ACCESSING OPPORTUNITY

Your Comprehensive Guide To Deaf Resources In Los Angeles





Supporting children and adults with autism and other developmental disabilities since 1975.

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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.



INTRODUCTION

Dear Reader,

We understand the unique challenges and aspirations that come with being a Deaf and/or Hard of Hearing individual in Los Angeles. That's why we have developed this comprehensive resource guide specifically for you. Our mission is to empower you to access the necessary support, community resources, and social opportunities that will enable you to achieve your full potential.

Navigating the landscape of services and resources can be overwhelming, especially when cultural barriers, socioeconomic factors, and limited awareness come into play. However, with the right information and guidance, you can confidently advocate for your rights and access the services you deserve.

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 young adult transitioning out of high school or a family member seeking support for a Deaf family member, 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 and Hard of Hearing individuals in Los Angeles.

Welcome to Accessing Opportunity: Your Comprehensive Guide to Deaf 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 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 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 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 individuals. Connect with others who share similar experiences, fostering a sense of belonging and expanding your network of support.

Introduction to:

REGIONAL CENTER SERVICES

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES (DDS)



The Department of Developmental Services (DDS) is a state agency in California established in 1969 through 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 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 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 would contact NLACRC to access support and services for their child's specific needs including educational support, vocational training, behavioral services, and social opportunities.

Website: www.nlacrc.org Address: 9200 Oakdale Ave

Tel: 818-778-1900 Chatsworth 91311

Email: THortonBillard@nlacrc.org

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SERVICE PROVIDERS

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/Hard of Hearing (D/HH) individuals.





FEATURED SERVICE PROVIDER:

JAY NOLAN COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. (JNCS)



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

Support Services offered:

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

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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)

Website: http://www.jaynolan.org

Tel: 818-361-6400

Address:

15501 San Fernando Mission Blvd.

Suite 200

Mission Hills, CA 91345

Email: deafservices@jaynolan.org

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.



To 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.

Website: www.tierradelsol.org Address: 9919 Sunland

Tel: (818) 352-1419

Boulevard, Sunland, CA 91040

DEAF ADULT COMMUNITY (DPAC)

Deaf 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 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 Adult Community works to address the social isolation faced by Deaf adults.

Website: www.deafplus.us Address: 5437 Central Ave #4 Newark,

Tel: 510-713-1801 CA 94560

510-556-2750 **Email:** tnold@deafplus.us info@deafplus.us

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.

Tel: (626) 701-8960 **Website:** www.chadhome.org

Address: 3615 Crowell Ave, Riverside,

CA 92504

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: <u>Supported Living Services</u> (SLS), <u>Independent Living Skills</u> (ILS), and <u>Post Secondary Education</u> (PSE).

Website:

www.modernsupportservices.org

Tel: 855-853-2300

818-244-2677 (LA area)

Address: 4124 W. Burbank Blvd.

Burbank, CA 91505

Email:

info@modernsupportservices.org

contact@modernsupportservices.org

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ADVOCACY & SUPPORT

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 individuals. They can provide guidance on navigating systems, accessing services, and addressing discrimination or rights violations.





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.

Website:

www.disabilityrightsca.org

Tel: 213-213-8000

Address: 350 South Bixel St.

Suite 290 Los Angeles, CA 90017

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

Website: www.gladinc.org

Tel: 323-478-8000

Address: 2222 Laverna Ave Los

Angeles, CA 90041

Email: info@gladinc.org

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.



Email: www.scadeaf.org **Address:** 975 S. Bernard St Los

Tel: 213-503-1298 Angeles, CA 90006

213-375-3519 Email: info@scadeaf.org

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.

Website:

www.deafabilityresource.com

Tel: 626-676-2216

323-747-8021

Address: 6038 Echo Street Los

Angeles, CA 90042

Email:

deafabilityresource@outlook.com

SIGN WITH ME

Sign With Me is a non-profit that advocates for equal access, provides ASL music classes, workshops, interpreting services, captioning, seniors can sign program

Website: www.signwithme.org Address: 2202 S Figueroa St, #301

Phone:310-362-8270 Los Angeles, CA, 90007

Email: contact@signwithme.org

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR DEAF CHILDREN

The American Society for Deaf Children (ASDC) is committed to empowering diverse families with deaf children and youth by embracing full access to language-rich environments through mentoring, advocacy, resources, and collaborative networks. Some of their resources include free ASL posters, deaf mentors, ASL classes and webinars, ASL story time, deaf peers, and ASL stories dictionary.

Phone: 1-800-942-2732

Email: info@deafchildren.org

CALIFORNIA HANDS & VOICES

California Hands & Voices is a non-profit organization that is dedicated to supporting families with children who ae Deaf or Hard of Hearing in a respectful and non-judgmental manner regarding language opportunities, communication tools or educational approaches. We're a parent -driven, non-profit organization providing families with the resources, networks, and information to improve communication access and educational outcomes for their children.

Website: www.cahandsandvoices.org **Email:** <u>info@CaHnadsandVoices.org</u>

Address: 15274 Andora Way, San

Diego, CA, 92129

NATIONAL BLACK DEAF ADVOCATES, INC.

National Black Deaf Advocates (NBDA) is the official advocacy organization for thousands of Back Deaf and Hard of Hearing Americans. For more than three decades, NBDA has been at the forefront of advocacy efforts for civil rights and equal access to education, employment, and social services on behalf of the Black Deaf and Hard of Hearing in the United States.

Website: www.nbda.org

CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF

The California Association of the Deaf is a non-profit that serves to preserve, protect and promote linguistic human and civil rights for all Deaf Californians.

Website: www.cad1906.org Address: 4044 N Freeway Blvd,

Sacramento, CA, 95834

WORLD FEDERATION OF THE DEAF

The World Federation of the Deaf is a global organization working to ensure equal rights for 70 million people around the globe.

