



Resource Directory For People with Visual Impairment

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ViewFinder
Low Vision Resource Center

www.ViewFinderLowVision.com

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The ViewFinder Low Vision Resource Centers

ViewFinder

Low Vision Resource Center

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Mesa, AZ 85210
480-924-8755

ViewFinder

Low Vision Resource Center

10001 W. Bell Road #115
Sun City, AZ 85251
623-583-2800

When ordinary eyeglasses, contact lenses, surgery or intraocular implants cannot provide sharp vision, an individual is said to have low vision. **Macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy, glaucoma, and retinitis pigmentosa**, along with many other eye diseases, are causes of visual impairment or low vision.

People with low vision still have useful vision and should seek out the care of an eye doctor who specializes in vision rehabilitation. Doctors Lynne Noon and Corona Hoang of *the ViewFinder Low Vision Resource Centers specialize in Low Vision Rehabilitation Optometry*. They focus on how their patient functions visually in day-to-day life. Our doctors help their patients enhance their remaining vision with special low vision eyeglasses and microscopic and telescopic low vision aids. The doctors will also prescribe other optical and non-optical low vision aids as well as appropriate low vision services. They help their patients perform their daily activities despite a visual impairment so that they can enjoy life and remain independent.

Our doctors do not take the place of your current optometrist or ophthalmologist. They will work in conjunction with your eye doctor to maximize your remaining vision. To make an appointment for a low vision evaluation with one of our doctors, please call either *ViewFinder* location. Medicare and most private insurances are accepted for your examination

Our Low Vision Programs:

- ◆ Visual impairment rehabilitation
- ◆ Macular degeneration rehabilitation
- ◆ Diabetic retinopathy rehabilitation
- ◆ Driving with visual impairment program
- ◆ Stroke and brain injury rehabilitation
- ◆ Nystagmus rehabilitation
- ◆ Job re-entry program
- ◆ Computer modification for people with visual impairment

Occupational Therapy Services:

Independent living services, bioptic driving, eccentric viewing, reading rehabilitation and low vision aid training. In-home services are available.

Low Vision Products

ViewFinder offers a comprehensive selection of custom and pre-made magnification products and helpful daily living aids to assist people with visual impairment. We also serve as a low vision resource center to provide information on other services and agencies available to assist those with visual impairment.

Visit our offices to see our large selection of new and used Personal Electronic Reading Machines (Video Magnifiers), magnifiers, spectacle mounted and hand held telescopes, task lamps, sewing and craft aids, large print games, books, calendars, watches, clocks, calculators and large print kitchen aids. We also have a large selection of talking products.

Monthly Lecture

You can join the *ViewFinder* staff and one of our doctors at either the Mesa or Sun City office for our informative monthly low vision rehabilitation lecture. On the last Thursday of every month, you will learn how to improve your vision so that you can read, enjoy your hobbies and maintain your independence. You will be able to address your specific vision questions. There will be a hands-on demonstration and refreshments will be served. Please call for the time and a reservation, as seating is limited.

Dr. Lynne Noon and Dr. Corona Hoang can be seen for appointment at the following locations. Medicare and other health insurances are accepted.

ViewFinder
Low Vision Resource Center
1830 S. Alma School Rd. Suite 131
Mesa, AZ 85210
480-924-8755

ViewFinder
Low Vision Resource Center
10001 W. Bell Road, Suite 115
Sun City, AZ 85351
623-583-2800

Our doctors also see patients at satellite offices in Prescott, Prescott Valley, Sedona and Yuma. Please call 623.583.2800 to schedule an appointment at one of these offices.

