

# ACCESSING OPPORTUNITY

·Your Comprehensive Guide to  
Deaf Plus Resources in Los Angeles



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## OUR MISSION

To enable individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder and other Developmental Disabilities to live fulfilling lives as members of the community by providing support services customized to their individual needs.



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In this resource guide, we have curated a wealth of information and valuable insights to assist you and your family throughout your journey. Whether you are a Deaf Plus young adult transitioning out of high school or a family member seeking support, this guide is designed to be your roadmap to success.





We at Jay Nolan Community Services, are committed to serving you and ensuring that your journey is filled with empowerment, inclusion, and endless possibilities. Throughout this resource guide, you will find insights, tips, and success stories from individuals like yourself who have overcome challenges and achieved remarkable milestones.

Remember, you are not alone on this journey. Our team is here to provide ongoing support to help you navigate the system and advocate for your needs. Together, we can break down barriers and create a brighter future for Deaf Plus individuals in Los Angeles.

Welcome to Accessing Opportunity: Your Comprehensive Guide to Deaf Plus Resources in Los Angeles. Let's embark on this journey of knowledge, empowerment, and growth together.

Sincerely,

Your Friends at  
Jay Nolan Community Services





## HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT TO FIND IN THIS RESOURCE GUIDE:

**1. Understanding Your Rights and Eligibility:** Gain clarity on the services and accommodations available to Deaf Plus individuals. Learn about the North Los Angeles County Regional Center (NLACRC) and Title 22 services, and understand how to determine your eligibility.

**2. Accessing Vocational and Educational Support:** Discover a range of vocational training programs, educational opportunities, and resources tailored to meet the needs of Deaf Plus individuals. Uncover pathways that will help you achieve your career goals and develop essential life skills.

**3. Behavioral Support and Development:** Find valuable information and services focused on behavioral support, social skills development, and addressing the unique challenges faced by Deaf Plus individuals. Discover professionals and organizations that can provide guidance and assistance.

**4. Community Resources and Social Opportunities:** Explore a variety of community organizations, events, and recreational activities that embrace Deaf Plus individuals. Connect with others who share similar experiences, fostering a sense of belonging and expanding your network of support.

# Introduction to **REGIONAL CENTER SERVICES**

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CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT  
OF DEVELOPMENTAL  
SERVICES (DDS)



The Department of Developmental Services (DDS) is a state agency in California established in 1969 through the The Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act. DDS is responsible for implementing and overseeing services for individuals with developmental disabilities. DDS works through a regional centers to coordinate and provide various supports, such as vocational training, educational assistance, and behavioral services.

As a part of the DDS system, you and your family have access to a wide range of resources and opportunities tailored to meet your unique needs, including:

- **Eligibility Determination:** DDS assists individuals in determining their eligibility for various support services and programs.
- **Service Coordination:** DDS will work with you to develop personalized plans and connect them with the right providers, ensuring you receive the support and accommodations necessary for success.
- **Access to Community Resources:** DDS serves as a hub for connecting individuals with developmental disabilities, including Deaf Plus individuals, to community resources and services.
- **Collaboration with Service Providers:** DDS collaborates with various service organizations to find the right service provider that will meet your unique needs and offer tailored support.



## NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL CENTER



### The North Los Angeles County Regional Center (NLACRC)

is a key organization dedicated to providing services and supports to individuals with developmental disabilities, including Deaf Plus individuals, in the North Los Angeles County region.

NLACRC offers the following:

- **Eligibility Determination:** NLACRC helps determine your eligibility for regional center services and support. They assess your needs and work with you and your family to develop an individualized plan.
- **Individual Program Plan (IPP):** NLACRC assists in developing an IPP that outlines the specific services and supports you require. This plan focuses on areas such as education, employment, independent living, and social and recreational activities.
- **Service Coordination:** NLACRC provides service coordination to ensure you receive the supports outlined in your IPP. They connect you with service providers and monitor your progress towards achieving your goals.

### WHY WOULD I CONTACT NLACRC?

If you have a child who is Deaf Plus would contact NLACRC to access support and services for their child's specific needs including educational support, vocational training, behavioral services, and social opportunities.

### CONTACT INFO:



818-778-1900



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9200 Oakdale Ave  
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[www.nlacrc.org](http://www.nlacrc.org)

# *Deaf Plus Inclusive* **SERVICE PROVIDERS**

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Service Providers work collaboratively with the California Regional Center to offer specialized expertise and resources tailored to meet the unique needs of individuals with developmental disabilities. Whether you require educational assistance, behavioral support, vocational training, or other services, Service Providers are here to help you achieve your goals and thrive in the community.

The following services providers have the necessary accommodations and trained staff to provide services to Deaf Plus individuals.



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# FEATURED SERVICE PROVIDER:

## JAY NOLAN COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. (JNCS)



Jay Nolan Community Services (JNCS) is a service provider that provides individualized community-based support services to individuals with autism and other intellectual and/or developmental disabilities, including those who are Deaf Plus, Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

To ensure effective communication, JNCS employs in-house American Sign Language (ASL) interpreters that are highly trained and experienced in working with Deaf Plus individuals.

### Support Services offered:

- Supported Living Services (SLS)
- Community Facilitator (CF)
- Independent Living Skills (ILS)
- Employment Services
- Uniquely Abled Academy (UAA)
- Self-Determination Program



### WHEN TO CONTACT:

Contact this service provider for a consultation if you believe the services they offer would enhance the quality of life for you or your loved one. You will need a referral from your local regional center (see section: Regional Center Services)

### CONTACT INFO:



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# SERVICE PROVIDERS, CONT...

## TIERRA DEL SOL FOUNDATION



Tierra Del Sol Foundation is a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting individuals with developmental disabilities in achieving independence, inclusion, and a better quality of life. They champion inclusion and value for all people with disabilities through creative pathways to employment, education, and the arts.

Tierra Del Sol provides a wide range of services and programs that empower these individuals to lead fulfilling lives and become active members of their communities. This includes support in areas such as education, vocational training, employment, independent living skills, and social integration.



[www.tierradelsol.org](http://www.tierradelsol.org)



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## DEAF PLUS ADULT COMMUNITY (DPAC)



Deaf Plus Adult Community (DPAC) is an integrated adult day program that serves deaf adults with disabilities ("deafplus") in the Greater San Francisco Bay Area.

DPAC provides a safe space in a spacious communal center in Newark, CA, for Deaf Plus adults to gather, build relationships, and explore their identities through recreational, educational, and social opportunities. Their goal is to provide the communication and support necessary to gain access to employment, education, and community services. Through education, advocacy and outreach, Deaf Plus Adult Community works to address the social isolation faced by deafplus adults.



[www.deafplus.us](http://www.deafplus.us)



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# SERVICE PROVIDERS, CONT...

## CALIFORNIA HOME FOR THE ADULT DEAF (CHAD)



The mission of California Home for the Adult Deaf (CHAD) is to provide our Deaf residents with a home where they can feel safe and part of a family environment. CHAD is dedicated to providing personal, individualized care, which promotes health and well being to enrich each resident's quality of life.

