



WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT
of HEALTH SERVICES

Resources for People who are Blind or Visually Impaired

Services

Department of Health Services Office for the Blind and Visually Impaired

201 E. Washington Ave.

PO Box 2659

Madison, WI 53703

888-879-0017

www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/obvi/

Statewide group of rehabilitation specialists who teach independent living skills to people in their homes, provide group trainings, demonstrate adaptive equipment, and provide information and referral services

Department of Workforce Development Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

201 East Washington Avenue

PO Box 7852

Madison, WI 53707

800-442-3477

dwd.wisconsin.gov/dvr/

Vocational rehabilitation counselors who work with consumers, employers, and other partners to obtain, maintain, and improve employment for people with disabilities



Wisconsin Council of the Blind and Visually Impaired



754 Williamson Street
Madison, WI 53703

800-783-5213

wcblind.org/

Nonprofit agency that offers white canes, adaptive equipment, information and referral, low vision evaluations, rehabilitation training, public policy education, outreach, and scholarships

Vision Forward Association



912 North Hawley Road
Milwaukee, WI 53213

855-878-6056

vision-forward.org/

Nonprofit organization offering specialized training and education; assistive devices; holistic support; and low vision, occupational, physical, speech language, and music therapies for people of all ages with visual impairments

Lighthouse Center for Vital Living



309 West 1st Street
Duluth, MN 55802

218-624-4828

www.lcfvl.org/

Nonprofit organization that provides comprehensive rehabilitation training for individuals of all ages with vision loss, including assistive technology, occupational therapy, and independent living services

Wisconsin Talking Book and Braille Library



813 West Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53233-1436

800-242-8822

dpi.wi.gov/talkingbooks/

Library that lends books and magazines in audio and braille formats to people with vision loss, physical disabilities, or reading disabilities



Center for Deaf-Blind Persons

8306 West Lincoln Avenue
West Allis, WI 53219



414-481-7477
deaf-blind.org/

Nonprofit organization that provides rehabilitation training and needed services to individuals with dual hearing and vision loss, and administers the statewide iCanConnect program, which provides assistive technology to people with significant hearing and vision loss

Telecommunications Equipment Purchase Program

PO Box 7854
Madison, WI 53707-7854



Voice: 608-231-3305
Videophone: 608-234-4781
psc.wi.gov/Pages/ForConsumers/TEPP.aspx/

Program available through the Wisconsin Public Service Commission that helps people with disabilities buy specialized equipment they need in order to use basic telephone services

ABLE (Audio & Braille Literacy Enhancement)

803 West Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53233-1436



414-286-3039
www.ablenow.org/

Nonprofit organization that transcribes print materials of all types into audio, digital, and tactile formats for individuals, schools, organizations, and businesses

Adaptive aids retailers

Independent Living Aids

137 Rano Street
Buffalo, NY 14207



800-537-2118

independentliving.com/

The Low Vision Store

2200 University Avenue W #200
Saint Paul, MN 55114



800-871-8780

thelowvisionstore.com/

LS&S

145 River Rock Drive
Buffalo, NY 14207



800-468-4789

lssproducts.com/

Maxi Aids

42 Executive Boulevard
Farmingdale, NY 11735



800-522-6294

www.maxiaids.com/

Vision Forward Store

912 North Hawley Road
Milwaukee, WI 53213



414-615-0111

vision-forward.org/store/

Wisconsin Council of the Blind and Visually Impaired Sharper Vision Store

754 Williamson Street
Madison, WI 53703



800-783-5213

store.wcblind.org/

Advocacy groups

Wisconsin Statutory Council on Blindness



201 E. Washington Ave.

Madison, WI 53703

PO Box 2659

888-879-0017

Madison, WI 53701-2659

www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/scob/

A statutory body appointed by the secretary of the Department of Health Services to advise and make recommendations to state agencies on issues regarding blindness.

Wisconsin Council of the Blind and Visually Impaired



800-783-5213

wcblind.org/

American Foundation for the Blind



212-502-7600

afb.org/

National Federation of the Blind



410-659-9314

nfb.org/

American Council of the Blind



800-424-8666

acb.org/

Prevent Blindness



800-331-2020

preventblindness.org/

Foundation Fighting Blindness



800-683-5555

www.fightingblindness.org/



Education

Hadley

700 Elm Street
Winnetka, IL 60093



800-323-4238
hadley.edu/

Nonprofit organization that creates personalized learning opportunities that empower adults with vision loss or blindness to thrive at home, at work, and in their communities

Wisconsin Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired

1700 West State Street
Janesville, WI 53546-5344



800-832-9784
www.wcbvi.k12.wi.us/

Residential school and statewide outreach, administered by the Department of Public Instruction, that offers educational services for children who are blind or visually impaired and a summer rehabilitation program for adults with vision loss

Wisconsin Lions Camp

3834 County Road A
Rosholt, WI 54473



715-677-4969
www.wisconsinlionscamp.com/

Camp that provides camping experiences free of charge to eligible children and adults with disabilities from Wisconsin

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