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Identified students and teachers of the students with visual impairments have access to the Supplemental Services for Students with Visual Impairments (SSVI) for services and for equipment determined educationally necessary.

**Child Find**
Child Find is an ongoing process of locating students with disabilities for special education services.

**Texas Education Agency**
1701 North Congress
Austin, Texas 78701-1494
Phone: (512) 463-9734
www.tea.state.tx.us

The agency is responsible for the public education of all students in the state. The agency works with local schools to see that all public education law, rules, and regulations are followed. Parents and teachers should exhaust local remedies before contacting the agency with questions or problems.

**Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired**
1100 West 45th Street
Austin, Texas 78756-3494
Phone: (512) 454-8631 or (800) 872-5273
www.tsbvi.edu

Residential school serving students, ages six to 21 years, who are blind, visually impaired, or deaf-blind. Annual review/dismissal committees must determine the specialized services related to the visual impairment for the student in short term or long-term programs.

**Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired Outreach Services**
Ms. Cyral Miller, Outreach Director
Phone: (512) 206-9242
millerc@tsbvi.edu - or - outreach@tsbvi.edu

Outreach services provide training and technical assistance to parents and professionals for students who are blind, visually impaired, or deaf-blind.
Early Childhood Intervention Programs

Region 17 is served by three Early Childhood Intervention Programs (ECI). Services depend on the needs of the child, ages birth through two years, and the needs of the family. Services for eligible children may include physical, occupational, and speech therapy; assessments; activities to develop cognitive, social/emotional, and self-help skills; adaptive equipment; and, transportation. Families are served through case management, training, counseling, and parent support groups.

Central Plains ECI        Brenda Jones, Director
602 W. 6th
Plainview, Texas 79072
Phone: (806) 291-4416
Region 17 counties served: Bailey, Floyd, Hale, Lamb and Motley

DEBT: ECI Program        Laura Kender, Director
1628 - 19TH
Lubbock, Texas 79401-4895
Phone: (806) 766-1172 or local Special Education Directors
Region 17 counties served: Cochran, Crosby, Dawson, Dickens, Gaines, Garza, Hockley, Kent, Lubbock, Terry, and Yoakum.

Little Lives ECI        Debbie Lindsey, Director
1104 Henderson
Sweetwater, Texas 79556
Phone: (325) 236-6821 or (800) 852-2193
Region 17 counties served: Borden, Cottle, and King
Bi-Country SSA
P.O. Box 95
Gail, TX 79738
Phone: (806) 756-4313
Serving the following school districts: Borden County ISD, Dawson ISD, Klondike ISD

Floydada ISD
226 W. California
Floydada, TX 79235
Phone: (806) 983-5382
Serving the following school districts: Floydada

EPEC SSA
P.O. Box 488
Lorenzo, TX 79343
Phone: (806) 634-5519
Serving the following school districts: Crosbyton, Idalou, Lockney, Lorenzo, Petersburg, Ralls

Four County SSA
601 Tahoka Road
Brownfield, TX 79316
Phone: (806) 637-8448
Serving the following school districts: Brownfield, Denver City, Loop, New Home, O’Donnell, Plains, Seagraves, Tahoka, Wellman-Union

Frenship ISD
P.O. Box 100
Wolfforth, TX 79382
Phone: (806) 866-4276

Harmony Science Academy
1516 53rd Street
Lubbock, TX 79412
Phone: (806) 747-1000

HONDA SSA
1100 Avenue K
Shallowater, TX 79363
Phone: (806) 832-4531
Serving the following school districts: Abernathy, Hale Center, New Deal, Olton, Shallowater
Lamb County SSA
1207 E. 14th
Littlefield, TX 79339
Phone: (806) 385-3292
Serving the following school districts: Anton, Amherst, Cotton Center, Littlefield, Springlake-Earth, Sudan

