**Blind and Visually Impaired Resource List**

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# General Resource List

**Aira**

Description: Aira develops transformative remote assistive technology that connects the blind with a network of certified agents via wearable smart glasses and an augmented reality dashboard that allows agents to see what the blind person sees in real time. Agents, serving as visual interpreters for the blind, help users accomplish a wide range of daily tasks and activities - from navigating busy streets to recognizing faces and literally traveling the world.

Weblink: <https://aira.io/>

**All*Sight* Solutions, LLC**

Description: All*Sight* Solution o*ffers* high-quality, reliable products from trusted manufacturers who stand behind them. We hope you will enjoy many years of beneficial use as a result of the integrity of the products and companies we represent.

Weblink: <https://www.allsightsolutions.com>

**American Council of the Blind**

Description: American Council of the Blind focuses on increasing the independence, security, equality of opportunity, and quality of life for all blind and visually impaired people.

Weblink: <https://www.acb.org/>

**American Foundation for the Blind**

Description: American Foundation for the Blind creates a world of no limits for people who are blind or visually impaired. We mobilize leaders, advance understanding, and champion impactful policies and practices using research and data.

Weblink: <http://www.afb.org/>

**American Printing House for the Blind**

Description: American Printing House for the Blind is the world’s largest nonprofit organization creating educational, workplace, and independent living products and services for people who are visually impaired.

Weblink: <https://www.aph.org>

**Arts Access**

Description: Arts Access is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, was founded in 1984 and is dedicated to increasing access to North Carolina's thriving arts community for children and adults with disabilities. By bridging arts and disability, our programs and services work to educate arts providers and promote inclusive spaces and accessible opportunities for North Carolinians with disabilities.

Weblink: <https://artsaccessinc.org/>

**Blind Industries and Services of Maryland**

Description: Blind Industries and Services of Maryland (BISM) provides stable career opportunities, innovative rehabilitation programs, quality products and services and to develop resources for training and education.

Weblink: <https://www.bism.org/>

**Braille Bug**

Description: Braille Bug is a website by the American Foundation for the Blind (AFB). It is an excellent resource and a wealth of information for peers or siblings to learn more about braille, it's history and activities. It is geared not only to children interested in learning more about braille, but to teachers and parents as well. It provides information about braille including its history, a reading club, games to play, information about Louis Braille and Helen Keller as well as information for parents and teachers.

Weblink: <http://braillebug.org>

**Braille Institute**

Description: Braille Institute is a non-profit organization offering a broad range of free programs, classes and services serving thousands of students of all ages to empower themselves to live more enriching lives with blindness and vision loss.

Weblink: <https://www.brailleinstitute.org/>

**Bridge II Sports**

Description: Bridge II Sports educates, develops, and implements opportunities for youth and adults with physical disabilities to play individual, team, and recreational sports, finding the player within.

Weblink:<https://www.bridge2sports.org/>

**Bryce Martin Foundation**

Description: Bryce Martin Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that supports blind and visually impaired children. Bryce Martin Foundation offers enrichment programs such as art, braille, yoga, and music classes for all ages, along with other items such as glasses, therapy equipment, braille and technology tools, and college scholarships.

Weblink: <http://www.brycemartinfoundation.org/>

**Business Enterprise Program**

Description: Business Enterprise Program gives legally blind participants the opportunity to operate their own food service or vending facility. This program provides initial training for potential licensees and ongoing counseling and management services to established operators.

Weblink: <https://www.ncdhhs.gov/assistance/vision-loss/business-enterprise-program>

**Carolina Bowling Alliance**

Description: Carolina Bowling Alliance promotes blind bowling throughout the Carolinas and contiguous states.

Weblink: <https://www.facebook.com/Carolina-Bowling-Alliance-312439855625139/>

**College STAR**

Description: College STAR (Supporting Transition Access and Retention) is a grant-funded project that enables participants to partner in the development of initiatives focused on helping postsecondary campuses become more welcoming of students with learning and attention differences.

Weblink: [https://www.collegestar.org/](https://www.collegestar.org/about)

**Disability Rights NC**

Description: Disability Rights NC is North Carolina’s federally mandated Protection and Advocacy (P&A) system. Disability Rights NC advocates for the right of people with disabilities throughout North Carolina.

Weblink: <https://disabilityrightsnc.org/>

**Envisioning Youth Empowerment Retreat**

Description: Envisioning Youth Empowerment (EYE) Retreat is a weeklong summer camp for youth with visual impairments. EYE Retreat focuses on providing an opportunity for youth with visual impairments to experience a glimpse of post-secondary outcomes (employment, college, etc.) through development of mentoring relationships, real world applications, and identification of available resources.

Weblink: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/eyeretreat/>

**Equal Eyes Vision Services**

Description: Equal Eyes Vision Services is a contact company that provides a wide variety of instruction to blind and visually impaired children and adults in schools, homes, businesses and organizations.

Weblink: <http://www.equaleyesvisionservices.com/>

**eSight**

Description: eSight are electronic glasses that restore or enhance sight for individuals living with vision loss.

Weblink: <https://esighteyewear.com>

**Exceptional Children Assistance Center**

Description: Exceptional Children Assistance Center (ECAC) is a non-profit organization staffed primarily with parents of children with disabilities. The ECAC is dedicated to empowering families and improving lives, particularly for North Carolina families raising children ages 0 to 26 with disabilities.

Weblink: <https://www.ecac-parentcenter.org/>

**Eye Shine Foundation**

Description: Eye Shine Foundation is dedicated to providing programs and activities focused on visually impaired kids who want to have fun! The foundation focuses on hosting monthly activities for kids in and around the Triangle area to connect, socialize, and build community.

Website: <https://www.eyeshinefoundation.org/>

**Family Connect**

Description: FamilyConnect is an online, multimedia community created by the American Foundation for the Blind (AFB) and the National Association for Parents of Children with Visual Impairments (NAPVI). This site gives parents of visually impaired children a place to support each other, share stories and concerns, and link to local resources.

Weblink: [https://www.familyconnect.org/](https://www.familyconnect.org/parentsitehome.aspx)

**FlagHouse**

Description: FlagHouse is a world-leading company focused on supporting those with visual impairments by offering the best in sensory solutions, activities for daily living (ADL), and adaptive equipment, along with thousands of items to delight and inspire. FlagHouse provides resources that enable healthy, more independent living.

Weblink: <https://www.flaghouse.com/>

**Flying Blind, LLC**

Description: The Mission of Flying Blind, LLC is to develop and/or market Adaptive Technology Solutions for persons who are vision impaired within educational, vocational, community, and residential settings.

Weblink: <http://www.flying-blind.com/index.html>

**Foundation Fighting Blindness**
Description: Foundation Fighting Blindness focuses on conducting research that will provide preventions, treatments and cures for people affected by retinitis pigmentosa, age-related macular degeneration, Usher syndrome and the entire spectrum of retinal degenerative diseases.

Weblink: <https://www.blindness.org/>

**Foundation for Blind Children**

Description: Foundation for Blind Children focuses on providing education, tools and services that enable all persons with vision loss to achieve greater independence.

Weblink: <https://www.seeitourway.org/>

**Governor Moorehead School for the Blind**

Description: Governor Moorehead School (GMS) is the flagship school in North Carolina that serves the special needs of visually impaired students, in a unique residential setting. Governor Moorehead School is renowned for its excellent program in Orientation and Mobility as well as its Braille Music Program.

Weblink: <http://www.governormorehead.net/>

**Guiding Eyes for the Blind**

Description: Guiding Eyes for the Blind is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides superbly bred and trained dogs to people who are blind and visually impaired.

Weblink: <https://www.guidingeyes.org/>

**HIMS Inc.**

Description: HIMS, Inc. is a global manufacturer and distributer that has provided braille, magnification and accessible healthcare devices since 1999. HIMS offers assistive technology products helping people who are blind and low vision.

Weblink: <https://www.hims-inc.com/webinar/>

**HumanWare**

Description: HumanWare is the global leader in assistive technology for people who are blind or have low vision, by offering a wide range of innovative products.

Weblink: <http://www.humanware.com/>

**Indo Jax Surf School, Visually Impaired Surf Camp**

Description: Indo Jax Surf School offers a surf camp of up to 12 children with visual impairments ranging from partial blindness to no vision at all.

Weblink: <https://indojaxsurfschool.com/>

**Invision Services**

Description: Invision Services helps children and adults with vision loss learn, function, and move as successfully and independently as possible in their homes, schools, and communities. Invision helps clients build skills, achieve their defined goals, and move toward greater independence.

Weblink: <https://mail.invisionservicesinc.com/>

**Keyboard Maestro 9**

Description: Keyboard Maestro 9 expands on the powerful base of previous versions, adding Dark Mode, multiple editor windows, and support for OCR and JSON, together with lots of new actions and additions. Keyboard Maestro 9 requires OS X 10.11.0 El Capitan or later.