Website: www.wfdeaf.org Email: info@wfdeaf.org

WORLD RECREATION ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF (WRAD)

The World Recreation Association of the Deaf (WRAD) is a non-profit public benefit organization set up in 1985 that provides programs, services and activities that serve the deaf and hard of hearing community.

Website: Phone: 866-668-9147

https://www.facebook.com/groups/wradinc

Email: wradceo@aol.com

DEAF QUEER RESOURCE CENTER

The Deaf Queer Resource Center (DQRC) is a national 501(c)(3) organization for, by and about the Deaf Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer communities that provides information and resources, collects and preserves Deaf LGBTQ history, advocates for communication access, and works to support, empower, and bring more visibility to and awareness about marginalized Deaf LGBTQ communities.

Website: www.deafqueer.org

NATIONAL DEAF CENTER

The National Deaf Center shares information, networks and strategies to improve continuing education and training for deaf people.

Website:

www.nationaldeafcenter.com

Phone: 512-436-0144

Address: George I. Sánchez Bldg, 1912

Speedway Suite 5.110, Austin, TX

78705

Email: info@nationaldeafcenter.org

DISABILITY BELONGS (RESPECT ABILITY)

Disability Belongs is a diverse, disability-led nonprofit that works to create systemic change in how society views and values peoples with disabilities, and that advances policies and practices that empower people with disabilities to have a better future. Our mission is to fight stigmas and advance opporunties so people with disabilities can fully participate in all aspects of life.

Website: www.respectability.org

Phone: 202-517-6272

Address: 43 Town & Country Drive, Suite 119-181, Fredericksburg, VA,

22405

Email: info@DisabilityBelogs.org

LEAD-K FAMILY SERVICES (LANGUAGE EQUALITY AND ACQUISITION FOR DEAF KIDS)

NorCal Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing manages LEAD-K Family Services, offering essential support and resources for families with Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children to promote early language development and communication. Lead-K Family Services provide personalized, compassionate assistance to meet the unique needs of your family. They are physically located in Sacramento but serve the entire state of California. Their dedicated staff, Deaf coaches, and Parent Mentors are available to support you locally.

Website: www.leadkfamiyservices.com Address: 4044 N Freeway Blvd,

Phone: 916-367-0511 Sacramento, CA, 95834

VP: 916-367-0511 **Email:** info@leadkfamiyservices.org

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 is to reduce the incidence of child abuse and neglect, and to educate the public about child abuse and family violence issues.

Website: Address: 1910 Magnolia Avenue Los

www.lachildabusecouncils.org 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 includes victims of crimes such as robbery, false imprisonment, vehicular assault, caregiver and/or hospital abuse, aggravated assault and stalking.



Website: www.peaceoverviolence.org Address: 1541 Wilshire Boulevard, 3

Tel: (213) 955-9090 Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017



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Counseling Services

Counseling for Deaf 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 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.





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.

Website: www.childfamilycenter.org/ Address: 21545 Centre Pointe Pkwy,

Tel: (661) 259-9439 Santa Clarita, CA 91350

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.

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Website: www.deafcounseling.com Email:

Tel: (240) 380-2577 <u>frontdesk@DeafCounseling.com</u>

NATIONAL DEAF THERAPY

National Deaf Therapy is a national mental health service provider that specializes in providing culturally and linguistically appropriate mental health support for people who use American Sign Language (ASL) as their primary means of communication.

Website: Email:

<u>www.nationaldeaftherapy.com</u> <u>hello@nationaldeaftherapy.com</u>

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.

Website: <u>www.5acres.org/deaf-</u> **Tel:** (626) 798-6783

services Email: info@5acres.org

ASL THERAPISTS IN LOS ANGELES

Psychology Today

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.

Website: www.psychologytoday.com

MY DEAF THERAPY

Nationwide Telehealth Services who provide experienced clinicians who are ASL Fluent, linguistically accessible and culturally affirmative. They take both in network and out of network and cover 24 states in USA.

Website: www.mydeaftherapy.com Email: welcome@mydeaftherapy.com

Phone: 240-575-2203

DEAF COUNSELING SERVICES CONT...

DEAF ACCESS PROGRAM (DAP)

The Deaf Access Program (DAP) was created through the California Department of Social Services in 1980 to ensure that deaf and hard of hearing children, adults and families may receive the public benefits and services to which they are entitled to achieve economic independence to fully participate in mainstream society.

They outsource eight non-profits service providers which provide intervention in crisis situations, such as spousal, child or adult abuse. They also teach clients how to effectively cope with deafness and hearing loss.

Link to their service Providers: www.cdss.ca.gov/deaf-access/deaf-access-program-

dap-service-providers

Website: www.cdss.ca.gov/deaf- VP: 916-330-3242

<u>access</u> **Email:** Deaf.Access@dss.ca.gov

Voice: 916-653-8320

NORCAL SERVICES FOR DEAF & HARD OF HEARING

This organization offers person-centered assistance for Deaf individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities and their families. They offer Deaf to Deaf peer counseling, crisis intervention if you are experiencing abuse or violence: referral to professional counseling mental health and substance abuse.

Website: www.norcalcenter.org Address: 4044 N freeway Blvd,

Phone: 916-349-7500 Sacramento, CA, 95834

VP: 916-993-3048 Email: info@norcalcenter.org

JOHN TRACY CENTER

The number one diagnostic center and education for children with hearing loss.

Website: www.jtc.org Address: 21160 W Adams Blvd, Los

Phone: 213-718-5481 Angeles, CA, 90018

DEAF COUNSELING SERVICES CONT...

DEAFLEAD

DeafLead is a non-profit that provides mental health services for victims of crime who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Late Deafened, DeafBlind, with comprehensive, unified continuous support. Provide a 24/7 Crisis hotline and Teen Institute Summer Camp for deaf kids.

Website: www.deaflead.org Video **Phone:** 573-303-5604

Phone: 573-445-5005 **Email:** Advocacy@DeafLEAD.org

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.