Lamesa-Sands SSA
P.O. Box 261
Lamesa, TX 79331
(806) 872-5089
Serving the following school districts: Lamesa, Sands

Lubbock ISD
1628 19th Street
Lubbock, Texas 79401
Phone: (806) 766-1181

Lubbock-Cooper ISD
16302 Loop 493
Lubbock, Texas 79423-7805
Phone: (806) 863-7103

Muleshoe ISD
514 West Avenue G
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
Phone: (806) 272-7323

Plainview ISD
2611 Yonkers
Plainview, TX 79072
Phone: (806) 293-6090

Post ISD
211 West 8th St
Post, TX 79356
Phone: (806) 990-9898

Premier High School
Wayland Plaza
202 West Loop 289
Lubbock, Texas 79407
Phone: (806) 763-1518
Richard Milburn Academy  
2333 50th Street  
Lubbock, Texas 79412  
Phone: (806) 740-0811

Rise Academy  
207 N. Martin Luther King Blvd.  
Lubbock, Texas 79403  
Phone: (806) 744-0438

Rolling Plains SSA  
P.O. Drawer 31D  
Matador, TX 79244  
Phone: (806) 347-2663  
Serving the following school districts: Guthrie, Jayton, Motley County, Paducah, Patton Springs, Spur, Valley

SELCO SSA  
140 E. Panhandle  
Slaton, TX 79364  
Phone: (806) 828-6595  
Serving the following school districts: Roosevelt, Slaton, Southland, Wilson

Seminole ISD  
101 SW 6th St.  
Seminole, Texas 79360  
Phone: (915) 758-1060

South Plains Academy  
4008 Ave. R  
Lubbock, Texas 79412  
Phone: (806) 744-0330

SPECO SSA  
704 11th Street  
Levelland, TX 79336  
Phone: (806) 894-6858  
Serving the following school districts: Anton, Levelland, Meadow, Morton, Ropes, Smyer, Sundown, Whiteface, Whitharral
Area Agencies

American Diabetes Association
8008 Slide Road, Suite 12-A
Lubbock, Texas 79424
Phone: (806) 794-0691 or (888) DIABETES
Fax: (806) 794-1394
www.diabetes.org

The association’s mission is to prevent and cure diabetes and to improve the lives of all people affected by diabetes. It serves as a reference agency to other resources. Monthly support groups are available.

Aid to Families with Dependent Children
1716 Parkway Drive
Lubbock, Texas 79403
Phone: (806) 744-7632

Community Care for Aged and Disabled Services (CCAD)
1946 Ave Q, Suite 309 (P.O. Box 2612)
Lubbock, Texas 79403
Phone: (806) 763-4994

Littlefield Office CCAD
210 Marshal Howard Blvd.
Littlefield, Texas 79339
Phone: (806) 385-4416

Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services
Division for Blind Services (DBS)
5121-69th, Suite A-5
Lubbock, Texas 79424
Phone: (806) 783-2930 or (800) 687-7032
Fax: (806) 783-2950

DBS services include a Children’s Program for children from birth to 16 years and a Vocational Counseling and Rehabilitation Program for people 16 years and older. Assistance may be available to access technical and college training or with medical expenses.

StarCare Specialty Health System (MHMR)
3804 I-27
Lubbock Texas 79404
Phone: (806) 766-0310
Intake Assessment and Referral/OSAR: (806) 740-1421
24-Hour Crisis Line: (806) 740-1414 – or – (800) 687-7581
904 Ave O (Executive Office)
University graduate courses training in Orientation and Mobility, Visual Impairments and Deaf-Blindness.
Criss Cole Rehabilitation Center
4800 North Lamar
Austin, Texas 78756
Phone: (512) 377-0300

For legally blind and Division for Blind Services clients, this center offers counseling, social work, diagnosis and evaluation, rehabilitation, and basic life adjustment.

