The mission of Helen Keller Services is to enable individuals who are blind, visually-impaired, deaf-blind or have combined hearing-vision loss to live, work and thrive in the communities of their choice. HKS offers services and programs through two divisions: Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults and Helen Keller Services for the Blind.

Helen Keller National Center is the only comprehensive national program that provides information, referral, support and training exclusively to youths and adults who have a combined vision and hearing loss, their families and the professionals who work with them.

Helen Keller Services for the Blind is a comprehensive rehabilitation program serving individuals of all ages who are blind or visually impaired, and who may have additional disabilities, living in the New York metropolitan area.
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In 1893, the Industrial Home for the Blind (IHB), now known as Helen Keller Services (HKS), was started in Brooklyn, New York. Its focus was to serve and support those who were blind and to assist them in gaining as much independence as possible. In 1967, IHB's President, Dr. Peter J. Salmon, with Robert S. Smithdas and others, established through an Act of Congress the Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths & Adults (HKNC), as part of HKS. I am honored to be a part of that rich history.

For five decades, the Helen Keller National Center has provided vocational and rehabilitation training to individuals across the United States. HKNC is the only comprehensive national program that provides information, referral, support and training exclusively to youths and adults who have a combined vision and hearing loss.

Together in partnership with each student or consumer and when appropriate their family members, learning opportunities are tailored to each individual considering their goals, abilities and aspirations. HKS provides direct services to individuals in New York City, Nassau and Suffolk Counties and throughout the United States. This truly awesome work is accomplished through our local centers in Brooklyn, Hempstead and Ronkonkoma; through our residences in Wantagh and Port Washington; through our National Center in Sands Point and our regional offices throughout the United States—touching all 50 states.

HKNC's theme for their 50th anniversary this year is "Honoring the Past; Changing the Future." We are proud of HKS's history of successfully working with individuals who are blind or deaf-blind. It is a record that could not have become a reality over the years without the support of our Board of Trustees, our tremendous staff, federal, state and local government, loyal volunteers and the thousands of members
of the public who recognize the value of its work and contribute to its cause every year. We look forward to the future as we strive to continue working to foster independence for the individuals with whom we work.

Joseph F. Bruno

HKNC is most grateful to the Peter and Jeri DeJana Foundation and Jim Avena, grant administrator, for their generous support of HKNC’s 50th Anniversary and for their many years of dedicated support of HKNC.

Joe Bruno and HKNC’s Executive Director Sue Ruzenski unveiled the 50th anniversary logo in January of 2017.
This past year was a milestone for HKNC as it celebrated 50 years of being the only comprehensive national program providing information, referral, support and training exclusively to youths and adults who have a combined vision and hearing loss, their families and the professionals who work with them. As Sue Ruzenski, HKNC's executive director put it, “The journey to this milestone has been nothing short of spectacular as we have watched how people who are deaf-blind have met challenges, removed obstacles, changed paradigms and pushed the boundaries to lead successful and empowered lives.”

During the year-long celebration, several special events commemorated HKNC’s Anniversary including the 20th Annual Helen’s Run/Walk attended by approximately 615 participants and over 100 volunteers; the Annual Helen Keller Services (HKS) Golf Outing, attended by 120 golfers and volunteers; HKS’s Annual Gala, attended by 225 guests; and a festive Brunch in October attended by 172 guests including both current and former HKNC staff and students as well as community members and supporters. The Brunch honored two former HKNC directors, Martin A. Adler and Joseph J. McNulty, for their outstanding contributions to HKNC and the deaf-blind and disability communities as a whole. After the Brunch, HKNC’s new Wall of Fame was unveiled. This permanent remembrance honors five of the founders who played a vital role in the legislation that established the Center 50 years ago—Helen Keller, Peter J. Salmon, Robert J. Smithdas, Mary E. Switzer and Louis J. Bettica.

“Looking back, we give thanks to all of you who have enriched our services through your encouragement and support. Looking forward, we have great hope for the future to ensure our continued success in providing creative and innovative training programs and services for people who are deaf-blind. We will make it happen!!” —Sue Ruzenski
Legislators Visit HKNC

Only a few short weeks after being sworn into office in January, Representative Thomas Suozzi (D – NY 3rd District) visited HKNC’s headquarters to meet with staff and students and learn about the programs and services offered by the Center. During the course of his tour, Congressman Suozzi had an opportunity to talk to one of HKNC’s deaf-blind staff members who filled him in on the need for SSPs and other issues affecting people who have a vision and hearing loss. Speaking at the Student Town Hall Committee, the congressman told the students that he promised “to advocate on your behalf and encourage other congressmen to do the same. … It is a great honor to be your representative in this district and the work I have seen you doing here is very impressive.”

