

## Vision Resources

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<b>Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (ABVI)</b> 422/500 S Clinton Avenue Rochester NY 14620	(585) 232-1111  <a href="https://www.goodwillfingerlakes.org/abvi">https://www.goodwillfingerlakes.org/abvi</a> <a href="http://abvi-goodwill.org/ServicesPrograms.html">http://abvi-goodwill.org/ServicesPrograms.html</a> <a href="https://211lifeline.org/detail.php?id=7332087">https://211lifeline.org/detail.php?id=7332087</a>	ABVI provides Vision Rehabilitation and Career and Training services and programs to individuals who are blind or visually impaired. Programs include: Low Vision Center, Orientation and Mobility, Employment Services, OT, Children’s Programs, Vision Wellness, Adaptive Technology, Adult Recreation, Case Mngt
<b>ABVI Brighter Views Classes for Older Adults with Vision Loss</b> 422/500 S Clinton Avenue Rochester NY 14620	(585) 642-6386  <a href="https://211lifeline.org/detail.php?id=61732025">https://211lifeline.org/detail.php?id=61732025</a>	Provides instructional classes for individuals 55 older, who are visually impaired, but not yet legally blind. -Teaches simple modifications and easy-to-use devices for daily activities. -Provides tips on how to travel safely -Provides info on assistive technology info
<b>ABVI Project Eye Care</b> St. Joseph’s Neighborhood Ctr 417 South Ave. Rochester, NY 14620	(585) 697-5738 <a href="https://www.goodwillfingerlakes.org/abvi/vision-wellness">https://www.goodwillfingerlakes.org/abvi/vision-wellness</a>	Provides free comprehensive eye exams performed by local volunteer eye doctors at community health centers to detect glaucoma, diabetic retinopathy, and other potentially blinding eye diseases. ABVI assists individuals to obtain diagnostic testing and follow-up treatment.
<b>Center for Disability Rights (CDR) Deaf/Blind Services</b> 497 State St Rochester, NY 14608	(585) 546-7510 (585) 286-2727 (video phone)  <a href="http://cdrnys.org/services/deaf-and-deafblind-services/">http://cdrnys.org/services/deaf-and-deafblind-services/</a>	Services for the Deaf/Blind at no cost to eligible individuals. SSP’s assist Deaf-Blind individuals with accessing and navigating their communities by providing specialized communication services.
<b>Coordinated Care Services (CCSI) Facilitated Enrollment for Aged, Blind &amp; Disabled</b> 1099 Jay St, Building J, Rochester, NY 14611	(585) 613-7662, Option 3  <a href="https://www.ccsi.org/Programs/Aged,-Blind,-Disabled-(1)">https://www.ccsi.org/Programs/Aged,-Blind,-Disabled-(1)</a>	CCSI educates and assist aged, blind, or disabled New Yorkers with enrolling in and using public health insurance programs.
<b>Flaum Eye Institute at URM</b> 210 Crittenden Boulevard Rochester, NY 14642  (Other locations in Brighton, Webster, College town)	(585) 273-3937  <a href="https://www.urmc.rochester.edu/eye-institute.aspx">https://www.urmc.rochester.edu/eye-institute.aspx</a>	Located at University of Rochester Medical Center, multidisciplinary approach offers comprehensive resource for the diagnosis and treatment of eye disease. Specialized diagnostic and imaging equipment allow complex procedures to be done in-house.