If you live in Arizona, New Mexico or Las Vegas, please call for an in-home demonstration of our Personal reading Machines (CCTV's, Video Magnifiers). Call ViewFinder for product information and product brochures. Our toll-free number is 866.924.8755.

www.ViewFinderLowVision.com

Arizona Center for Disability Law

The Arizona Center for Disability Law is a not for profit public interest law firm, dedicated to protecting the rights of individuals with a wide range of physical, mental, psychiatric, sensory and cognitive disabilities.

www.azdisabilitylaw.org

5025 East Washington Street, Suite 202
Phoenix, AZ 85034
602.274.6287 (Voice/TTY)
800.927.2260 (Toll Free)

100 North Stone Avenue, Suite 305
Tucson, AZ 85701
520.327.9547
877.327.7754 (Toll Free TTY)
800.922.1447 (Toll Free Voice)

Arizona Council of the Blind

A statewide affiliate of the American Council of the Blind

The Arizona Council of the Blind is a nonprofit IRS exempt organization made up of blind, visually impaired, and sighted Arizonans, with a broad diversity of occupations and professions. Primary focus is on blindness-related issues - especially on dealing effectively with the challenges of daily living, whether a person be a child or adult, regardless of the cause of sight impairment.

www.acb.org/arizona

3124 East Roosevelt Street, Suite 4
Phoenix, AZ 85008-5088
602.273.1510

Arizona Office of Americans with Disabilities Act

www.azag.gov/civil-rights/americans-disabilities-act

Contact: Debbie Jackson
Administrative Services Division – Human Resources Section
1275 West Washington
Phoenix, AZ 85007
602.542.8056
602.542.5002 (TTY)

Association for Macular Diseases, Inc.

This association is an entirely volunteer non-profit association dedicated to helping people with macular degeneration lead independent lives. Members will receive regular newsletters and medical research updates.

www.macula.org

210 East 64th Street
New York, NY 10065
212.605.3719

Commission on Disability Issues

255 West Alameda
Tucson, AZ 85701
520.791.4213

Foundation Fighting Blindness

National Headquarters

The mission of the Foundation Fighting Blindness, Inc. is to drive the research that will provide preventions, treatments and cures for people affected by retinitis pigmentosa (RP), macular degeneration, Usher syndrome, and the entire spectrum of retinal degenerative diseases.

www.blindness.org

7168 Columbia Gateway Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, MD 21046
800.683.5555 (Toll Free)
800.683.5551 (TDD)

Governor's Council on Blindness & Visual Impairment

The Purpose of the Council to provide a mechanism to ensure that the specialized needs of blind and visually impaired Arizonans are addressed effectively; encourage broad participation by other organizations and individuals interested in blind and visually impaired Arizonans and develop and periodically review and recommend goals and objectives to meet the needs of blind and visually impaired Arizonans, based upon identified needs and gaps in existing services.

www.azdes.gov/rsa/gcbvi.asp

1789 West Jefferson Street – Site Code 930A
Phoenix, AZ 85007
602.364.1773

National Federation of the Blind

The National Federation of the Blind is the largest and most influential membership organization of blind people in the United States. The NFB improves blind people's lives through advocacy, education, research, technology, and programs encouraging independence and self-confidence. It is the leading force in the blindness field today and the voice of the nation's blind.

www.az.nfb.org

888.899.6322 (Toll Free)

Phoenix Chapter: Sharonda Greenlaw, President – 602.281.5955

Tucson Chapter: Sami Hamed, President – 520.903.1190

East Valley Chapter: Allison Hilliker, President – 623.221.1026

Educational & Instructional Support Services

Arizona State University Disability Resources Center

Matthews Center

PO Box 873202

Arizona State University

Tempe, AZ 85287

480.965.1234

480.965.9000 (TDD)

www.asu.edu/studentaffairs/ed/drc

Arizona Western College AccessABILITY Resource Services

928.344.7674

www.azwestern.edu

Chandler-Gilbert Community College Disability Resources and Services

480.857.5188

www.cgc.maricopa.edu

Eastern Arizona College Disabled Student Services

928.428.8253

www.eac.edu

Estrella Mountain Community College
Disability Resources and Services
623.935.8863
www.stellamountain.edu

Gateway Community College
Disability Resources
602.286.8250
www.gatewaycc.edu

Glendale Community College
Disability Services and Resources
623.845.3080
www.gccaz.edu

Mesa Community College
Disability Resources and Services
480.461.7447
www.mesacc.edu

Mohave Community College
Disability Services
866.664.2832
www.mohave.edu

Northland Pioneer College
Disability Resource and Access
800.266.7845, ext. 6178
928.537.2030 (TDD)
www.npc.edu

