer Information Center

Public Documentation Distribution Center

31451 United Avenue

Pueblo, CO 81009

V (209) 708-5936 TDD (202) 708-5985 FAX (202) 708-6205

Services Provided: Provides a free copy of the US Government TDD Directory; a directory of TDD telephone numbers for governmental offices.

Dawn Sign Press

6130 Nancy Ridge Drive

San Diego, CA 92121

V/TTY (858) 625-0600 FAX (858) 625-2336 www.dawnsign.com

Services Provided: Books on Deaf heritage, videos, activity books, posters, and workbooks. All pre-school to high school materials have been field-tested with proven results. A complete list of ASL and Deaf Studies titles by top educators children's classics told in ASL, award-winning ABC books, basic sign vocabulary, and entertaining videos.

DB Link

345 N. Monmouth Ave.

Monmouth, OR 97361

V (800) 438-9376 TTY (800) 854-7013 FAX (503) 838-8150

dblink@tr.wou.edu www.tr.wou.edu/dblink

Services Provided: A national clearinghouse of information on children who are deafblind that identifies, coordinates, and disseminates information related to children and youth who are deafblind and ages birth to 21 years; materials available at no cost, including fact sheets available in Spanish.

Deafbuy

TOLL-FREE: Voice (877) 539-7445 TTY (877) 539-7448

These phone numbers are for Deafbuy customers and orders only, NOT for Boundless Communications or Deafpagers.

www.deafbuy.com info@deafbuy.com

Services Provided: Information on ADA compliance, catalog of assistive products, baby stuff, books and multimedia, clocks and watches, cochlear implants, educational games, emergency/warning devices, hearing aid products, novelties, signalers and receivers, speech products, telephones, TTYs, TV listening systems, Electronics, videos, TTYs, videophones, and wireless products.

Deaf-Blind Perspectives

Teaching Research Division

Western Oregon State College

345 N. Monmouth Ave.

Monmouth, OR 97361

V (503) 838-8885 TTY (503) 838-8821 FAX (503) 838-8150 dbp@wou.edu

Services Provided: A free newsletter publication with articles, essays, and announcements about topics related to deafblind people; three times a year.

Deaf Dude's Deaf Links

members@aol.com/deafdude/deafdude/deaf

Services Provided: A link site to all things deaf and deafblind; deaf poetry, and touts the internet's largest deafness related bookstore

Deaf Red Book

www.deafredbook.com

Services Provided: TTY phone number directory on line.

Department of Health

615 First Street NW, Suite 102

Albuquerque, NM 87102

Long Term Services (505) 841-8765 Resource Support (800) 283-5548

Services Provided: Intake and referral services for person with developmental disabilities.

Developmental Disability Division, Department of Health

1190 Saint Francis Drive, Suite N 3500

PO Box 26110

Santa Fe, NM 87502

(505) 827-2574 www.health.state.nm.us

Services Provided: The DD Waiver program

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)

Department of Education

435 St. Michaels Drive, Bldg. D

Santa Fe, NM 87504

(505) 827-3500

Services Provided: State vocational rehabilitation agency, can tell you who your local representative is for your area.

DVR

See Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)

Harris Communications

15155 Technology Drive

Eden Prairie, MN 55344

V (800) 825-6758 TTY (800) 825-9187 FAX (952) 906-1099 www.harriscomm.com

Services Provided: Catalog of products for people who are deafblind; ASL and Deaf culture information in books and videos, children's materials, parents' resources, coping with hearing loss, consumer education, posters, historical literature, professional resources, interpreting, teaching resources, assistive devices for people who are deaf and hard of hearing, games, awareness products, etc.

Hear-More

Products for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

PO Box 3413

Farmingdale, NY 11735

V (800) 881-4327 TTY (800) 281-3555 FAX (631) 752-0689 www.hear-more.com

Services Provided: Products catalog of adaptive daily living devices, watches, jewelry, and books about people who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Heath Resource Center

American Council on Education

One Dupont Circle, Suite 800

Washington, DC 20036

(800) 544-3284 (202) 939-9300 web@ace.nche.edu

Services Provided: Clearinghouse for information for post-secondary education for individuals with disabilities.

Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults

141 Middle Neck Road

Sands Point, NY 11050-1218

V/TTY (516) 944-8900 FAX (516) 944-8637 www.helenkeller.org/national

National Professional Training Program ntthknc@aol.com

National Parent Network (800) 255-0411 V/TTY (516) 944-8900

Services Provided: HKNC is a national program which provides evaluation, short-term comprehensive vocational rehabilitation training, work experience training and assistance to students for job and residential placements. Maintains a national registry of deaf-blind people; provides technical assistance to facilitate transition of deaf-blind youths from education to community-based adult services through its Technical Assistance Center; promotes programs in the prevention of eye disease and blindness; publishes Helen Keller International Newsletter, provides conferences, seminars, and web seminars.

Hilton/Perkins School for the Blind

175 North Beacon Street

Watertown, Mass. 02472

(617) 924-3434 FAX (617) 926-2027

Services Provided: International conferences, publications, Perkins Panda, Braille and Talking Book library, online store, Perkins Forum, research library, and Perkins History Museum.

Independent Living Products

11232 East Baryl Ave.

Scottsdale, AZ 85259

(800) 377-8033 FAX (602) 296-0297 www.ilp-online.com

Services Provided: catalog of products with gift ideas, etc. The web site also offers product suggestions for specific disabilities.