To be placed on their waiting list please use the "Contact Us" website page to provide your contact information. All resident placements will be on a "first come, first served" basis. Induction fee is \$500.



[www.chadhome.org](http://www.chadhome.org)



3615 Crowell Ave,  
Riverside, CA 92504



(626) 701-8960

## MODERN SUPPORT SERVICES, LLC



Modern Support Services, LLC provides individualized community and home-based services. Their programs support individuals with significant psychological, emotional and physical challenges in enhancing their quality of life by learning the skills needed to become independent and to maintain their independence within the community of their choice.

Support Services offered include: Supported Living Services (SLS), Independent Living Skills (ILS), and Post Secondary Education (PSE).



[www.modernsupportservices.org](http://www.modernsupportservices.org)



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# *Deaf Plus Inclusive*

# **ADVOCACY & SUPPORT**

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You have the right to advocate for yourself and participate in decisions that affect your life. Additionally, various organizations and advocacy groups offer resources and support to amplify your voice.

These organizations work to protect and advocate for the rights of individuals with disabilities, including Deaf Plus individuals. They can provide guidance on navigating systems, accessing services, and addressing discrimination or rights violations.



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# FEATURED ADVOCACY RESOURCE:

## DISABILITY RIGHTS CALIFORNIA



Disability Rights California is a vital resource for individuals with disabilities, providing essential legal advocacy, information, and support. They strive to combat discrimination, abuse, neglect, and other violations of rights that individuals with disabilities may face.

DRC offers a wide range of services to individuals with disabilities, including:

- **Legal Representation:** DRC provides free or low-cost legal representation to individuals with disabilities who are facing discrimination or rights violations in areas such as employment, education, housing, healthcare, and accessibility.
- **Information and Referral:** DRC offers information and referral services to individuals seeking guidance on disability-related rights, services, and resources.
- **Self-Advocacy Support:** DRC offers training, resources, and support to help individuals understand their rights, develop advocacy skills, and navigate systems and services.

## CONTACT INFO:



213-213-8000



350 South Bixel St. Suite 290  
Los Angeles, CA 90017



[www.disabilityrightscalifornia.org](http://www.disabilityrightscalifornia.org)

# FEATURED ADVOCACY RESOURCE, CONT...

## GREATER LOS ANGELES AGENCY ON DEAFNESS (GLAD)



The mission of the Greater Los Angeles Agency on Deafness, Inc. (GLAD) is to ensure equal access of the deaf, hard of hearing, deafblind, and deaf disabled community to the same opportunities afforded their hearing counterparts.

The organization's general purposes and powers are directed around the promotion of the social, recreational, cultural, educational, and vocational well-being of its deaf, hard of hearing, deafblind, and deaf disabled constituents.

They offer a wide range of services that aim to:

- Enhance communication access
- Promote advocacy
- Provide educational resources
- Offer employment support
- Foster community engagement
- and more.

### WHEN TO CONTACT:

Contact GLAD when you need assistance, resources, advocacy, or support related to your deafness or hard of hearing status

### CONTACT INFO:



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[www.gladinc.org](http://www.gladinc.org)

# ADVOCACY RESOURCES, CONT...

## SOCAL ASSOCIATE FOR THE DEAF

Southern California Association for the Deaf (SCAD), is a non-profit organization that was established in January 2016. SCAD's primary focus has been in the development of services and identification of needs of the Deaf community, specifically in Southern California. SCAD has played a role in the Korean and American communities, to create effective and positive communication toward the climate between Koreans and Americans.



[www.scadeaf.org](http://www.scadeaf.org)



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Text: 213-503-1298  
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## DEAF ABILITY RESOURCES

Deaf Ability Resource, Inc. (DAR) assists individuals who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing with personal development, employment readiness, job placement and retention, as well as other supports that reinforce self-determination and lead to self-sufficiency.



Deaf Ability Resource receives formal Certification by the State of California to provide vocational and support services toward successful outcomes of employment. This includes education, training, seats on advisory boards, receiving of awards, fluency in ASL, sensitivity to Deaf Culture, advanced disability training, consistent platforms providing advocacy and subject matter expertise.



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# ABUSE PREVENTION AGENCIES

## LOS ANGELES COUNTY CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION COUNCILS

The Los Angeles Community Child Abuse Councils (LAC-CAPCs) consist of 12 community-based councils throughout Los Angeles County.

The mission of the Councils are to reduce the incidence of child abuse and neglect, and to educate the public about child abuse and family violence issues.



[www.lachildabusecouncils.org](http://www.lachildabusecouncils.org)



1910 Magnolia Avenue  
Los Angeles, CA 90007

## PEACE OVER VIOLENCE

Peace Over Violence's Deaf, Disabled & Elder (DDE) Services Program is committed to extending accessible services for victims of sexual and domestic violence who are deaf, hard of hearing, have a disability and/or elder individuals. This also include victims of crimes such as robbery, false imprisonment, vehicular assault, caregiver and/or hospital abuse, aggravated assault and stalking.



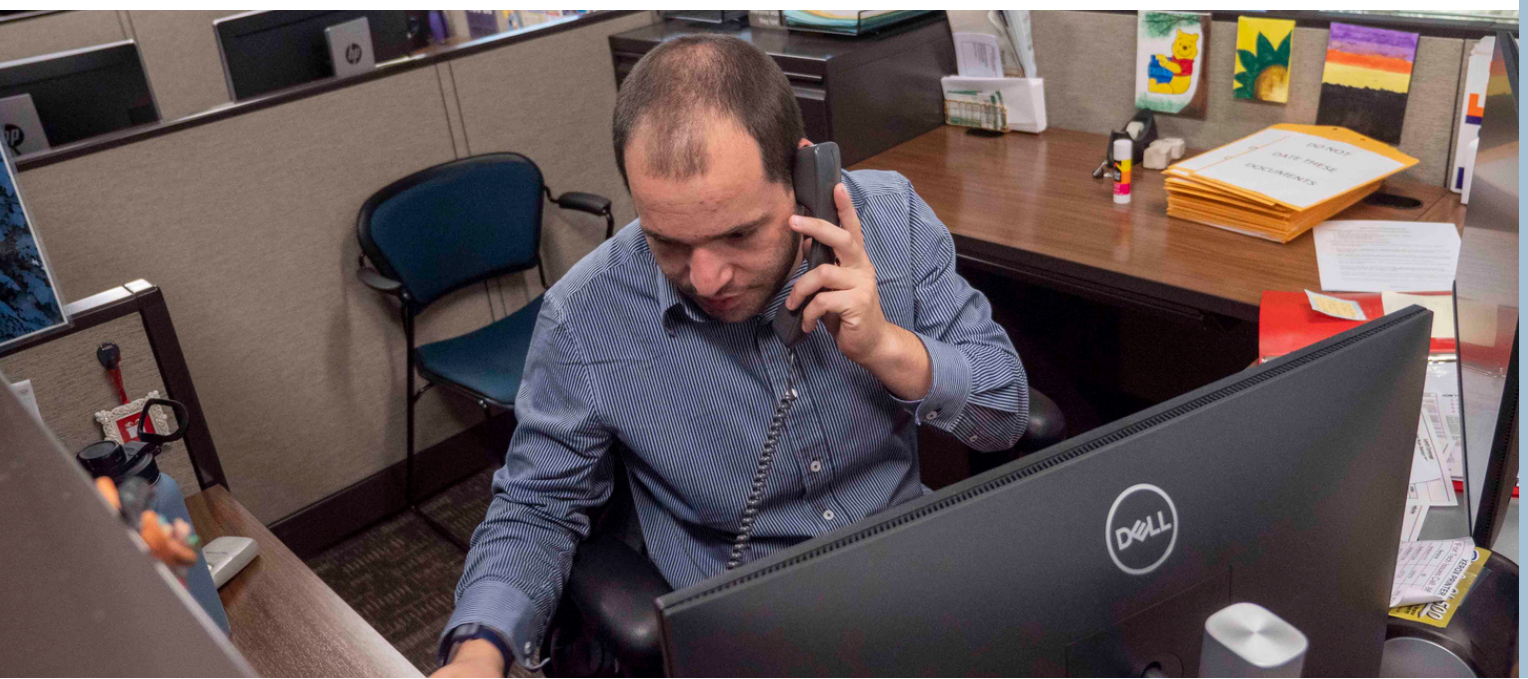
[www.peaceoverviolence.org](http://www.peaceoverviolence.org)