Paradise Valley Community
Disability Resources and Services
602.787.7171
602.787.7177 (TDD)
www.pvc.maricopa.edu

Phoenix College
Disability Resources and Services
602.285.7477
www.phoenixcollege.edu

Pima Community College

Disabled Student Resources

Desert Vista Campus: 520.206.5151

Downtown Campus: 520.206.7286

East Campus: 520.206.7699

Northwest Campus: 520.206.2209

West Campus: 520.206.6688

www.pima.edu

Rio Salado College

Disability Resources and Services

480.517.8562

www.riosalado.edu

Scottsdale Community College

Disability Services

480.423.6517

www.scottsdalecc.edu

South Mountain Community College

Disability Resources

602.243.8395

www.southmountaincc.edu

University of Arizona

Disability Resource Center

520.621.3268

www.drc.arizona.edu

Employment Services

American Foundation for the Blind - Career Connect

212.502.7600

www.afb.org/careerconnect

Arizona Human Resources

602.542.5482

www.hr.state.az.us

DES Rehabilitation Services Administration

800.563.1221 (Toll Free)

855.475.8194 (TTY)

www.azdes.gov/rsa

Arizona Industries for the Blind

3013 West Lincoln Street

Phoenix, AZ 85009

602.269.5131

www.azdes.gov/aib

Business Enterprise Program

22 East Mitchell, Suite 103

Phoenix, AZ 85012

602.266.9070

855.475.8194 (TTY)

www.azdes.gov/rsa/sbvid/bep

Employment Service

The DES Employment Service website provides resources and contact information for job seekers needing job search assistance, job referral, placement assistance, and recruitment services throughout the state of Arizona.

www.azdes.gov/esa

Vocational Rehabilitation Services

Vocational Rehabilitation offers a wide range of services to help individuals prepare for, or maintain, employment. Each person works directly with a vocational rehabilitation counselor in the development of an individualized written rehabilitation plan.

www.azdes.gov/rsa/VR

4620 North 16th Street, B-106

Phoenix, Arizona 85016

602.266.9579

American Council of the Blind Job Connection

202.467.5081

www.acb.org

Southern Arizona Association for the Visually Impaired

3767 East Grant Road

Tucson, AZ 85716

520.795.1331

www.saavi.us

Financial Assistance

American Council of the Blind

The Arizona Council of the Blind runs a credit union for the blind and visually impaired. The council also assists with scholarships and employment referrals. They are advocates for the blind and visually impaired.

www.acb.org

2200 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 650

Arlington, VA 22201

800.424.8666

Arizona Loans for Assistive Technology (AZLAT)

A financing program that assists individuals with disabilities to borrow money at affordable rates for the purchase of assistive technology.

www.aztap.org/at-funding/azlat

2400 North Central Avenue, Suite 300

Phoenix, AZ 85004

602.776.4670

800.477.9921 (Toll Free)

602.725.9536 (TTY)

martha.lewis@nau.edu

Care Credit

A healthcare credit card designed for health, beauty, and wellness needs. Your CareCredit credit card can be used at over 175,000 providers nationwide for services including vision care, dentistry, hearing care, and more. Financing options are available that range from 6 to 24 months with no interest on purchases of \$200 or more. (Credit approval and exceptions may apply)

www.carecredit.com

800.677.0718

Eye Care America

A program offering medical eye care medical information to disadvantaged adults 65+ years.

www.eyecareamerica.org

P.O. Box 429098
San Francisco, CA 94142
877.887.6327

Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation

The center provides "sight" surgery and hearing aids for low income patients. They also provide vision and hearing screenings and collect old glasses and hearing aids for distribution.

www.lions-sight-and-hearing-foundation.org

3427 North 32nd Street
Phoenix, AZ 85018
602.954.1723

Lions Vision Center

Lions Club members sponsor low income families, individuals and children on AHCCCS with eye examinations, referrals to Ophthalmologists and Optometrists for eyeglasses and eyeglass repairs.

www.arizonalionsvisioncenter.org

3124 East Roosevelt, Bldg D Suite 2
Phoenix, AZ 85008
602.267.7573
877.275.5778 (Toll Free)

Independent Living & Rehabilitation Services

Arizona Center for the Blind & Visually Impaired

3100 East Roosevelt Street
Phoenix, AZ 85008
602.273.7411
www.acbvi.org

Arizona Bridge to Independent Living - ABIL

5052 East Washington Street, Suite 200

Phoenix, AZ 85034

602.256.2245

www.abil.org

DES Rehabilitation Instructional Services

For services in Pinal and Maricopa counties, call 602-771-5291 and ask for the officer of the day. The officer of the day will take the basic referral information. The supervisor will then assign the appropriate therapist or teacher to work with the client.

