

Welcome to the Lighthouse for the Visually Impaired and Blind

Serving Pasco, Hernando & Citrus

The mission of the Lighthouse is to educate, empower and employ people who are visually impaired and blind. The Lighthouse provides vision rehabilitation programs and services to visually impaired people of all ages, from babies to seniors. Vision impairment impacts all aspects of a person's life, including education, employment, daily living, social & recreational activities, and the ability to care for oneself and one's family. There are almost 27,000 visually impaired people living in Pasco, Hernando, and Citrus Counties.

Lighthouse training programs and services are designed to help people living with vision impairment meet the challenge of vision loss, and lead safe, independent, and productive lives. Individual and group training is provided by qualified instructors, at the Lighthouse, in the community, and by conference call. Several activities have been added to our programs to reduce isolation. Lighthouse instructors are educated and experienced with teaching adaptive skills and assistive technology in the field of vision impairment.

Lighthouse Programs & Services

Babies, Children & Teens

Early Intervention (birth to 5 years of age)

The Early Intervention Blind Babies Program works with young children and their parents, to develop sensory abilities, concept development, and adaptive skills, so young children are able to meet their unique developmental milestones.

Children's Program (5-13 years of age)

Children develop adaptive skills in daily living, technology, pre-employment, and recreation.

Teen's Pre-Employment Transition Program (14-22 years of age)

Teens develop essential skills for transitioning into adult life, employment, and higher education. Training includes job readiness, daily living, computers, technology, orientation & mobility (white cane/safe movement), recreation, socializing, and supervised work experiences.

Adults & Seniors

Adaptive Independent Living Skills Training and Adjustment to Vision Loss Counseling

Adults and seniors develop skills as needed for shopping, cooking, cleaning, home organization, medication management, fall prevention, safe movement, white cane, braille, computer, mobile devices, and assistive technology. "Passages," support groups, and social activities are also provided.

Vocational Rehabilitation, Job Readiness and Employment Programs

Individuals of working age learn adaptive daily living skills, use of computers and assistive technology, orientation & mobility, job readiness training, counseling, and job placement services.

New at the Lighthouse:

- The Sensory Garden (NPR)
- NuEyes Low Vision Solutions/Low Vision Clinic (NPR)
- Passages Adjustment to Vision Loss (both offices)

Ways You Can Help

- Donate, Volunteer
- Join our Annual Giving Programs
- Buy our batteries & trash can liners to support workers who are visually impaired and blind

To learn about other ways you can help, please visit: www.lvib.org/get-involved/ways-to-give. Donations are used in the communities where they

are received or you can designate your donations for the preferred program.

Fundraising Events and Client Activities

Lighthouse events include two annual fundraisers—Dining in the Dark and the Chasco Coronation Ball. In addition, we have in-person and virtual Drop-Ins for adults and seniors who are visually impaired and blind and their families, a Beeping Easter Egg Hunt, an Annual Prom, a White Cane Safety Event (October), and Yearend Open Houses. We also provide Lighthouse tours upon request.

For information about upcoming events and activities, visit www.lvib.org/events or contact the Lighthouse.

Contact the Lighthouse

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Please note: This is the text version of our brochure, with one exception.
This document includes Fundraising Events and Client Activities.