Weblink: <https://www.keyboardmaestro.com/main/>

**LC Industries**

Description: LC Industries are in the business of providing meaningful employment for those who are blind and visually impaired.

Weblink: <https://www.lcindustries.com/>

**Lions Club International**

Description: Lions Club International is an organization empowered by volunteers who serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promotion international understanding.

Weblink: <https://www.lionsclubs.org/>

**National Federation of the Blind (NFB)**

Description: The National Federation of the Blind is the oldest and largest nationwide organization of blind Americans. The Federations is a network of blind members that focuses on coordinating many programs, services, and resources to defend the rights of blind Americans, provide information and support to blind children and adults, and build a community that creates a future full of opportunities.

Website: <https://nfb.org/>

**National Library Service for the Blind and Visually Impaired**

Description: National Library Service (NLS) is a free braille and talking book library service for people with temporary or permanent low vision, blindness, or a physical disability that prevents them from reading or hold the printed page. NLS circulates books and magazines in braille or audio formats, delivered by postage-free mail or instantly downloadable.

Weblink: <https://www.loc.gov/nls/>

**NC Association for the Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired**

Description: NC Association for the Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired (NCAER) is 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.

Weblink: <http://ncaer.net/>

**NC Center for the Blind**

Description: NC Center for the Blind is a nonprofit that exists to educate and empower the blind and visually impaired by providing a safe haven of support, assistive technology resource, independent living skills, training, and equipping the clients to reach personal goals to obtain independence and a thriving life.

Weblink: <https://www.theblindcenter.org/>

**NC Central University Visual Impairment Teacher Training Program**

Description: NC Central University Visual Impairment Teacher Training Program (VITP) prepares professionals to serve the needs of children and adults with visual impairments. The VITP is a distance education program with courses offered through on-line study, and on-campus weekend and summer work allowing students to continue working during the school year.

Weblink: <http://www.nccu.edu/soe/vitp.cfm>

**NC Council of the Blind (NCCB)**

Description: NC Council of the Blind fights for the equal and fair treatment in the workforce for blind employees, as they are just another productive citizen.

Weblink: <https://nccbinfo.org/>

**NC DHHS**

Description: NC DHHS manages the delivery of health-and-human-related services for all North Carolinians, especially children, elderly, disabled and low-income families. The department works closely with health care professionals, community leaders and advocacy groups; local, state, and federal entities; and many other stakeholders.

Weblink: <https://www.ncdhhs.gov/>

**NC Federation of the Blind**

Description: NC Federation of the Blind is a network of blind members, coordinating many programs, services, and resources to defend the rights of blind Americans, provide information and support to blind children and adults, and build a community that creates a future full of opportunities.

Weblink: <https://nfb.org/>

**NC Postsecondary Education Alliance**

Description: NC Postsecondary Education Alliance focuses on expanding the options for postsecondary education for individuals with developmental disabilities throughout North Carolina.

Weblink: <http://www.cidd.unc.edu/psea/>

**NC Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped**

Description: NC Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NCLBPH) is a special public library that circulates books and magazines especially made for persons who cannot use regular printed material because of a visual or physical disability.

Weblink: <https://statelibrary.ncdcr.gov/lbph/>

**North Carolina Lions Camp Dogwood**

Description: Camp Dogwood or the blind and visually impaired has been a beacon of service to citizens from all over North Carolina. This summer destination provides a wonderful and therapeutic vacation retreat for persons with blindness and visual impairment.

Weblink: <https://nclionscampdogwood.org/>

**OrCam MyEye 2.0**

Description: OrCam’s mission is to harness the power of artificial vision by incorporating pioneering technology into a wearable platform which improves the lives of individuals who are blind, visually impaired, and have reading difficulties.

Weblink: <https://www.orcam.com/en/about/>

**Paths to Literacy**

Description: Paths to Literacy combines resources and expertise to help assist educators and families in the quest to provide literacy experiences for children who are blind or visually impaired. Provided information ranges from a basic overview of literacy to various stages of development and special challenges, as well as an exploration of different media.

Weblink: <http://www.pathstoliteracy.org/>

**Perkins School for the Blind**

Description: Perkins School for the Blind prepares children and young adults who are blind with the education, confidence and skills they need to realize their potential.

Weblink: <https://www.perkins.org/>

**Perkin eLearning**

Description: An online portal designed to provide resources and support to anyone, anywhere, in the field of blindness education. Perkins eLearning leverages our reputation as a teacher of teachers by offering high-quality webcasts and webinars on a variety of topics. We also provide professional development and graduate level credits to educators through online workshops. A recent grant from the Gates Foundation for Perkins eLearning is providing financial support for this critical sharing of resources.

Weblink: <https://www.perkinselearning.org>

**Prevent Blindness North Carolina**

Description: Prevent Blindness North Carolina is a nonprofit health agency that delivers direct service programs designed to preserve sign through screening, publications, safety, education, information and referral through volunteer efforts. Prevent Blindness North Carolina hopes to reach people before blindness strikes.

Weblink: <https://nc.preventblindness.org/>

**Raleigh Lions Clinic for the Blind (RLCB)**

Description: Raleigh Lions Clinic for the Blind is a private not-for-profit, self-sustaining manufacturer and Tele-Services provider. The RLCB provides people who are blind or visually impaired with employment and training, and that has to be at the forefront of any venture, project, or change.

Weblink: <https://www.rlcb.net/>

**Seedlings Braille Books for Children**

Description: Seedlings is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, tax-exempt organization dedicated to increasing the opportunity for literacy by providing high quality, free and low cost braille books for children.

Weblink: [http://www.seedlings.org/](http://www.seedlings.org/about.php)

**The Vision of Children Foundation**

Description: The Vision of Children Foundation (VOC) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. VOC seeks to cure hereditary childhood blindness and other vision disorders and to improve the lives of visually impaired individuals and their families.

Weblink: <https://www.visionofchildren.org/>

**Thriving Blind**

Description: Thriving Blind is a book written by Kristin Smedley to transform the idea of what is possible for people who encounter a devastating life event, as well as catapulting motivation to set extraordinary expectations for one’s own life. The book was inspired by her two sons who were diagnosed as blind at a young age as she decided to set extraordinary expectations of them, equipping them with tools and resources to navigate their world.

Weblink: <http://kristinsmedley.com/thriving-blind/>

**Through the Eyes of Joy**

Description: Through the Eyes of Joy began as a Facebook page created by Joy Ross. Joy Ross is a woman who is impacted by visual impairments and has dedicated her life to raising awareness about juvenile arthritis (JA). Through her Facebook page, Ross inspires others by showing her life, her struggles, as well as sharing information and encouragement for others who live with visual impairments.

Weblink: <https://www.facebook.com/throughtheeyesofjoy/>

**Triangle Radio Reading Service (TRRS)**

Description: The Triangle Radio Reading Service connects people who are blind and print impaired to each other, their communities, and families by delivering news, information, and entertainment using the latest audio technology.

Website: <http://www.trianglereadingservice.org/>

**Two Blind Brothers**

Description: Two Blind Brothers is a clothing line constructed and inspired by a special vigilance for details for those with visual impairments.

Weblink: <https://twoblindbrothers.com/>

**United States Association for Blind Athletes**

Description: United States Association for Blind Athletes empowers Americans who are blind and visually impaired to experience life-changing opportunities in sports, recreation and physical activities, thereby education and inspiring the nation.

Weblink: <https://www.usaba.org/>

**U.S. Paralympics**

Description: U.S. Paralympics is a division of the nonprofit United States Olympic Committee, dedicated to becoming the world leader in the Paralympic Movement and promoting excellence in the lives of people with Paralympic-eligible impairments, including physical disabilities and visual impairments.

Weblink: <https://www.teamusa.org/us-paralympics/>

**Vision Resource Center**

Description: The Vision Resource Center enhances the lives of adults and children living in the Cape Fear Region who are visually impaired by: advocating for their needs, identifying and sharing information about community resources, providing education, skill development and socialization opportunities.

Weblink: <https://www.visionresourcecentercc.org>

**Web Axe - Digital Accessibility Jobs**

Description: Web Axe is a blog about web accessibility. Their blog includes post about current digital accessibility job listings.

Weblink: <http://www.webaxe.org>

**Wonderbaby.org**

Description: Wonderbaby.org is dedicated to helping parents of young children with visual impairments as well as children with multiple disabilities. The website includes a database of articles written by parents who want to share with others what they’ve learned about playing with and teaching a blind child, as well as links to meaningful resources and ways to connect with other families.

Weblink: [http://www.wonderbaby.org/](http://www.wonderbaby.org/about)

# Apps with Accessibility

**Able Road**

Description: AbleRoad connects people with accessible businesses, allowing you to locate, rate and review them. AbleRoad provides details of their level of accessibility for people with sensory and physical disabilities.