Website: www.dralisonfreeman.net **Address:** Los Angeles CA, 90024

Tel: 310-712-1200 Email: dralisonfreeman@gmail.com

PAMELA LEWIS - GUIDED SOLUTIONS THERAPY

Pamela is fluent in American Sign Language (ASL). Pamela's specialty socus 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.

Website:

www.guidedsolutionstherapy.com

Tel: 657-301-3290

Address: 405 North State College Blvd. Ste 204 Brea, California 92821

Email:

pamela@guidedsolutonstherapy.com

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 inculdes strengths-based and body-oriented therapies such as relaxation techniques, mindfulness, neurofeedback, and EMDR.

Website:

Email:

www.blancobehavioralhealth.com

blancobehavioralhealth@gmail.com

Tel: 323-310-0751

Address: Pasadena, CA 91103

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.

Website: www.sarahleetherapy.com Address: 292 S. La Cienega Blvd Suite

Tel: 323-508-4224 102 Beverly Hills, CA 90211

Email: sarahleetherapy@gmail.com

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.

Website: <u>www.drclaremanning.com</u> **Address:** 667 Lighthouse Ave Suite

Tel: 831-239-9345 302 Pacific Grove, CA 93950

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.

Tel: 714-646-7330 Email: deafcounsel@gmail.com

DEAF RECOVERY PROGRAMS

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ALCOHOL & DRUG PROGRAMS, INC. (SCADP)

SCADP provides two in house ASL Certified Interpreters for Deaf and Hard of Hearing in recovery, both in person and via tele health. Services are available to those who are LA Medical. They offer access to substance abuse programs, anger management, parenting, Domestic violence and individual therapy.

Website: www.scadpinc.org Address: 11500 Paramount Blvd,

Phone: 562-203-8266 Downey, C, 90241

Email: ltapia@scadpinc.org

AWAKENINGS RECOVERY PROGRAM (FOR DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING)

Awakenings is an addiction treatment center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing that is located in Whittier, California. They treat people with drug and alcohol addictions who are having trouble quitting on their own. They offer both adult and youth services. The agency also helps with domestic violence and HIV/AIDS. But the main reason you'd be seeking out their help would be for their residential substance abuse treatment program. They are open 24 hours a day and seven days a week.

Website: Phone: 562-947-3835

https://www.rehab.com/awakenings- Address: 12322 Clearglen St, Whittier,

whittier CA,90604

DEAF OFF DRUGS & ALCOHOL (DODA)

The SARDI Programs' online resource guide for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Off Drugs and Alcohol (DODA), listing online meetings.

Website: Email:

https://www.sardiprogram.com/doda sobrietywithouttears@yahoo.com

meetings/ Email (For Al-Anon):

DeafRecoveryAZ@gmail.com

DEAF RECOVERY PROGRAMS, CONT...

SIGNING SOBER

Some AA chapters may have a sign-language interpreter. The interpreter provides American sign language for members who may be deaf or hard of hearing.

Website: www.sober.com/aa- Address: 515 E 3rd St, Long Beach, CA,

meeting/signing-sober 90802

TARZANA TREATMENT CENTER (TTC)

Tarzana Treatment Centers (TTC) is a comprehensive healthcare organization offering integrated services, including substance use, disorder treatment, mental health services, and primary medical care. They are committed to providing accessible and culturally sensitive care to diverse populations, including individuals who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

Website: www.tarzantc.org Address: 18646 Oxnard Street,

Phone: 888-777-8565 Tarzana, CA, 91356

Email: info@tarzanatc.org

DEAFAA.org

Deaf AA.org is an alcoholism recovery community of Deaf, Hard-of Hearing and Late-Deafened adults who have a desire to stop drinking. The website maintains has a link to an online database that lists both in-person and online 12 step recovery meetings that you can search in your area for those residing in US and Canada. It contains many additional resources and support materials specific to Deaf and Hard of Hearing in the rooms of 12 Step.

Website: www.DeafAA.org

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Health Resources

Health resources play a crucial role in helping Deaf 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 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 individuals in leading healthier lives.





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.

Website:

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

Tel: 323-478-8000 **VP:** (323) 892-2225

Address: 2222 Laverna Ave Los

Angeles, CA 90041

Email: info@gladinc.org

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.

Website: 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).

Website: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLvrp9iOILTQatwngm61jgFrsfUB4RKh6l

DEAFHEALTH

Linguistically and culturally accessible health topics in ASL videos provide a critical need for equal access in healthcare. Topics include: Medicare, suicide prevention as well as a crisis hotline for support.

Website: https://deafhealthaccess.org

Late Deafened Resources

HEARING LOSS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA (HLAA)

Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA) advocates for equal access for all Americans with hearing loss in areas such as telecommunications, employment, health care, education and community life. HLAA Chapters are a place where individuals with hearing loss will meet others going through the same thing—right in their own community. In these chapters, people share stories, hear guest speakers, get information on technology, and develop lifelong friendships.

Website: www.hlaa-la.org Email: Inquiries@hearlingloss.org

Phone: 301-657-2248

ASSOCIATION OF LATE DEAFENED ADULTS (ALDA)

A non-profit committed to supporting the empowerment of deafened and late- deafened people. ALDA works collaboratively with other organizations around the world serving the needs of late-deafened people.

Website: www.adla.org Email: info@alda.org

Phone: 815-200-9339

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.

Website: www.advancedbionics.com

Tel: (877) 829-0026 (800) 693-0706

Address: 28515 Westinghouse Place

Valencia, CA, 91355

Email: hear@advancedbionics.com

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.



Website:

www.santaclaritahearingcenter.com

Tel: (661) 388-4135

Address: 23861 McBean Pkwy, D14,

Valencia, CA, 91355

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.

Website: https://scentmed.com

Tel: (661) 259-2500

Address: Santa Clarita & Antelope

Valley

SPECIALIZED HEARING CARE, CONT...

HEAR USA

Hearing aid consultation, evaluations and technologies. They accept Medicaid.

