

Reasons to consider Assistive Technology

- When a person is having difficulty completing an employment task.
- When a person needs accommodations to participate in training.
- When a person needs accommodations to manage activities of daily living.
- When the current accommodations are outdated or no longer effective.



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Assistive technology



Access your future

Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Assistive Technology Specialists

Assistive Technology Specialists, who work for DRS' Services for the Blind and Visually

Impaired division, are highly trained and experienced in working with individuals who are blind or visually impaired.



The AT

specialists will focus on the reported obstacles in relation to the individual's functional vision. Each individual's situation is unique.

A big part of an AT evaluation is to identify what the real problem or obstacle is and identify assistive technology that may best help them overcome the obstacle(s).

The specialists can evaluate an individual on a wide variety of Assistive Technology devices and software designed for the blind and visually impaired.

Types of evaluations

Access to printed materials

- Video magnification
- Text to speech
- Braille devices

Computer access

Worksite accommodations

School accommodations

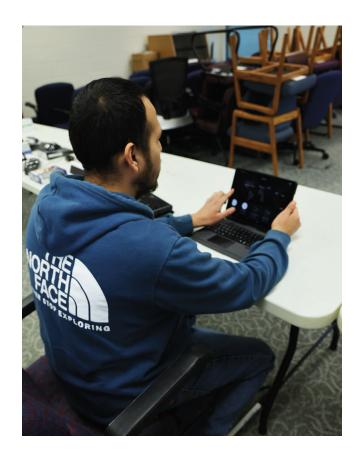
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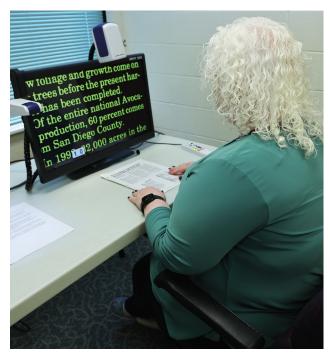
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Communication

For individuals who are blind or visually impaired, full participation in education, employment and daily living may be achieved, or enhanced with the introduction of assistive technology.

Services through the SBVI AT lab are designed to assist an individual who is blind or visually impaired in the selection, acquisition, and use of assistive technology devices, and software. An evaluation of the AT needs of an individual includes a functional evaluation of how AT could help the individual.





The lab has a wide variety of items to meet the diverse needs of Oklahomans with various levels of visual impairments.

Sometimes learning new devices and/ or software can be intimidating. The AT specialists at the lab are also here to provide training on recommended equipment when necessary.

AT Lab

DRS' Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired division has established three assistive technology labs strategically located throughout the state to provide clients an opportunity to explore devices that may help them achieve their employment goals.

Demonstrations and loan of equipment are encouraged to promote awareness and access to the latest advances in adaptive equipment.