Later on in the year, New York State Senator Elaine Phillips (R), visited HKNC headquarters and observed students learning how to use the computer with braille displays and met with a panel of students who told the Senator why they came to HKNC and what their goals are for the future. Senator Phillips surprised the group with a presentation of a State of New York Legislative Resolution commemorating the 50th Anniversary of HKNC. This resolution will become part of the history of the NY State Senate.

Another frequent visitor to the Center is New York State Assemblyman Tony D’Urso (D – 16th District) who has been a huge supporter and advocate on behalf of HKNC.
Community Services Program

For consumers who are deaf-blind living in the New York metropolitan area, including Nassau and Suffolk Counties, HKNC offers a special program designed to provide training in their homes, work sites and community. The Community Services Program (CSP) is a model collaboration between HKNC and the New York State Commission for the Blind. The CSP is staffed by credentialed professionals in the fields of blindness and deafness including certified orientation and mobility specialists, low vision specialists, vision rehabilitation teachers, vocational specialists and a certified interpreter. All CSP staff are proficient in communication methods used by people who are deaf-blind.

During the past year, 36 consumers achieved over 90% of their program goals and 78% of those completing vocational assessments have obtained competitive employment or paid internships. Among the employers who have worked with the CSP are 1-800-Flowers.com, Wendy’s, Sears, TJ Maxx, Cintas, Applebee’s, Target and more. Current employers commented “Your program and coaches exceed expectations at all times,” and “Our team is pleased with the support CSP provides to our employees.”
Telecommunications Access for the Deaf-Blind Community

In order to send an email or connect with family, friends and community, the many thousands of Americans with combined vision and hearing loss need specialized equipment to make telecommunications, advanced communications and the Internet accessible. This equipment can be costly. The National Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program, also known as iCanConnect (iCC), is a law established by the Federal Communications Commission. It provides free equipment including smartphones, tablets, computers, screen readers, braille displays, and more to people who meet federal disability and income guidelines. The iCC is administered locally in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa and the Northern Mariana Islands.

Helen Keller National Center has managed the iCanConnect distribution program in New York since its inception in 2012. The Center began managing the Florida, Hawaii, and Iowa programs after 2015. During this time period over 600 consumers have applied, been accepted and received equipment through iCanConnect. A total of almost 500 consumers have received assessments during this time period.

HKNC has now received the program certification for Guam, American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. The Center’s regional representative from Region 9, Cathy Kirscher, recently traveled to these three areas to begin outreach and program start-up procedures such as establishing relationships with local agencies and identifying potential applicants and trainers. The importance of this in-person contact in understanding different cultures, technology issues and the challenges faced by the residents outweighs the challenge of traveling to an area that is a full day ahead of where Cathy lives in California. As a result of her visits to Guam, American Samoa and the Northern Mariana Islands, Cathy became aware of their strong sense of cultural and language preservation—something to keep in mind when working with iCanConnect applicants in the future.

Cathy with Ben Servino, director of the Department of Integrated Services for Individuals with Disabilities in Guam and Guam’s liaison with HKNC. Photo credit: The Guam Daily Post
Summer Youth Vocational Program (SYVP)

The Summer Youth Vocational Program is HKNC’s response to the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) which calls for an emphasis of services to youth with disabilities by offering them a variety of training options. Transition age youth who are deaf-blind participating in the SYVP benefit from work experience and job readiness training as they prepare for their transition from education to employment.

This past summer, 7 consumers participated in the 6-week SYVP. The participants were scheduled in community work experiences fifteen hours a week, where they earned a paycheck and met with business managers to discuss what an employer is looking for in a successful candidate. The students participated in a job readiness group discussing the duties of various jobs, developed resumes, practiced interviewing skills and learned about the application process. In addition, they received basic training in orientation and mobility and communication strategies specific to the workplace. These opportunities helped them define a vocational path for themselves as they finish high school.