Website: www.hearusa.com Address: 26504 Bouquet Canyon Rd,

Phone: 661-799-9965 Santa Clarita, CA, 91350

Booking: 855-898-1320

AUDIOLOGY ASSOCIATES

Helping the Santa Clarita community for over 20 years

Website: Address: 25425 Orchard Village Rd,

www.audiologyassociates.net Suite 220

Phone:661-284-1900 Email: cs@audiologyassociates.net

SONUS HEARING

Sonus Hearing Care Professionals is located throughout Southern California, as well as throughout various states across the U.S.

Website: www.sonushearing.com Address: 26880 Sierra Hwy, Suite C-6,

Phone: 661-253-4514 Santa Clarita, CA, 91321

888-574-6776

COSTCO HEARING AID CENTER

Hearing Aid Center, including affordable hearing aids and new OTC Rechargeable hearing aids.

Website: https://costco.com/hearing- Address: 18649 Via Princessa, Santa

<u>aid-center.html</u> Clarita, CA, 91387

Phone: 661-250-2848

Deaf / Hard of Hearing Inclusive

DEAF & BLIND RESOURCES

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.





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.

Website: www.helenkeller.org Address: PO Box 4269

Tel: 858-578-1600 **VP:** 951-208- Crestline, CA 92325

6546 Email: cmetcalf@hellenkeller.org

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.

Website: www.nationaldb.org Address: 141 Middle Neck Road

Tel: 516-366-0047 Sands Point, NY 11050

Email: support@nationaldb.org

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.

Website: www.cadeafblind.org Address: 1600 Holloway Ave San

Tel: 415-405-7558 Francisco, CA 94132

TTY: 415-405-7560 **Email:** <u>jmaier@sfsu.edu</u>

NATIONAL FAMILY ASSOCIATION FOR DEAF-BLIND (NFABD)

NFADB, in collaboration with the CHARGE Syndrome Foundation and Jennifer Arnott from the Perkins Research Library created deaf-blind resource guides. They are the result of ongoing conversations about the need for resources for adults with deaf-blindness and their families and include an overview of programs, services, and information about specific topics relevant to adults who are deaf-blind

Website: www.nfadb.org

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND

Consists of affiliates, chapters, and divisions in all fifty states. It is a transformative membership and advocacy organization of blind people. Through our network of blind members, we coordinate many programs, services, and resources to defend the rights of blind Americans, provide information and support to blind children and adults, and build a community that creates a future full of opportunities'. We believe in blind people because we are blind people- from our democratically elected leaders to our diverse nationwide membership.

Website: www.nfb.org Address: 2 East Wells Street at

Phone: 410-659-9314 Jernigan Place, Baltimore, MD, 21230

Email: nfb@nfb.org

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF-BLIND

AADB is a national organization of, by, and for deafblind Americans and their supporters. "DeafBlind" includes all types and degrees of dua vision and hearing loss.

Website: www.aadb.org Email: info@aadb.org

Address: P.O. Box 12222, Silver

Spring, MD, 20908

CALIFORNIA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

CSB provides intensive, disability-specific educational services to students who have primary learning needs related to their visual impairment. The school Serves as a statewide resource to [provide expertise to Local Education Agencies (LEA's) and families in evidence-based assessment, specialized curriculum, cutting edge research and technology, and innovative models of instruction that prepare students for adulty life.

Website: www.csb-cde.ca.gov Address: 500 Walnut Ave, Fremont,

Phone: 510-794-3800 CA, 94536

Email: info@csb-cde.ca.gov

LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Lighthouse is a non-profit that promotes independence, community and equity created by and with blind and low vision people. They host Enchanted Hills Camp programs and retreats for children, teens, adults, DeafBlind, seniors and families of the blind.

Website: www.lighthouse-sf.org Address: 3075 Adeline Street, Suite

Phone: 415-431-1481 110, Berkley, CA, 94703

510-356-0018 Email: info@lighthouse-sf.org

REGIONAL CENTER OF ORANGE COUNTY (RCOC) - DEAF BLIND SERVICES

Provides resources and support for individuals experiencing combined hearing and vison loss, promoting independence and quality of life.

Website: www.rcocdd.com Address: P.O Box 22010, Santa Ana,

Phone: 714-796-5100 Ca, 92702

Email: resources@rcocdd.com

HEARING LOSS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA (HLAA)

Hearing Loss Association of America (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.



Website: www.hlaa-la.org Email: info@hlaa-la.org

Address: San Fernando Valley

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.



Website: www.jtc.org Address: Los Angeles, CA

Tel: (213) 748-5481 **Email:** web@jtc.org

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.

Website: www.language1st.org

BEYOND BLINDNESS

Beyond Blindness, formerly Blind Children's Learning Center, empowers children with visual impairments and other disabilities to achieve their fullest potential.

Website: www.beyondblindness.org Address: 18542-B Vanderlip Ave,

Phone: 714-573-8888 Sanya Ana, CA, 92705

ICANCONNECT - DEAF-BLIND EQUIPMENT DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

Advertises and promotes the National Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program and provides technical support and service information to people experiencing combined hearing and vision loss who may be eligible for the program's services.

Website: www.icanconnect.org Email: info@icanconnect.org

Phone:1-800-825-4595

Communication &

INTERPRETING SERVICES

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

Interpreters facilitate effective communication between Deaf 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 individuals to advocate for their rights, express their opinions, and make choices that affect their lives.





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. 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.

Website:

https://jaynolan.org/service
s/deaf-services/

Tel: (818) 361-6400

Address: 15501 San Fernando

Mission Blvd., Suite 200

Mission Hills, CA 91345

Email: Deafservices@jaynolan.org

INTERPRETATION SERVICES, CONT....