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<p><b>GEVA</b> 75 Woodbury Blvd</p> <p>Rochester, NY 14607 (585) 232-4382</p>	<p>Click link to learn more <a href="#">GEVA Theatre Audio Program Description</a></p>	<p>The third Sunday matinee performance of every Wilson Stage Series production is Audio-Described by a live narrator for patrons who are blind or visually impaired. The pre-performance description of sets and costumes begins after Prologue, at approximately 20 minutes prior to curtain, and visual details are verbalized during the performance.</p>
<p><b>Lions Club International</b> 388 Stone Road Rochester, NY 14616</p>	<p>(585) 621-3400 (central phone) <a href="https://www.lionsclubs.org/en">https://www.lionsclubs.org/en</a></p> <p>Assistance Requests: <a href="https://lionsclubs.org/en/give-our-focus-areas/vision">https://lionsclubs.org/en/give-our-focus-areas/vision</a></p> <p>The Lions programs are funded and administrated locally. Contact your local Lions Club for specific information: <a href="https://lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/club-locator">https://lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/club-locator</a></p>	<p>Works to improve the lives of the visually impaired and prevent avoidable blindness through initiatives, programs and grants. -A local club near your community may sponsor a program that help with the purchase of glasses, hearing aids, health-related services-Provides eyeglasses when available. Eyeglass recycling donation boxes are located throughout the Rochester region, many at local Walmart's, optometrists', ophthalmologists' offices.</p>
<p><b>Monroe County Library System Senior Services/ Wellness Resource Center</b> 115 South Avenue Rochester, NY 14604</p>	<p>(585) 428-8110 <a href="https://libraryweb.org/services/services-for-seniors/">https://libraryweb.org/services/services-for-seniors/</a></p>	<p>Offers services for Older Adults including <b>Large Print/Audio Books</b>, book-discussion groups; live performances/readings; talks and panel discussions; films; various clubs and workshops; health and wellness prog. <b>Contact your local library for information</b></p>
<p><b>Project REBUILD-VL</b> (Resilience-Building Intervention to prevent Late-life Depression with Vision Loss) 422 S Clinton Avenue Rochester NY 14620</p>	<p>(585) 371-8173 <a href="https://www.warner.rochester.edu/centersandresearch/go/Rebuild">https://www.warner.rochester.edu/centersandresearch/go/Rebuild</a></p>	<p>A Program of UR Medicine, Flaum Institute, ABVI. Free Vision Education Classes for older adults age 55+ with vision loss. Offers 4 classes, 6 one-on-one sessions focusing on problem solving for situations resulting from vision loss.</p>
<p><b>Rochester Broadway Theater League Accessibility Services for Visually Impaired</b> 885 East Main St Rochester, NY 14605</p>	<p>(585) 222-5000 <a href="https://www.rbtl.org/accessibility-services/">https://www.rbtl.org/accessibility-services/</a></p>	<p>Audio Description headsets are available for blind and visually impaired during most Sunday matinee subscription performances. Contact box office for reservations.</p>

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<b>Rochester Optometric Society</b>	<a href="http://www.rocheyedocs.org/">http://www.rocheyedocs.org/</a>	The Rochester Optometric Society offers eyecare and eyewear information for patients, as well as providing an online resource for doctors of optometry and other health care providers.
<b>Rochester Regional Health Ophthalmology/Eye Care</b>  (Many locations – check website)	(585) 922-4315  <a href="https://www.rochesterregional.org/services/ophthalmology">https://www.rochesterregional.org/services/ophthalmology</a>	Full-service teaching and treatment eye center. General adult and pediatric ophthalmologic care is provided, including the ophthalmic specialties of glaucoma, cornea and external disease, medical, and surgical retina.
<b>UR Medicine Low Vision Services</b> 4901 Lac de Ville Blvd., Bldg D Suite 250 Rochester, NY 14618	(585) 341-9000  <a href="https://www.urmc.rochester.edu/physical-medicine-rehabilitation/services/occupational-therapy/low-vision.aspx">https://www.urmc.rochester.edu/physical-medicine-rehabilitation/services/occupational-therapy/low-vision.aspx</a>	Occupational Therapy offers a low vision program that specializes in the assessment, treatment, and use of adaptive equipment for low vision individuals. - Need referral from ophthalmologist, PCP, or optometrist
<b>Wegman Smartphone App for Low Vision Individuals (AIRA)</b>	(800) 835-1934 <a href="https://www.wegmans.com/service/specialized-services-at-wegmans.html">https://www.wegmans.com/service/specialized-services-at-wegmans.html</a>  <a href="https://www.wegmans.com/news-media/press-releases/2018/wegmans-becomes-the-first-aira-enabled-supermarket-chain-in-the-united-states.html">https://www.wegmans.com/news-media/press-releases/2018/wegmans-becomes-the-first-aira-enabled-supermarket-chain-in-the-united-states.html</a>	Offers <b>free</b> use of the Aira smartphone app for use in Wegman stores. Aira is an assistive technology connecting visually impaired people with a network of certified agents via a dashboard. This allows agents to see what the visually impaired person sees in real time. Learn more about this service at <a href="http://www.aira.io">www.aira.io</a> or call (800) 835-1934
<b>State/Federal Orgs</b>		
<b>American Council of the Blind</b>	<a href="https://www.acb.org/">https://www.acb.org/</a>	ACB offers a wide variety of programs and services to help people who are blind or visually impaired
<b>American Printing House for the Blind</b>	<a href="https://www.aph.org/resources/">https://www.aph.org/resources/</a>	Resources
<b>Enhanced Vision – LV Products</b>	(888) 811-3161 <a href="https://www.enhancedvision.com/low-vision-resources/new-york-low-vision-resources.html">https://www.enhancedvision.com/low-vision-resources/new-york-low-vision-resources.html</a>	Low Vision Products and Resources