Weblink: <https://www.facebook.com/AbleRoadAccess/>

**AccessNote (Free)**

Description: AccessNote is the official iOS notetaker from the American Foundation for the Blind. AccessNote is the first notetaker for the iOS platform designed particularly for VoiceOver users looking for a highly efficient, feature-rich note taking experience.

Weblink: [https://www.iaccessibility.com/apps/](https://www.iaccessibility.com/apps/low-vision/index.cgi/product?ID=4)

**Aipoly Vision**

Description: Aipoly Vision is an object and color recognizer that uses artificial intelligence to help people with a visual impairment to understand their surroundings. Simply point your phone at the object of interest and press any of the recognition buttons at the bottom of the screen.

Weblink: <https://www.aipoly.com/>

**Aira – Visual Info on Demand**

Description: Aira is a service that connects blind and low-vision people to highly trained, remotely located agents. Through an app on your smartphone, or through an optional pair of Horizon Smart Glasses, Aira delivers instant access to visual information at the touch of a button – enhancing everyday efficiency, engagement, and independence. Aira is a free app, but also offers a variety of subscription plans with additional features.

Weblink: <https://aira.io/how-it-works>

**Aira Vision Sim**

Description: Aira made an educational app to learn about different types of eye diseases. The app simulates the most common eye diseases by using the camera and overlaying filters.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/aira-vision-sim/id1276859786)

**Alarmed**

Description: Alarmed is an app that helps the visually impaired to stay organized. Alarmed is a VoiceOver friendly app providing reminders, timers, and an alarm clock.

Weblink: N/A

**ALL ACCESS: SCAN LOGOS, PHOTOS % QR CODES to Access Menus & REVEAL A DEAL Coupons by AllAccess.US**

Description: scan logos & now photos, to access talking menus, reveal a deal® coupons & discounts, tickets, directions & more! You can scan QR Codes or ACTUAL LOGOS! Or browse for local businesses by name or category! The app has access to over a million menus & thousands of logos!

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/all-access-scan-logos-photos-qr-codes-to-access-menus/id633106012)

**Ariadne GPS**

Description: Ariadne GPS is a new app that brilliantly meets the needs of the blind in an easy to use interface. Talking maps allow you to explore the world around you by moving your finger around the map. While exploring, crossing a street is signaled by vibration. It has a favorites feature and can be used to announce stops on the bus or train.

Weblink: <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/ariadne-gps/id441063072>

**Audible**

Description: Welcome to Audible, an Amazon company. Home of the world’s largest selection of audiobooks, audio shows, and original series.

Weblink: <http://audible.com>

**Awareness! The Headphone App**

Description: Awareness allows you to listen to your headphone while also hearing the sounds around you. It uses the microphone to feed in noises as you listen to music or use another app.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/awareness-the-headphone-app](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/awareness-the-headphone-app/id389245456)

**Bamboo Paper**

Description: Turn your iPad into a paper notebook and capture your ideas everywhere, anytime. Taking notes, sketching, and drawing is as straightforward and simple as using real pen and paper.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/bamboo-paper/id443131313)

**BARD and BARD Mobile Apps**

Description: BARD, the Braille and Audio Reading Download from the National Library Service for the Blind and Print Disabled (NLS), is a web-based service that provides access to thousands of special-format books, magazines, and music scores. BARD is password-protected, and all files are in an electronic downloadable form of compressed audio or formatted braille. All active NLS patrons with an email account are eligible for BARD service. NLS patrons may visit nlsbard.loc.gov and follow the link to “[BARD application instructions](https://nlsbard.loc.gov/NLS/ApplicationInstructions.html)” to complete an online application. Available to both iOS and Android users.

Weblink: [https://www.loc.gov/nls/](https://www.loc.gov/nls/about/services/braille-audio-reading-download-bard/)

**Be My Eyes**

Description: Be My Eyes is a free mobile app with one main goal: to make the world more accessible for blind and low-vision people. The app connects blind and low-vision individuals with sighted volunteers and companies from all over the world through live video call.

Weblink: <https://www.bemyeyes.com/>

**BeSpecular**

Description: BeSpecular matches sighted volunteers with visually impaired users. The visually impaired person takes a photo of what he or she needs help with and attaches a voice message, which is sent to a community of volunteers. Within minutes, the user receives a reply.

Weblink: <https://www.bespecular.com/>

**BigMagnify Free – Zooming Magnifier and Mirror with Flashlight**

Description: Turn your iPhone/iPad into a state-of-the-art magnifying glass! BigMagnify is the most advanced magnifying glass app available, offering cutting-edge features while being simple to use.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/bigmagnify-free-zooming-magnifier-mirror-flashlight/id393247466)

**Blind Abilities**

Description: Blind Abilities pulls together podcasts and blogs dealing with accessibility and technologies and products for people with sight loss. They interview developers, users and advocates in the world of visual impairment and share experiences and offer advice when needed.

Weblink: <https://www.blindabilities.com/>

**Blind Bargains**

Description: Blind Bargains is a great source for the latest deals and news for the visually impaired community. Browse the latest deals and read articles, news, and listen to podcasts.

Weblink: <https://www.blindbargains.com/>

**Blindfold Greeting Card**

Description: Blindfold Greeting Card is an e-card app for sending audio cards to your friends and family.

Weblink: <https://www.blindfoldgames.org/card>

**BlindSquare**

Description: BlindSquare is an accessible GPS app, which describes the environment, announces points of interest, streets and user specified points as you travel. Once BlindSquare has determined your location using your phone’s GPS, it will look up information about your surroundings.

Weblink: <https://www.blindsquare.com>

**CamFind**

Description: CamFind allows you to do an online search by simply taking a photo of an object – the app then uses mobile visual search technology to tell you what it is. It provides fast results with no typing necessary. Snap a picture and learn more.

Weblink: <https://camfindapp.com>

**Capti Voice**

Description: Capti Voice is a personalized reading support tool that uses a number of innovative reading supports that use Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence, and Natural Language Processing, including adaptive vocabulary games, contextual translation, language detection, etc.

Weblink: <https://www.captivoice.com/capti-site/>

**Claro MagX**

Description: Claro MagX turns your iPhone, iPod Touch or iPad into a powerful high definition visual magnifier. MagX makes small items look bigger. Make small text in books and newspapers readable, study and photograph small objects and labels, see menus in the dimly lit restaurant. The wide range of magnification, high contrast and color viewing options makes the text easier on your eyes.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/claro-magx/id653398060)

**Claro ScanPen Premium**

Description: Need to listen to printed text spoken aloud - at school, in a test or exam, at work or at home? Use Claro ScanPen to photo your printed text document, letter, test paper - then select the text with your finger (or stylus), and hear it spoken straight back to you. Instantly! No internet connection required. Claro ScanPen Premium is free, but there is an advanced version of the app, Claro ScanPen, available for $9.99.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/claro-scanpen-premium/id1261399270)

**ClaroPDF**

Description: ClaroPDF is a professional and user-friendly PDF viewer, reader and annotator. Annotate, mark up and save PDF files which are then still fully compatible with Adobe Reader and other popular PDF apps. ClaroPDF is free, but there is an advanced version of the app, ClaroPDF Pro, available for $9.99.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/claropdf/id666770153)

**ClaroSpeak**

Description: ClaroSpeak is a high-quality text-to-speech reader capable of speaking any accessible text with a range of human-sounding high-quality voices. ClaroSpeak offers the option of visual highlighting in-sync with the spoken words, a great range of color and font settings to allow for optimum reading, and word prediction to help with writing. ClaroSpeak is free, but there is an advanced version of the app, ClaroSpeak Plus, available for $9.99.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/clarospeak/id977258467)

**Color ID Free**

Description: Color Identifier is a useful app for the blind and visually impaired by using the camera on your phone to speak the names of colors in real-time.

Weblink: <https://color-id-free.soft112.com>

**DCMP**

Description: Instantly watch streamed educational videos from the Described and Captioned Media Program's vast library of accessible content! The DCMP has over 7,000 streaming educational videos featuring captions and/or descriptions for students who are deaf, hard of hearing, blind, visually impaired, or deaf-blind. Our library is available \*\*free of charge\*\* to qualifying students and their teachers, parents, and other professionals serving them. If you do not have an account, registration is free and simple! Just visit https://dcmp.org/signup and fill out an application. Once approved, you'll have access to thousands of full-length educational videos licensed from hundreds of quality producers.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/dcmp/id925783199)

**Digit–Eyes**

Description: Digit-Eyes reads manufacturer’s barcodes and tells you the product name. In some cases, it will give you a full description, usage instructions and ingredients. You can also record your own audio labels or make text labels that are read aloud by your phone.