A Personal Perspective

Brenden S. came from Arizona to explore and experience different vocational options. Brenden’s passion is music (he began playing the piano when he was 5 years old) and he is an accomplished jazz pianist. He has even written his own compositions. In his sophomore year of high school, Brenden took a digital music course and discovered his interest in film scoring. Because of this interest, a unique experience at a worksite was developed which Brenden had only dreamed about—a day at Head Room, a company in NYC that creates original film scores for advertisements and movies. During the first 3 weeks of the SYVP, Brenden also had an opportunity to meet with a former student to learn about his computer programming job at Adecco. In addition, Brenden explored career possibilities at the Computer Repair Center, Barnes & Noble and Home Goods. The door of possibilities has been opened and Brenden has crossed the threshold to employment success.
Specialized Training at HKNC

In addition to HKNC’s regular vocational and independent living skills training programs, HKNC offers a 5-day intensive Deaf-Blind Immersion Experience (DBIE) for individuals who are deaf-blind with additional disabilities and their home support team. The program provides vocational assessment and an array of work exploration opportunities for participants who have had minimal experience in the world of work. Consumers participate in work experiences that match their interests and abilities and develop personalized communication systems of sign language, object symbols and touch signals for use at home and in the community. They also have an opportunity to learn adaptive skills in mobility, cooking, cleaning, laundry and leisure time. HKNC staff interacts on a one-to-one basis with consumers and their support teams modeling communication methods, teaching techniques and proven strategies. An action plan is then developed by the support team along with the HKNC instructors for the consumer and his/her team to follow when they return home.

During 2017, two consumers and their support team took part in this program at HKNC headquarters. These individuals resided in North Carolina and Nebraska. A third consumer from Alaska received training in his home town. It was decided that offering these services in the home community and avoiding the long trip to New York would be in the best interests of the individual.

As a result of the DBIE, possible jobs were identified and the support teams learned instructional strategies, adaptive communication techniques, environmental modifications on the job, how to create self-directed programs and more. The consumers had an opportunity to learn adaptive skills in mobility, cooking, cleaning, laundry and leisure time. An action plan was developed by the support team and HKNC staff for the consumers and their team to follow when they return home. The individual in Alaska now operates his own vending machine business with support from his team.

One parent wrote, “This has been an amazing class. We have so many successful examples and options for our son, including real hands-on training and work experiences that were very positive and promising. We were given many tools to go back to our home state and implement.”
HKSB Programs & Services

Much of HKSB’s rehabilitation training takes place in clients’ homes and workplaces. The following are brief descriptions of HKSB’s programs and services:

**Children’s Learning Center**—Early Intervention, Preschool and a Parent Resource Center. In 2017, 19 children graduated from the preschool program.

**Services for Students**—Includes pre-vocational training and Camp Helen Keller—a free summer day camp for children 5 to 15 years of age. In 2017, 47 children attended Camp.

**Rehabilitation Services**—Training in safe travel and daily living skills, including social services. Under Vocational Rehabilitation Training, 134 individuals received assessments, most of whom received services in 2017. Under Orientation and Mobility, 150 individuals received assessments, most of whom received services in 2017. HKSB’s Social Worker conducted 130 assessments with 95 individuals successfully achieving their goals which were established during assessment (“outcomes”).

**Employment Services**—Includes vocational assessment and training; assessment and training in the use of adaptive software for computers; work-experience internships and job placement. The placement team conducted 55 pre-vocational assessments with 45 successful outcomes. Eight individuals received vocational skills training; 36 individuals were assessed for work-readiness with 30 work readiness outcomes. Under the Work Experience Training program, 30 individuals participated. 18 individuals were placed successfully in competitive jobs. The Assistive Technology Department conducted 130 assessments and successfully trained 65 individuals.

**Low Vision Services**—Staffed by doctors who teach clients how to maximize residual vision with lenses, magnifiers and electronic visual aids. 879 individuals received low vision examinations.

**Services for Individuals with Multiple Impairments**—Services for developmentally-disabled adults who are blind, visually impaired and/or are deaf-blind, including a day and community habilitation program, Respite Program, residential services and Medicaid Service Coordination. There are 86 consumers in the Day Habilitation programs in both Hempstead and Ronkonkoma.

**Services for Senior Citizens**—Includes rehabilitation services, low vision and social services.
1. Children get ready to start the day at HKSB’s Camp Helen Keller.
2. The consumers in HKSB’s community residence get ready to celebrate St. Patrick’s Day.
3. Children from Camp Helen Keller head home after a fun-filled day.
4. Students walk down the aisle at the Children’s Learning Center graduation, held in National Grid’s auditorium in downtown Brooklyn.
1. On October 7th, HKNC held a joyful 50th Anniversary Brunch on the grounds of their headquarters in Sands Point. Featured above are former and current employees, including: Standing (left to right): Joe McNulty, Sue Ruzenski, Cathy Kirscher, Beth Jordan, Michelle Smithdos, Cynthia Ingraham, Allison Burrows, Laura Thomas. Kneeling (left to right): Mo McGowan, Nancy O’Donnell, Kathy McNulty.