LRA INTERPRETERS, INC

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



Website: www.lrainterpreters.com Address: 1608 W magnolia Blvd,

Tel: (818) 861-7844 Burbank, CA, 91506

Email: info@lrausa.com

CLARUS LANGUAGE SOLUTIONS

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



Website: Address: 27923 Smyth Drive

<u>www.claruslanguagesolutions.com</u> Valencia, CA, 9135

Tel: (661) 310-3338 **Email:** <u>clarus@clar.us</u>

LIFESIGNS, INC

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



Website: www.lifesignsinc.org **Address:** Los Angeles, CA

Tel: (888) 930-7776 Email: lifesigns@lifesignsinc.org

CAL INTERPRETING & TRANSLATIONS (CIT)



Serve individuals, small businesses, and large organizations of all sizes in over 250 languages across a wide range of services and industries.

Website: www.calinterpreting.com Address: 5990 Sepulveda Blvd, Suite

Tel: (888) 737-9009 250, Van Nuys, CA, 91411

Email: contact@calinterpreting.com

INTERPRETATION SERVICES, CONT...

LINGUABEE

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



Website: www.linguabee.com VP: (855) 585-5859

Tel: (855) 585-5859 **Address:** Los Angeles, CA

Voice: (844) 546-4822 Email: support@linguabee.com

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.

Website: www.signlanguageco.com **Address:** 13351-D Roverside Dr, Suite

Tel: (818) 728-4241 #410, Sherman Oaks, CA, 91423

Email: contact@signlanguageco.com

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AMERICA TRANSLATING SERVICES

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



Website: Address: 27893 Smyth Drive,

<u>www.americatranslating.com</u> Valencia, CA, 91355

Tel: (661) 294-9040

INTERPRETATION SERVICES, CONT....

LAZAR TRANSLATING & INTERPRETING

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



Website: www.lazar.com

Tel: (310) 453-3302

Address: 22141 Ventura Blvd, #210,

Woodland Hills, CA, 91364

Email:

languages@lazar.com

WESTERN INTERPRETING NETWORK

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

Website:

www.westerninterpreting.net

Tel: (888) 417-5231

Address: 31805 Temecula Pkwy, #201,

Temecula, CA, 92592

Email:

request@westerninterpreting.net

ASL NATIONAL CERTIFIED INTERPRETING SERVICES

ASL National Certified Interpreting Services offers interpreting and translation services in virtual services to businesses and Deaf individuals across the country. Give us a call to learn more.

Website:

https://www.alignable.com/santaclarita-ca/asl-national-certifiedinterpreting-services/translationservices **Phone:** 661-886-1102

Address: 22816 Market St, Santa

Clarita, CA, 9132

INTERPRETATION SERVICES, CONT...

SIGN UP INTERPRETING SERVICES, LLC

Translation and Interpretation Services.

Website: Address: PO Box 941, Sunset Beach,

<u>www.signupinterpreting.com</u> CA, 90742

Phone: 657-464-4192 Email: request.signupasl@gmail.com

REGISTRY OF INTERPRETERS FOR THE DEAF, INC (RID)

This national membership organization plays a leading role in advocating for excellence in the delivery of interpretation and transliteration services between people who use sign language and people who use spoken language. In collaboration with the Deaf community, RID supports our members and encourages the growth of the profession through the establishment of a national standard for qualified sign language interpreters and transliterators, ongoing professional development and adherence to a code of professional conduct.

Website: <u>https://rid.org/</u> 571-257-3957

Phone: 703-838-0030 Email: RIDinfo@rid.org

ASL NOW

Secure video calling contact centers.

Website: www.aslnow.com Email: contact@aslnow.com

Phone: 833-682-7630

Providers of Assisted

COMMUNICATION DEVICES

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

These devices are powerful tools that help Deaf 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.





FEATURED COMMUNICATIONS PROVIDER:

SORENSON 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.

Sorensen services connect signed and spoken languages: captioning and video relay services, over-video and inperson 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.

* No cost caption phone services and ASL Interpreting.

Website:

www.sorenson.com

Tel: (866) 756-6729

Address: 115 N Hollywood Way,

Burbank, CA, 91505

Email:

SVRSatwork@sorenson.com

Assisted Communication Devices

ACCESSIBLE PHONES

Video phones allow the user to communicate with ASL. Captioned telephones allow you to speak into the telephone, hear what the other caller is saying, and read the other person's response via captioned relay service. Video phones and amplified and captioned telephones are available to any individual who is Deaf or hard of hearing frequently at no charge to the individual. The individual has to provide documentation to confirm his/her hearing loss, have a location that provides electricity, and internet access. The captioned telephone also requires that the location has a standard telephone line. The individual is responsible for the cost of electricity, telephone and internet service. The video phone and captioned telephone providers will typically provide free installation, training, onsite and remote technical support. Use of the video relay telephone and captioned telephone relay services are free to both callers on a conversation. The Federal Communication Commission oversees the use of these devices.

For more information, click here: https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/video-relay-services

APPLE'S IOS 14 AND ACCESSIBILITY FOR DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING

Every year, Apple updates its accessibility features to better support people with disabilities. These features have included support for hearing devices. Phone calls (and other media) can be connected directly to a hearing aid. You can also turn on Noise Cancellation or Mono Audio (to direct left and right speakers to play the same content. There is also an LED Flash that can alert someone to a call or text coming in.)

iOS 14 brings with it some new features to support the Deaf community. This iOS will support sound recognition under Accessibility Features. You can set your phone to listen for sounds, such as a baby crying or the smoke alarm. It will notify you when these sounds happen. While not for primary use in an emergency, this is sure to provide some great support for people with hearing loss.

Also, Facetime will now be able to tell when someone is using sign language and focus on them, so everyone can see their signs. As well, iPhones will have headphone accommodations, so that you can set certain headphones to match your pattern of hearing loss.

ASSISTED COMMUNICATION DEVICES, CONT...

CALIFORNIA CONNECT

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



Website: www.caconnect.org

Tel: (800) 806-1191

Address: P.O. Box 30310,

Stockton, CA, 95213

Email: info@caconnect.org

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.



Website: <u>www.captel.com</u> **Tel:** (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 cost to you. ClearCaptions delivers near real-time phone captioning—you'll see the words your callers say.