Maxi Aids

86-30 102nd Street

Richmond Hill, NY 11418

(800) 522-6294 TTY (516) 752-0521 FAX (631) 752-0689 www.maxiaids.com

Services Provided: Braille products, magnification, players/recorders, talking products, writing/reading aids, canes/mobility motorized scooters, rollators, walkers, wheelchairs, bathroom aids, blood pressure items, diabetic products, medication aids, thermometers, household appliances, batteries/chargers, cooking helpers, dishes and cups, home cleaning, alternative input devices, keyboards, scanning and reading devices, screen magnifiers, software, and deaf and hard of hearing items such as alerting devices, amplified devices, telephones, ttys/tdds, and vibrating products

National Center on Deafness

California State University, Northridge

18111 Nordhoff Street

Chisholm Hall, Mail Drop 8267

Northridge, CA 91330

V/TTY (818) 677-2054 FAX (818) 677-7192 ncod@csun.edu

Services Provided: In-service training as a pilot project in Arizona, California, Colorado, Illinois, Minnesota, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas and Utah. The website offers information about mainstreaming settings and interactive online training. Administrators, teachers, and parents can learn how to meet students' needs by visiting the web site. The primary goal is to increase knowledge of personnel working in schools, state departments of education and support agencies serving students who are deaf and hard of hearing from age 0-22.

National Family Association for Deafblind (NFADB)

141 Middle Neck Road

Sands Point, NY 11050

(800) 255-0411 FAX (516) 944-7302 www.nfadb.org

Services Provided: a national network of families who focus on issues surrounding deaf-blindness. NFADB advocates for all persons who are deaf-blind, supports national policy to benefit people who are deaf-blind, encourages the founding and strengthening of family organizations in each state, provides information and referrals, and collaborates with professionals who work with persons who are deaf-blind; tri-annual newsletter; awareness products, resource links, conferences

New Mexico Aging and Long Term Services

Toney Anaya Building
 2550 Cerrillos Road
 Santa Fe, NM 87505
 (505) 476-4799 (866) 451-2901

Parks Building
 1015 Tijeras NW, Suite 200
 Albuquerque, NM 87102
 (505) 222-4500 (866) 842-9230

Palms Office Complex
 2407 W. Picacho, Suite B2
 Las Cruces, NM 88007
 (575) 647-2023 (800) 762-8690

Services Provided: More than 6,000 low-income elderly and disabled adults and children in New Mexico have the option to create their own service plans through the Mi Via program.

Individuals who choose to participate in Mi Via, a self-directed program, will have more choices, control, and freedom to design their own service plans to meet their functional, medical, and social needs. Self-directed programs allow participants to choose services they need, hire their own service workers, and decide where and how to spend their Mi Via budget. A consultant will provide assistance as necessary. Medicaid recipients who receive long-term services through home-and-community based waiver programs, such as the Disabled and Elderly, Developmental Disabilities, Medically Fragile, AIDS, and individuals with brain injuries will be eligible for Mi Via.

New Mexico Deaf-Blind Program

C/O NM Commission for the Blind
 1435 S. St. Francis Dr.
 Santa Fe, NM 87505-4083
 V/TTY (505) 827-7584 ext 111 V/TTY (800) 489-8536 richelleh@doh.state.nm.us

Services Provided: The New Mexico Commission for the Blind administers a statewide Deaf-Blind Program. The primary focus of the program is to develop strong interagency cooperative approaches to strengthen services for the deaf-blind population throughout the state. The program coordinator serves as a resource providing information and referral, technical assistance, and training coordination for the deaf-blind population, and for direct service providers.

NFADB

Please see National Family Association for Deafblind

P&A

Please see Protection and Advocacy

Perkins School for the Blind

Hilton/Perkins Program

175 N. Beacon Street

Watertown, MA 02172

V (617) 972-7220 FAX (617) 923-8076 www.perkins.pvt.k12.ma.us

Services Provided: Consultation, technical assistance and training for the development of programs and services to deafblind students; development of training programs, curriculum and support of NFADB.

Project for New Mexico Children and Youth who are Deafblind

Center for Development and Disability

Department of Pediatrics/UNM

2300 Menaul North East

Albuquerque, NM 87107

V/TTY (505) 272-0321 Toll Free (877) 614-4051 FAX (505) 272-5280

www.cdd.unm.edu or <http://cdd.unm.edu/nmdb/nmdb.html>

Services Provided: Web based distance education program for families and service providers for children who are deafblind; provides technical assistance, training, and networking information to families, service providers, and children and youth who are deafblind, resource library, interactive, web site, transition support, maintenance of statewide census.

Protection and Advocacy (P&A)

1720 Louisiana NE Suite 204

Albuquerque, NM 87110

V/TTY (505) 256-3100 V/TTY (800) 432-4682 FAX (505) 256-3184

www.nmprotection-advocacy.com

Services Provided: P&A is a disability rights agency providing a wide variety of free advocacy and informational services. P&A may provide advocacy on behalf of children with some disputes related to special education services; information and assistance with developmental disability, mental health and HIV/AIDS services, housing, employment, education, and access rights, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) and Commission for the Blind, funding for specialized equipment.

Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc.

National Office

333 Commerce Street

Alexandria, VA 22314

V (703) 838-0030 TTY (703) 838-0459 FAX (703) 838-0454 www.rid.org

Services Provided: Deafblind special interest group. Publications, national convention, information on interpreting, and publishes a national directory of certified interpreters, and makes referrals to interpreting agencies.

Relay Network, New Mexico

4600-C Montgomery Blvd. NE, Suite 100

Albuquerque, NM 87109

V/TTY (505) 889-0420

711 (does not replace 911 emergency calls)

Speech to Speech (888) 659-3952

Spanish (800) 327-1857

Voice Carry Over (VCO) (877) 659-4174

Customer Service V/TTY (800) 889-8353

Services Provided: provides avenues for the deaf and hard of hearing to telephone hearing people.

Sign Media

4020 Blackburn Lane
 Burtonsville, MD 20866-1167
 (800) 475-4756 (301) 421-0268 FAX (301) 421-0270 www.signmedia.com

Services Provided: videotape and print materials on American Sign Language and Deaf Culture.

Silent Call Communications

5095 Williams Lake Road
 Waterford, MI 48329
 V (248) 673-7353 FAX (248) 673-7360 (800) 572-5227 www.silentcall.com

Services Provided: Household products for deaf-blind people; accessories, amplified phones and accessories, clocks, hotel/motel kit packages, listening devices, receivers, silent call kits, smoke, fire and CO detection, telephone signalers, transmitters, TTYS and accessories, and weather alert systems.