For services in Tucson and Yuma, contact Southern Arizona Association for the Visually Impaired 520.795.1131.

www.azdes.gov/rsa

4620 North 16th Street, Suite A-204

Phoenix, AZ 85016

602.266.9286

DIRECT Center for Independence

1023 North Tyndall Avenue

Tucson, AZ 85719

800.342.1853

www.directilc.org

New Horizons Disability Empowerment Center

8085 East Manley Drive

Prescott Valley, AZ 86314

928.772.1266

800.406.2377 (Toll Free)

Services Maximizing Independent Living and Empowerment - S.M.I.L.E.

1931 South Arizona Avenue, Suite 4

Yuma, AZ 85364

928.329.6681

855.209.8363 (Toll Free)

www.smile-az.org

Southern Arizona Association for the Visually Impaired – SAAVI

3767 East Grant Road

Tucson, AZ 85716

520.795.1331

www.saavi.us

ACB Radio

Accessible web based and telephone based radio for persons who are visually impaired.

www.acbradio.org

231.460.1047

American Printing House for the Blind

Instructional aids, tools, supplies, and accessible books (Book formats available in large print, Braille, recorded, and computer disc)

www.aph.org

1839 Frankfort Avenue

PO Box 6085

Louisville, Kentucky 40206-0085

502.895.2405

800.223.1839

Arizona Newsline

The Braille and Talking Book Library

AZ Newsline helps the visually impaired gain access to news information and is available through The Braille and Talking Book Library. Newsline delivers today's, yesterday's, and the previous Sunday's issue of selected newspapers via touch tone phone to the homes of those who are eligible to subscribe. Users can easily choose which newspaper, section, and article to "read" by keying in their selection on their touch tone telephone. National newspapers available are The Wall Street Journal, The Los Angeles Times and USA Today.

1030 North 32nd Street

Phoenix, AZ 85008

602.255.5578

800.255.5578 (Toll Free)

Arizona State Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped

Arizona Braille & Talking Book Library

A Regional Library of the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress

Braille, talking books, magazines and play back equipment are loaned to individuals who cannot hold, handle or read conventional printed matter due to a visual or physical limitation. There is no charge for the books, equipment, supplies or mailings. This service is provided by the federal government through the Library of Congress in conjunction with the Arizona State Library.

www.azlibrary.gov/braille

1030 North 32nd Street
Phoenix, AZ 85008
602.255.5578

Audio Bibles for the Blind

The Bible Alliance provides audio bibles in 70 languages worldwide as a gift to individuals who are visually impaired. Some materials are available on MP3 disks. MP3 materials may be used with most computers, MP3 and DVD players and on CD players that are MP3 compatible. All languages are available on audio cassette.

www.audiobiblesfortheblind.org

P.O. Box 621
Bradenton, FL 34206
941.748.3031

Blindskills

Blindskills publishes *Dialogue*, a magazine written specifically for persons who are blind or are experiencing sight loss. Each issue contains ideas and solutions intended to enhance the readers' quality of life. Dialogue is published in three formats: Braille, large print, computer diskette and 4-track cassette tape.

www.blindskills.com

P.O. Box 5181
Salem, OR 97304
800.860.4224

Braille Plus

Braille Plus can convert printed text into Braille.

www.brailleplus.com

PO Box 1104
Gilbert, AZ 85299
480.782.0223

Choice Magazine Listening

Choice Magazine Listening is a free audio anthology for a special audience of blind, visually impaired, physically disabled, or dyslexic subscribers. They offer the best of contemporary magazine writing without charge, to adults unable to read standard print.