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Website:

Email:

www.clearcaptions.com

information@clearcaptions.com

Tel: (866) 868-8695

ASSISTED COMMUNICATION DEVICES, CONT...

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.

Website: www.diglo.com Address: 15155 Technology Dr,

Tel: (800) 825-6758 Eden Prairie, MN, 53344

VP: (952) 388-2152 **Email:** <u>hello@diglo.com</u>

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.

Website: www.adcohearing.com Tel: (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.

Website: www.hearmore.com Address: 42 Executive Blvd,

Tel: (800) 881-4327 Farmingdale, NY, 11735

VP: (631) 752-0698 **Email:** <u>sales@hearmore.com</u>

ASSISTED COMMUNICATION DEVICES, CONT...

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

Website:

www.hearworldusa.com

Tel: (866) 889-4872 **VP:** (240) 449-3407

Address: 21004 Brooke Knolls

Rd, Laytonville, MD, 20882

Email: 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.

Website: www.lssproducts.com

Tel: (800) 468-4789

Address: 145 River Rock Dr,

Buffalo, NY, 14207

VIDEO RELAY SERVICE (VRS) PROVIDERS

ZP BETTER TOGETHER

ZPBetter Together

ZP Better Together 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.

Website: www.zpconnect.com VRI: (800) 618-2418

VRS: (877) 885-3172 **Email:** <u>support@purple.us</u>

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.

Website: www.convorelay.com Email: support@convorelay.com

Tel: (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.

Website: https://scomm.com/ Address: 6238 Hadley Raytown,

Tel: 866-505-7008 MO, 64133, USA

VP: 816-527-9079 **Email:** <u>info@scomm.com</u>

Speech to Text Phone Apps

INNOCAPTION

InnoCaption is a free captioning service for the deaf and hard of hearing funded by the FCC (Federal Communications Commission). It provides real-time captioning on your mobile device. The app was developed in conjunction with live stenographers to provide fast, easy, accurate captioning. Users must register and self-certify you have a hearing loss to use this service.

Website: www.innocaption.com

NAGISH

Nagish is a free app that uses AI to caption speech to text. This bridges the gap between the deaf and hard-of-hearing community and hearing people. Empowering both to seamlessly enjoy private conversations with anybody at any time. The app continues releasing new features like saving call transcripts while keeping them 100% private. Plus, the people behind this life-enhancing communication tool are a driven and like-minded team of hearing and deaf professionals working towards a shared mission of accessibility and inclusivity.

Website: www.nagish.com

GOOGLE LIVE TRANSCRIBE

Live Transcribe is a smartphone application to get realtime captions developed by Google for the Android operating system. Development on the application began in partnership with Gallaudet University. It was released as a free beta for Android5.0+ on the Google Play store in 2019. Does not include the feature to save transcripts and not available for iOS.

Website: www.play.google.com

Speech to Text Phone Apps, CONT...

IOS LIVE TRANSCRIBE

Live Transcribe is a voice-to-text app for the deaf and hard of hearing built for simplicity, that automatically transcribes speech in near-real time while offline. The app allows you to type text during real-time conversations and adjust the font size displayed for greater readability. Not available for Android.

Website: www.apple.com

AVA

Basic plan is free with payment plans available for more usage. This app turns your smartphone's microphone into a captioning service that captures speech and turns it into a text conversation displayed on your screen. A good wifi connection is required; the app also works with Bluetooth devices. Users can share a QR code with other individuals to add them to the conversation. Ava also has a text-to-speech feature that can be accessed by using the keyboard. The app allows you to save conversations to share or review at a later date. Ava is also available on desktop for both Macs and PCs.

Website: www.ava.me

CAPTIONMATE

CaptionMate is a free app that instantly transcribes both sides of a phone call, and can be used on a smartphone, landline, tablet or computer. This real-time captioning service is free to anyone with hearing loss and is paid for by a fund administered by the FCC. Just as with InnoCaption, users must register and self-certify you have a hearing loss to use this service. The app can caption over 100 languages and works in real-time. Conversations are saved and can be re-read later.

Website: www.captionmate.com

Speech to Text Phone Apps, CONT...

ROGERVOICE

As long as the deaf or hard of hearing person has the app installed, RogerVoice will transcribe any phone call and subtitle videos in over 80 languages. After making a call, speech is displayed instantly as text on the screen. You can reply with speech or text. It can also caption incoming calls.

Website: www.rogervoice.com

OLELO

Olelo provides live captions of conversations and voicemail using automatic speech recognition technology. Both sides of the conversations are saved in transcript form. The user interface and the captions are available in English or Spanish. Like several other apps in our list, Olelo is funded by the FCC and free for eligible users. In their testing of the app, the FCC noted that Olelo's speech recognition technology is faster than apps that use (human) transcriptionists.

Website: www.olelophone.com

OTTER AI

Otter is a voice-to-text translator for deaf or hard-of-hearing individuals ideal in a work environment since it can accurately transcribe voice meetings, interviews, lectures, and everyday voice conversations in real time using speech-to-text technology via a microphone. This app has been made popular by its successful use by many Zoom users to transcribe meetings and take notes that can all be downloaded.

Website: www.otterai.com

Speech to Text Phone Apps, CONT...

TEXTHEAR

TextHear is a speech-to-text app for deaf or hard-of-hearing individuals available for iPhone and Android smartphones ideal for deaf or hard-of-hearing individuals, supporting over 100 languages and accents.

Website: www.texthear.com

CLEARCAPTIONS MOBILE

This Apple app offers real-time captioning on your mobile phone with ClearCaptions Mobile. ClearCaptions is an FCC-certified service made possible through a federally funded program for qualified individuals with hearing loss. They offer a free account with a personal ClearCaptions voice phone number for captioned calls. Captioned phone conversations can be saved for later review.

Website: www.Clearcaptions.com

Deaf / Hard of Hearing Inclusive

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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 individuals can overcome barriers to employment and fully participate in the workforce, leading to a more fulfilling and independent life.





EMPLYOMENT 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.

