



ABOUT US

The Oregon Commission for the Blind (OCB) provides services to Oregonians experiencing vision loss to overcome barriers to employment and reach their career goals. OCB helps businesses become more inclusive, develop accessible worksites and obtain and retain talented employees.



ELIGIBILITY AND PROCESS

The Oregon Commission for the Blind serves Oregonians with a medical diagnosis of legal blindness (Oregonians experiencing low to no vision or a condition expected to lead to low or no vision). Those in OCB's vocational program must be actively seeking employment. To access OCB services:

- Call The Oregon Commission for the Blind at (541) 699-5090
- Make an appointment with an OCB Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor (please have or be prepared to get a copy of a vision diagnosis for this appointment)
- Meet with OCB VR Counselor for an intake and to develop a plan



SERVICES PROVIDED

For jobseekers, OCB services include:

- Vocational Rehabilitation and counseling
- Adaptive Skills Training
- Career Exploration as part of a Progressive Employment model
- Job Development and placement support

For businesses, OCB also provides:

- Disability awareness & etiquette training
- Worksite accessibility analysis
- Training on recruiting diverse job seekers
- Demonstrate, test, optimize and aid in the installation of adaptive/assistive technology



GETTING CONNECTED

Interested Jobseekers or partner organizations wanting to make a referral to OCB services can call (541) 699-5090 directly. Additional Contacts: Samantha Smith, Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor – main line, Molly James, Business Relations Coordinator - (541) 527-9958, Larry Lake, Assistive Technology Instructor - (541) 699-5095. Go to www.oregon.gov/blind for more information.

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Expanding Opportunities for Oregonians with Vision Loss