TDI

Please see Telecommunications for the Deaf, Inc.

Telecommunications for the Deaf, Inc. (TDI)

8630 Fenton Street, Suite 604
 Silver Spring, MD 20910
 V (301) 589-3786 TTY (301) 589-3006 FAX (301) 589-3797

Services Provided: "The Blue Book," a national directory and guide for TDY/TDD numbers and products web catalog

United TTY

21004 Brooke Knolls Rd.
 Laytonsville, MD 20882
 Toll Free: V/TTY (866) 889-4872 www.unitedtty.com

Services Provided: products catalog including Braille TTY for deafblind individuals, TTY/text telephones, ADA compliant guest kit for hotels and hospitals, gifts, and gift certificates.

Usher Family Support

Usher Around the World
c/o Kathie Anderson
P.O. Box 17318
Minneapolis, MN. 55417 USA
www.deafblind.co.uk

Services Provided: Publishes a newsletter for families of people with Usher's Syndrome "Usher Around the World." Yearly subscription fees

Vision Associates

2109 W. US HWY 90, Suite 170 # 312
Lake City, FL 32055
(407) 352-1200 FAX (386) 752-7839
www.visionkits.com

Services Provided: Vision assessment materials, Lilli Nielson books and products, Jan Van Dijk training materials, and Lea Hyvarin testing and training materials

ZIA Deaf-Blind Club of New Mexico

C/O COPD
10601 Lomas NE, Suite 112
Albuquerque, NM 87112
V/TTY (505) 255-7636 FAX (505) 255-8029

Services Provided: Seeks to break down the wall of isolation by providing support and encouragement through social contact and daily support for independent living.

Products and Services

A1 Squared

Mailing address: PO Box 669, Manchester Center, VT 05255

Shipping address: 130 Taconic Business Park Rd., Manchester Center, VT 05255

Order Hotline: (800) 859-0270 Phone: (802) 362-3612 FAX (802) 362-1670

www.aisquared.com

Services Provided: Makers of Zoom Text and Big Shot screen magnification software.

Advantage Cane

12170 Dearborn Place

Poway, CA 92064

(800) 382-5132 FAX (858) 879-6788

Services Provided: Graphite canes and accessories.

American Printing House for the Blind (APH)

1839 Frankfort Ave.

PO Box 6085

Louisville, KY 40206-0085

(502) 895-2405 (800) 223-1839 M-F 8-4:30

FAX (502) 899-2274 www.aph.org info@aph.org

Services Provided: APH manufactures Braille, large type, recorded, computer disk, and tactile graphic publications, as well as embossers for Braille business cards and a wide assortment of educational and daily living products. It also offers a variety of services to assist consumers and professionals in the field of vision, such as Louis, a database listing materials available inaccessible media from organizations across North America, instructional and recreational materials, products and reference center for people who are visually impaired, accessible tests department, and the Callahan Museum, recorded and large-print weekly periodicals including Newsweek and Reader's Digest.

American Thermoform

1758 Brackett Street
La Verne, CA 91750
(800) 331-3676 (909) 593-6711 FAX (909) 593-8001

Services Provided: printers and embossers, Braille translation software, thermoform machines, graphics machines, paper, labeling, and Braille binders

APH

Please see American Printing House for the Blind

Ann Morris Enterprises, Inc.

Please see Independent Living Aids

Attainment Company

PO Box 930160
Verona, Wisconsin 53593-0160
(800) 327-4269 FAX (800) 942-3865 www.attainmentcompany.com

Services Provided: Augmentative communication systems, assistive technology, curriculum resources, professional resources, work transition skills, social skills programs, language enrichment programs, primarily for sighted people who are mentally disabled.

Blazie Engineering

Please see Freedom Scientific

California Canes

307 San Domingo Dr.
Palm Springs, CA 92264
(866) 332-4883 FAX (877) 428-8390 www.californiacanes.com

Services Provided: graphite canes, folding canes, rigid canes

Carolyn's Low Vision Products

3938 S. Tamiami Trail
Sarasota, FL 34231-3622
(800) 648-2266 www.carolynscatalog.com

Services Provided: canes, computer supplies, electronics, fit over shields and sunglasses, games, household products, lamps, magnifiers, medical supplies, phones, stationery, video magnifiers, watches and clocks

Center for Development and Disability

Medically Fragile Case Management Program
Call for regional extension office
Christy Barden, Director (575) 272-2910 (800) 675-2910 cbarden@unm.edu

Services Provided: provides Registered Nurse Case management/service coordination services statewide for children who are medically fragile and their families via nine satellite offices. The case managers use a family centered approach to care, and through collaborative partnerships act as advocates, resource persons, facilitators, and paperwork coordinators for families. Case managers support parents as team leaders who address the day-to-day care of their child. The services in the community and through the Medically Fragile EPSDT and Medically Fragile Waiver support families in their decision to care for their child who is medically fragile in their home.

Childcraft Education Corp.

PO Box 3239
Lancaster, Pennsylvania 17604
(800) 631-5652 FAX (888) 532-4453 www.childcraft.com

Services Provided: Classroom furniture dramatic play, block play, manipulatives, arts and crafts, woodworking, games, puzzles, teacher resource, records, cassettes, and books.

Constructive Playthings

13201 Arrington Road
Grandview, MO 64030
(800) 448-7830 FAX (800) 761-9295 www.constplay.com

Services Provided: Catalog of products; active play, blocks and building, Christmas, cooking, creativity, doll play, dress-up fun, first learning, first playthings, fun for all, Judaic items, music/performing, personalized gifts, practical presents, preschool play, pretend play, puppet play, smart play, space themes, trains, and transportation.

Descriptive Video Service (DVS) Home Video

DVS Home Video
P.O. Box 55742
Indianapolis, IN 46205
(317) 579-0439

To request a large print catalog call: 1-888-818-1999.

To request Braille catalog call: 1-888-818-1181.