Website: www.dor.ca.gov Address: 23838 Valencia Blvd, Suite

303, Santa Clarita, CA, 91355

Email: omalisrani@dor.ca.gov

Tel: (661) 799-1020

TTY: (916) 558-5673

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES, CONT...

DEAF ABILITY RESOURCE

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



Website:

www.deafabilityresource.com

Tel: (323) 747-8021

VP: (323) 747-1172

Address: 14252 Culver Dr, Suite A

#523, Irvine, CA, 92604

Email:

deafabilityresource@outlook.com

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).

Website: www.edd.ca.gov Address: Los Angeles, CA

Tel: (661) 310-3338

VP: (323) 505-4208

GOODWILL SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DEAF SERVICES

Goodwill Southern California's Deaf Career Services opens doors by providing services helping Deaf and Hard of Hearing enter the workforce and obtain sustainable employment. They provide participants with training, and education, independence, productivity and work-place integration.



Website: www.goodwillsocal.org/ TTY: (323) 539-2156

Tel: (323) 539-2105 **Address:** 342 N San Fernando Rd, Los

Angeles, CA, 90031

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES, CONT...

GREATER LOS ANGELES AGENCY ON DEAFNESS, INC. (GLAD)

GLAD's Employment Services can assist deaf, hard of hearing, deafblind, and deaf disabled job-seekers with the following services; support with job leads and referrals, job counseling, resume development and interview preparation, workplace communication advice, free interpreters for Interviews & Orientation, and retention support for 30 days.

Website:

www.glad.inc.org/services/employme nt/services

Phone: 818-657-1857

VP: 818-485-2722

Address 20920 Warner Center Lane, Suite C Woodand Hills, CA, 91367

Email: gladedd@edd.ca.gov

DEAFCAL.ORG

DeafCal is a community events hubs for Deaf Californians. They have a job board posting jobs located all over southern California.

Website: www.deafcal.org

DEAFJOBWIZARD

A niche-oriented job board that only lists deaf-related jobs in various job categories. It is a Deaf-owned business that is rated #1Deaf Job Board for 2020-2024.

Website: Email: info@jobwizard.com

www.deafjobwizard,com/california

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES, CONT...

DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING SERVICE CENTER

DHHSC offers job development and placement services through their contract with the Department of Social Services- office of Deaf Access. DHHSC and America's Job Center are partners in providing employment services to Deaf and Hard of Hearing. DHHSC has a full-time employment specialist and a full-time Staff Interpreter, housed in the local AJCC (EDD office).

Website: www.hhsc.org/employment- Address: West Shaw Ave, Fresno, CA

<u>services</u> <u>Email: virdiana.alvarez@edd.ca.gov</u>

Phone: 559-478-2735

Deaf / Hard of Hearing Inclusive

EDUCATION FOR 9-12 GRADE

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 individuals can overcome barriers to employment and fully participate in the workforce, leading to a more fulfilling and independent life.





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 who may need additional assistance and instruction.

WHEN TO CONTACT:

The Marlton School may be a good option for Deaf 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.

Website:

www.marltonschool.lausd.org

Tel: 323-296-7680

Address: 4000 Santo Tomas Dr.

Los Angeles, CA 90008

Email:

Lauren.maucere@lausd.net

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. The WISH instructional philosophy rests upon the concepts of handson learning, meaningful and systematic instruction, and a collaborative group of professionals working together to make the learning environment exciting for students.

Website: https://www.wishcharter.org/

Tel: 310-743-6990

Address: 7400 W. Manchester Ave Los Angeles, CA 90045

Email: info@wishcharter.org

GRANADA HILLS CHARTER (9-12 GRADE)

GHC GRANADA HILLS CHARTER

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.

Website: www.ghctk12.com

Tel: 818-360-2361

Address: 10535 Zelzah Ave Granada Hills, CA 91344

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 students.

Website: www.tafthigh.org Address: 5461 Winnetka Ave

Tel: 818-227-3600 Woodland Hills, CA 91364

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.

Website: https://www.c-vusd.org/ Address: 519 E. Badillo Street Covina,

Tel: (626) 974-7000 CA 91723

Email: csadler@c-vusd.org

DOWNEY HIGH SCHOOL

The SELACO Deaf and Hard of Hearing program (DHH) at Downey High School assists people from infanthood 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.

Website: <u>www.thedowneylegend.com</u> **Address:** 11040 Brookshire Ave,

Tel: (562) 869-7301 Downey, CA 90241

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

UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL- IRVINE, CA

Hosts Orange County's Regional Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program providing specialized services and support within a mainstream high school setting.

Website: www.universityhigh.iusd.org Address: 4771 Campus Drive, Irvine,

Phone: 949-936-7600 CA, 92612

Email: BrendanBonette@iusd.org

MONTEREY TRAIL HIGH SCHOOL (MTHS) D/HH PROGRAM

Offers tailored mainstreamed educational programs for Deaf and Hard of Hearing students through specialized programs and supportive learning environments.

Website: www.mths.egusd.net Address: 8661 Power Inn Road, Elk

Phone: 916-688-050 Road, CA, 95624

Email: techapma@egusd.net

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.

Website:

www.nolimitsfordeafchildren.org/

Tel: (310) 280-0878

Address: 9801 Washington Blvd.

Culver City, CA 90232

Email:

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.

Email:

https://www.chimeinstitute.org/

Tel: 818-346-5100

Address: 19722 Collier St, Woodland

Hills, CA 91364

Email: kjamison@chimecharter.com

OTHER EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT (K-12), CONT....

CALIFORNIA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF, RIVERSIDE

California School for the Deaf, Riverside (CSDR) is a component of the State Special Schools and Services Division of the California Department of Education. The school serves Deaf and hard-of-hearing students, between the ages of 3 and 21, who reside in the 12 counties of Southern California.