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# *Deaf Plus Inclusive* **COUNSELING & THERAPY**

counseling for Deaf Plus individuals is a valuable resource that addresses individuals' unique needs, enhances their overall well-being, and empowers them to lead fulfilling lives despite the challenges they may face.

For example, transitioning from one life stage to another, such as moving from school to work or from one living situation to another, can be challenging for anyone. Deaf Plus individuals may require counseling to navigate these transitions successfully. Counseling and therapy provides a supportive and inclusive environment where individuals can work towards their personal, social, and emotional goals.



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# DEAF COUSELING SERVICES

## CHILD & FAMILY CENTER

Child & Family Center provides individual, group, and family behavioral health services for children, teens and their families.



Their services include comprehensive prevention, early intervention, diagnostic evaluation and counseling, behavioral therapeutic services, outpatient drug and alcohol treatment and prevention services as well as domestic violence services, and emergency 30-day DV shelter for children, adolescents and adults in the Santa Clarita, Antelope and San Fernando Valleys.



[www.childfamilycenter.org/](http://www.childfamilycenter.org/)



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## DEAF COUNSELING CENTER



Deaf Counseling Center is a Deaf-owned and operated therapy, counseling, coaching, assessments and psychiatric and consulting practice staffed by Deaf licensed professional therapists. It is always Deaf Counseling Center's goal to offer accessible Deaf therapy services across the United States.



[www.deafcounseling.com](http://www.deafcounseling.com)



(240) 380-2577

## NATIONAL DEAF THERAPY

National Deaf Therapy is a national mental health service provider that specializes in offering therapy and counseling services to individuals within the Deaf and hard of hearing community.



focus on providing culturally and linguistically appropriate mental health support for people who use American Sign Language (ASL) as their primary means of communication.



[www.nationaldeaftherapy.com](http://www.nationaldeaftherapy.com)



# DEAF COUNSELING SERVICES CONT..

## FIVE ACRES DEAF SERVICES

Five Acres provides mental health services tailored to the culture and language of Deaf children and adults (ages 0-20) who reside within Los Angeles County.



Their mental health services include Deaf adults, offering individual and family therapy for Deaf persons in their home, school or community. By promoting appropriate and linguistically sensitive treatment for Deaf children and adults, their mission is to help families stay together and thrive.



[www.5acres.org/deaf-services](http://www.5acres.org/deaf-services)



[deafservices@5acres.org](mailto:deafservices@5acres.org)



(626) 773-9222

## SAINT JOHN'S HEALTH CENTER: CHILD AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CENTER



Through safe, nurturing and confidential programs that recognize each individual's culture and identity, the CFDC serves families and children who struggle with: Developmental disabilities, Emotional challenges, Encounters with domestic violence, and substance or physical abuse.



[www.providence.org](http://www.providence.org)



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## ASL THERAPISTS IN LOS ANGELES



Here is a list of American Sign Language (ASL) Therapists in Los Angeles, CA as per Psychology Today. You will need to check the website, pick a psychologist that fits your needs, and their contact information will be in their profile.



[www.psychologytoday.com](http://www.psychologytoday.com)

# ASL FLUENT THERAPISTS

## ALLISON FREEMAN, PHD

Allison Freeman, PhD is a hearing-impaired psychologist. Allison specializes in working with people who are deaf or hard of hearing (D/HOH), their families, and other professionals, agencies, and organizations that care for them. They offer a full range of services including in-person psychotherapy, teletherapy, consultation and assessment.



[www.dralisonfreeman.net](http://www.dralisonfreeman.net)



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## PAMELA LEWIS - GUIDED SOLUTIONS THERAPY

Pamela is fluent in American Sign Language (ASL). Pamela's specialty focus is Positive Sexual Health and Disabilities. This includes issues around identity, Autism and how it relates, Impact from disabilities, anxiety, Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Access, and others.



[www.guidedsolutionstherapy.com](http://www.guidedsolutionstherapy.com)



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## JOY CHOW - BLANCO BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONSULTING

Joy Chow partners with Deaf, hard-of-hearing, and hearing clients in processing the effects of intergenerational trauma, vicarious trauma, domestic and sexual violence, language deprivation, depression, anxiety, life transitions, and recent diagnoses. Her approach includes strengths-based and body-oriented therapies such as relaxation techniques, mindfulness, neurofeedback, and EMDR.



[www.blancobehavioralhealth.com](http://www.blancobehavioralhealth.com)



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# ASL THERAPISTS, CONT...

## SARAH LEE - SARAH LEE THERAPY

Sarah Lee is fluent in sign language and works closely with clients who have recent or long-term hearing loss. Her specialties include: anxiety, depression, stress, relationships, EMDR, trauma, grief and others.



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## CLARE JOY MANNING

Dr. Manning is a licensed clinical psychologist with experience working with individuals with autism. and directing mental health programs. She is fluent in ASL and has worked extensively with deaf individuals.



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## PAMELA MANG (LICENSED MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPIST)

Deaf counseling for Deaf & Hard of Hearing clients directly in ASL. Pamela is Deaf herself and understands the cultural and language issues faced by Deaf & Hard of Hearing clients.



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# *Deaf Plus*

# **HEALTH RESOURCES**

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Health resources play a crucial role in helping Deaf Plus individuals by addressing their unique healthcare needs and ensuring they receive appropriate care and support.

