

Summary of Youth/Adult Vision Impaired Services

The Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired (DBVI) is committed to providing quality services to assist Virginia's citizens who are blind, deafblind or vision impaired in achieving their maximum level of employment, education, and personal independence. The department provides an array of specialized services to blind Virginians of all ages to assist them in attaining the skills, confidence and positive outlook that are critical to independence.

Low Vision Services

Purpose:

- To help you take full advantage of the vision you have

Services:

- Vision assessments and optical exams
- Low vision equipment and training

Benefits to those with partial vision loss:

- Understand your current level of vision and what you can do to adjust
- Make reading and daily activities easier

Orientation & Mobility Services

Purpose:

- To enable you to travel independently and safely

Services:

- Travel skills assessments and training
- Orientation technique training
- Instruction in how to get around independently

Benefits to those with vision loss:

- Develop confidence in your ability to travel independently and safely
- Learn how to use public transportation to locate community services

Vocational Rehabilitation Services

Purpose:

- To help you achieve your career goals

Services:

- Guidance and counseling
- Adjustment to blindness training
- Vocational assessments
- Training opportunities
- Job placement and follow-up

Benefits to those with vision loss:

- Develop skills to enter a profession
- Find a job or keep your job
- Advance in your career

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