Weblink: <https://digit-eyes.com/>

**Dragon Anywhere**

Description: Dictate documents of any length, easily edit and adjust formatting and quickly share them on the most popular cloud-sharing services directly from your iOS or Android smartphone or tablet.

Weblink: <https://www.nuance.com/dragon/dragon-anywhere.html>

**Envision AI**

Description: Envision is the fastest, most reliable and up-to-date app that verbally translates the visual world into spoken words, helping blind and visually impaired people to lead more independent lives. Using a phone camera, smart artificial intelligence and OCR, Envision is designed and tested with input and support from the visually impaired community. Read text in over 60 languages, use the magnifier, scan barcodes or your environment and so much more. Available to Android and iOS devices.

Weblink: [https://www.letsenvision.com](https://www.letsenvision.com/)

**Evernote**

Description: App that allows users to take notes, capture photos, create to-do lists, record voice reminders and make these notes completely searchable. Basic storage is free, but a larger storage will require a subscription.

Weblink: <https://evernote.com>

**Eye-D**

Description: Eye-D helps visually impaired be location aware, explore and navigate to nearby places of interest, evaluate surroundings with their smartphone camera and read printed text. Eye-D will serve as the true companion for most of your daily assistance needs. Eye-D is free, but the company also offers a paid Eye-D Pro version.
Weblink: <https://eye-d.in>

**EyeNote**

Description: EyeNote is a mobile device application to denominate Federal Reserve Notes (U.S. paper currency) as an aid for the blind or visually impaired to increase accessibility. Users can have the denomination of a note scanned and communicated back to the user.

Weblink: <https://www.eyenote.gov>

**Flesky**

Description: Flesky is a free app that allows both visually impaired and users with sight to type on a phone screen without the need to look. The app’s predicative-text algorithms can detect the word the user intended to enter.

Weblink: <https://www.fleksy.com/fleksyapps/>

**Glimpse – AR Visual Aid**

Description: Glimpse is an application using machine learning to offer the visually impaired and blind community a ‘glimpse’ into the world around them. Glimpse narrates the environment for the visually impaired by recognizing objects, speaking them out loud, and measuring distance from contact in order to help the blind community see the world and navigate spaces.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/glimpse-ar-visual-aid/id1311012359)

**HeyTell**

Description: HeyTell is the ultimate cross between walkie-talkies and texting. The app connects to people in your contacts list and sends an email or text asking them if they want to communicate with you. Once they accept, all that you need to do is press a button and speak. Once you release the button your voice message is sent.

Weblink: <https://heytell.com/>

**HIMS Chat**

Description: HIMS Chat, provided by HIMS, Inc., is an application designed to facilitate face-to-face communication between a Deaf-Blind person and a sighted person via Bluetooth connectivity between an iPhone, iPod, or iPad, and a HIMS Braille Sense notetaker (Braille Sense U2, Braille Sense U2 QWERTY, Braille Sense OnHand) or Braille EDGE 40.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/hims-chat/id577383992)

**iDentifi**

Description: iDentifi is an app that uses artificial intelligence to enable a visually impaired user to click a photo and get an instant description. It’s able to recognize objects, brands, colours, facial expressions, handwriting and text, and delivers an audible description of the image’s contents to the user.

Weblink: <https://getidentifi.com/>

**iYomube**

Description: App for visually impaired users that reads aloud signs and written print using Apple's existing VoiceOver technology and camera feature. Currently cost $29.99.

Weblink: [http://www.amedia.co.](http://www.amedia.co.jp/english/product/iphone/iyomube/index.html) or [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/iyomube/id774360278)

**KNFB Reader**

Description: KNFB Reader app coverts any text or speech or Braille instantly and accurately. Its text-to-speech and text-highlighting tools make it valuable for blind, low-vision, dyslexic, and other print-disabled users.

Weblink: <https://knfbreader.com/>

**Light Detector**

Description: Light Detector transforms any natural or artificial light source it encounters into sound. You will hear a higher or lower sound depending on the intensity of the light, enabling you to understand where light fixtures and windows are in a room.

Weblink: <http://www.everywaretechnologies.com/apps/lightdetector>

**LookTel Money Reader**

Description: LookTel Money Reader instantly recognizes currency and speaks the denomination, enabling people experiencing visual impairments or blindness to quickly and easily identify and count bills.

Weblink: <http://www.looktel.com/moneyreader>

**LowViz Guide – Indoor Navigation**

Description: App that uses voice activation to enable users to find their way around large meeting spaces and to always take shortest routes. Features include indoor positioning and presence detection, navigation and routing, location sharing, and location-based communication. User is guided by a combination of positioning algorithms, Bluetooth low-energy beacons, and a free mobile app on a smart phone.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/lowviz-guide-indoor-navigation/id987917857)

**Magnifying Glass with Light**

Description: Magnifying Glass with Light enables the user to very simply magnify text or objects up to 10x. The simple features all work well with VoiceOver and it’s great for someone with a low-level visual impairment for things like reading menus or receipts.

Weblink: N/A

**MBraille**

Description: MBraille is the most versatile Braille keyboard for your iOS or Android device.

Weblink: <https://mpaja.com>

**MD\_evReader**

Description: A free app, which has been developed to help people with a central vision loss read. The app is designed for those people who use Eccentric Viewing (EV) and/or steady eye strategies for reading. It presents text from eBooks in a scrolling stream across the screen, in a similar way to a new ticker or a display board on a train.

Weblink: <https://www.macularsociety.org/>

**Microsoft Soundscape**

Description: Microsoft Soundscape uses 3D audio technology to enhance your awareness of what is around you, and thereby help you get around and explore your surroundings. Soundscape will place audio cues and labels in 3D space such that they sound like they are coming from the direction of the points of interest, parks, roads and other features in your surroundings.

Weblink: [https://www.microsoft.com/](https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/research/product/soundscape/)

**Microsoft To Do**

Description: Microsoft To-Do is a cloud-based task management application. It allows users to plan and manage their tasks from a smartphone, tablet and computer. This app is accessible with screen reader.

Weblink: [https://products.office.com/](https://products.office.com/en-us/microsoft-to-do-list-app?rtc=1)

**Nearby Explorer**

Description: Nearby Explorer combines GPS navigation, turn-by-turn directions in pedestrian and vehicle modes, points of interest, and transit data. Using licensed maps, public data sources, and software developed in-house at APH, Nearby Explorer offers an unusual level of flexibility with a focus on the needs of blind travelers. Nearby Explorer is the premium version of the app and currently cost $79.99. The free version is listed below.

Weblink: [https://www.iaccessibility.com/](https://www.iaccessibility.com/apps/low-vision/index.cgi/product?ID=318)

**Nearby Explorer Online**

Description: Nearby Explorer Online is a free outdoor and indoor location app designed for use by people who are blind

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/nearby-explorer-online/id1095699328)

**NFB Connect**

Description: Put the power and inspiration of the nation's largest organization of blind people in your pocket. Get up to date on the latest Federation news. Read posts from our blog, the Voice of the Nation's Blind. Listen to the Nation's Blind podcast, the Presidential Release (in English or Spanish), the Braille Monitor, and Future Reflections.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/nfb-connect/id968434124)

**OverDrive: eBooks & audiobooks**

Description: Borrow eBooks, audiobooks, and streaming video from your library using OverDrive on your iPad, iPhone, and iPod touch. More than 30,000 libraries worldwide offer titles from OverDrive.

Weblink: [https://help.overdrive.com/](https://help.overdrive.com/en-us/categories/overdrive-app.htm)

**PocketBraille**

Description: PocketBraille for Android lets users learn different Braille symbols including the alphabet numbers, punctuation, and all contraction characters. Users can also use a Braille display with Talkback and BrailleBack to feel the symbols that are spoken and displayed on the phone's screen.

Weblink: [https://play.google.com/store/apps/](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=net.iaccessibility.pocketBraille&hl=en_US&fbclid=IwAR3Afy7rEvWYoS6g7I29XeQtyts9SZGQMwwHbON55-cHHKg7xdKC3Z9STO4)

**PocketBraille Reference**

Description: PocketBraille Reference allows its user to look at several different Braille tables. These tables include the alphabet, numbers, and punctuation. These tables also make up the Literary Braille section of the application. PocketBraille Reference also gives users a summary of the history of the Braille code. PocketBraille Reference also is compatible with all VoiceOver compatible refreshable Braille displays for visual and tactile training.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/pocketbraille-reference/id439153034)

**Prizmo**

Description: Prizmo is a photo-based scanner app that lets you scan and recognize text documents, business cards, and images, and then export them as PDF/Text, vCard, or JPEG/PNG. It supports multiple documents, has loads of great features and works really well with VoiceOver.