www.choicemagazinelistening.org

85 Chanel Drive
Port Washington, NY 11050
516.883.8280
888.724.6423 (Toll Free)

Christian Record Services for the Blind

Christian Record Services provides free Christian publications and programs for people with visual impairments nationwide.

www.christianrecord.org

4444 South 52nd Street
Lincoln, NE 68516-1302
402.488.0981

Descriptive Video Services

The Descriptive Video Service is a free national service that makes television more accessible to visually impaired audiences. The service is carried by a number of public television stations across the country. Descriptive video provides viewers with descriptions of settings and facial expressions voiced during pauses in dialogue. It is accessed through the Secondary Audio Program (SAP) setting on your television. Contact your cable or satellite provider so find out what shows are offered with descriptive video in your city.

Guideposts

Guideposts is a monthly, inspirational, interfaith, non-profit, publication written by people from all walks of life. Its articles present tested methods for developing courage, strength and positive attitudes through faith in God. Available in large print and on tablet devices.

www.guideposts.com

800.431.2344

Jewish Heritage for the Blind

Individuals who have a vision problem may obtain a free copy of the Extra-large Print *Hebrew/English Passover Haggadah* which will enhance their Seder table.

www.jhbinternational.org

800.995.1888

National Library Services for the Blind & Physically Handicapped

Through a national network of cooperating libraries, NLS administers a free library program of Braille and audio materials circulated to eligible borrowers in the United States by postage-free mail.

www.loc.gov/nls

1291 Taylor Street, NW.
Washington, DC 20011
1.888.657.7323 (Toll Free – Connect to a local library in your area)
202.707.5100
202.707.0744 (TDD)

New York Times Large Type Weekly

800.631.2580

www.homedelivery.nytimes.com

Phoenix Public Library

Special Needs Center

Burton Barr Central Library

Large print, Braille and recorded books and magazines as well as books about disabilities are available. A Kurzweil Reading Machine which voices a page of text after scanning it is available for use by appointment. The library also provides large print books and talking books by mail to home bound readers.

www.phxlib.org

1221 North Central Avenue

Phoenix, AZ 85004

602.262.4636

Recorded Recreational Reading for the Blind

Volunteers, mainly from the Sun City area, donate their time and expertise to record stories of interest about the Sun Cities and the Northwest Valley of Maricopa County that were published in the *Arizona Republic*, the *Phoenix Gazette*, *The Daily News-Sun* and the *Sun Cities Independent*. The group also reads books for the Arizona State Braille and Talking Book Library and is responsible for taping every issue of *Modern Maturity Magazine*.

www.readingfortheblind.org

9447 North 99th Avenue

Peoria, AZ 85345

623.933.0985

Sun Sounds Radio

A radio reading service for the visually impaired or physically handicapped. Sun Sounds service is free and special receivers are on loan to all eligible persons.

www.sunsounds.org

2323 West 14th Street
Tempe, AZ 85281
480.774.8300
520.296.2400 (Tucson)
928.779.1775 (Flagstaff)
928.329.6681 ext. 20 (Yuma)

Thorndike Press

The world's largest collection of titles offered in Large Print.
www.thorndike.gale.com

Gale
PO Box 95501
Chicago, IL 60694-5501
1.800.223.1244 ext. 4

Miscellaneous Services

IRS Tax Information

Legally blind persons are entitled to an income tax exemption. The #907 Tax Information for Handicapped and Disabled Individuals publication is available from the IRS. Contact your tax preparer or the IRS for information.

Social Security Administration

800.772.1213 (Disability information and appointments)
800.325.0778 (TTY)
www.ssa.gov/disability

U.S. Postal Service

The postal service provides free postage for applicable articles mailed for use by the legally blind. Contact your local post office for more information.

