OASIS
Support for People with Vision Loss

Organizations that Support the Blind and Visually Impaired

Information and Referral

These national organizations and associations specialize in assisting individuals with blindness and visual impairments in the United States, by offering services or information.

- American Association of Retired Persons
- American Council of the Blind (ACB)
- American Diabetes Association
- American Foundation for the Blind (AFB)
- APH ConnectCenter, Vision Aware
- Blinded Veterans Association
- Dogs Inc. (formerly Southeastern Guide Dogs)
- Foundation Fighting Blindness
- Guide Dogs for the Blind
- Lighthouse Guild
- Lions Clubs International
- National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys
- National Eye Institute
- National Federation of the Blind (NFB)
- Social Security Administration
- Time to Be Bold

Illinois State Government Resources

Illinois Department of Human Services — Division of Rehabilitation Services (IDHS/DRS): the state's lead agency serving persons with disabilities. It provides specialized services for persons who are blind or visually impaired.

- Bureau of Blind Services — available to Illinois residents who have vision impairment
- Client Assistance Program (CAP)
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- Illinois Center for Rehabilitation and Education – Wood (ICRE-Wood)
- Vocational Rehabilitation Program

Social/Emotional Support, Education, Training, or Support Groups for the Blind and Visually Impaired

These organizations may provide practical or social/emotional support, instruction of daily living skills and technology, social services, education, support groups, or resources to help adults with vision loss to adapt and thrive.

- **Family Caregiver Alliance**
- **Hadley (formerly Hadley School for the Blind)**
- **Oasis for the Visually Impaired**
- **Second Sense – Beyond Vision Loss**
- **Spectrios Institute for Low Vision**
- **The Chicago Lighthouse**
- **VisionAware**

Eye Health Organizations

These organizations focus on preventing eye disease, finding treatments, or supporting people living with vision impairment.

- **American Foundation for the Blind**
- **American Macular Degeneration Foundation**
- **BrightFocus Foundation**
- **Eye Research Foundation**

Aids and Devices

These companies sell useful products for people with varying levels of vision loss.

- **EZ2See Products**
- **Independent Living Aids**
- **LS&S, LLC**
- **Maxi-Aids, Inc.**
- **S & S Worldwide**
- **Universal Low Vision Aids, Inc.**

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