

We know that blindness is not the characteristic that defines you or our future. Every day we raise the expectations of blind people, because low expectations create obstacles between blind people and our dreams. Our collective power, determination, and diversity achieve the aspirations of all blind people.

RAISING EXPECTATIONS

Ride for Literacy - A Journey of Strength, Dedication, and Connection

“My dad is the inspiration behind my Route 66 ride. He had RP, but that never defined who he was or what he felt he could do. That is why I feel so fortunate to be partnered with you here at the NFB...you also believe that you can live the life you want. With this ride I want to get this great organization’s name out there in the public. I would love to help kids come in and learn Braille and also realize they can accomplish anything in their life.” - Dan O’Rourke



Employment Initiatives

- **4 Where the Blind Work** webinars
- **445 job-seekers** and **64 employers** attended national career fairs
- **Career Quest**, a new week-long career mentoring program, launched at the national convention

ENRICHING EDUCATION

Developing Braille Literacy and Nonvisual Skills for Blind Kids across the Country

- **312 NFB BELL® Academy participants** – 242 blind and low-vision students attended in-person across 18 states, 79 blind and low-vision students participated in the in-home edition from 33 states.

“When I was a blind kid in school, Braille was never a priority. But nine months ago, I gave birth to a blind daughter. I want her to grow up to be a leader. I want her to have all of the flexibility and opportunity that I missed because Braille was not prioritized in my life. And that means it’s time for me to learn ahead of her and model to her that Braille is beautiful, valuable, and wonderful.” – Jamie, NFB member

Reaching More Blind Children and Families through Early Childhood Initiatives

- **723 participants** in the Braille Reading Pals program
- **371 winter celebration and Santa letters** sent to young blind children



FOSTERING INCLUSION AND INDEPENDENCE

“As a part of our Kentucky NFB BELL® Academy, I introduced NFB-NEWSLINE® and invited parents to sign their children up. During demonstrations with students, the children were enthusiastic about the Kid’s Reading Corner publications. One student, K.M., was so excited. He scrolled through the Kid’s Corner options, asked if the most recent version of *Highlights* was available, and was thrilled to find the July 2023 issue on the E-Reader. His brother has a subscription, as was so happy that he will be able to read *Highlights* as well.”

NFB-NEWSLINE® – a free audio service with more than 500 publications

- **131,294 subscribers** accessed news, job postings, and other information by telephone, mobile apps, and web
- **29 new publications** were added and a limited access account for children was made available in 2023



Free White Cane Program

- **6,170 blind people across the country** received free white canes

PLANNING AHEAD

The National Federation of the Blind is a diverse community of blind people that advances the lives of its members and all blind people in the United States. You can discover more about the programs highlighted here and our other initiatives by calling 410-659-9314 or visiting our homepage at <https://nfb.org>.

ACCOUNTABILITY & TRANSPARENCY

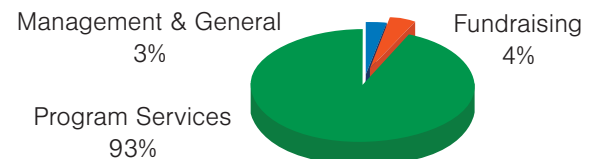
The National Federation of the Blind meets the most rigorous standards for charity accountability and transparency.



FINANCIAL STATEMENT

2023 Fundraising and Management and General Expense as a percent of Total Revenue, Gains and Other Support.

To read our 2023 annual report, visit <https://nfb.org/annual-report>.



HOW YOU CAN HELP

We could not do this critical work without our many generous supporters. Here are some ways that you can help us continue to help blind people live the lives they want.

Give Online or by Phone

Make a credit card contribution online at <https://nfb.org/donate> or call 410-659-9314, extension 2430.

Contribute by Mail

Checks should be made out to the “National Federation of the Blind” and mailed to the National Federation of the Blind, attention Outreach, at 200 East Wells Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21230.

Planned Giving

Including the National Federation of the Blind in your future plans is a thoughtful way to transform dreams into reality and ensure the next generation accelerates beyond the previous. It’s easier than you think. Learn more at <https://nfb.org/planned-giving> or call 410-659-9314, extension 2422.