“While they were saying it couldn’t be done, it was done.”

—Helen Keller
Our mission is to enable individuals who are blind, visually-impaired, deaf-blind and/or have combined hearing-vision loss to live, work and thrive in the communities of their choice.
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Opposite page, left: HKNC students cycling in Sands Point; right: Enjoying a summer's day at Camp Helen Keller.
This page, above left: Art class at HKNC; right: HKSB's Day Hab consumer Brittney Bellamy who, as part of the program, volunteers with Meals On Wheels.
Chairman’s Letter

Dear Friends,

2015 was a remarkable year for all of us here at Helen Keller Services (HKS). The partnerships we’ve established have placed us on a path of growth and success both locally and nationally, and the innovative programs and services we’ve developed have given us the knowledge and resources needed to put our clients and students on the road to independence. I’d like to share a few highlights with you.

We were delighted to welcome Haben Girma to our board of trustees. Ms. Girma, the first person who is deaf-blind to graduate from Harvard Law School, is currently an attorney at Disability Rights Advocates in California, where she works to ensure the rights of people with disabilities around the country. Her passion and experience as an advocate will no doubt be an asset to our organization.

In December, we launched a new, comprehensive and fully accessible website, clearly defining the diverse services provided by the two divisions of HKS—Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults (HKNC) and Helen Keller Services for the Blind (HKSB). Be sure and check it out at helenkeller.org.

We are very proud of the relationship forged between HKSB’s Low Vision Eye Service and the Stony Brook University Ophthalmology Residency Program. Through this collaboration, the residents learn skills and techniques unique to low vision eye care, become familiar with devices and technology used in this area of practice and can offer patients alternatives for further care by utilizing the services offered through HKSB.

“The training offered by HKSB’s Low Vision Eye Service affords our residents the opportunity to learn firsthand from specialists—such as Dr. Sophie Cantillo of Helen Keller—the exam techniques and advice offered to low vision patients that would not be available in the clinic setting of patients seeking the treatment of an ophthalmologist,” said residency coordinator Mary Tanderup. “Seeing the special needs of patients dealing with low vision difficulties has given them insight into ways that they can offer patients the chance to seek additional help when they have done their best in their treatment plans. I would also say that dealing with low vision patients is a special art which is best learned from people who’ve been in the low vision field, such as the professionals at HKSB’s Low Vision Eye Service.”

The Stony Brook faculty members who coordinate the residency program believe that it’s important for future ophthalmologists to have the opportunity to explore low vision evaluation and rehabilitation services. “Our
partnership with HKSB has been an enormous benefit to our residency program," said Dr. Patrick Sibony, chair and professor of ophthalmology at Stony Brook University.

On the international scene, HKNC has partnered with Hapti-Co, an agency serving people who are deaf-blind in Norway. Together they created curriculum models and videos for use in teaching a communication system for people who have a combined vision and hearing loss called touch signals. Touch signals refers to the practice of using various methods of touch on a person’s body to convey visual, social and environmental information in real time. HKNC and Hapti-Co published the American edition of "Haptic Communication," a user-friendly book describing the techniques of Haptics, one of the many systems of touch signals being used nationally and internationally.

I invite you to read this annual report to see more examples of why this year has been so rewarding for the staff, board, clients and students at HKS.

We will continue to count on the generous commitment of our dedicated partners as we look to the future and inspire change in the next year and beyond.

Sincerely,

Christopher D. Maher
Chairman
HKNC Year in Review

Professional Learning & Leadership Institute (PLLI)

Thanks to a generous grant from the Lavelle Fund for the Blind, Inc., HKNC has created a new professional internship program for individuals who are deaf-blind. The Professional Learning & Leadership Institute (PLLI) offers three- to six-month paid internships at HKNC headquarters for nine to twelve individuals over a three-year period. The goal of this project is to provide deaf-blind individuals with the opportunity to gain skills they need to launch a career in vocational rehabilitation. The expected outcome, after the internship, is successful employment in the blind or deaf-blind rehabilitation field. The PLLI also promotes a more inclusive and active role for members of the deaf-blind community, training them to work as peer mentors and instructors with other people who are deaf-blind.

This past year, four qualified individuals from across the country participated in the PLLI, interning as instructors in the Independent Living and Adaptive Technology Departments as well as in the Residence. Two participants now have full time jobs—one as an instructor in the HKNC Independent Living Department and one in his home state. The third is in the process of being hired for a position with the Federal government.

Community Services Program (CSP)

In collaboration with the New York State Commission for the Blind, the CSP provides comprehensive rehabilitation, vocational and support services to eligible individuals in home, workplace, educational and community settings in downstate New York.