2. The Annual Helen’s Run/Walk held at the Sands Point Preserve.

3. The winners of the physically challenged female and male categories, Maricar Marquez (on left) and Alex Le Grand (on right) being given their trophies by HKS Board Member and Run/Walk Committee Chair Richard Dzwlewicz.

4. Enjoying a beautiful summer day at HKS’s annual golf outing are the LISS foursome (left to right): Eyal Issac, Mike Nole, Tim Glover, and Ira Reisman.
5. In June the Sands Point Garden Club held its annual Herb Tasting Event in the Sensory Garden on the grounds of HKNC’s headquarters in Sands Point. Pictured are student Ellen F. and garden club member Edie Katz.


7. Children from Camp Helen Keller enjoying themselves in Eisenhower Park, Long Island during the annual activities day hosted by the New York State Grand Lodge Foundation, Order Sons of Italy in America.

8. HKNC Associate Executive Director Chris Woodfill speaks at the “Deaf-Blind Experience” reception held at People’s United Bank during Deaf-Blind Awareness Week. Hosted by HKNC and the National Family Association for Deaf-Blind, the social and educational evening included a hands-on technology demonstration of devices used by deaf-blind individuals.
In the Community

1. HKSB’s Walter Dickinson and Charnora Simon provide information on services during an annual street fair in downtown Brooklyn.

2. HKSB consumer Janelys Hernandez (third from left) with AHRC’s (left to right, front row) Heather Gazzaley-Associate Director, Ana Sostre- Program Director and Debbie Lopez- Acting CSS. AHRC’s Traumatic Brain Injury program was the recipient of the Breaking Barriers Award at Baruch College’s 10th Annual Computer Center for Visually Impaired People Conference for their exceptional support in the hiring and mentorship of Ms. Hernandez. The award was presented by HKSB Youth Services Assistant Director- Walter Dickinson (back row). The Breaking Barriers Awards honors employers who hire qualified blind and visually impaired people and make creative accommodations that inspire employers and job seekers alike!

3. Chef Dan (standing, second from left) hosted students from HKSB’s ExploreAbility Program at his Café Luluc in Brooklyn.

5. Day Hab in the community: Consumers in the Day Habilitation Program volunteering for Meals on Wheels to deliver food for those in need.
Special Visitors

1. NYC Councilmember Stephen Levin (second from left) spends time with the Calloway family during their son’s graduation.

2. Attending the annual Gala, from left to right: Steve Malito (Davidoff Hutcher & Citron), former NYS Assemblymember Joan Millman, HKS Board Chair Chris Maher, HKS President & CEO Joe Bruno, NYS Assemblymember Christine Pellegrino, NYS Senator Kemp Hannon, Nicole Weingartner (Davidoff Hutcher & Citron) and NYS Assemblymember Ed Ra.

3. NYS Assemblywoman Jo Anne Simon (on lower right) with HKS President & CEO Joe Bruno enjoying the annual Children’s Learning Center graduation.
4. For over 10 years, groups of staff members from Goldman Sachs participating in their Community TeamWork Day have come to HKNC to plant trees, bushes and plants which they donate to the Center. Marigolds and begonias were planted in the grounds around the outside entrance to the Conference Center and a new Dogwood tree was planted near the Residence. During their lunch break, the volunteers had an opportunity to meet with HKNC’s current PLLI interns who explained their activities at the Center and showed the Goldman Sachs staffers how they utilize their braille notetakers and smart phones. Pictured are some of the volunteers from this year’s Community TeamWork Day.

5. The cast and several crew members from the Queens Theater production of “The Miracle Worker” stopped by HKNC in May to participate in some hands-on activities and a panel discussion to help them understand what it is like to have a vision and hearing loss. Pictured are Ayla Schwartz (right) who plays Helen, trying to pour water with Betsy Hogg (2nd from right) who plays Annie while HKNC’s Maricar Marquez (left) supervises and Erin Quinn interprets.
## Financial Statements
### Helen Keller Services

**Summarized Statement of Financial Position**

**June 30, 2017**  
(with comparative for 2016)

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### SUPPORT AND REVENUE

#### Public support:
- Contributions and grants: $945,465 to $1,012,815
- Legacies: $93,249 to $558,415
- Special events:
  - Gross receipts: $260,597 to $206,843
  - Less: direct donor benefits: ($78,301) to ($80,590)
- **Total Public Support**: $1,221,010 to $1,697,483

#### National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths & Adults—grant income:
- 2017: $12,575,876
- 2016: $11,866,675