Health resources play a vital role in addressing the unique healthcare needs of Deaf Plus individuals, helping them access appropriate care, communicate effectively with healthcare providers, and maintain their overall health and well-being. These resources promote equity in healthcare and support Deaf Plus individuals in leading healthier lives.



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# HEALTH RESOURCES

## HIV PREVENTATIVE PROGRAM (GLAD)

GLAD's Health Program continues to provide services to deaf, hard of hearing, deafblind, and deaf-disabled women who engage in risky sexual behavior. Individual and group sessions include risk reduction counseling, negotiation skills, HIV testing and STD screening referrals, relationship issues and updated HIV/AIDS resources.



<https://gladinc.org/services/health-education/>



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323-478-8000

## DEAF IN SCRUBS

Deaf in Scrubs is a project by Dr. Zachary Featherstone and Dr. Ian DeAndrea-Lazarus to help improve access to medical knowledge for the Deaf and hard of hearing community.



[www.deafinscrubs.com](http://www.deafinscrubs.com)

## COVID-19 PREVENTION VIDEOS IN ASL

A playlist of ASL videos about COVID-19 prevention tips and information created by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).



<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLvrp9iOILTQatwnqm61jqFrfsfUB4RKh6J>

# SPECIALIZED HEARING CARE

## ADVANCED BIONICS, LLC

Advanced Bionics, LLC, is a company that specializes in the design and manufacture of advanced cochlear implant systems. Advanced Bionics' cochlear implant systems are designed to help people with hearing loss, including those who may not benefit from traditional hearing aids.



[www.advancedbionics.com](http://www.advancedbionics.com)



Santa Clarita, CA



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## SANTA CLARITA HEARING CENTER

The Santa Clarita Hearing Center provides a complete range of diagnostic hearing services from comprehensive hearing evaluations, hearing aid fittings and repair, to custom ear plugs and protection and tinnitus management.



[www.santaclaritahearingcenter.com](http://www.santaclaritahearingcenter.com)



Santa Clarita, CA



(661) 388-4135

## SANTA CLARITA EAR, NOSE & THROAT (SCENT)

SCENT is a medical practice that specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of ear, nose, and throat (ENT) disorders.

SCENT sinus doctors are board-certified in otolaryngology (ENT), and offer patient-centered care, taking a professional and personable approach to each patient's case.



<https://scentmed.com>



Santa Clarita &  
Antelope Valley



(661) 259-2500



# *Deaf Plus Inclusive*

# **DEAF & BLIND RESOURCES**

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Deaf-Blind services are specialized support and resources designed to assist individuals who are both deaf and blind, often referred to as "Deaf-Blind" individuals.

Deaf-Blind services aim to enhance the quality of life and independence of individuals with combined hearing and vision impairments by addressing their unique needs and providing them with the tools and support necessary to thrive in various aspects of life.



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# FEATURED DEAF & BLIND RESOURCE

## HELEN KELLER NATIONAL CENTER (HKNC)



The mission of the Helen Keller National Center is to enable individuals who are blind, DeafBlind, have low vision or combined vision and hearing loss to live, work and thrive in their community of choice.

Whether you're interested in learning about support services near your home, would like to take advantage of the technology available through the National Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program or want to explore the possibility of training at our national headquarters, your regional representative is your link to all that HKNC has to offer — consultation, advocacy, assessment, training, referrals and more.

### WHEN TO CONTACT:

Contact the HKNC regional representative Chad Metcalf to learn more about the programs and services that are available to DeafBlind individuals, their families and service providers in your area. They can help you find and access the ones that are right for you.

### CONTACT INFO:



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# DEAF & BLIND RESOURCES, CONT...

## NATIONAL CENTER ON DEAF-BLINDNESS



**National Center  
on Deaf-Blindness**

The National Center on Deaf-Blindness (NCDB) is a federally funded organization in the United States that focuses on providing information, resources, and support to children and youth who are deaf-blind, their families, and the professionals who work with them.

In essence, the National Center on Deaf-Blindness plays a crucial role in supporting and improving the lives of individuals who are deaf-blind by offering information, training, resources, and collaboration opportunities that promote their educational and social inclusion.



[www.nationaldb.org](http://www.nationaldb.org)



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## CALIFORNIA DEAFBLIND SERVICES

California DeafBlind Services (CDBS) is an organization that provides specialized support and services to individuals who are deafblind in the state of California.



California DeafBlind Services plays a vital role in enhancing the lives of individuals with deafblindness by providing tailored support, education, and resources to help them lead fulfilling and independent lives despite their sensory challenges.



[cadeafblind.org](http://cadeafblind.org)



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# DEAF & BLIND RESOURCES, CONT...

## HEARING LOSS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA (HLAA)

Hearing Loss Association of America ([www.hearingloss.org](http://www.hearingloss.org)) is the nation's largest organization for people with hearing loss. they work at the local level to open the world of communication through information, education, advocacy and support.



[www.hlaa-la.org](http://www.hlaa-la.org)



San Fernando Valley



[info@hlaa-la.org](mailto:info@hlaa-la.org)

## JOHN TRACY CENTER

The John Tracy Center is a leading diagnostic and education center for children with hearing loss. Their mission is to provide parent-centered services locally and globally to children with hearing loss, offering families hope, guidance, and encouragement.



[www.jtc.org](http://www.jtc.org)



Los Angeles, CA



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## LANGUAGE FIRST

Language First aims to educate and raise awareness about American Sign Language (ASL) / English bilingualism and the importance of a strong first language foundation for Deaf and hard of hearing (DHH) children. Browse resources, handouts, events, and intervention activities to make your work as evidence-based as it can be.

LANGUAGE **FIRST**



[www.language1st.org](http://www.language1st.org)

# *Communication &* **INTERPRETING SERVICES**

Interpreting services play a crucial role in helping Deaf Plus individuals by bridging communication gaps and facilitating effective interactions in various aspects of life.

Interpreters facilitate effective communication between Deaf Plus individuals and hearing individuals, such as doctors, teachers, employers, and service providers. This ensures that messages are accurately conveyed in both directions. Access to interpreters also empowers Deaf Plus individuals to advocate for their rights, express their opinions, and make choices that affect their lives.



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# FEATURED INTERPRETATION SERVICE

## JAY NOLAN COMMUNITY SERVICES (JNCS) SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETATION SERVICES



Jay Nolan Community Services (JNCS) employs in-house American Sign Language (ASL) interpreters help ensure that everyone can fully participate and communicate effectively.

These interpreters are highly trained and experienced in working with individuals who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing, and Deaf Plus. JNCS interpreters abide by the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID) Code of Professional Conduct. Interpreting services are available to external clients not affiliated with JNCS.

### WHEN TO CONTACT:

You can request interpreter services from JNCS for a variety of services. Examples of services available include: medical appointments, legal proceedings, educational settings, social events, and other scheduled appointments and events.