This year, the CSP offered its first work readiness class for deaf-blind individuals in the New York City community. The 11-session course was held over five weeks at the HKS offices in Brooklyn. The classes covered topics related to employment, such as setting career goals, interviewing skills, understanding benefits and workplace culture. Four students successfully completed the program and earned certificates.
New Train the Trainer Seminar on Touch Signals

Touch signals is a generic term referring to the practice of using various methods of touch on a person's body to convey visual, social and environmental information in real time. In the United States, two main touch signal systems are being used—Haptic Communication and Back-Back Channeling (BBC). Both systems were developed by deaf-blind individuals and continue to evolve within the deaf-blind community.

In November 2015, HKNC's Professional Learning Department coordinated the first Train the Trainer Seminar on Touch Signals with a focus on Haptic Communication. A group of 12 deaf-blind participants from across the country attended the three-day seminar conducted by two deaf-blind trainers from Norway who have over 20 years of experience teaching and using this form of communication. Although the focus of the seminar was the Haptic system, HKNC takes an "all inclusive" approach to the teaching and use of touch signals and encourages individuals to select whatever system works best for them in a given situation.

The agenda included learning the signals for colors, numbers, letters and directions; techniques for describing a room, people's facial expressions and actions; tactile braille; and more. Teaching strategies were discussed and each participant took part in hands-on practice sessions. Many different communication techniques and languages were being used—touch signals, tactile sign language, English, ASL and Norwegian sign language—all handled with great skill by the team of interpreters. One seminar attendee confided, "It was phenomenal—the best training I've ever been to—it was delicious!"
HKNC Year in Review

Celebrating ADA

July 26, 2015 marked the 25th anniversary of the signing of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). To celebrate this landmark legislation, HKNC held a special program at its headquarters in Sands Point and welcomed New York State Senator Jack Martins (7th Senate District) as the keynote speaker. Matthew Dwyer, the director of the Nassau County Office for the Physically Challenged, was also present.

Sue Ruzenski, HKNC’s executive director, introduced Senator Martins and thanked him on behalf of the Center for his help in securing a $100,000 grant for the renovation of the Training Building patio.

A panel composed of HKNC staff members who are deaf-blind addressed the audience on different topics related to the ADA. Ryan Odland, one of HKNC’s regional representatives, gave a comprehensive history of the ADA and discussed each of the five titles it encompasses. Maricar Marquez, assistant program coordinator, explained how SSP programs fit into the ADA, and Scott Davert, coordinator of the New York Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program, spoke about the advances in technology and telecommunications that have been achieved as a result of the ADA. Chris Woodfill, associate executive director, wrapped up the discussion with information on the future of the ADA including adding a new title to the Community Integration Act, which is now before Congress.

Summer Programs For Deaf-Blind Youths

In response to the passing of the recent amendment to the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), HKNC has expanded its service options and now offers three different programs to transition-age youth.

The traditional eight-week summer assessment program for high school juniors, seniors and recent graduates offers assessment and training in assistive technology, communication, independent living, orientation and mobility and vocational skills to the participants.

In 2015, the Young Adult Summer Program (YASP) included a full day of visits to the work sites of current and former students to explore career options after graduation. In addition, the seven participants developed self-advocacy skills to utilize in their Individualized Education Program (IEP) and in future educational settings. The program was co-facilitated by two former students and two mentors, also former students, under the advisement of two HKNC staff. A YASP buddy was also added to the team. The buddy was a current student who shared his experiences as a former participant in the program.

The third youth program is the six-week Summer Youth Vocational Program (SYVP), which provided three students with a comprehensive vocational experience in 2015. They had an opportunity to participate in real work in a paid position and gained self-awareness about their strengths and interests. The students learned how to write a resume and cover letter, and received basic training in skills specific to the workplace that they will need to compete in the job market.
Regional Highlights

Our nationwide network of regional offices extends HKNC’s reach across the United States. Each office is run by a regional representative, who connects deaf-blind individuals, their families and service providers with all that HKNC has to offer — consultation, advocacy, assessment, training, referrals and more. The regional representatives also collaborate with government agencies and nonprofit organizations to maximize opportunities for individuals who are deaf-blind in their respective regions.

Here is a quick recap of some of their activities:

- Working with the New England Center for Deafblind to develop training and support activities for transition issues and developing an online webcast on adult services that was shared across nine states.
- Establishing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Oregon Commission for the Blind to provide training, consultation and referral to vocational rehabilitation counselors and, in conjunction with the HKNC Senior Adult Services, conducting an On the Road Confident Living Program for 10 senior citizens who are deaf-blind.
- Formalizing an MOU with the National Technical Institute for the Deaf to increase awareness about the National Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program (NDBEDP) and providing a set of eligible telecommunications equipment for the college to demonstrate in its college outreach programs with the agreement that potential applicants be referred to HKNC for services.
- Serving on the Core Planning Committee for the Pennsylvania statewide SSP services being operated under the auspices of the Center for Independent Living of Central Pennsylvania.
- Continuing to assure maximum utilization of resources for Illinois residents who are deaf-blind. Since 2012 HKNC has had an MOU with the Illinois Department of Human Service-Division of Rehabilitation Services and the Chicago Lighthouse. Through this MOU, HKNC has been working with the Illinois Center for Rehabilitation and Education-Wood (ICRE-Wood) on needed environmental and safety modifications and will begin an evaluation of ICRE-Wood existing programs that are phonetically-oriented to include a deaf-blind-friendly and -centric curriculum.
- Increasing the pool of interpreters qualified to work with the deaf-blind community by providing touch signals training in North Carolina.
- Working with the Indiana Deaf-Blind Interagency Coalition to develop SSP services throughout the state, increase employment opportunities, educate service providers and employment specialists and more.
- Collaborating with the Louisiana Office of Aging and Adult Services and the Affiliated Blind of Louisiana to develop programs for their seniors who are deaf-blind, and training for service providers who are involved with senior services in the Deaf-Blind Community.
- Providing intake and assessment of over 45 individuals with vision and hearing loss and arranging for equipment distribution, set-up and training in conjunction with the Iowa-DBEDP.
- Securing the funding for managing the Hawaii-DBEDP.
Camp Helen Keller
A free summer day camp for children 5 to 15 years of age.

- In 2015, 51 children attended Camp Helen Keller.

Children’s Learning Center
Provides education and therapeutic services for children, up to age 5, who are blind or have vision loss and may have other disabilities; and resources for their parents.

- 15 children graduated from the Preschool program.
Employment Services

A full spectrum of employment services for adults, including vocational assessment, vocational training, adaptive technology training and assessment, work-experience internships and job placement.

- 23 clients successfully placed.
- 45 individuals completed HKSB’s Work Experience Training Program (WET).
- 36 clients trained in soft skills classes.
- HKSB’s Placement Staff was ranked #1 in competitive employment by the NYS Commission for the Blind. HKSB’s staff tied with Alphapointe for the most placements in 2014 in Downstate New York. HKSB’s staff successfully placed 28 legally blind individuals during that time frame, which accounted for more than 15% of the total number of successfully placed individuals throughout the state in competitive employment.

- Longtime HKSB partner Enterprise Process Service was honored as an Outstanding Employer by Long Island Working Partnership at its National Disability Employment Awareness Month ceremony at Carlyle on the Green.

Opposite page, top: The Sons of Italy and their committee members enjoying their annual Activity Day at Camp Helen Keller; bottom left: WABC-TV’s Amy Freeze covered the graduation ceremony and almost lost her reporting duties to would-be journalist and 2015 graduate Hope Moses; bottom right: Students at the Children’s Learning Center reading tactile books donated by the NYC Department of Education, Office of Pupil Transportation.

This page, top: Participants in the summer WET program; left: Aloft Hotel employee David Podolsky with HKSB’s Lashuana Cole during Mentoring Day.
Low Vision Eye Services

Staffed by doctors and other low vision specialists who teach clients how to maximize residual vision with lenses, magnifiers and electronic visual aids.

- In 2015, 753 clients received low vision eye services.

Outreach

This past year, HKSB renewed its partnership with the Lavelle Fund for the Blind in service to working-age adults who are legally blind through a generous four-year grant. Thanks to this collaboration, HKSB hired a new outreach coordinator, Rosanna Fodera, who is tasked with finding new clients who will greatly benefit from receiving services at HKSB. The goal is to significantly increase referrals to the agency’s Rehabilitation and Vocational Services Programs over four years, which will provide a larger number of individuals who are legally blind with the training and instruction needed to fulfill their employment goals and compete with their sighted peers in the marketplace. In her new role, Rosanna works with staff at the New York State Commission for the Blind; builds relationships with optometrists and ophthalmologists, such as Richard Soden, O.D. at SUNY College of Optometry; attends health fairs and community events; and works with potential clients who are seeking job training and assistance. HKSB remains grateful to the philanthropic leadership of the Lavelle Fund for the Blind and will continue to conduct outreach to the community to ensure that individuals with vision loss receive all the support they need to achieve economic independence.

Above: Dr. Ira Price showing Laverne Brown how to use her new magnifier.
Rehabilitation Services

Provides training in safe travel and daily living skills and the support of social casework services.

- In 2015, 520 individuals participated in the Adaptive Living Program (ALP).
- 110 people received social casework services.
- 135 clients completed orientation and mobility training.
- 87 received services through our Assistive Technology Center.

Ronkonkoma Office

On January 23, 2015, we celebrated the opening of HKSB’s new Suffolk County location. Made possible through generous funding obtained by State Senator Philip Boyle (4th Senate District), the new office is larger and more centrally located for clients. The 3900-square-foot facility includes a low vision eye service, rehabilitation services and an assistive technology center. Our thanks to the many representatives from the NYS Commission for the Blind for participating and lending their support.