Weblink: <https://creaceed.com/iprizmo>

**Scribd**

Description: Join the millions of readers who turn to Scribd’s digital library to access an unlimited\* number of audiobooks, eBooks, magazine articles, sheet music selections, and research documents.

Weblink: <https://www.scribd.com>

**Seeing AI**

Description: Seeing AI is a free app that narrates the world around you. Designed for the blind and low vision community, this ongoing research project harnesses the power of AI to open up the visual world and describe nearby people, text and objects.

Weblink: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/seeing-ai/id999062298?mt=8>

**Sero (formerly iBlink Radio)**

Description: The Sero application, formerly known as iBlink Radio, is the world's first application for the visually impaired for the iPhone, iPod touch, and iPad! Radio stations, podcasts and reading services of special interest to blind and visually impaired persons; as well as their friends, family, caregivers and those wanting to know what life is like without eyesight.

Weblink: <http://www.serotek.com/sero>

**Station Alert UK**

Description: Station Alert UK helps those who are blind or visually impaired know when to get off the train. The Station Alert UK app allows you to select your stations and save them as favorites. It will then alert you at whatever distance from the station you have selected, so you can sit back and relax.

Weblink: N/A

**Talking Goggles – a camera with speech (free)**

Description: An app that can recognize images and speaks out what it finds. Recognizes almost any image within seconds--logos, landmarks, books, products, artwork, text and more. Shows the description of the image and speaks it out using the correct accent of the selected language. A premium version is available for $0.99.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/talking-goggles-a-camera-with-speech-free/id623187517)

**Talking Tuner**

Description: Hands-off, sound-activated, talking musical instrument tuner. It talks to tell you if you are in tune or not, so you don't even have to look at it. Uses built-in speech synthesis, so does not require that VoiceOver be enabled. Can assist in tuning a musical instrument without requiring user to look at or touch the iPhone's display. With the Auto-Speak switch turned on, Talking Tuner will listen for a note to be played, and then, after waiting for the end of the sound, will speak the note name, and how many cents sharp or flat the end of the note is estimated to be. Using headphones may help make it easier to hear what this app is saying while tuning. Currently $0.99.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/talking-tuner/id421065079)

**TapTapSee**

Description: TapTapSee is a mobile camera application designed specifically for blind and visually impaired users. TapTapSee utilizes your device’s camera and VoiceOver functions to take a picture or video of anything and identify it out loud for you.

Weblink: <https://taptapseeapp.com/>

**TextGrabber 6 — Real-Time OCR**

Description: When you point a camera at printed text, TextGrabber instantly captures information and recognizes it without connecting to the Internet. TextGrabber easily and quickly digitizes fragments of printed text, reads QR codes and turns the recognized result into actions: call, write, translate into 100+ languages, search in the Internet or on maps, create events on the calendar, edit, voice and share in any convenient way.

Weblink: <https://www.textgrabber.pro/en/>

**The Talking Calculator**

Description: The Talking Calculator is a calculator app that speaks button names, numbers, and answers aloud. Users can also use voice commands to record their own voice and make calculations. The app also features display modes such as low contrast and high contrast, allowing the visually impaired to adjust the settings to their preference.

Weblink: N/A

**Transit Navigation**

Description: Transit app provides public transportation navigation for your iPhone/iPad. Transit is very easy to use. No worry on when and where to take a bus, train to your destination. This app provides all the information you need for the route, such as arrival time for a specific bus, and names of each bus stop on the route, and even the number of stops for a specific bus ride.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/transit-navigation/id561866269)

**ViA (Visually Impaired Apps)**

Description: ViA is an app designed to help identify apps that are useful for adults and children who are blind or have low vision, including those with additional disabilities. Users can easily sort through like 500,000+ apps in the App Store and locate those that were built specifically for, or provide functionality to, the user with a visual impairment.

Weblink: <https://www.iaccessibility.com/apps/blind/index.cgi/product?ID=63>

**Visible Braille**

Description: Visible Braille is an app for self-paced braille instruction. This app is great for those who want to learn braille or simply translate text to braille.

Weblink: N/A

**VisionAssist**

Description: A new category of handheld electronic magnifier that utilizes your mobile device. It is designed to help people who are visually impaired with Low Vision conditions including AMD (age related macular degeneration), Glaucoma, Diabetic Retinopathy, Cataracts and color blindness.

Weblink: <https://visionassist.slinkyware.com>

**VisionSim℠**

Description: Braille Institute’s VisionSim℠ free app for iOS and Android devices was developed to allow people with healthy vision to experience the world through the eyes of a person experiencing one of nine degenerative eye diseases. This includes macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy, glaucoma and cataracts.

Weblink: [https://www.brailleinstitute.org](https://www.brailleinstitute.org/technology-for-vision-impaired/mobile-applications)

**Visual Brailler**

Description: Visual Brailler is the simple braille editor. The app is a braille writer for your iPad, and it has a place in every braille transcriber’s toolbox.

Weblink: N/A

**VisWiz**

Description: VizWiz lets blind users recruit remote sighted workers to help them with visual problems in nearly real-time. Users take a picture with their phone, speak a question, and then receive multiple spoken answers.

Weblink: [http://iaccessibility.com/apps/](http://iaccessibility.com/apps/low-vision/index.cgi/product?ID=65)

**Voice Dream Reader**

Description: Text-to-speech app with a configurable screen layout. Supports reading PDF and Word documents, DRM-free EPUB and DAISY eBooks, web pages and more. Directly integrated with Bookshare, Dropbox, G-Drive, Evernote, Pocket, Instapaper, and Gutenberg. Thirty-six built-in iOS voices are available for free (iOS 7) and 146 premium voices from Acapela, NeoSpeech and Ivona in 24 languages available through in-app purchase. Currently $14.99.

Weblink: <https://www.voicedream.com/reader/>

**Voice Dream Writer**

Description: Voice Dream Writer helps everyone write better: Text-to-speech proofreading reduces mistakes, phonetic and meaning search help you use the right words, and an active outline helps you organize and improve the structure of your writing. There are special tools for VoiceOver users to manage the cursor, select text, and find and correct misspelled words by stepping through them. Currently $9.99.

Weblink: <https://www.voicedream.com/writer/>

**VO Starter**

Description: VO Starter is the first app to offer blind and visually impaired iOS users training on the built-in screen reader, VoiceOver. For more information, visit our web site at [www.iaccessibility.net](http://www.iaccessibility.net/).

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/vo-starter/id586844936)

**WeatherBug – Weather Forecast**

Description: Weather app that offers some level of support with VoiceOver. Offers up-to-date weather reports and a forecast for the next 24 hours or the next week. Also provides information on barometric pressure, dew point and humidity. WeatherBug is free, but there is a premium version of the app, WeatherBug Elite, available for $19.99.

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/weatherbug-weather-forecast/id281940292)

**YouDescribe**

Description: Seeks describers and viewers. The YouDescribe app gives blind and visually-impaired viewers convenient mobile access to a rapidly growing collection of YouTube videos with audio description -- an extra soundtrack added by a describer to tell the viewer about text, illustrations, setting, gestures and facial expressions that are otherwise not accessible to blind viewers, or to otherwise aid viewers who benefit from additional description to understand the video content..

Weblink: [https://apps.apple.com/us/app/youdescribe/](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/youdescribe/id1177344886?fbclid=IwAR1Z44Zp875CRwkfknA8vLN0wzFS92yAkyKLEqAIU8JXuMtrn_XIIbhuh9U)

# Blogs

**AFB Blog**

Description: American Foundation for the Blind offers a variety of blog topics including Helen Keller, In the News, Public Policy, Personal Reflections, Technology, Assistive Technology, Web Accessibility, Education, Getting Around, Social Life and Recreation, Employment, Arts and Leisure, Conference Recaps, Reading, and Sports.

Weblink: <https://www.afb.org/blog>

**Braille Works Blog**

Description: Braille Works is one of the nation’s leading providers of reading materials for people who are blind, visually impaired or reading impaired. Blog categories include Accessibility, Banking, Government, Health and Wellness, International, News and Events, Offbeat, Opinion, Restaurants, Technology, and Uncategorized.

Weblink: <https://brailleworks.com/blog/>

**CareerConnect Blog**

Description: AFB CareerConnect® is an employment information resource developed by the American Foundation for the Blind for job seekers who are blind or visually impaired. The CareerConnect Blog focuses on employment issues for people who are blind or visually impaired, as well as sharing stories from mentors and other blind people who have found career success.

Weblink: [https://aphcareerconnect.org/](https://aphcareerconnect.org/info/living-with-vision-loss/for-job-seekers/12)

**FamilyConnect: A Parent’s Voice**

Description: This blog is for you—parents of children with visual impairments. We talk about what it's like to be a parent, how to advocate for your child, what new resources we've found, and much more. FamilyConnect also periodically invites experts in all different aspects of raising a visually impaired child to make themselves available to answer your questions.

