

OKLAHOMA LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND & PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

Division of Visual Services

Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services (DRS)

PURPOSE

The Oklahoma Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (OLBPH) in the Division of Visual Services offers services for persons who are blind, visually impaired and those with disabilities preventing them from using standard print materials. Thousands of books, textbooks and periodicals in recorded and braille formats, and playback equipment are available through the library at no charge and are sent and returned via postage-free mail. OLBPH is a regional depository for the Library of Congress, National Library Services for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. The OLBPH also operates the Accessible Instructional Materials (AIM) Center, that provides textbooks and other instructional materials in braille and other accessible formats for students with visual impairments in kindergarten through grade 12, as long as funds are available to meet the requests.

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FINANCIAL CRITERIA

- None

ELIGIBILITY

- A person with a visual, physical, or learning disability that prevents or limits their ability to read standard print; or
- people with both permanent and temporary disabilities.

AT SERVICES PROVIDED/COVERED

- Information & Referral
- Loan of tape recorded and braille books
- Loan of cassette machines for playing talking books
- Loan of descriptive videos
- Newline: newspapers read over the phone by computer
- Braille, tape, and large print textbooks and specialized instructional equipment for visually impaired children and youth in Oklahoma Schools

AT DEVICES PROVIDED/COVERED

- Playback machines for reading talking books are loaned

APPLICATION PROCESS

- To request an application for service, books and operating equipment, contact the Oklahoma Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped online at: <http://www.library.state.ok/us/applications/individual.pdf>.