Services for Adults With Developmental Disabilities

Services include a day habilitation program that assists individuals in acquiring, improving or retaining self-help, socialization and adaptive skills; Medicaid service coordination; respite services; supported employment; and a community residence.

- 75 consumers participated in the day habilitation program.
- HKSB’s Rachel Cangelosi and Frank Mutino were chosen to do a presentation on their Community Explorers program (for day habilitation clients) at the New York State Association of Day Service Providers Conference.
- HKSB’s Shamel Boyd and Sheryl Delgado won Leadership Awards at the annual New York State Association of Community and Residential Agencies Regional Conference in Riverhead.
Events

1. 26th Annual Children’s Learning Center Graduation at the National Grid Auditorium in downtown Brooklyn. Pictured are graduate Ibelaine Tejada and assistant teacher Tobi Haberstroh.

2. Guests dancing up a storm at the 36th Anniversary Gala at the Garden City Hotel.

3. From left to right: Norman Prisand, Dime Savings Bank of Williamsburgh; board member Larry Kinitsky; and Terry Mitchell, Dime Savings Bank of Williamsburgh, at the 36th Anniversary Gala.

4. Honorees at the 36th Anniversary Gala. From left to right: Joseph F. Rondinelli, immediate past president, Grand Lodge of New York, Order Sons of Italy in America; Antoinette Lewis (accepting the award on behalf of the Peter & Jeri Dejana Foundation); and Marianne Principe O’Neil, Gift of Sight Chairperson, Grand Lodge of New York, Order Sons of Italy.

5. On the links at the 25th Annual Golf Outing at the Village Club of Sands Point.

6. Former board member Joseph Mancino (third from left) and his foursome enjoying the grounds of the Village Club of Sands Point at the 25th Annual Golf Outing.

7. Maricar Marquez, assistant program coordinator at HKNC, and Lisa Honan, director of mental health services at HKNC, on the race course at the Annual Helen’s Run/Walk at the Sands Point Preserve.

8. Board member Richard Dzwlewicz and HKNC student Rane F. at the annual Helen’s Run/Walk.
Special Visitors
1. New York State Assemblyman Alfred Graf with a constituent at Camp Helen Keller.
2. The U.S. Department of Education Rehabilitation Services Administration Commissioner Janet LaBreck (center) and her assistant Mary Lovley (right) with HKNC Executive Director Sue Ruzenski during a visit to HKNC headquarters in Sands Point.
3. A student shows Melissa Turner from the Office of Management and Budget (right) a braille notetaker at HKNC headquarters in Sands Point.
4. New York State Assemblyman Michael Montesano joins the dance class at Camp Helen Keller.
5. New York State Senator Philip Boyle joins campers backstage at the Camp Helen Keller summer finale.
6. Manhattan Council Member (and Chair of the Health Committee) Corey Johnson and Brooklyn Council Member Steve Levin visit HKSB’s Children’s Learning Center.
7. New York State Senator Michael Venditto visiting with campers after the Camp Helen Keller summer finale.
8. New York State Assemblyman Tom McKeivist at Camp Helen Keller.
Celebrating Deaf-Blind Awareness Week

The last week in June has special significance for people who are deaf-blind and service providers across the country. As a result of a Presidential Proclamation made by Ronald Reagan in 1984, the week is celebrated annually as Helen Keller Deaf-Blind Awareness Week, with regional and national legislators promoting the week with proclamations and special ceremonies.

In 2015, HKS marked the occasion with the launch of a campaign to increase awareness about the capabilities of people who are deaf-blind. Haben Girma, a newly elected member of HKS' board of trustees, was featured prominently in the campaign.

An attorney with Disability Rights Advocates in Berkeley, California, Ms. Girma reinforces the fact that deaf-blind individuals are ready, willing and able to work. Ms. Girma graduated from Lewis and Clark College with a B.A. in sociology/anthropology and became the first deaf-blind person to graduate from Harvard Law School. She completed legal internships with the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights, and the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Her work as an advocate took her to Costa Rica, where she served as a U.S. delegate for Mobility International’s U.S./Costa Rica Disability Rights and Leadership Exchange. Ms. Girma joined the 2011 HKNC and Texas Tech-sponsored Deaf-Blind Young Adults in Action (now known as Deaf-Blind Citizens in Action) in Washington, D.C., and met with members of Congress to promote policies affecting people who are deaf-blind.

Ms. Girma's inspirational story resonated with local politicians, who showed their support for the campaign by posing with the ad that features her.
**Financial Statements**
**Helen Keller Services**

**Summarized Statement of Financial Position**
**June 30, 2015 (with comparative for 2014)**

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### SUPPORT AND REVENUE

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