Department of Aging and Disability Services
Phone: (888) 440-5688

Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services
Division for Blind Services
70 West 51st Street
Austin, Texas 78751
Phone: (800) 438-3011
www.dars.state.tx.us

A state agency which includes the Children’s Program for children from birth to 16 years and the Vocational Counseling and Rehabilitation Programs for people 16 years and older.

Deaf-Blind Multihandicapped Association of Texas
909 Mountain Park Drive
Big Springs TX 79720
Contact: (432) 264-6780
www.dbmat-tx.org

A statewide non-profit advocacy and support organization whose purpose is to promote the general welfare of persons deaf-blind, blind multihandicapped, deaf multihandicapped

Health and Human Services Commission
Phone: (877) 541-7905

Stephen F. Austin University, Department of Human Services
2100 North Raguet St
P.O. Box 13019
Nacogdoches, Texas 75952
Phone: (936) 468-2906
Fax: (936) 468-5837
www.sfasu.edu

University undergraduate and graduate courses training in Orientation and Mobility and Visual Impairments
National Agencies

American Foundation for the Blind
2 Penn Plaza, Suite 1102
New York, NY 10121
Phone: (212) 502-7600 or (800) 232-5463
www.afb.org – or – afbinfo@afb.net

A source for educational materials, aids and appliances, AFB publishes a catalogue in both print and Braille, “Products for People with Vision Problems.” Their website has information on such topics as: “Living with Vision Loss” for “Seniors”, “Kids”, “Professionals”, “Employers” and Career Connect ®.

American Printing House for the Blind Inc.
1839 Frankfort Avenue
P.O. Box 6085
Louisville, KY 40206-0085
Phone: (502) 895-2405 or (800) 223-1839
www.aph.org

A source for publications and educational aids, APH publishes a catalogue in both print and Braille.

The Blind Children’s Center
4120 Marathon Street
Los Angeles, CA 90029
Phone: (323) 664-2153
www.blindcntr.org

Center offers a program of diversified services which meets the special needs of blind and partially sighted children, their parents and siblings. The educational correspondence program offers useful print materials and guides for teachers and families.

The Hadley School for the Blind
700 Elm Street
Winnetka, IL 60093-2554
Phone: (847) 446-8111 or (800) 323-4238
Fax: (847) 446-0855
www.hadley.edu – or – info@hadley.edu

Tuition free accredited home study programs for the sighted parents of a legally blind infant or child are available with year round enrollment. – Free catalog –
Howe Press of Perkins School for the Blind
175 N. Beacon St.
Watertown, MA 02472
Phone: (617) 924-3434
www.perkins.org

Howe Press provides a catalog of Braille books and appliances for students with visual impairments and blindness.
Library Services

Texas State Library-Talking Book Program
P.O. Box 12927
Austin, Texas 78711
Phone: (512) 463-5458 – or – (800) 252-9605
https://www.tsl.state.tx.us/tbp/ - or – tbp.services@tsl.texas.gov

This program provides reading materials in special formats to Texas residents who cannot read conventional printed matter because of visual or physical limitations, whether permanent or temporary.

Lubbock City-County Library, Mahon Branch
1306 9th Street
Lubbock, Texas 79401
Phone: (806) 775-2834 or (806) 775-2835
www.library.ci.lubbock.tx.us
Large print books and taped books (cassettes/CDs): no brailled materials.

Lubbock City-County Library, Groves Branch
5520 19th St.
Lubbock, Texas 79407
Phone: (806) 767-3733
Large print books and taped books (cassettes/CDs)

Lubbock County-City Library, Patterson Branch
1836 Parkway Drive
Lubbock, Texas 79403
Phone: (806) 767-3300
Large print books and taped books (cassettes/CDs)
Resources for Audio Materials

Talking Book Program-Texas State Library
P.O. Box 12927
Austin, Texas 78711
Phone: (512) 463-5458 – or – (800) 252-9605
https://www.tsl.state.tx.us/tbp/ - or – tbp.services@tsl.state.tx.us

This program provides variable speed four-track recorders, talking book machines and reading materials in these formats to Texas residents who cannot read conventional printed matter.