Weblink: [https://www.familyconnect.org/blog/](https://www.familyconnect.org/blog/familyconnect-a-parents-voice/1)

**Paths to Literacy**

Description: This blog includes original content, as well as links to other sites and resources available on the web. Blog categories include Auditory Strategies, Braille, CVI, Deafblind, Dual Media, Emergent Literacy, English Language Learners, General Literacy, earning Media Assessment, Math Literacy, Multiple Disabilities, Orientation and Mobility, Print, Struggling Readers, and Writing.

Weblink: <http://www.pathstoliteracy.org/blog>

**Perkins School for the Blind eLearning**

Description: Blog topics include Adapted Physical Education, Career Education, math, Earth & Space Science, Independent Living, Science, Engineering & Technology, The Arts, Assessment, Life Science, Assistive Technology, Physical Science, Behavior, Best Practices, Common Core/Curriculum, Communication, Concept Development, CVI, Deafblindness, Early Childhood, Expanded Core Curriculum, Families, General Teaching Tips, International, Literacy and Braille, Motor Skills, Multiple Disabilities, Orientation and Mobility, Recreation & Leisure, Social Skills, Social Studies, Stem, Transition, Visual Impairments and Blindness, and Young Adults Through Seniors.

Weblink: <https://www.perkinselearning.org/blog>

**Raising a Child Who Is Blind and…**

Description: A mother of three shares her story. “I am the mother of three and my middle child, Eddie, is officially the "Special Needs Child." Here is my blog to share the joy and pain of having such a unique child.”- Emily Coleman

Weblink: [https://www.familyconnect.org/blog/](https://www.familyconnect.org/blog/raising-a-child-who-is-blind-and/1)

**VisionAware**

Description: For those recently diagnosed with vision loss and their families, VisionAware's blogs cover personal perspectives and responses to vision loss, daily living techniques and helpful products, breaking news on eye conditions and treatments, new resources and organizations, and more. VisionAware has a number of blogs on its home page including: “VisionAware Blog,” “Visually Impaired: Now What?,” “CareerConnect Blog,” “FamilyConnect: A Parent’s Voice,” and “Raising a Child Who Is Blind and …”.

Weblink: <https://www.visionaware.org/blog.aspx>

**VisionAware Blog**

Description: Published by VisionAware. Timely news and interviews relating to vision loss, including the latest updates in medical research. Blog topics include Readers Want to Know, Getting Around, Technology, Health, Helpful Products, Home Modification, Holidays, Assistive Technology, Reading, Retinitis Pigmentosa, Gene Therapy, Social Life and Recreation, Diabetes and Diabetic Retinopathy, Low Vision, and Macular Degeneration.

Weblink: <https://www.visionaware.org/blog/visionaware-blog/1>

**Visually Impaired: Now What?**

Description: Published by VisionAware. The posts are written by our team of peer advisors, many of whom are professionals in the field who are blind or visually impaired. The blog features solutions for living with visual impairment resulting from eye conditions such as macular degeneration, glaucoma, diabetic retinopathy, and retinitis pigmentosa. It includes posts about living independently, getting around, low vision, technology, cooking, and helpful products. Blog topics include Self-Advocacy, Independence, Social Life and Recreation, Getting Around, Health, Caregiving, Reading, Holidays, Helpful Products, Personal Reflections, Low Vision, Arts and Leisure, Home Modification, Disability, and Employment.

Weblink: [https://www.visionaware.org/blog/](https://www.visionaware.org/blog/visually-impaired-now-what/1)

**Voice of the Nation’s Blind Blog**

Description: Various blog post published by the National Federation of the Blind.

Weblink: <https://www.nfb.org/blog>

**WonderBaby.org**

Description: WonderBaby.org is a project funded by Perkins School for the Blind and is dedicated to helping parents of young children with visual impairments as well as multiple disabilities. Here you’ll find a database of articles written by parents who want to share with others what they’ve learned about playing with and teaching a blind child, as well as links to meaningful resources and ways to connect with other families.

Weblink: <http://www.wonderbaby.org>

# Games and Activities

**Bananagrams**

Description: Accessible, fast-paced fun for everyone! In Bananagrams, players race against each other to build crossword grids and use all their letter tiles. There's no turn-taking - it all happens at once and it's a race to the finish. No matter how old you are and how many anagram games you've played, Bananagrams is sure to drive you absolutely bananas - in the best possible way! Plus, in this modified version, tiles also have raised/tactile Braille markings, so the blind as well as those with low vision can enjoy the game.

Weblink: <https://www.maxiaids.com/bananagrams-word-game-with-braille-tiles>

**Braille Bug**

Description: Braille Bug is a website by the American Foundation for the Blind (AFB). The information, activities, and games found on the Braille Bug website are designed to teach children who are typically sighted about braille. Children who are blind or visually impaired also enjoy Braille Bug web activities along with their sighted classmates by using adaptive technologies.

Weblink: [http://braillebug.org/Games](http://braillebug.org/Games.asp)

**Braille Monopoly**

Description: Braille Monopoly was an obvious choice for number one. It is a classic game that is multi-generational. All of the properties and spaces are in large type and accompanied by braille. All of the cards are in braille and large print. The dice and money notes as well, are in braille.

Weblink: <https://www.maxiaids.com/braille-and-low-vision-monopoly>

**Braille Playing Cards**

Description: As opposed to many playing cards for blind players that are brailled in 2 corners, these Braille Playing Cards are brailled with the suit and card number in one corner only. They are a great choice for the blind or low vision card player who may prefer a more discreet card.

Weblink: <https://www.maxiaids.com/braille-playing-cards-brailled-one-corner-only>

**LEGO® Braille Bricks**

Description: LEGO® Braille Bricks is a playful tool to teach Braille to blind and visually impaired children. The toolkit comprises of adjusted LEGO bricks that correspond to Braille. Each colorful brick has a printed letter or symbol allowing the sighted and blind to interact and play on equal terms.

Weblink: <https://www.legobraillebricks.com>

**Uno Braille**

Description: Mattel and the National Federation of the Blind have partnered together to create a Braille edition of UNO®, the iconic family card game. UNO® has always prided itself on being a card game for everyone, but often blind and low-vision people found it difficult to participate. Now, with easily readable Braille dots on every card, blind and low-vision players can participate in the fun. All players call out the cards they play during the game, and blind players may touch the discard pile to verify the card in play or call for a “Card Check” to determine how many cards are in each player’s hands. It all adds up to an inclusive experience for everyone!

Weblink: <https://www.mattelgames.com/en-us/uno-braille>

# Podcast

**All Cool Blind Tech Shows**

Description: Cool Blind Tech strives for universal design of products, environments, programmers and services to be usable by all people, to the greatest extent possible, without the need for adaptation or specialized design, not excluding assistive devices for particular groups of individuals with disabilities where this is needed. The Cool Blind Tech Team endeavors in maximizing the independence, productivity and participation of the blind and low vision community, to empower the blindness community through the acquisition and enhancement of skills in using adaptive technologies.

Weblink: [https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/](https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/all-cool-blind-tech-shows/id618708871)

**BBC**

Description: News, views and information for people who are blind or partially sighted.

Weblink: [https://www.bbc.co.uk/](https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006qxww/episodes/downloads)

**Blind Abilities**

Description: The most comprehensive resource for Assistive Technology, Accessible Devices, Blind and Low Vision Technology, iPhone demonstrations, success Stories, Job Insights, College and Career Pathways and all with a Blindness Perspective.

Weblink: <https://blindabilities.com>

**Blind Bargains**

Description: The Blind Bargains podcast discusses the biggest names, latest news, and insights from the field of blindness. The hosts, who are both visually impaired, use humor and personal insight into how the products work, and ways they use them. It features interviews, demonstrations and commentary from experts in the field.

Weblink: [https://player.fm/series/](https://player.fm/series/blind-bargains-audio-featuring-the-bb-qast-technology-news-interviews-and-more-1414529)

**FSCast #173**

Description: A podcast episode talking about software updates and the Formatting Word Documents book.

Weblink: [https://hwcdn.libsyn.com/](https://hwcdn.libsyn.com/p/e/f/7/ef7ccf2d2691d796/FSCast173-August2019.mp3?c_id=48840419&cs_id=48840419&destination_id=699950&expiration=1569862998&hwt=70218a0e77c169e89c1618ee50aed55a)

**Eyes on Success**

Description: A half-hour weekly radio program and podcast discusses products, services and daily living tips for people with vision loss. It is available through radio reading services across the US and Canada, via 3 internet streaming services, and to everybody else as a podcast. Each episode is basically a success story. Some are human stories of visually impaired people's accomplishments in academics, employment, sports or pastimes. Others are descriptions of adaptive aids that enable visually impaired people to achieve things. These include screen readers, magnifiers, navigation aids, and others. In all cases, the focus is on success.