#### Helen Keller Services for the Blind—grant income:
- 2017: $441,366
- 2016: $316,621

#### Training fees and allowances:
- 2017: $11,686,916
- 2016: $10,018,059

#### Total Fees and Grants from Government Agencies:
- 2017: $24,704,158
- 2016: $22,201,355

#### Investment income:
- 2017: $900,429
- 2016: $821,325

#### Rental income:
- Gross receipts:
  - 2017: $1,162,563
  - 2016: $2,193,480
- Less direct costs:
  - 2017: ($885,975)
  - 2016: ($1,176,026)
- Net gains (losses) on investments:
  - 2017: $4,503,043
  - 2016: ($2,036,826)
- Other:
  - 2017: $126,163
  - 2016: $117,352
- **Total Other Revenue**: $5,806,223 to ($80,695)

#### Total Support and Revenue:
- 2017: $31,731,391
- 2016: $23,818,143

### EXPENSES

#### Assistive Technology:
- 2017: $304,648
- 2016: $309,011

#### Low Vision:
- 2017: $463,081
- 2016: $483,255

#### Comprehensive Services:
- 2017: $2,983,243
- 2016: $2,783,830

#### Supported Employment Service:
- 2017: $42,649
- 2016: $42,076

#### Day Habilitation Services:
- 2017: $2,667,711
- 2016: $2,488,215

#### Blind Children Program:
- 2017: $2,332,280
- 2016: $2,265,887

#### Summer Camp:
- 2017: $153,752
- 2016: $132,792

#### National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths & Adults:
- 2017: $15,034,014
- 2016: $15,092,687

#### Residential:
- 2017: $661,457
- 2016: $644,723

#### Total Program Services:
- 2017: $24,642,835
- 2016: $24,242,476

#### National Center Deaf-Blind Youths & Adults:
- 2017: $1,837,712
- 2016: $2,063,309

#### Helen Keller Services for the Blind:
- 2017: $3,390,563
- 2016: $3,334,412

#### Total Supporting Services:
- 2017: $5,228,275
- 2016: $5,397,721

#### Total Expenses:
- 2017: $29,871,110
- 2016: $29,640,197

#### Change in Net Assets Before Gain on Sale of Real Estate and Decrease (Increase) in Unfunded Pension Obligation:
- 2017: $1,860,281
- 2016: ($5,822,054)

#### Gain on Sale of Real Estate:
- 2017: $51,967,426
- 2016: $5,866,320

#### Decrease (Increase) in Unfunded pension obligation:
- 2017: ($5,467,526)

#### Change in net assets:
- 2017: $59,694,027
- 2016: ($11,289,580)

#### Net assets, beginning of year:
- 2017: $21,216,627
- 2016: $32,506,207

#### Net Assets, End of Year:
- 2017: $80,910,654
- 2016: $21,216,627
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Top: Special guests taking a tour of HKS’ Brooklyn headquarters included, left to right: Back row: Rachel Pardoe of New York Community Trust, HKS’ Russell Martello, Krystle Lynch, Frank Primeggia and Liz Meade. Front row: Susan Olivo of Reader’s Digest Partners for Sight Foundation, Dianna Kelly-Naghizadeh of Reader’s Digest Partners for Sight Foundation, HKS’ Melissa Mueller, Janice O’Connor, Board Member of Reader’s Digest Partners for Sight Foundation and HKS’ Joe Bruno.

Bottom: An action packed fun-filled day marked the 8th Annual Activities day between The New York State Grand Lodge Foundation, Order Sons of Italy in America, Gift of Sight and Camp Helen Keller.
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Helen Keller Services mourns the passing of its former Board Chairman and President, Thomas J. Edwards. For over 23 years Mr. Edwards strengthened the mission of HKS within the community. Heartfelt condolences to his wife Ann, his six children and twelve grandchildren.

Far left: Attending the annual Gala, left to right, are HKNC’s Adriana Reali and Stacey Sullivan with HKS’ Board Member Al Adelman and Janet Greenstein.

Left: HKS Board Member Richard Dzwlewicz (far right) enjoying the weather with his foursome (left to right, James Rafferty, Niko Andreadis and Matt Melkonian) at HKS’ annual golf outing.
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Looking Ahead to 2018

2018 will be another momentous year for Helen Keller Services (HKS). It will mark the 125th anniversary of the organization’s establishment as well as unveil HKS’ new headquarters on Livingston Street in downtown Brooklyn, where it all began!

Since its founding in 1893, HKS has been committed to providing programs and services to enable individuals who are blind and deaf-blind to live independently.

Please save the following dates and get more information (and stay current) by regularly visiting helenkeller.org:

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