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<b>Guiding Eyes for the Blind – Guide dogs</b>	<a href="https://www.guidingeyes.org/">https://www.guidingeyes.org/</a> <a href="https://www.guidedogsofamerica.org/">https://www.guidedogsofamerica.org/</a>	Specialize in training guide dogs to get them ready to assist a disabled person. These agencies don't charge the person with a disability but rely on contributions.
<b>Lighthouse Guild</b>	<a href="https://www.lighthouseguild.org/vision-a-z/">Lighthouse Guild https://www.lighthouseguild.org/vision-a-z/</a>	Lighthouse Guild provides healthcare plans, educational services (early childhood and school age) and rehabilitation services throughout New York State for individuals who are blind and visually impaired.
<b>Living Well with Low Vision</b>	<a href="http://lowvision.preventblindness.org/resources/">http://lowvision.preventblindness.org/resources/</a>	Maintains more than 1,600 links and contacts, checked daily for accuracy. Including Agencies, Assistive Technology produces, financial assistance, vision related websites
<b>National Eye Institute</b>	<a href="https://nei.nih.gov/">https://nei.nih.gov/</a>	A program of the federal government's National Institutes of Health (NIH)
<b>National Federation of the Blind</b>	<a href="https://www.nfb.org/programs-services">https://www.nfb.org/programs-services</a>	Offers information, programs, services, and products for blind/low vision individuals
<b>National Library Service (Library of Congress)</b>	<a href="https://www.loc.gov/nls/resources/blindness-and-vision-impairment/information-advocacy-organizations/">https://www.loc.gov/nls/resources/blindness-and-vision-impairment/information-advocacy-organizations/</a>	The consumer organizations listed in this reference guide provide direct services, guidance and support to people who are blind or visually impaired
<b>New Eyes for the Needy</b>	<a href="https://new-eyes.org/about-us">https://new-eyes.org/about-us</a>  <b>New Eyes Voucher Program Application</b> <a href="https://new-eyes.org/application">https://new-eyes.org/application</a>	New Eyes for the Needy purchase new prescription eyeglasses through a voucher program for children and adults in the United States who cannot afford glasses on their own. New Eyes accepts, recycles and distributes donated glasses for poor people overseas.
<b>New York Deaf/Blind Collaborative</b>	<a href="http://nydbc.org/resources/">http://nydbc.org/resources/</a>	Resources
<b>NYS Commission for the Blind</b>	<a href="https://ocfs.ny.gov/main/cb/programs.asp">https://ocfs.ny.gov/main/cb/programs.asp</a>	Vocational Rehab Programs
<b>VisionServe Alliance</b>	<a href="https://visionservealliance.org/resources-2/">https://visionservealliance.org/resources-2/</a>	Resources including VisionRefer referral system, simulations of vision loss, tips for interaction for both visually impaired and sighted individuals in real world situations, career opportunities.

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