### CONTACT INFO:



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Mission Hills, CA 91345



[Deafplus@jaynolan.org](mailto:Deafplus@jaynolan.org)



<https://jaynolan.org/services-for-deaf-plus-individuals/>

# INTERPRETATION SERVICES, CONT...

## LRA INTERPRETERS, INC

LRA Interpreters Inc offers interpreting and translation services in a variety of languages including ASL.



[www.lrainterpreters.com](http://www.lrainterpreters.com)



San Fernando Valley



(800) 990-6090



[info@lrausa.com](mailto:info@lrausa.com)

## CLARUS LANGUAGE SOLUTIONS

Clarus Language Solutions offers a variety of language services including interpreting, translation, and more.



[www.claruslanguagesolutions.com](http://www.claruslanguagesolutions.com)



Santa Clarita, CA



(661) 310-3338



[clarus@clar.us](mailto:clarus@clar.us)

## LIFESIGNS, INC

LifeSigns, Inc is a nonprofit that provides on-site sign language interpreters and video remote interpreters for Deaf individuals.



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[www.lifesignsinc.org](http://www.lifesignsinc.org)



Los Angeles, CA



(888) 930-7776



[lifesigns@lifesignsinc.org](mailto:lifesigns@lifesignsinc.org)

## CAL INTERPRETING & TRANSLATIONS (CIT)

Cal Interpreting & Translations (CIT) interpreters and translators service individuals, small businesses, and large organizations of all sizes in over 250 languages across a wide range of services and industries.



[www.calinterpreting.com](http://www.calinterpreting.com)



San Fernando Valley



(888) 737-9009



[contact@calinterpreting.com](mailto:contact@calinterpreting.com)



# INTERPRETATION SERVICES, CONT...

## THE SIGN LANGUAGE COMPANY

The Sign Language Company provides sign language interpreters professionally trained in many specialties – including the Medical, Legal, Educational, Government, and Entertainment Industries.

**The  
Sign Language  
Company**



[www.signlanguageco.com](http://www.signlanguageco.com)



San Fernando Valley



(818) 728-4241



[contact@signlanguageco.com](mailto:contact@signlanguageco.com)

## AMERICA TRANSLATING SERVICES

America Translating Services provides certified/qualified interpreters in over 150 languages for legal, investigation, medical interpretation and telephone conferencing.



[www.americatranslating.com](http://www.americatranslating.com)



Santa Clarita, CA



[oosuna@americatranslating.com](mailto:oosuna@americatranslating.com)



(800) 535-0555

## LINGUABEE

Linguabee supports facilities that have ongoing need for reliable face-to-face sign language interpreting services.

**linguabee** 



[www.linguabee.com](http://www.linguabee.com)



Los Angeles, CA



855-585-5859



[support@linguabee.com](mailto:support@linguabee.com)

## LAZAR TRANSLATING & INTERPRETING

Lazar Translating & Interpreting provides translation, ASL interpreting, over-the-phone interpreting, audio transcription, and other services.



[www.lazar.com](http://www.lazar.com)



San Fernando Valley



(310) 453-3302



[languages@lazar.com](mailto:languages@lazar.com)

# INTERPRETATION SERVICES, CONT...

## WESTERN INTERPRETING NETWORK

Western Interpreting Network provides certified American Sign Language interpreters, video interpreting, CART, and foreign language & document translation services.



[www.westerninterpreting.net](http://www.westerninterpreting.net)



Temecula, CA



(951) 526-2646

# *Providers of Assisted* **COMMUNICATION DEVICES**

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Assisted communication devices play a crucial role in helping Deaf Plus individuals by facilitating effective communication, promoting independence, and enhancing their overall quality of life.

These devices are powerful tools that help Deaf Plus individuals overcome communication barriers, enhance their independence, and participate more fully in education, employment, and social activities. They play a vital role in promoting inclusion and ensuring that individuals with complex communication needs have equal access to opportunities and services.



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community services

# FEATURED COMMUNICATIONS PROVIDER:

SORENSEN  
COMMUNICATIONS



Sorenson is one of the world's leading language services providers and the world's leading provider of communication tools for Deaf and hard-of-hearing people.

Sorenson services connect signed and spoken languages: captioning and video relay services, over-video and in-person sign language and spoken language interpreting, real-time event captioning services, and post-production language services.

## HOW VIDEO REMOTE INTERPRETING WORKS:

When you request video remote interpreting through Sorenson, they arrange for an interpreter to join your meeting virtually with a camera and microphone to display so it's accessible to both hearing and Deaf participants. Similarly, you'll set up your own camera and mic so the interpreter can see your sign language user(s) and hear your speakers. The interpreter will act as an additional member of the meeting, relaying messages between languages.

## CONTACT INFO:



801-386-8500



[SVRSatwork@sorenson.com](mailto:SVRSatwork@sorenson.com)



[www.sorenson.com](http://www.sorenson.com)



# VIDEO RELAY SERVICE (VRS) PROVIDERS

## PURPLE COMMUNICATIONS

Purple provides Video Relay Service (VRS) for deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals. VRS is a telecommunications service that allows deaf or hard-of-hearing individuals to communicate with hearing individuals over video calls with the assistance of sign language interpreters. Purple also provides Video Remote Interpreting (VRI), Text Relay Service, and interpretations through Mobile apps.



[www.purplevrs.com](http://www.purplevrs.com)



[Interpreting@purple.us](mailto:Interpreting@purple.us)



877-885-3172  
866-669-7707

## CONVO VRS

Convo offers Video Relay Service (VRS), Video Remote Interpreting (VRI), and ConvoLink, a browser-based interpretation service. This allows you to make a call when you want from any computer without the hassle of app downloads and firewalls.



[www.convorelay.com](http://www.convorelay.com)



[support@convorelay.com](mailto:support@convorelay.com)



(661) 388-4135

## SCOMM - UBIDUO

1SCOMM produces the UbiDuo 3 SGD (Speech Generating Device), a dedicated SGD that is specifically intended to generate speech from typed text. This lightweight and portable SGD gives the person with a severe speech impairment the ability to communicate with anyone by having typed text converted to audio speech.



<https://scomm.com/>



[info@scomm.com](mailto:info@scomm.com)



866-505-7008  
VP: 816-527-9079

# ASSISTED COMMUNICATION DEVICES

## CALIFORNIA CONNECT

California Connect provides telephone communication access for Californians with hearing, vision, cognitive, mobility, and speech-related disabilities.



[www.caconnect.org](http://www.caconnect.org)



(800) 806-1191

## CAPTEL CAPTIONED TELEPHONE

CapTel is a Captioned Telephone Service that displays every word that a caller says. You can listen to the caller and can also read written captions right on a display screen.



[www.captel.com](http://www.captel.com)



(800) 269-7477

## CLEAR CAPTIONS

If you have hearing loss that makes it difficult to use the phone, you may qualify to receive a ClearCaptions Phone at no cost to you. ClearCaptions delivers near real-time phone captioning—you'll see the words your callers say.



[www.clearcaptions.com](http://www.clearcaptions.com)



(866) 868-8695



[information@clearcaptions.com](mailto:information@clearcaptions.com)

## DIGLO

Diglo offers a wide range of assistive devices and resources designed to enhance communication accessibility including hearing aids, amplifiers, alerting systems, captioning devices, sign language learning materials, and more.