Recreation & Arts

Arizona Game and Fish Department

Legally blind persons are not required to obtain a fishing license. Address below is for the main office. Other offices are located throughout the state.
www.azgfd.gov

5000 West Carefree Highway
Phoenix, AZ 85086
602.942.3000

**Dancing Dots/Lime Lighter
Music Technology for the Visually Impaired**

Offers technology, educational resources, and training to assist blind and low vision individuals to read, write, and record music.

www.dancingdots.com

1754 Quarry Lane
PO Box 927
Valley Forge, PA 19482-0927
610.783.6692

Lions Camp Tatiyee

The Mission of Lions Camp Tatiyee is to provide a camping experience for challenged individuals, among their peers, that encourage independence and self-confidence.

www.arizonalionscamp.com

PO Box 6910
Mesa, AZ 85216
480.380.4254

Music for the Blind

Complete music courses in audio format or Braille.

www.musicfortheblind.com

704 Habersham Road
Valdosta, GA 31602
888.778.1828

Play Golf America

Tournaments, clinics, and instructional aids provided to golfers who are blind and or otherwise disabled. This organization is founded by the PGA and offers resources throughout the country.

www.playgolfamerica.com

United States Association of Blind Athletes

The USABA is a community based organization of the United States Olympic Committee. The United States Association of Blind Athletes enhances the lives of blind and visually impaired people by providing the opportunity for participation in sports and physical activity.

www.usaba.org

1 Olympic Plaza
Colorado Springs, Co 80909
719.866.3224

Services for Children

Arizona State Schools for the Deaf & the Blind

www.asdb.az.gov

1200 West Speedway Blvd
Tucson, AZ 85754
520.770.3213

7654 North 19th Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85021
602.771.5400

Regional Cooperative Programs

- North Central Region
 - 1000 East Butler Avenue, Suite 115
Flagstaff, AZ 86001
928.774.0655
- Southwest Region
 - 2450 South 4th Avenue, Suite 600
Yuma, AZ 85364
928.317.0429

Visually Impaired Preschoolers Center

Programs for Visually Impaired Preschoolers (VIP program) provide early intervention services for Arizona's children, ages birth to 5 years old who have a medically diagnosed visual impairment in Phoenix and Tucson.

520.770.3002

The Foundation for Blind Children

This is a private, non-profit agency providing education, counseling and teaching of independent living skills to blind and visually impaired children from birth to age 22, and their families. The foundation provides a comprehensive system of services which will optimize the blind or visually impaired child's development and consequent opportunities to lead to a more a more independent productive life.

www.seeitourway.org

1235 East Harmont Drive
Phoenix, AZ 85020
602.331.1470

**National Association for Parents of the Visually Impaired
Region 5 (Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas)**

The National Association for Parents of the Visually Impaired strives to help parents of children who are visually impaired or blind to recognize what is "right" with their child and what their child can do. The association provides support, information and services to families of children who are visually impaired or blind.

www.spedex.com/napvi

Julie Urban, Regional Representative at Large
NAPVI Legislative Committee
Glendale, AZ
urban15@cox.net

Support Groups & Social Centers

Arizona Center for the Blind & Visually Impaired

3100 East Roosevelt Street
Phoenix, AZ 85008
602.273.7411
www.acbvi.org

Banner Visually Impaired Program

Olive Branch Senior Center

11250 North 107th Avenue
Sun City, AZ 85351
623.974.6797

Friendship Village Low Vision Support Group

2645 East Southern Avenue
Tempe, AZ 85282
Contact Anne Ahland: 480.831.5000

Granite Reef Senior Center Low Vision Support Group

1700 North Granite Reef Road
Scottsdale, AZ 85257
480.312.1700
www.scottsdaleaz.gov/seniors/social

Light Beams**Faith Presbyterian Church**

16000 North Del Webb Blvd.

Sun City, AZ 85351

623.974.3611

www.scfaith.org

National Federation of the Blind – Tucson Chapter

9014 East Bellvue Street

Tucson, AZ 85715

Contact Bob Kresmer: 520.733.5894

Services Maximizing Independent Living and Empowerment – S.M.I.L.E.

