



Iowa Department for the Blind

Don't let blindness or vision loss stop you or someone you love from living a full, successful, and happy life!

How We Can Help

- Teach you how to get around independently, use phones, tablets and computers, cook and clean, access print information, write down and read back information, and do other important life tasks without relying on vision.
- Provide the tools, skills, and financial support to help you pursue education and training beyond high school.
- Provide educational materials, books, newspapers, and magazines in audio, braille, large print, and electronic formats.
- Provide counseling and guidance to help you come to know that not being able to see does not make you less capable, worthy, or independent.

Who We Work With

- Kids and families wanting to gain literacy and have equal access to all educational tools and materials.
- Schools, teachers, and paraeducators needing resources for their students and wanting to create learning environments where everyone is welcome.
- Teens wanting to learn about and get ready for the world of work.
- Adults wanting to work and needing the alternative techniques, job readiness skills, self-employment opportunities, or assistive technology to be successful in their chosen field.
- Employers looking for assistance making their workplaces inclusive and finding dedicated, resilient workers.
- Seniors losing vision and wanting to remain independent in their homes and communities.
- Public and private organizations looking for quality micro-market and vending service.
- Community groups looking for informative presentations.

For More Information

- To learn more about IDB programs and services visit our website: <https://blind.iowa.gov>
- Follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/IowaBlind> or visit our YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/IDBOnline>
- To apply for vocational rehabilitation or independent living services, complete our referral form: <https://blind.iowa.gov/refer> or call 515-901-8621.
- To apply for library services, call 515-281-1323. For more information, visit our blog at: <https://iowalibrary.blog/> or our Instructional Materials Center Blog: <https://idbimclibrary.blog/>