To hear a listing of the latest DVS Home Video titles available or hear a listing of television programs broadcast with DVS® call: 1-800-333-1203.

www.main.wgbh.org/wgbh/pages/mag/resources/dvs-home-video-catalogue.html

Services Provided: DVS® has described over 200 titles for DVS Home Video®. No special equipment is required, only a standard TV and VCR are needed to enjoy home videos. All videos are sold at the suggested retail price -- there's no additional charge for the description. (All titles are subject to availability.) Described movies are also available on loan from more than 1,200 public libraries.

Dolphin Systems

Dolphin Computer Access Inc.
231 Clarksville Road, Suite 3,
Princeton Junction, NJ 08550
Toll Free (866) 797-5921 Support (888) 519 4694 FAX (609) 799 0475
www.yourdolphin.com

Services Provided: [EasyConverter](#) - The ultimate Alt format creation tool, creating MP3, Large print, DAISY and Braille from popular file formats and printed paper for novices or alt format experts; [EasyProducer](#) - Convert text to a DAISY talking book in the click of a button.; [Dolphin Publisher](#) - Total DAISY (digital talking book) authoring solution; [EasyReader](#) – DAISY digital talking book player for the PC.

Duxbury Systems, Inc.

270 Littleton Rd., Unit 6,
[Westford, MA](#) 01886-3523 USA
 (978) 692-3000 FAX (978) 692-7912

www.duxburysystems.com

Sales/Ordering: orders@duxsys.com

DBT technical support: support@duxsys.com

MegaDots technical support: caryn@duxsys.com

Services Provided: Duxbury Braille translation software, QuickTac free Braille graphics software download, MegaDots.

DVS

Please see Descriptive Video Services

Easter Seals, New Mexico

Alcalde	Santa Fe
PO Box 39	2041 S. Pacheco St. Suite 100
Alcalde, NM 87511	Santa Fe, NM 87505
(505) 852-4243 FAX (505) 852-4138	(505) 424-7700 FAX (505) 424-7707

Services Provided: Transportation services, summer camp programs, Kids On The Block, equipment loan program, information and referral services, KARS/Special Kars, and a Post-Polio Support Group.

Education for Kids

Purchase Order Processing
 Education 4 Kids
 11071 Bunkerhill Drive, Suite 1011
 Los Alamitos, CA 90720
 FAX (702) 940-9816 www.edushop.edu4kids.com

Services Provided: sign language with Braille learning cards. Each card features a letter, a hand signing the letter, and Braille for the letter. The Braille can be raised so students can feel it. Twenty-six 6" x 9" cards per package. Additional products related to the classroom in the web catalog.

Enabling Devices

Toys for Special Children
 385 Warburton Ave.
 Hastings-on-Hudson, NY 10706
 (914) 478-0960 (800) 832-8697 FAX (914) 478-1369
www.enablingdevices.com

Services Provided: Catalog of communication systems, specially adapted toys, switches, media, specially adapted sensory devices, computer aids, mobility, mounting devices, books, and gift certificates

Enhanced Vision Systems

5882 Machine Drive
 Huntington Beach, CA 92649
 (888) 811-3161 www.enhancedvision.com

Services Provided: text enlargement products; Acrobat, Amigo, Flipper, JORDY, Max, Merlin LCD, and Nemo

Exceptional Teaching Inc.

5673 W. Las Positas Blvd., Suite 207
 Pleasanton, CA 94588
 (800) 549-6999 FAX (925) 598-0086 www.store.exceptionalteaching.net

Services Provided: [educational games and toys](#) for teaching exceptional children, [motivational reading games](#), teaching aids for those with [special needs and learning disabilities](#), [living aids](#) products for blind individuals, an assortment of Braille products and Braille curriculum including the [Mangold Combined Reading and Math Program](#), and the [SAL2](#) Mangold Braille Reading Program for those who wish to learn Braille.

Fishburne Enterprises

140 East Stetson Ave., Suite 319
 Hemet, CA 92543
 (915) 765-9276 TTY (951) 766-0843 no web site

Services Provided: Fishburne Alphabet for the Blind; the Fishburne Alphabet for the Blind is large print embossed labels designed for use by individuals who are blind and not able to read Braille. Embossed sequence of dots and dashes form alphabetical characters and numbers. Training aids include a plastic sheet with embossed alphabet and guide lines, a metal slate with embossed single characters mounted on magnets, and series of three audio cassettes with lessons on use of the alphabet, embosser, and tape cutter. The letter embosser creates labels on precut self-adhesive tape. DIMENSIONS: The tape is one-half inch wide and precut into one-inch long strips. The tape cutter holds a 12-foot roll of tape.

Flaghouse, Inc.

601 Flaghouse Dr.
 Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604-3116
 (800) 793-7900 (201) 288-7600 FAX (800) 793-7922 www.flaghouse.com

Services Provided: over 10,000 age and developmentally appropriate solutions including physical education equipment, adapted PE, school health and recreation programs; thousands of therapy, learning and recreation solutions to enhance the potential of children and adults with physical, developmental, and intellectual disabilities; sensory solutions featuring the SNOEZELEN® MSE product line; solutions for mature adults, including equipment and resources for basic daily living activities, exercise and fitness, social activities, leisure and more.

Freedom Scientific

11800 31st Court North
 St. Petersburg, FL 33716
 Sales (800) 444-4443 FAX (727) 803-8001 Technical Support (727) 803-8600
www.freedomscientific.com

Services Provided: personal notetakers, Braille embossers, computer Braille displays and scanning and reading printed media devices, screen reading software, screen magnification software, web access software, scanning and reading and WYNN literacy software, software and hardware accessories, cables, embosser supplies and notetaker parts.

Gladys Loeb Foundation

2002 Forest Hills Drive
 Silver Spring, MD 20903
 (301) 434-7748 FAX (301) 434-7748 no web site

Services Provided: Loeb Food Markers: Miniature models of fruit, vegetable, meat, etc., mounted on elastic bands attached to rings or on magnets.
 Embossed large-print and Brailled magnetic strips.