1929 South Arizona Avenue, Suite 4

Yuma, AZ 85364

928.329.6681

855.209.2363 (Toll Free)

www.smile-az.org

Sierra Vista Low Vision Support Group**Oscar Yrun Community Center**

3020 East Tacoma Street

Sierra Vista, AZ 85635

Contact Bill Hall: 520.458.6441

Sight & Sound Low Vision Support Group**Devonshire Senior Center**

2802 East Devonshire Avenue

Phoenix, AZ 85016

602.256.3130

Southern Arizona Association for the Visually Impaired- SAAVI

3767 East Grant Road

Tucson, AZ 85716

520.795.1331

www.saavi.us

Tucson Society of the Blind

6565 East Broadway Blvd

Christ Presbyterian Church Room 6

Tucson, AZ 85710

Contact Janna Peyton: 520.886.1913

Arizona Center for the Blind & Visually Impaired

3100 East Roosevelt Street
Phoenix, AZ 85008
602.273.7411
www.acbvi.org

Arizona Industries for the Blind Rehabilitation Services Unit

3013 West Lincoln Street
Phoenix, AZ 85009
602.269.5131
www.azdes.gov/aib

Arizona Technology Access Program – AzTAP

Northern Arizona University
2400 North Central Avenue, Suite 300
Phoenix, AZ 85004
602.728.9534
602.728.9536 (TTY)
www.aztap.org

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www.viewfinderlowvision.com

Transportation & Volunteer Support Services

About Care

A nonprofit serving homebound Chandler/Gilbert residents; provides transportation, shopping and errands, friendly visits, reassurance phone calls, and minor home repairs.
www.aboutcare.org

480.802.2331

**Apache Junction Ride Choice
Apache Junction Active Adult Center**

1035 North Idaho Road
Apache Junction, AZ 85119
480.474.5260

Arizona Bridge to Independent Living

Transportation is available for ABIL clients in the metro areas.

5025 East Washington Street, Suite 200
Phoenix, AZ 85034
602.256.2245

Arizona Department of Transportation – Handicapped Parking Permits

Visual Impairment alone does not entitle a person to a permit. There must also be a physical disability.

602.255.0072 (Phoenix)
520.629.9808 (Tucson)
800.251.5866 (Elsewhere in Arizona)

Cab Connection

Scottsdale Cab Connection is an alternative to Dial-a-Ride that offers users more flexibility and independence. Scottsdale residents may receive up to 16 vouchers per month per user.

480.312.8747

Cottonwood Area Transit

340 Happy Jack Way
Cottonwood, AZ 86326
928.634.2287
www.cottonwoodaz.gov/cat.php

Dial-A-Ride

Dial-a-Ride offers different types of service depending on the city or town in which you live. To find out what type of service exists in your area, visit their website or call the number below for the town you live in.

www.valleymetro.org/dial_a_ride

Customer Service: 602.253.5000
East Valley: 480.633.0101

East Valley RideChoice Program: 480.962.7433

Glendale: 623.930.3500

Northwest Valley

(Surprise, Youngtown, El Mirage, Sun City, Sun City West): 602.266.8723

Paradise Valley: 602.253.4000

Peoria: 623.773.7435

Phoenix: 602.253.4000

Tolleson: 623.474.4996

Duet: Partners in Health & Aging

555 West Glendale Avenue

Phoenix, AZ 85021

602.274.5022

www.duetaz.org

Green Valley – Friends in Deed

301 West Camino Casa Verde

Green Valley, AZ 85614

520.625.1150

www.fid.gv.org

Interfaith Community Care

Operates in the West Valley and Sun Cities. Services include adult day care, caregiver support, support groups, home delivered meals, and other senior services.

www.benevilla.org

16752 North Greasewood Street

Surprise, AZ 85378

623.584.4999

Mountain Line Transit

An affordable, fixed route bus service in Flagstaff.

www.mountainline.az.gov

3773 N Kaspar Drive

Flagstaff, AZ 86004

928.779.6624

New Horizons Independent Living Center

8085 East Manley Drive

Prescott Valley AZ 86314

928.772.1266

800.406.2377 (Toll Free)

www.newhorizonsilc.org

Rides in Sight

Informational hotline providing seniors and people with visual impairments transportation options in their area.

www.ridesinsight.org

855.607.4337

Ollie the Trolley

Offers tours, airport transfers, and trolley rentals for events and parties in Scottsdale.

www.dunntransportation.com

1322 North McClintock Drive

Tempe, AZ 85281

480.970.8130

Sun Cities Area Transit – SCAT

Dial-a-Ride, late night return emergency room service, and connection to Valley Metro in the Sun Cities and Youngtown areas.