Weblink: <https://www.eyesonsuccess.net>

**iSee – Using various technologies from a blind person’s perspective.**

Description: Apple Accessibility for the Blind and or low vision by David Woodbridge.

Weblink: [https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/](https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/isee-using-various-technologies-from-blind-persons/id423121261)

**RNIB Connect Radio – Tech talk**

Description: Tech Talk is a podcast and radio show for blind and partially sighted people who are interested in accessible technology. Find out about the latest products from specialist equipment to off the shelf solutions.

Weblink: <https://player.fm/series/rnib-tech-talk>

**The Blind Tech Show**

Description: Providing insights and professional opinions on the latest in accessible technology and bringing you the latest news and updates with a Blindness perspective and a hint of humor as well.

Weblink: [https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/](https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/that-blind-tech-show/id1434628447)

**The Nation’s Blind Podcast**

Description: The Nation's Blind Podcast highlights different themes related to blindness, independent living, and news from the National Federation of the Blind. The *Blind Parents Connection Podcast* is a Blind Parent Education Initiative supported by the Gibney Family Foundation and brought to you by National Federation of the Blind. We are excited to bring you eleven episodes throughout 2019. Subscribe and listen by searching for "Nation's Blind Podcast" in your podcast client.

Weblink: [https://www.nfb.org/](https://www.nfb.org/resources/publications-and-media/nations-blind-podcast)

# Videos and Webinars

**HIMS Inc.**

Description: HIMS Inc. shares a number of webinars on new technology, how-to videos, and many other topics related to low vision and blindness. Past webinars include a link to the recorded sessions on YouTube and PowerPoint Slides.

Weblink: <https://www.hims-inc.com/webinar/>

**Perkins School for the Blind eLearning**

Description: Whether you’re a parent of a child who is visually impaired or a teacher of students with multiple disabilities, our free video presentations will inspire and inform you. Use our advanced search options to browse topics. Watch and Learn topics include: Assessment, Assistive Technology, Best Practices, Communication, CVI, Deaf/blindness, Early Childhood, Expanded Core Curriculum, Families, International, Literacy and Braille, Orientation and Mobility, STEM, Transition, Visual Impairment and Blindness, and Young Adults Through Seniors.

Weblink: <https://www.perkinselearning.org/videos>

# YouTubers

**A Blind Touch**

Description: This is my life as a blind woman in a sighted world!

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIFss-wrjQoSOQBZGF8FnUg/featured)

**Alyssa Irene**

Description: Visually impaired blogger, creator, and advocate

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZxe6wfMoM--BBieDhyoEvQ/featured)

**Amanda Gene**

Description: Here I discuss different medical condition related to disability topics such as: Cerebral Palsy, having a visual impairment, Dyslexia, etc. I upload videos each week on Saturday.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCt7ecLXRimvYFUZJ9WYYXXw/featured)

**Baking Blind**

Description: I'm Penny and I've always loved cooking (and eating). Being blind doesn't stop me. I just need to do things differently, have the right equipment and get a helping hand sometimes. For years, I've been trying to show that people with a disability still live, work and have fun like anyone else. Welcome to my kitchen. I'll write and show you at least a new recipe each week. This is simple home-cooking for everyone and, along the way, some of my other ideas too. And, if you've got some great cookery tips, please do pass them along - I'm always trying to learn more.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWTJYx7jGA3xaR4830wJSRg/featured)

**Being Blind Works**

Description: My name is Jon David I was diagnosed with Retinitis Pigmentosa (RP) at age 9, ten years later my mother was diagnosed. I finally felt like I wasn't alone. I finally knew where this disease came from and it would be ok... We've both had our ups and downs with adjusting to a life of going blind... which is not easy and is why we know it could always be worse than losing our sight. We are here to show the sighted and our blind & visually impaired community that Being Blind Works. f

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWjivslsbyXrFLVwZMGxEzA/featured)

**Blind to Billionaire**

Description: Follow the journey of a 33-year-old blind man after losing his vision to Retinitis Pigmentosa. Matt resides in Minnesota but spends 30+ days per year traveling and exploring various beaches and islands. Matt lives an active lifestyle and enjoys a variety of activities despite his affliction. His life will be captured in short videos to give you a glimpse into the life of a blind person. Although Matt is absent of eyesight, he has an incredible and expansive vision for the future. His channel name, Blind to Billionaire was inspired by his obsession with becoming a billionaire. He has set this goal as a personal feat to prove that anyone can do anything that they desire regardless of the struggles they face. Follow along with Matt on his journey through life and his quest to influence the lives of as many people as possible. Throughout his story, he will reveal his industry-changing venture that will revolutionize the concept of travel.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYqOP98j1cPqLzN2-AAgsHQ)

**Blind Film Critic Tommy Edison**

Description: Movie reviews by Tommy Edison who has been blind since birth. Produced & Edited by Ben Churchill

Weblink: <https://www.youtube.com/user/BlindFilmCritic/featured>

**Blind Power**

Description: My goal is to teach society about blindness and the fact that there is more blind people out in the world then we think.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeswsS3xxkCUKhtHFTOuQ-Q/feed)

**Blind tech Tutorial Hub**

Description: I’m just a blind YouTuber who likes to upload videos once in a while

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCvVJNvARj7mqm9wXunGvl9A/featured)

**Blind Woodturner**

Description: Join me, Chris Fisher, the Blind Wood Turner, in my workshop. I started out in life as a regular guy, working in auto body repair at BMW, until one day, completely out of the blue, a rare virus (Toxoplasmosis) reared its ugly head and caused me to lose my sight in a matter of weeks. Today, I travel around the country giving public wood turning demonstrations, speaking about my experiences and I sharing my story here, on my YouTube channel, in an effort to inspire, motivate and activate people no matter what their circumstances, to achieve their full potential. My message is simple – whenever you feel like you want to give up, just keep on turning.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkkxNOUNP8kNT7Gvpc1MjJg/featured)

**Cayla with a C**

Description: Hi, I'm Cayla! I am legally blind due to a condition called Retinitis Pigmentosa. I talk about my life and my experiences being legally blind. I hope to educate people about the blind and visually impaired community, as well as relate to other VIPs. Thanks for joining me, and please subscribe if you enjoy my videos! P.S. You may think I look 12, but I'm actually 26.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrCh_VYXtdcmTYLxUfP0zMg/featured)

**ChattyChelby**

Description: I created Chatty Chelby to spread the truth about what life is really like as a blind/visually impaired teen. Here, you will see how I do things as a legally blind teen.

Weblink: <https://www.youtube.com/user/ChattyChelby/feed>

**Cierraswonderfullife**

Description: Hello everyone. My name is Cierra. I have a disease called retinopathy of prematurity (ROP). Because of this I was born blind. But I don't let that stop me from dreaming big and living this crazy life. I'm a Singer, dancer, and would love to be an actor. So, come along with me and enjoy what I have to bring to the table. On my channel you will find videos about blindness related things, singing videos, and just me being me. Don't forget to be happy and push through anything that comes your way.

Weblink: <https://www.youtube.com/user/princess444ist/featured>

**EveryThing Blind**

Description: My name is EJ and I am a vision impaired YouTuber. I hope to educate others about the blind community and show that you can do anything you put your mind too. Thanks for joining me and please subscribe if you enjoy my videos and turn on the bell notifications.

Weblink: <https://www.youtube.com/user/1983guitarhero/featured>

**Fashioneyesta**

Description: Emily Davison likes to talk style, beauty and lifestyle; the other side of her channel shares about sight loss, Septo Optic Dysplasia, chronic illness, and her guide dog - after all, who doesn't love cute dog videos!

Weblink: <https://www.youtube.com/user/fashioneyesta/videos>

**Gabor the Blind Guy**

Description: Welcome! My name is Gabor… On February 28, 2015 I was diagnosed with a 61 mm inoperable meningioma brain tumor and was given only three months to live! Luckily a very talented brain surgeon was able to save my life, but the resulting optic nerve atrophy caused by the brain tumor made me go permanently blind. My channels main focus is to dispel many common misconceptions people have about the blind and visually impaired. On this channel I show what it is like being a brain tumor survivor, and a blind stay at home father of three little girls. I also like to do food review videos, live videos where I interact with my viewers, and a few comedy skit videos thrown in as well. I am very active here on YouTube and social media and try to respond to every comment I receive. Thank you very much for subscribing!

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCk-K6MjBzBwg44ir_Dacl8Q/featured)

**HowCaseySeesIt**

Description: Hey, I'm Casey Greer and I'm just educating the world about visual impairments and blindness. Not sure if it's a hobby, life's mission, or both, but welcome!