Gold Violin, Inc.

c/o Contact Us
 1717-2B Allied St. Suite 1
 Charlottesville, VA 22903
 Order (877) 648-8400 www.goldviolin.com

Service Provided: Watches, clocks, cassette players and accessories, television accessories, books, writing supplies, calculators, measuring tools, telephones, lighting temperature gauges, cooking, sewing, wallets, locks, alarm, note teller, mobility devices, Braille items, health care, and games.

GW Micro

725 Airport North Office Park
 Fort Wayne, IN 46825
 (260) 489-3671 FAX (260) 489-2608 www.gwmicro.com

Services Provided: Window-Eyes screen reader, Braille sense Braille notetaker, Small-Talk Ultra palmtop computer, Portable SenseView portable CCTV, Voice Sense PDA, SyncBraille Portable Braille Display.

Hooleon Corporation

305 West Denby Avenue
 Melrose, NM 88124
 (575) 253-4503 (800) 937-1337 www.hooleon.com

Services Provided: adaptive computer keyboards and overlays.

Howe Press of Perkins School for the Blind

175 North Beacon Street

Watertown, MA 02172

(617) 924-3434 FAX (617) 926-2027 www.perkins.org

Services Provided: Perkin's Braille (standard, unimanual, electronic, large cell electric Braille writer) and accessories, tellatouch with accessories, extension keys, one hand extension keys, dymo Braille labeler, slates for various functions and accessories, handwriting aids for Braille beginners, Braille paper, measuring devices, games, and drawing supplies, math aids, drawing kits. Free catalog available

IBM Special Needs

www.ibm.com/able

Services Provided: Produce Home Page Reader, a self-voicing web browser; adaptive resources for blindness and other disabilities.

ILA

Please see Independent Living Aids, Inc.

Independent Living Aids, Inc. (ILA)

PO Box 9022

Hicksville, NY 11753

(800) 537-2118 FAX (516) 937-3906 Technical Support (516) 937-1848

www.independentliving.com

Services Provided: Products for school and home; games, alarm clocks, watches, large print books, computer accessories, kitchen adaptations, dressing aids, hobbies, labelers and accessories, magnifiers, non-skid safety tape, scales, talking items, telephone products, writing guides/equipment.

Integrations

One Sportime Way
PO Box 620860
Atlanta, Georgia 30340
(800) 622-0638 www.integrationscatalog.com

Services Provided: Items for children with learning and sensory integration issues

Kaye Products, Inc.

535 Dimmocks Mill Road
Hillsborough, NC 27278
(919) 732-6444 FAX (800) 685-5293 www.kayeproducts.com

Services Provided: Adaptive equipment, daily care adaptations, mobility aids, developmental toys and products, and therapy products.

Lakeshore Learning Materials

2695 E. Dominguez St.
Carson, CA 90895
(800) 421-5354 Orders (800) 778-4456 Customer Services (800) 428-4418
www.lakeshorelearning.com

Services Provided: active learning materials and educational products for teachers, parents, and students including language, literacy, science, mathematics materials, teaching materials and classroom tools for early childhood and elementary age students.

Lighthouse Inc.

Please see Gold Violin, Inc.

LS&S Group

PO Box 673

Northbrook, IL 60065

Order (800) 468-4789 FAX (847) 498-1482 (866) 317-8533

www.lssproducts.com

Services Provided: Talking calculators, clocks, watches, scales, and blood pressure and blood glucose monitors, answering machine and phone systems, alert system, voice activated recorder, magnifiers, Braille watches, computer accessories, and supplies for daily living.

Maxi Aids

86-30 102nd Street

Richmond Hill, NY 11418

(800) 522-6294 TTY (516) 752-0521 FAX (631) 752-0689 www.maxiaids.com

Services Provided: Braille products, magnification, players/recorders, talking products, writing/reading aids, canes/mobility motorized scooters, rollators, walkers, wheelchairs, bathroom aids, blood pressure items, diabetic products, medication aids, thermometers, household appliances, batteries/chargers, cooking helpers, dishes and cups, home cleaning, alternative input devices, keyboards, scanning and reading devices, screen magnifiers, software, and deaf and hard of hearing items such as alerting devices, amplified devices, telephones, tts/tdds, and vibrating products

M&M Fashion Ease

1541 60th Street

Brooklyn, NY 11219

(800) 221-8929 FAX (718) 436-2067 www.fashionease.com

Services Provided: Adaptive clothing to accommodative people who are mobility impaired.

National Association for Visually Handicapped (NAVH)

507 Polk Street, Suite 420

San Francisco, CA 94102

(415) 775-6284 FAX (415)-346-9593 www.navh.org

Services Provided: Produces and distributes large type (18 point) reading materials to schools, libraries, senior citizen's centers, hospitals, and individuals upon request; assists libraries and senior centers in establishing large print libraries. Acts as an information clearinghouse and referral center regarding resources available to people whom are visually impaired. Produces and distributes information materials (many in large print) for the layperson and professional about low vision and visual aids. Sells magnifiers, large print books, and other non-optical low vision aids through an online catalog.

National Braille Press (NBP)

88 St. Stephen Street

Boston, MA 02115

(888) 965-8965 (617) 266-6160 FAX (617) 437-0456 www.nbp.org

Services Provided: "hot off the press" Braille books, Braille books for adults, Braille books for kids, print books for sighted parents and teachers, electronic formats books, large print with Braille, periodicals, and free downloads, children's book club, and Braille production services.

National Federation of the Blind (NFB)

1800 Johnson Street

Baltimore, MD 21230

(410) 659-9314 www.nfb.org

Services Provided: online products catalog for aids and appliances, books, and literature; [Technology Center](#), products, programs, and initiatives of our technology center which have been developed to help blind people achieve full participation in society; NFB-NEWSLINE®, a free telephone newspaper service. NFB-NEWSLINE® provides access to newspapers and magazines from all over the country; [Handheld Reader](#), the Kurzweil-National Federation of the Blind Reader, converts the content of printed documents into clear synthetic speech.