www.scatdialaride.tripod.com

623.977.8363

Sun Lakes Neighbors Who Care

Eligible individuals receive free transportation from volunteers in the Sun Lakes and South Chandler areas. Other services include meals, companion service, shopping, and minor repairs.

www.neighborswhocare.com

10450 East Riggs Road, Suite 113

Sun Lakes, AZ 85248

480.895.7133

Sun Van

Sun Van provides transportation service to those individuals unable to use Sun Tran's fixed route service due to their disability. Sun Van is available to individuals with disabilities with a current ADA Eligibility Card issued by the City of Tucson.

www.sunvan.com

3401 East Ajo Way

Tucson, AZ 85713

520.798.1000

520.884.5100 (TDD)

Valley Metro Public Transportation

Reduced fares on bus routes and light rail are available to youths ages 6 through 18, seniors age 65 or older, persons with a disability, and Medicare card holder. Passengers must have a valid proof of eligibility to use reduced fares.

www.valleymetro.org

101 North 1st Avenue, Suite 1300
Phoenix, AZ 85003
602.253.5000
602.251.2039 (TTY)

Verde Valley Caregivers

299 Van Deren Road, Suite 2
Sedona, AZ 86336
928.204.1238
www.vvcaregivers.org

Yuma County Transportation Authority

Transit options servicing southwestern Yuma County including, but not limited to, the cities of Yuma, San Luis, Somerton, and the Cocopah Indian Reservation. Services include fixed bus routes and vanpool.

www.ycipta.org

2715 East 14th Street
Yuma, AZ 85365
928.783.2235
711 (TDD/TTY through the Arizona Relay Service)

Utilities Assistance

AT&T Accessible Communications Product Center

AT&T provides free directory assistance for people who cannot look up phone numbers because of a visual impairment. Your eye doctor must sign this form.

www.att.com

866.241.6568
800.241.6567 (TTY)

Cox Telephone

Cox provides free directory assistance for people who cannot look up phone numbers because of a visual impairment. Your eye doctor must sign this form.

www.cox.com

866.206.9832

Department of Economic Security Utilities Assistance

DES assists senior citizens (over 65) needing financial help get a discount for telephones.
Note: For electricity and natural gas, citizens should call their provider companies.

800.582.5706

Century Link

Center for Customers with Disabilities

Century Link provides free directory assistance and other services for people who cannot look up phone numbers because of a visual impairment. Your eye doctor must sign this form.

www.centurylink.com

PO Box 2670

Omaha, NE 68103

1.800.223.3131 (TTY)

Salt River Project (SRP)

SRP will send large print monthly electric bills to customers who are visually impaired.

www.srpnet.com

602.236.8888

Southwest Gas

Southwest Gas provides technical assistance in labeling gas appliances for the visually impaired.

www.swgas.com

2200 N Central Avenue, Suite 101

Phoenix, AZ 85004

877.860.6020 (Toll Free)

Blinded Veterans Association

The Blinded Veterans Association was established to help veterans and their families meet and overcome the challenges of blindness.

www.bva.org

800.669.7079 (Toll Free)

Department of Veterans Affairs Blind Rehabilitation Outpatient Services VA Medical Center

Carl T Hayden VA Medical Center

650 East Indian School

Phoenix, AZ 85012

602.277.5551 ext. 6516

www.phoenix.va.gov

Visual Impairment Services Team

VIST coordinators provide and/or arrange the provision of appropriate treatment in order to enhance functioning and independence. This includes referrals to Blind Rehabilitation Centers and low vision clinics. Coordinators also provide counseling, problem resolution, reviews of benefits and needed services, and assess to educational and outreach programs relating to blindness.

www.va.gov/blindrehab/vist.asp

Carl T Hayden VA Medical Center

650 East Indian School Road

Phoenix, AZ 85012

Contact: Thomas Hicks 602.277.5551 ext. 7236

Northern Arizona VA Healthcare System

500 North Highway 89

Prescott, AZ 86313

928.45.4860 ext. 6267

Southern Arizona VA Healthcare System

3601 South 6th Avenue

Tucson, AZ 85723

Contact: David Clarke 520.792.1450 ext. 5608