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIyHPtCFWOho7BzBfO2lFBw)

**James Rath**

Description: I’m James. Legally blind [Ocular Albinism, Nystagmus], filmmaker, accessibility activist, speaker. On this channel, I share accessible technology and my experiences as a person living with blindness through films and vlogs.

Weblink: <https://www.youtube.com/jamesrath>

**Jc5 Productions**

Description: I’m a filmmaker and I’m also legally blind. I tell stories visually despite not being able to see well. I believe that stories can bring people together from near and far. Everyone has their unique stories to tell and I hope by telling mine it can help to tell your own.

Weblink: <https://www.youtube.com/user/JC12209/featured>

**Joy Hu**

Description: I am a blind college student who wants to encourage and educate others about blindness. I started my channel to document my journey of getting a guide dog to provide information for others on a topic that is sadly lacking in educational resources, but my channel has grown to be so much more than that. I do my best to create a space where people have the opportunity to be authentic and genuinely connect with one another. We talk about service dogs, blind girl life, books, and more. I want to promote that even people with disabilities can live independent and satisfying lives.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCS64Miz9PcNIZP5EgKwTm0A/feed)

**Joy Ross**

Description: A blind mother shares tips about living joyfully with blindness.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxr1lfkVoNlWsrOFcVbMitA)

**Justin Holland**

Description: A blind guy who makes videos about fitness, bodybuilding, and my life living without sight.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCprS1kuhPed1MK_T6uyuTeg)

**Kristina Arntz**

Description: This is my lifestyle channel. a mixture of acting-related content, favorites, and my life as a visually impaired/legally blind chick.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-ElC7DmpT0yomeZT_BnZCw/featured)

**Life After Sight Loss**

Description: Dedicated to helping individuals and families discover life after sight loss. I provide encouragement, product reviews, life advice, how to's and much more! I'm here for every VIP (Visually Impaired Person) and their sighted supporters!

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC07rWC9yoNJeBZOPUSClWDw)

**Live Accessible**

Description: I’m Carrie and I have low vision, my husband is totally blind, and our son is also visually impaired. Yes, we know the struggles firsthand, but we want to encourage others who are visually impaired, their families, and others around them, and society as a whole, that life doesn’t have to stop. We want to share our experiences, tips, and technology on what has worked for us. Whether you’re blind from birth or have lost some or all of your vision, it does NOT define you. And it does NOT limit you can you can live your BEST life.

Weblink: <https://www.youtube.com/liveaccessible>

**Lucy Edwards**

Description: I am a small, blind, 22-year-old makeup obsessed ginger woman who has a cute guide dog named Olga! Did I mention blind and makeup in the same sentence..? Yes people! I know this is slightly unusual, but I am here to prove that you can do anything if you are determined enough! Let’s break boundaries and change perceptions together – disability doesn’t ever hold you back!

Weblink: <https://www.youtube.com/user/YesterdaysWishes>

**Matt In Full Vision**

Description: Hi, I'm Matt, I'm blind. I have created this channel to educate people on different aspects of blindness and to help combat the many misconceptions about being blind. Don't worry you won't go blind watching this channel, if anything it will all become clear.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCtiWiDMJCgixF_bpPfBfrug/featured)

**Mel’s Blind Life**

Description: This is a channel where I will be discussing the ins and outs of being vision impaired, how things work for me etc. Also, I will be sharing from time to time videos of trains around my country, Australia. If there is anything anyone wants to know about being vision impaired, please ask and I will do my best to make sure that all your questions are asked.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpBrQD0KEWZSYpCk0gdLV6Q/featured)

**Molly Burke**

Description: HEY! I'm Molly, a typical sushi and makeup loving millennial girl who just so happens to be blind! I was diagnosed with Retinitis Pigmentosa at just 4 years old and began public speaking at age 5. Even though I can’t see, I know that there are bright spots in everything we face. Let’s find them together!

Weblink: <https://www.youtube.com/user/MollyBurkeOfficial>

**My Blind Mamas Messy Kitchen**

Description: Hi everyone. My name is Jeri. I am a mother to three amazing kiddos and a wife to my sweet husband Carl. When I was 13 years old, I went blind. I lost my vision after a battle with a rare pediatric cancer called, Bilateral Retinoblastoma. this cancer attacks the retina of a child's eye or in my case both eyes. not too long after I went blind, I decided I wanted to learn how to cook. So, with the help of family and coaching from some teachers I learned how to adapt. I know that going blind is terrifying. I want to show others who might be losing their vision or perhaps are already blind that with a little adjusting you can do it too. I'm constantly getting asked how I do it and I never really know how to answer. I figure this is a good way to show people. I think this could be a lot of fun and I'm looking forward to helping others. I'm no professional but I am a mother who loves to cook with my kiddos, and I am anxious to share. Hope you will join us in our messy kitchen.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCtqCYIyAngWznmiiNenz1QQ/featured)

**Old Blind Doug’s Life**

Description: My new channel of my life as a blind man, doing bush craft, camping, hiking and watercolor painting.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeImu5GeRTCw3Kh94fhF6nQ)

**See it my way 1**

Description: At the age of 6 years old I was diagnosed with Retinitis Pigmentosa. Life has been a struggle with the challenges that come with the loss of eyesight. I am a point in my life where I am ready to share with you the daily struggles to help inform people of the challenges a blind person deals with, while using positive motivation to stay happy.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKR4t_fbU1UL2c-xhzp4u1g/featured)

**SixBlindKids**

Description: Over the last number of years, we've adopted six children who are blind, hence the name, SixBlindKids. Some have other disabilities as well, but everyone is happy and we live quite a normal, yet crazy life. We have a lot of fun together, so I hope you'll share some of our experiences with us.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCl1LBUAs74vBjwEMv5uPdEg/featured)

**Skylight Braille**

Description: Hi, my name is Kadianne and welcome to my channel! I will be using the resources that I have at my disposal to create screen recording tutorials and so much more. This is my passion, and I love it. I'm going to do whatever it takes. This is totally my year. I hope you enjoy the content posted on this channel. Sometimes, you just have to get creative to get your content out there.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYeGiYvyqLvjI0bRiJX3Lwg/feed)

**Tech of the Blind**

Description: I am legally blind. My name is Nicholas Roberts my eye condition is Optic Nerve Hypoplasia where the optic nerve is underdeveloped. So, it’s ONH for short This channel is about blindness and technology. I talk about apple products and technology for the blind. I talk about these Electronic Glasses called esight 3 as well. I also have some entertaining videos with my esight on here as well.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSIHkt1GIl5qJTNYnyY-LNQ)

**The Amazing Blind Magician**

Description: Ryan Fox, is a one of a kind unique magician. Ryan is legally blind and has been performing magic for 24 years. Ryan has learned the art of magic without sight, and just uses feel and touch. Please join Ryan on his epic adventures, as a blind magician, Especially with his new guide dog Sinbad.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCaMV7aF2rj22aJ9ig1B0A7Q/feed)

**The Blind Life**

Description: The Blind Life is a representation of what is going on in my life and what I enjoy, all from the visually impaired perspective. I'm a big fan of mobile technology and Low vision accessibility, but I also can easily laugh at myself. I enjoy making videos to share tips and tricks of navigating life with low vision. If you have any suggestions for future videos, just ask!

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNbzN3eHbLKPzltSB560DkA/featured)

**The Blind Mom Next Door**

Description: Hey there!! I'm Nicole, wife to one amazing husband, mom to two sassy, strong, spunky girls, and a lover of all things crafty, creative, artistic, and DIY! I also love "most" things organization, cleaning, and household management! And, I'm a blind chick! My blindness is just one part of who I am and how I do this life thing! Here you will find various DIY, budget, easy craft projects, as well as see some of the ins and outs of my day to day as a blind mom including household management and cleaning tips and tricks. I will also share content related to working with a guide dog, including things that will be applicable to those of you who have dogs as pets, rather than your working partner. I will share about the guide dog lifestyle in everything from preparing for a new guide dog partner, meeting and training with a guide dog, coming home, and excerpts of our work together as a team. If you have specific questions, please contact me or comment!

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCsdw1AZlSBOj0tWX3_R9Q9g/featured)

**Theory Of A Blind Man**

Description: Welcome to Theory Of A Blind Man, the world from the perspective of a blind man. Join Whistler on a journey of discovery, discussion, passion, and entertainment. Live streams every week along with uploads throughout the week as well as special guests and co-hosts. Whistler is striving to become the best video producer possible to bring high quality content that is both enjoyable to watch but also educationally and entertaining.

Weblink: <https://www.youtube.com/user/ThirdEyeRadioNetwork/featured>

**Tommy Edison Experience**

Description: Tommy Edison, who has been blind since birth (due to an underdeveloped optic nerve), uses humor to answer the most popular questions about living without sight and faces challenges which test his other senses.

Weblink: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCld5SlwHrXgAYRE83WJOPCw)