NAVH

Please see National Association for Visually Handicapped

NBP

Please see National Braille Press

NFB

Please see National Federation of the Blind

Optelec, US, Inc.

3030 Enterprise Court, Suite C

Vista, CA 92081

(800) 828-1056 www.optelec.com

Services Provided: Magnifiers and magnification devices for people with low vision, Braille, and speech output devices

Protection and Advocacy (P&A)

1720 Louisiana NE Suite 204

Albuquerque, NM 87110

V/TTY (505) 256-3100 V/TTY (800) 432-4682 FAX (505) 256-3184

www.nmprotection-advocacy.com

Services Provided: P&A is a disability rights agency providing a wide variety of free advocacy and informational services. P&A may provide advocacy on behalf of children with some disputes related to special education services; information and assistance with developmental disability, mental health and HIV/AIDS services, housing, employment, education, and access rights, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) and Commission for the Blind, funding for specialized equipment.

P&A

Please see Protection and Advocacy

Putumayo

(212) 625-1400, ext 248

www.putumayokids.com

Services Provided: The multicultural music company has a series of children's CDs with activities; The World Playground is a multicultural activity kit containing songs (CD) from 6 continents, spanning 14 countries, song lyrics and translations, more than 50 hands-on, simple activities- movement, music and art, reproducible pages, cut, color n' paste multicultural artwork, cultural and historical information, and passport journal for children. Latin Playground is an English & Spanish Activity kit containing a full length CD with fun songs from 8 Latin American countries, sing-a-long lyrics and translations, more than 50 hands-on, simple activities- for children families and schools, reproducible pages, cut, color n' past artwork, and passport journal for children.

Read Please

<http://readplease.com>

Services Provided: Free software that reads contents of clipboard.

Rifton Equipment

PO Box 260

Rifton, NY 12471-0260

(800) 571-8198 FAX (800) 865-4674 www.rifton.com

Services Provided: Catalog of devices for children with mobility impairments; carries an independent play area frame.

Simply Talker

EconoNet International, Inc.

11404 Lakeview Dr.

Coral Springs, FL 33071

www.econointl.com

Service Provided: Low-cost screen reader, web browser, and free text to speech engine which reads anything sent to the clipboard. Download a fully functional limited-time demo

Star Tech International

2827 Echo Way
Sacramento, CA 95821
(916) 488-3480 FAX (916) 489-9052 www.wrapnstrap.com

Services Provided: Match Makers; a tactual marking system for the visually impaired (color blind, low vision, and blind) to match and identify clothing, linens, towels, medications, canned, boxed, and frozen goods, etc.

Telesensory

(800) 804-8004
www.telesensory.com

Services Provided: Products for people with low vision; speech output screen readers, CCTVs, hand held CCTVs

Nextup

www.nextuptech.com/faq.html

Services Provided: You may download free software of "Text Aloud," "Weather Aloud," and "Stocks Aloud" to listen to the information you seek; it may also be adapted to your PC or MP3 player.

Toys to Grow On

2695 E. Dominguez St.
Carson, CA 90895
Order (800) 987-4454 Customer Service (800) 874-4242 FAX (800) 537-5403
www.toystogrowon.com

Services Provided: arts and crafts, animal world, baby and toddler toys, bath and water toys, blocks and construction, cars, trains, and planes, collections and keepsakes, doll play and dress-up, games, learning fun, music and show time, pretend play, science and nature, sports and outdoor play, items under twenty dollars, and gift certificates.

Vision Associates

2109 W. HWY 90, Suite 170 #312

Lake City, FL 32055

V(407) 352-1200 FAX (386) 752-7839

www.visionassoc.com www.visionkits.com

Services Provided: Distribution of materials for vision assessments, Lilli Nielsen publications and vision checklists, web videos of children using items and being treated. Also has a page called "Eyeball U" with an explanation and simulated images of typical eye conditions and the healthy eye.

Transition from School to Adult Life

Adult Service Agency Referrals

During an IEP, a transition plan must be discussed if the student is 14 years or older. If the student is 15 years or older a notice of a scheduled IEP must be sent to either the Commission for the Blind or the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation.

Students with vision only/blindness issues should be referred to the Commission for the Blind. The Commission can serve these students without opening a case file. However, purchase of equipment and technology would not occur until after graduation and termination of the IEP. The Commission for the Blind has no order of selection or waiting list for services, as does the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation. Criteria for the Commission for the Blind is; a student's vocational potential, functional limitations to this potential, visual medical diagnosis, and the visual acuity.

Students with multiple impairments, including visual impairments, should be referred to the local Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor. Vocational Rehabilitation cannot serve clients without opening a case file. Due to budget restraints, Vocational Rehabilitation is operating with an order of selection and a waiting list may occur.

If questions arise as to which agency should serve a particular student, a meeting should be held involving both the local Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor and a Commission for the Blind representative to determine which is the most appropriate service provider. Client choice is an important consideration, and therefore, clients should be involved in this joint discussion.

Commission for the Blind
408 N. White Sands Blvd.
Alamogordo, NM 88310
(888) 513-7968

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)

(800) 235-5387

My local representative is:

Commission for the Blind

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)

Attorney General's Office, Guardianship Services Program (888) 300-0950

AHEAD

Please see Association on Higher Education and Disabilities

Arc of New Mexico

3655 Carlisle NE

Albuquerque, NM 87110

(505) 883-4630 (800) 358-6493 FAX (505) 883-5564 www.arcnm.org

Services Provided: Support to families with individuals with developmental delays, resources, advocacy, guardianship program, and alternative-to-guardianship program.

AARP Southwest Region Office

8144 Walnut Hill Lane, Suite 700 LB-39

Dallas, TX 75231

(501) 265-4060 FAX (501) 265-4061 TTY (501) 265-4062

Services Provided: Contact the office to locate a senior citizen group in your area.

