Every person deserves an equal playing field in life. When an individual is born with or develops a low vision condition or blindness, that playing field is unquestionably uneven.

Our mission is to help level that field by expanding access and coaching individuals to overcome barriers and achieve their goals. Whether it's providing educational resources, adaptive technology, or personalized instruction, we are dedicated to making a difference.

We stand ready and eager to serve.

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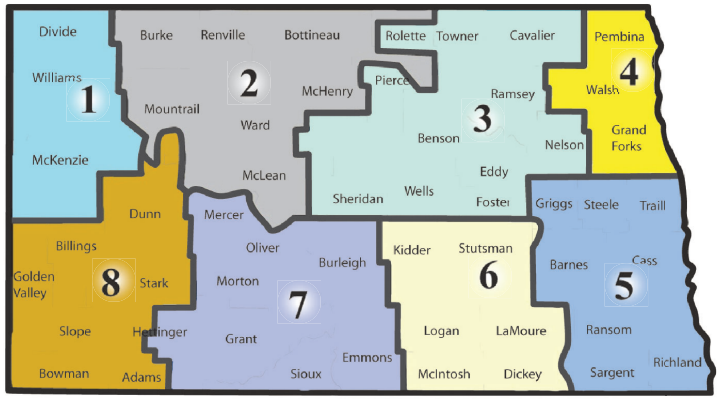

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Our Mission

To provide specialized and individualized services for people of all ages who are blind or low vision by partnering with families, educators, and agencies to empower them in achieving their goals.

Who We Are and What We Do

At North Dakota Vision Services/School for the Blind (NDVS/SB), we exist to fulfill many needs for people with a wide range of vision-related needs. We provide center based programming, regionalized outreach services, and statewide leadership ensuring that the specialized needs of persons of all ages who are blind or have low vision are met. NDVS/SB is a division of the Department of Public Instruction and is located in Grand Forks, with regional offices in Fargo, Jamestown, Rugby, Minot, Dickinson, and Bismarck.

Resources Available:

- Consumer and Professional Library
- American Printing House Materials
- Descriptive Videos
- Sensory Education Library
- The Store (adaptive aids for sale)
- Braille Access Center
- 3D Models
- STEM Kits
- Assistive Technology

Evaluations, Consultations, and Instruction:

- Assistive Technology
- Braille
- Daily Living Skills
- Functional Vision Evaluations/Learning Media Assessment
- Low Vision/Adaptive Techniques/Aids
- Orientation and Mobility
- Recreation/Leisure
- Vocational/Career Education

In-service Training is available upon request to other agencies, service organizations, schools, and health care providers.

Assistive Technology Equipment including STEM items are available for demonstration to individuals who have low vision or are blind, families, local school districts, private schools, and related entities.

Eligibility: Any individual with low vision or blindness, or anyone experiencing the effects of an impairment in vision. We are a resource for all!

Short Term Programs:

Our short-term programs focus on teaching the Expanded Core Curriculum (ECC) which includes essential skills that students of all ages who are low vision or blind need to access their environment and live independently. It is the goal of NDVS/SB to assist individuals in pursuing their personal ambitions through assessment and training. Skills taught through the ECC equip students and adults to become confident and self-reliant.

- Preschool (mini-session)
- Elementary Programs (1st - 6th Grade)
- Middle School Programs (6th- 9th Grade)
- Teen/Transition Programs (10th- 12th Grade)
- Summer Programs
- Adult Programs