[www.diglo.com](http://www.diglo.com)



(800) 825-6758

# ASSISTED COMMUNICATION DEVICES, CONT...

## ADCO HEARING PRODUCTS

ADCO Hearing Products offers a variety of hearing-related products and accessories include hearing aids, assistive listening devices, ear protection, and other accessories.



[www.adcohearing.com](http://www.adcohearing.com)



(800) 726-0851

## HEARMORE

Hearmore.com is an online retailer that specializes in providing products and solutions for individuals with hearing impairments or hearing-related challenges.



[/www.hearmore.com](http://www.hearmore.com)



(800) 269-7477

## HEAR WORLD COMMUNICATIONS

Hear World Communications is an online retailer that sells hearing assistive technologies including hearing aids, assistive listening devices, and other hearing technology to assist individuals with hearing loss



[www.hearworldusa.com](http://www.hearworldusa.com)



(866) 889-4872



[info@hearworldusa.com](mailto:info@hearworldusa.com)

## LEARNING, SIGHT & SOUND MADE EASIER (LS&S)

LS&S offers a range of products such as assistive technology devices, large-print books, braille materials, communication tools, and adaptive products to improve the overall quality of life for individuals with visual or hearing impairments.



[www.lssproducts.com](http://www.lssproducts.com)



(800) 468-4789

# *Deaf Plus Inclusive*

# **EMPLOYMENT SERVICES**

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Support with employment often involves vocational training, job placement services, workplace accommodations, and ongoing assistance as needed. These services are tailored to the individual's specific abilities, needs, and goals.

By providing the right support, Deaf Plus individuals can overcome barriers to employment and fully participate in the workforce, leading to a more fulfilling and independent life.



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# EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

## DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION (DOR) - DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING SERVICES



**The Department of Rehabilitation (DOR)** is a state agency that primarily focuses on providing vocational rehabilitation services to individuals with disabilities.

**DOR's Deaf and Hard of Hearing services** provide a wide range of vocational rehabilitation services to persons who are deaf, hard of hearing, late deafened and deaf-blind.

The Deaf and Hard of Hearing Counselors are qualified as being proficient in American Sign Language (ASL) to ensure direct communication access with consumers who use ASL as their primary mode of communication. Deaf and Hard of Hearing Counselors are located in most offices throughout the State. **You do need to be a consumer of the Department to receive services.**

### **Specialized services include:**

- Assistive listening devices and other rehabilitation technology
- Interpreter services
- Referrals and assistance to obtain services from specialized agencies
- Specialized vocational and other training services
- Audiologic and hearing aid assessments
- ADA requirements for communication accessibility
- Resources for hard of hearing and late deafened individuals.

### **WHY WOULD I CONTACT DOR?**

Families and individuals are encouraged to reach out whenever they have questions or require assistance related to vocational rehabilitation, education, or employment opportunities. **You do need to be a consumer of the Department to receive services.**

### **CONTACT INFO:**



961-558-5670



[dhhs@dor.ca.gov](mailto:dhhs@dor.ca.gov)



<https://www.dor.ca.gov/Home/DHHS>

# EMPLOYMENT SERVICES, CONT...

## DEAF ABILITY RESOURCES

Deaf Ability Resources offers Employment services and Personal Vocational Social Adjustment (PVSA) services.



[www.deafabilityresource.com](http://www.deafabilityresource.com)



Orange County



[deafabilityresource@outlook.com](mailto:deafabilityresource@outlook.com)



(323) 747-8021

## EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (EDD)



EDD Deaf Services offers no-cost employment and training services offered in partnership with State and local agencies and organizations through the America's Job Center of California (AJCC).



[www.edd.ca.gov](http://www.edd.ca.gov)



Los Angeles, CA



(661) 310-3338

## GOODWILL SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DEAF SERVICES

LifeSigns, Inc is a nonprofit that provides on-site sign language interpreters and video remote interpreters for Deaf individuals.



[www.goodwillsocal.org/](http://www.goodwillsocal.org/)



(323) 223-1211

## AMAZON JOBS



If you have a disability, you're encouraged to apply at Amazon.

Amazon offers accommodations that will enable individuals with disabilities to participate fully and equally in the hiring process.



[www.hiring.amazon.com](http://www.hiring.amazon.com)



888-435-9287



[chariwan@amazon.com](mailto:chariwan@amazon.com)

# *Deaf Plus Inclusive*

# **EDUCATION FOR 9-12 GRADE**

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# FEATURED SCHOOL:

## MARLTON SCHOOL



Marlton School is a K-12 public school specifically designed to provide educational services for students who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing. It is the only school district-run school for deaf and hard-of-hearing children in California.

The school focuses on meeting the unique needs of students with hearing impairments and aims to provide them with a comprehensive education that includes language development, communication skills, academic instruction, and support for their individual needs. This includes appropriate accommodations and support for students who are Deaf Plus who may need additional assistance and instruction.

## WHEN TO CONTACT:

The Marlton School may be a good option for Deaf Plus students to connect with Deaf culture and the Deaf community, get the accommodations they need in a supportive environment without encountering communication barriers or discrimination that may be present in other public schools.

## CONTACT INFO:



323-296-7680



4000 Santo Tomas Dr.  
Los Angeles, CA 90008



[Lauren.maucere@lausd.net](mailto:Lauren.maucere@lausd.net)



[www.marltonschool.lausd.org/](http://www.marltonschool.lausd.org/)



# EDUCATION FOR 9-12 GRADE, CONT...

## WISH ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL (9TH-12TH GRADE)



WISH Charter is a free public, independent, non-profit, charter school authorized by the Los Angeles Unified School District. WISH Academy High School accommodates students who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, DeafBlind, and DeafDisabled/Deaf Plus. The WISH instructional philosophy rests upon the concepts of hands-on learning, meaningful and systematic instruction, and a collaborative group of professionals working together to make the learning environment exciting for students.



<https://www.wishcharter.org/>



7400 W. Manchester Ave  
Los Angeles, CA 90045



310-743-6990



[info@wishcharter.org](mailto:info@wishcharter.org)

## GRANADA HILLS CHARTER (9-12 GRADE)



The Special Education Program at Granada Hills Charter (GHC) is grounded in the philosophy that ALL students can learn. A specific program is customized for every student with a disability, and a particular disability category does not automatically qualify a student for a program placement. Most students enjoy a combination of a variety of programs. In addition to the fully customizable continuum of services, all students have access to all academic programs, athletics, and activities.



[www.ghctk12.com](http://www.ghctk12.com)



10535 Zelzah Ave  
Granada Hills, CA 91344



818-360-2361

# EDUCATION FOR 9-12 GRADE, CONT...

## TAFT CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

Taft Charter High School offers several special education programs to meet the learning needs of special education students. This includes: Resource Specialist Program (RSP), Autism Core Program (AUT Core), Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH) program, Designated Instruction and Service (DIS), and other services that support the unique needs of Deaf Plus students.