Adult Basic Education, Department of Education

1068 Cerrillos Rd.

Santa Fe, NM 87505

(505) 827-6655 (505) 476-6500 www.abe.hed.state.nm.us

Services Provided: Transition and vocational education information, office of state coordinator of vocational education for students with disabilities.

Association on Higher Education and Disabilities (AHEAD)

PO Box 21192

Columbus, OH 43221

(800) 247-7752 TTY (614) 488-4972 www.ahead.org

Services Provided: AHEAD is a professional association committed to full participation of persons with disabilities in postsecondary education. AHEAD produces a wide variety of materials that reflect topics and best practices in the disability and higher education fields. The Journal of Postsecondary Education and Disability reflects scholarship in the field, while the electronic ALERT newsletter keeps AHEAD members abreast of current issues and topics; [Newly Featured Publications](#), [Brochures and Booklets](#), [Books and Manuals](#), [From our Resource Partners](#), [LRP Resources](#), and [Videotapes](#)

CHOICES Center for Independent Living

Roswell, NM

www.ilchoices.com/product.html

Services Provided: CHOICES is an independent living center that is a consumer-directed agency for Chaves, Lea, and Eddy counties' provides instruction in independent living skills, arranges peer support opportunities, information and referral, advocacy, de-institutionalization, and transition support

Commission for the Blind

Alamogordo Orientation Center
 408 North White Sands Boulevard
 Alamogordo, NM 88310
 (575) 437-0401 (888) 513-7967 www.macular.org/stagency/state_nm.html

Industries for the Blind &
 Albuquerque Field Office
 2200 Yale Blvd. SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106
 (575) 841-8844 (888) 513-7958

2425 Alamo SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106
 (575) 243-8367 (888) 513-7965

Alamogordo Orientation Center
 408 North White Sands Blvd.
 Alamogordo, NM 88310
 (575) 437-0401 (888) 513-7967
 FAX (575) 434-3713

Roswell Field Office
 400 North Pennsylvania, Suite 1080
 Roswell, NM 88201
 (575) 624-6140 (888) 513-7961

Las Vegas Field Office
 2505 Ridge Runner Office
 Las Vegas, NM 87701
 (575) 425-3546 (888) 513-7963

Santa Fe Field Office
 PERA Building, Room 553
 Santa Fe, NM 87503
 (575) 827-4479 (888) 513-7968

Las Cruces Field Office
 Matrix Capital Bank Building
 301 South Church, Suite C
 Las Cruces, NM 88001
 (575) 524-6450 (888) 513-7960

Farmington Field Office
 800 East 30th, Suite E
 Farmington, NM 87401
 (575) 327-7789 (888) 513-7964

Services Provided: Vocational rehabilitation and independent living services to persons who are blind or visually impaired; the vocational rehabilitation services can start as early as age 14 with "transition" services. The Commission can provide a wide variety of vocational rehabilitation services, including provision of assistive technology, payment of college tuition, and training at the Orientation Center. Children and young adults age 14 through 21 may also be able to participate in a summer job-training program called the Students in Transition to Employment Program (STEP). Persons of any age may sign up for *Newsline* for the Blind; a free publication reading service through which over 30 newspapers and publications can be accessed using a touch-tone telephone.

Department of Health

615 First Street NW, Suite 102
 Albuquerque, NM 87102
 Long Term Services (505) 841-8765 Resource Support (800) 283-5548

Services Provided: Intake and referral services for person with developmental disabilities.

Developmental Disabilities Planning Council

Chris Isengard, Director
435 Saint Michael's Drive, Bldg. D
Santa Fe, NM 87505
(505) 827-7590 FAX (505) 827-7589

Services Provided: State transition system

Developmental Disability Division, Department of Health

1190 Saint Francis Drive, Suite N 3500
PO Box 26110
Santa Fe, NM 87502
(505) 827-2574 www.health.state.nm.us

Services Provided: The DD Waiver program

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)

Department of Education
435 St. Michaels Drive, Bldg. D
Santa Fe, NM 87504
(505) 827-3500

Services Provided: State vocational rehabilitation agency, can tell you who your local representative is for your area.

DVR

See Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

ERIC Clearinghouse on Adult, Career, and Vocational Counseling

Ohio State University, Center on Education and Training for Employment
1900 Kenny Rd
Columbus, OH 43210
(614) 292-4353 (800) 848-4815

Services Provided: Transition and vocational education information

Guardianship Services Program

Attorney General's Office
(888) 300-0950

Services Provided: Provides detailed information regarding guardianship

Governor's Committee on Concerns of the Handicapped

Lamy Building Room 117
491 Old Santa Fe Trail
Santa Fe, NM 87501
(505) 827-6465 TTY (505) 827-6329 FAX (505) 827-6328

Services Provided: State liaison on employment of people with disabilities

ILRC

Please see Independent Living Resource Center

Independent Living Centers

Rehabilitation Services Administration's Office of Independent Living
330 C Street, SW
Switzer Bldg
Washington, DC 20202
(202) 732-1400

Services Provided: maintains a list of over 150 centers

Independent Living Resource Center (ILRC)

Protection and Advocacy System

2201 San Pedro NE, Bldg. 4, Suite 140

Albuquerque, NM 87110

(800) 552-8195 (505) 272-8549 TTY (505) 272-0321

www.cdd.unm.edu infonet@unm.edu

Services Provided: They assist people with all disabilities with problem solving, housing, personal service attendants, money management, home management, legal rights, employment/education, equipment/assistive devices, independent living skills training, peer counseling and support groups, information and referral, individual and community advocacy, technical services program, resource library, technical assistance and education, community newsletter, technical assistance on disability laws, and independent living skills evaluation.

Information Center for New Mexicans with Disabilities

Protection and Advocacy System

2201 San Pedro NE, Bldg. 4, Suite 140

Albuquerque, NM 87110

(800) 552-8195 (505) 272-8549 TTY (505) 272-0321

www.cdd.unm.edu infonet@unm.edu

Services Provided: The Information Center for New Mexicans with Disabilities provides information to individuals with disabilities, families, advocates, therapists, and case managers about service providers, support groups, and other local, state, and national resources.

