

DeafBlind EMPLOYMENT SERVICES



JOURNEY TO SUCCESS:

Paving the Way to Employment
Opportunities

Overview

Embark on a transformative journey with **Helen Keller National Center's DeafBlind Employment Services**. Our dedicated specialists, stationed across multiple states, are committed to providing personalized employment and rehabilitation services to DeafBlind individuals. Aligned with the Workforce Innovations and Opportunity Act (**WIOA**), our mission is to empower individuals, fostering a fully inclusive community-based environment.



Our **DeafBlind Employment Specialists** deliver tailored training to individuals and also extend their expertise to families and service providers. Collaborating with **HKNC** regional representatives, they spearhead targeted initiatives to amplify local services, championing the principles of community integration and unlocking diverse employment opportunities.

Purpose:

- Cultivate individualized skills for lifelong employment, enriching lives through personalized training.
- Elevate local community programs and services through strategic partnerships and advocacy, expanding avenues for employment.
- Forge connections with employers and service providers, ensuring accessible services that cater to the unique needs and preferences of DeafBlind consumers.

Employment Services

In partnership with Vocational Rehabilitation, our DeafBlind Employment Specialists offer:

Career Planning: Uncover personal strengths, career interests, set goals, and identify training options through personalized service plans.

Work Experience: Explore varied work environments, identifying tasks and accommodations to evaluate performance in real-world settings.

Job Soft Skills Training: Develop essential skills for job searching, including interviewing techniques, resume writing, workplace culture, and additional support exploration.

Job Development and Placement Services: Identify and apply for work based on personal strengths, interests, and abilities. Assistance in finding the right job is provided through partnerships with employers to create a satisfying workplace environment. Mentoring is provided through on-the-job coaching to optimize work experience in all aspects of accessibility and work preferences.

Job Retention: Ongoing support for job changes and promotions, ensuring continued stability and success.

Ready to work? Connect with your DeafBlind Employment Specialist and embark on your journey to success.

Visit our website to explore additional programs and services for DeafBlind individuals: <http://www.helenkeller.org/hknc>



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Regional Representatives

If you would like to speak with a regional representative about resources & services in your area, go to the Regional Network webpage for contact information:

www.helenkeller.org/regional-network

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CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, VT | 2 Mid-Atlantic Region
NJ, NY | 3 East Central Region
DE, DC, MD, PA, VA, WV |
| 4A Southeast Region A
AL, FL, GA, MS, VI | 4B Southeast Region B
KY, NC, PR, SC, TN | 5 North Central Region
IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, WI |
| 6 South Central Region
AR, LA, NM, OK, TX | 7 Great Plains Region
IA, KS, MO, NE | 8 Rocky Mountain Region
CO, AZ, ND, SD, UT |
| 9 Southwest Region
CA, HI, NV, GU, AS, CNMI | 10 Northwest Region
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