[www.tafthigh.org](http://www.tafthigh.org)



5461 Winnetka Ave  
Woodland Hills, CA 91364



818-227-3600

## COVINA-VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

The Covina-Valley Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH) program promotes academic progress by developing language and literacy skills utilizing oral communication in the Listening and Spoken Language Programs and a Sign Language approach in the Total Communication Programs.



<https://www.c-vusd.org/>



519 E. Badillo Street  
Covina, CA 91723



(626) 974-7000



[csadler@c-vusd.org](mailto:csadler@c-vusd.org)

## DOWNEY HIGH SCHOOL

The SELACO Deaf and Hard of Hearing program (DHH) at Downey High School assists people from infancy to high school. SELACO teachers teach in sign language themselves, in order to communicate directly with the students as opposed to a sign language interpreter that a deaf or hard of hearing student would have in a Downey class.



[www.thedowneylegend.com](http://www.thedowneylegend.com)



11040 Brookshire Ave,  
Downey, CA 90241

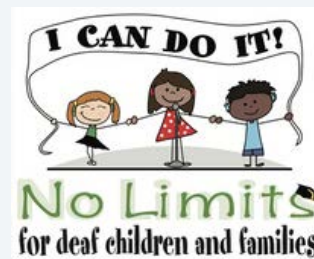


(562) 869-7301

# OTHER EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT (K-12)

## NO LIMITS FOR DEAF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

No Limits teaches underserved deaf children and their families the skills to succeed in school and in life through its after-school educational centers and distinguished theater arts program, promoting advocacy and awareness worldwide.



No Limits programming is centered on confidence-building techniques that will give deaf children the tools to express themselves. No Limits, to date, is the only organization serving deaf children from birth to age 21, at no cost to lower-income families.



[www.nolimitsfordeafchildren.org/](http://www.nolimitsfordeafchildren.org/)



9801 Washington Blvd.  
Culver City, CA 90232



(310) 280-0878



[info@nolimitsfordeafchildren.org](mailto:info@nolimitsfordeafchildren.org)

## CHIME CHARTER SCHOOL (K-8)



The CHIME Institute, a nonprofit organization established in 1990, is a national leader in the development and implementation of an unique model of inclusive education.

Inclusive education at CHIME Institute means that children who reflect the demographics of the surrounding region—including children who develop typically, children with special needs and children who are gifted—learn side by side.



<https://www.chimeinstitute.org/>



19722 Collier St, Woodland Hills, CA 91364



818-346-5100



[kjamison@chimecharter.com](mailto:kjamison@chimecharter.com)

# *Deaf Plus Inclusive* **HIGHER EDUCATION**

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Higher education opportunities for Deaf Plus students in Los Angeles, CA, are designed to provide inclusive and accessible learning experiences. Deaf Plus students, who may have additional disabilities or challenges along with their deafness, can pursue higher education and achieve their academic and career goals.

Each institution may have different resources and support systems in place, so it's essential to find the right fit based on individual needs and academic goals.





# FEATURED RESOURCE

## CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE UNIVERSITY & THE NATIONAL CENTER ON DEAFNESS (NCOD)



California State University, Northridge (CSUN) is known for its commitment to providing inclusive higher education opportunities for students with disabilities, including Deaf Plus students.

Additionally, CSUN's National Center on Deafness (NCOD) provides communication access, leadership opportunities, scholarships, and direct communication classes for students who are deaf and hard of hearing. Registering with NCOD allows students to receive access services such as interpreting, speech-to-text transcription, note-taking, tutoring, and academic advisement as well as priority registration.

NCOD's students can take advantage of a variety of social and leadership opportunities such as Deaf CSUNians, a student organization that provides cultural, political, and social awareness opportunities for its members, the campus, and the community.

### WHEN TO CONTACT:

CSUN may be a good fit for Deaf Plus students motivated to pursue a higher education degree at a public university with appropriate accommodations and ASL supports setting them up for success.

### CONTACT INFO:



<http://www.csun.edu/>  
<https://www.csun.edu/ncod>



18111 Nordhoff St.  
Northridge, CA 91330



[deaf.studies@csun.edu](mailto:deaf.studies@csun.edu)  
[ncod@csun.edu](mailto:ncod@csun.edu)



818-677-5116  
818-677-2054

# HIGHER EDUCATION

## PIERCE COLLEGE



The Academic Accommodations Center at Pierce College is a program on campus providing services to students with disabilities. The Academic Accommodations Center also provides Academic Counseling services, test proctoring, ASL interpreters, and alternative media options such as smart pens, and audio books.



<https://www.lapc.edu/>



6201 Winnetka Ave,  
Woodland Hills, CA 91367



818-710-4100  
(818) 719-6430



[claydj@piercecollege.edu](mailto:claydj@piercecollege.edu)  
[aac@piercecollege.edu](mailto:aac@piercecollege.edu)

## OHLONE COLLEGE



The Language & Culture Center for Deaf Studies at Ohlone College has one of the largest and most comprehensive programs designed to meet the academic and vocational needs of Deaf and Hard of Hearing students. The staff includes several full-time Deaf instructors and many part-time Deaf instructors. There is also a large Deaf community at Ohlone College.



[www.ohlone.edu/deafstudies](http://www.ohlone.edu/deafstudies)



43600 Mission Blvd.,  
Fremont, CA 94539-5847



(510) 659-6269



[deafstudies@ohlone.edu](mailto:deafstudies@ohlone.edu)

## PASADENA CITY COLLEGE



A variety of programs and services are available for students with disabilities, providing the opportunity to participate fully in all aspects of the college programs and activities through appropriate and reasonable accommodations. This includes assistive technologies, counseling, and Deaf/Hard of Hearing (DHH) Services.



[www.pasadena.edu](http://www.pasadena.edu)



1570 E Colorado Blvd,  
Pasadena, CA 91106



626-585-7123  
626-585-7371



[dsps@pasadena.edu](mailto:dsps@pasadena.edu)

# How To **LEARN ASL**

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Deaf Plus Individuals can learn ASL to better communicate with others. It's essential to recognize that the specific needs and abilities of Deaf Plus children can vary widely. Therefore, the decision to teach ASL should be individualized, taking into account the child's preferences, abilities, and communication goals

Additionally, learning ASL as a parent of a Deaf Plus child can facilitate communication, strengthen relationships, support education, and provide access to a rich culture and community.



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# ASL COMMUNICATION COURSES

## ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE



The Deaf Studies program at Antelope Valley College focuses on developing and utilizing the linguistic and cultural competencies needed to successfully work with, and provide communication access between, hearing and Deaf or Hard of Hearing individuals.



[www.avc.edu](http://www.avc.edu)



3041 W Ave K  
Lancaster, CA 93536



661-722-6300



[www.info@avc.edu](mailto:www.info@avc.edu)

## COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS



The College of the Canyons offers an ASL and Deaf Studies degree, a 2-year comprehensive ASL Interpreting Program, as well as free, noncredit courses. With the free courses, you can learn the fundamentals of ASL and take coursework designed to develop your fluency in conversational settings.