ILRU

2323 S. Shepherd, Suite 1000

Houston, Texas 77019

(713) 520-0232 TTY (713) 520-5136 FAX (713) 520-5785 ilru@bcm.tmc.edu

Services Provided: Maintains a list of over 400 programs providing independent living services.

Job Training Partnership Act

Please see JTPA

JTPA: Job Training Partnership Act

Department of Labor
 Job Training Division
 PO Box 4218
 Santa Fe, NM 87502
 (505) 827-6827

Services Provided: Transition and vocational education information, assists in locating jobs for youths.

Long Term Services Division: Department of Health

Please see State of New Mexico Department of Health

New Mexico Aging and Long Term Services

Toney Anaya Building
 2550 Cerrillos Road
 Santa Fe, NM 87505
 (505) 476-4799 (866) 451-2901

Parks Building
 1015 Tijeras NW, Suite 200
 Albuquerque, NM 87102
 (505) 222-4500 (866) 842-9230

Palms Office Complex
 2407 W. Picacho, Suite B2
 Las Cruces, NM 88007
 (575) 647-2023 (800) 762-8690

Services Provided: More than 6,000 low-income elderly and disabled adults and children in New Mexico have the option to create their own service plans through the Mi Via program.

Individuals who choose to participate in Mi Via, a self-directed program, will have more choices, control, and freedom to design their own service plans to meet their functional, medical, and social needs. Self-directed programs allow participants to choose services they need, hire their own service workers, and decide where and how to spend their Mi Via budget. A consultant will provide assistance as necessary. Medicaid recipients who receive long-term services through home-and-community based waiver programs, such as the Disabled and Elderly, Developmental Disabilities, Medically Fragile, AIDS, and individuals with brain injuries will be eligible for Mi Via.

National Center for Research in Vocational Education

University of California at Berkeley
2150 Shattuck Avenue
Berkeley, CA 94704
(415) 642-4004

Services Provided: Transition and vocational education information.

National Center for Youth with Disabilities

University of Minnesota
PO Box 721
421 Delaware St. SE
Minneapolis, MN 55455
(800) 333-6293 (612) 626-2825 (612) 624-3939 TTY

Services Provided: Transition and vocational education information

National Clearinghouse on Postsecondary Education for Individuals with Disabilities

Heath Resource Center
One Dupont Circle, Suite 800
Washington, DE 20036
(800) 544-3284 (202) 939-9320

Services Provided: Transition and vocational education information

National Rehabilitation Information Center

NARIC
8455 Colesville Road, Suite 935
Silver Spring, MD 20910
(800) 227-0216

Services Provided: Transition and vocational education information

P&A

Please see Protection & Advocacy

Protection and Advocacy (P&A)

1720 Louisiana NE Suite 204

Albuquerque, NM 87110

V/TTY (575) 256-3100 V/TTY (800) 432-4682 FAX (575) 256-3184

www.nmprotection-advocacy.com

Services Provided: P&A is a disability rights agency providing a wide variety of free advocacy and informational services. P&A may provide advocacy on behalf of children with some disputes related to special education services; information and assistance with developmental disability, mental health and HIV/AIDS services, housing, employment, education, and access rights, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) and Commission for the Blind, funding for specialized equipment.

State of New Mexico Department of Health

Long Term Services Division

(800) 283-5548 (505) 841-8743

Services Provided: Provides information and support toward determining if guardianship needs to be established and how.

TRESCO, Las Cruces

Las Cruces - Doña Ana County:

1800 Copper Loop, Bldg 2

Las Cruces, NM 88005

(888) 820-5750 (575) 528-5200

Services Provided: Serving individuals with developmental disabilities through service coordination, community living services, personal, social, and community support services (day services), business contracting services, and community employment services

TRESCO, Socorro

Socorro and Sierra Counties

211 Park St.

Socorro, NM 87801

(888) 367-9758 (575) 835-0204

Guide Dog Agencies

Eye Dog Foundation for the Blind

Administration Offices
211 So. Montclair St., Suite A
Bakersfield, CA 93309
(800) 393-3641

Phoenix Training Facility
8252 S. 15th Ave. 85041
(602) 276-0051 www.eyedogfoundation.org

Guide Dog Foundation for the Blind, Inc.

371 East Jericho Turnpike
Smithtown, NY 11787-2976
(800) 548-4337 (516) 265-2121 FAX (516) 361-5192 www.guidedog.org

Guide Dogs for the Blind

PO Box 151200
San Rafael, CA 94915-1200
(800) 295-4050 www.guidedogs.com

Guide Dogs of the Dessert International

PO Box 1692
Palm Springs, CA 92263
(760) 329-6257 FAX (760) 329-2127 www.guidedogsofthedesert.com

Guiding Eyes for the Blind

611 Granite Springs Road
Yorktown Heights, NY 10598
(914) 245-4024 (800) 942-0149 FAX (914) 962-1403
Special needs program addressed people with additional disabilities
www.guidingeyes.org specialneeds@guiding-eyes.org

Southeastern Guide Dogs, Inc.

4210 77th Street East

Palmetto, FL 34221

(800) 944-3647 (941) 729-5665 FAX (941) 729-6646 www.guidedogs.org**Kansas Specialty Dog Services**

124 West Seventh

PO Box 216

Washington, KS 66968

(785) 325-2258 www.ksds.org**Guiding Eyes for the Blind, Inc.**

611 Granite Springs Road

Yorktown Heights, NY 10598

(800) 942-0149 www.guidingeyes.org**Seeing Eye, Inc.**

PO Box 375

Morristown, NJ 07963

(973) 539-4425 FAX (973) 539-0922 www.seeingeye.org**Leader Dogs for the Blind**

PO Box 5000

1039 South Rochester Road

Rochester, MI 48308-5000

(888) 777-5332 Admissions (248) 650-7111 TTY (248) 651-3713

leaderdog@leaderdog.org

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