Learning Ally, Texas
1314 West 45th St.
Austin, Texas 78756
Phone: (512) 323-9390 or (800) 221-4792
(866) 732-3585 National Number
www.learningally.org

Taped educational materials K-professional. Call or check online for registration fees.

Bookshare - Benetech
480 South California Ave.
Palo Alto, CA 94306
Phone: (650) 352-0198
Fax: (650) 475-1066
www.bookshare.org
Outreach Coordinator –
Matthew Sauthoff Accessible Books for Texas matts@benetech.org

Taped educational materials K-professional. Call or check online for more information.
Legal Assistance

American Council for the Blind
2200 Wilson Blvd, Suite 650
Arlington, VA 22201-3354
Phone: (202) 467-5081 or (800) 424-8666
Fax: (202) 467-5085
www.acb.org – or – info@acb.org

A membership organization promoting independence and dignity of people with blindness by sponsoring legislation and advocating civil rights.

National Association for Parents of Visually Impaired (NAPVI)
P.O. Box 317
Watertown, MA 02471
Phone: (617) 972-7441 or (800) 562-6265
Fax (617) 972-7444
www.spedex.com/napvi/ - or – napvi@perkins.org

NAPVI provides support services for parents and families of visually impaired children; provides workshops and publications; promotes the development of state and local organizations of, by, and for parents of visually impaired children; fosters communication and coordination of services among federal, state, and local agencies and organizations involved with visually impaired individuals.

Advocacy, Inc. (Austin)
7800 Shoal Creek Blvd., Suite 171 E
Austin, Texas 78757-1024
Phone: (512) 454-4816
Fax: (512) 323-0902
www.advocacyinc.org
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Advocacy, Inc. (Lubbock)
4747 South Loop 289, Suite 120
Lubbock, Texas 79424
Phone: (806) 765-7794 or (800) 252-9108
Fax (806) 765-0496
www.disabilityrightstx.org

The mission of this organization is to act as an advocate for, protect, and advance the legal, human, and service rights of people with disabilities. Services include referral to appropriate advocacy groups, legal counseling, and representation in administrative and legal proceedings.
Preserves sight and rehabilitates the partially sighted to the best of their abilities. Provides and helps maintain visual function, visual acuity, patient and family support through transitional and alternative lifestyle changes.

Low Vision Centers of Texas
5616 S.W. Green Oaks Blvd., Ste. B
Arlington, Texas 76017-1159
Phone: (817) 572-2050
lvct@flash.net

Offers low vision rehabilitation services in Abilene, Arlington, Corsicana, Dallas, Fort Worth, Greenville, Mt. Pleasant, Tyler, Waco, and Wichita Falls.

Low Vision Clinic
4242 Office Parkway
Dallas, Texas 75204-3629
Phone: (214) 828-9900
Dallasservices.org

Improves the visual functioning of an individual in order to perform necessary tasks.

Santa Rosa Low Vision Clinic
315 N. San Saba, Suite 900
San Antonio, Texas 78207
Phone: (210) 228-0030

This clinic offers evaluation, management and rehabilitation of the visually impaired including orientation and mobility training.
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center
Low Vision Clinic
Departments of Ophthalmology
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Building, Suite 2A100
3601 4th Street STOP 7217
Lubbock, Texas 79430-7217
Phone: (806) 743-2020

Mission: to provide medical and surgical eye care, educate residents and fellow physicians, and to educate the public sector on preventive care.

The Lighthouse of Houston
3602 West Dallas Avenue
Houston, Texas 77019-0435
Phone: (713) 527-9561
Fax: (713) 284-8451

Assists blind and visually impaired people to become independent members of society. Also operates InfoLink and The Lighthouse of Houston Low Vision Clinic.

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