<https://www.canyons.edu/>



26455 Rockwell Canyon Rd  
Santa Clarita, CA 91355



661-259-7800  
661-362-3050



[sign@canyons.edu](mailto:sign@canyons.edu)

## EAST LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE



East Los Angeles Community College offers beginner to advanced courses in American Sign Language (ASL), including courses for Spanish speaking individuals.



[www.elac.edu](http://www.elac.edu)



1301 Avenida Cesar Chavez  
Monterey Park, CA 91754



323-265-8650  
323-780-6840



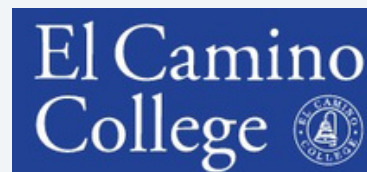
[deanec@elac.edu](mailto:deanec@elac.edu)



# ASL COMMUNICATION COURSES, CONT...

## EL CAMINO COLLEGE

El Camino's sign language/interpreter training degree and certificate programs put you on the right track for a career in entry-level sign language interpreting. The Associate of Arts (AA) degree typically takes up to two years.



[www.elcamino.edu](http://www.elcamino.edu)



16007 Crenshaw Blvd.  
Torrance, CA 90506



310-660-3593



[admissionshelp@elcamino.edu](mailto:admissionshelp@elcamino.edu)

## LOS ANGELES CITY COLLEGE (LACC)

LACC offers an American Sign Language certificate of achievement that gives students the opportunity to document their skills in the ASL language and the knowledge of deaf culture.



[www.lacitycollege.edu](http://www.lacitycollege.edu)



855 N Vermont Ave,  
Los Angeles, CA 90029



323-953-4000 x.2735



[paraday@lacitycollege.edu](mailto:paraday@lacitycollege.edu)

## LOS ANGELES TRADE TECHNICAL COLLEGE

The LATTC American Sign Language Certificate program is designed to meet the needs of students who seek further education in the field of deaf services; as well as prepare students for entry-level positions in interpreting, advocacy, instructional aides and other employment opportunities.



[www.lattc.edu](http://www.lattc.edu)



400 W Washington Blvd,  
Los Angeles, CA 90015



213-763-5341  
213-763-3923



[libarts@lattc.edu](mailto:libarts@lattc.edu)

# ASL COMMUNICATION COURSES, CONT...

MT. SAN ANTONIO  
COLLEGE (SAC)

Mt. San Antonio College

Sign Language/Interpreting Department at Mt. San Antonio College (SAC) offers a Sign Language and Interpreting Certificate and Degree program to prepare students for a career as an interpreter.



[www.mtsac.edu/sign-language/](http://www.mtsac.edu/sign-language/)



1100 N Grand Ave.  
Walnut, CA 91789



909-274-7500



[www.asl@mtsac.edu](mailto:www.asl@mtsac.edu)

## TOP 26 RESOURCES FOR LEARNING SIGN LANGUAGE

Sign language is easy to learn if you have the right resources. Fortunately, there are many available that are both free and paid. You can start online on YouTube, download an app to your phone, or try a book or DVD program to get started.

Here is a list of 26 resources you can use to get started today!



<https://www.ireviews.com/sign-language-resources>

# *Community, Recreation, &* **SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES**

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Deaf Plus youth often face unique communication challenges due to both their deafness and any additional disabilities. Being part of a supportive community can provide opportunities for social interaction, helping to reduce feelings of isolation and loneliness.

Social opportunities often include recreational and leisure activities that allow Deaf Plus youth to have fun, relax, and enjoy their free time. These activities contribute to overall well-being and happiness.



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# DEAF ACCESSIBLE CHURCHES

## THREE DEAF ANGELS MINISTRY

The Three Deaf Angels Ministry is focused on sharing Jesus with Deaf people and teaching them what the Bible says.



**Three Angels  
Deaf Ministries**

They also strive to nurture Deaf members and to train them to be true disciples of Christ, equipping them to do their part in spreading the Everlasting Gospel. Plus, they are educating those who hear about Deaf ministry and culture so that they can better reach out to Deaf souls.



[www.3adm.org](http://www.3adm.org)



PO Box 1946  
Greenbelt, MD 20768



301-850-0542



[3adm@3adm.org](mailto:3adm@3adm.org)

## GATEWAY CHURCH

Gateway Church is a non-denominational, charismatic Christian multi-site megachurch based in Southlake, Texas.



**Gateway  
CHURCH**

They have a growing Deaf ministry and offer ASL interpretation on Sundays at 9 am Online on [YouTube](#). Closed captions are also available on YouTube Saturdays at 4 pm.



[www.gatewaypeople.com](http://www.gatewaypeople.com)



500 S. Nolen Dr Suite 300  
Southlake, TX 76092



817-328-1000



[asl@gatewaypeople.com](mailto:asl@gatewaypeople.com)

## ROMANS ROAD FOR THE DEAF

Romans Road for the Deaf: A Step of Faith is a stimulating book that challenges all believers to listen to God's purpose for each person.

**ROMANS ROAD  
FOR THE DEAF**

*To Help People to Know Jesus*

Bryan's book tells how God has worked in and through the RRD team and how God's power has enabled them to share the gospel with many thousands in just eight hours a day in each city where they have been.



[www.romansroad-deaf.org](http://www.romansroad-deaf.org)

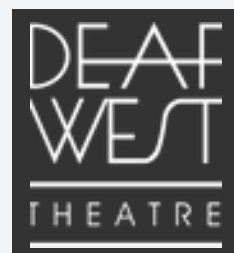


[romansroaddeafinfo@gmail.com](mailto:romansroaddeafinfo@gmail.com)

# ACTIVITIES AND CAMPS

## DEAF WEST THEATRE COMPANY

Founded in Los Angeles in 1991, Deaf West engages artists and audiences in unparalleled theater and media experiences inspired by Deaf culture and the expressive power of sign language, weaving ASL with spoken English to create a seamless ballet of movement and voice.



[www.deafwest.org](http://www.deafwest.org)



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818-762-2998



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## CAMP GRIZZLY

Camp Grizzly is a week-long Youth Leadership program at Camp Lodestar in Wilseyville, CA dedicated toward enriching the lives of America's Deaf, hard of hearing and Koda youth.



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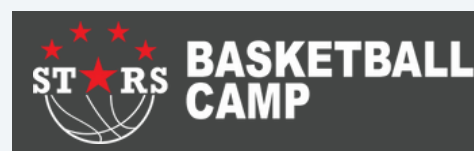
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## STARS BASKETBALL CAMP

The STARS Basketball Camp is a coed 5-day overnight camp in Riverside, California (Sunday Night-Friday Noon). This camp is open to all children ages 10 to 18. Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Child of Deaf Adults (CODA) and hearing family members/friends are all WELCOME.



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