Website: <u>www.csdr-cde.ca.gov</u> **Address:** 3044 Horace St, Riverside,

Phone: 951-248-7700 CA, 92506

951-834-8114 **Email:** <u>info@csdr-cde.ca.gov</u>

CALIFORNIA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF, FREMONT

It is a free public school supporting all families with Deaf children at any hearing level, using direct support and teaching that is Bilingual, both ASL and English.

Website: www.csdeagles.com Address: 39350 Gallaudet Dr,

Phone: 510-794-3666 Fremont, CA, 94538

510-248-4204 Email: info@csdeagles.com

LAUSD- DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING (DHH) PROGRAM

The LAUSD Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH) Program serves students aged 3 to 22 with documented hearing loss that impacts their communication skills and access to the curriculum. The program offers specialized instruction and services, including language development, listening skills, and self-advocacy, through both itinerant and special day programs

Website: www.lausd.org Phone: 213-241-6701

Address: 333 South Beaudry Avenue, **Email:** spedsfss@lausd.net

Los Angeles. CA, 90017

Deaf / Hard of Hearing Inclusive

HIGHER EDUCATION

Higher education opportunities for Deaf students in Los Angeles, CA, are designed to provide inclusive and accessible learning experiences. Deaf 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

& THE NATIONAL CENTER ON DEAFNESS (NCOD)



California State University, Northridge (CSUN) is nown for its commitment to providing inclusive higher education opportunities for students with disabilities, including Deaf 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 students motivated to pursue a higher education degree at a public university with appropriate accommodations and ASL supports setting them up for success.

Website:

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

Tel: (818) 677-1200 **VP:** (818) 435-3887

Address: 18111 Nordhoff St. Northridge, CA 91330

Email: deaf.studies@csun.edu

ncod@csun.edu

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.

Website: https://www.lapc.edu/ Address: 6201 Winnetka Ave,

Tel: (818) 464-4410 Woodland Hills, CA 91371

Email: welcome@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

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.

Website: Address: 43600 Mission Blvd.,

www.ohlone.edu/deafstudies Fremont, CA 94539-5847

Tel: (510) 659-6000 Email: 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

Website: www.pasadena.edu Address: 1570 E Colorado Blvd,

Tel: 626-585-7123 Pasadena, CA 91106

626-585-7371 Email: dsps@pasadena.edu

HIGHER EDUCATION, CONT...

SANTA MONICA COLLEGE (SMC)

Santa Monica College (SMC) offers a comprehensive Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services program designed to ensure full access to academic classes, events, and co-curricular activities. The program provides various accommodations such as sign language interpreters, real-time captioners, assistive listening devices, academic and personal counseling, note takers, and test accommodations.

Website: www.smc.edu Address: 1900 Pico Blvd, Santa

Phone: 310-434-4000 Monica, CA, 90405

31 0-434-4380 **Email:**

welcomecenter@smc.edunter@smc.edu

VALLEY COLLEGE (LAVC)

Los Angeles Valley College (LAVC) offers a robust Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services program aimed at providing equal access to education for students with hearing impairments. The program includes accommodations such as sign language interpreters, real-time captioning, assistive listening devices, and personalized support to ensure students can fully participate in academic and campus activities

Website: https://lavc.edu
Phone: 818-938-8418

Address: 5800 Fulton Ave, Valley Email: <u>LAVCStudentSupport@laccd.edu</u>

Glenn, CA, 91401

How to

LEARN ASL

Deaf Individuals can learn ASL to better communicate with others. It's essential to recognize that the specific needs and abilities of Deaf 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 child can facilitate communication, strengthen relationships, support education, and provide access to a rich culture and community.





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.

Website: www.avc.edu Address: 3041 W Ave K Lancaster, CA

Tel: 661-722-6300

Email: info@avc.edu

COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS

Website: www.elac.edu

Tel: (323) 265-8874

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.

Website: https://www.canyons.edu/ Address: 26455 Rockwell Canyon Rd

Tel: (661) 362-3050 Santa Clarita, CA 91355

Email: 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.

Address: 1301 Avenida Cesar Chavez Monterey Park, CA 91754

Email: zepedans@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.



LOS ANGELES CITY COLLEGE

The City's College.

Website: www.elcamino.edu

Tel: 310-660-3593

Address: 16007 Crenshaw Blvd.

Torrance, CA 90506

Email:

admissionshelp@elcamino.edu,

tgough@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.

Website: www.lacitycollege.edu

Tel: 323-953-4000 x.2735

Address: 855 N Vermont Ave, Los

Angeles, CA 90029

Email: 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.

Website: www.lattc.edu Address: 400 W Washington Blvd,

Tel: 213-763-5341 Los Angeles, CA 90015

213-763-3923 Email: libarts@lattc.edu

ASL COMMUNICATION COURSES, CONT...

MT. SAN ANTONIO COLLEGE (SAC)

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!

Website: www.mtsac.edu/sign- Address: 1100 N Grand Ave. Walnut,

language/ CA 91789

Tel: 909-274-7500 **Email:** <u>asl@mtsac.edu</u>

TOP 26 RESOURCES FOR LEARNING SIGN LANGUAGE

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.

Website: https://www.ireviews.com/sign-language-resources

GREATER LOS ANGELES AGENCY ON DEAFNESS (GLAD)

Glad offers ASL Classes seasonally, taught by Deaf Individuals, designed to teach a basic understanding of ASL and Deaf Culture. These courses are for informal learning only and are not considered transferable to any academic programs.

Website: www.gladinc.org Address: 2222 Laverna Avenue, Los

Phone: 323-478-8000 Angeles, CA, 90041

VP: 323-892-2225 **Email:** <u>info@b-glad.org</u>

ASL COMMUNICATION COURSES, CONT...

THE ASL SHOP

A deaf owned business that offers ASL from native signers that include self paced courses, group sessions and consulting.

Website: www.theaslshop.com Address: 603 N Western Ave, Los

Phone: 323-484-8815 Angeles, CA, 90004

Email: contact@theaslshop.com

SANTA MONICA LANGUAGE ACADEMY (SMLA)

Is a private school that offer language classes for adults and kids, taught by native language teachers. All their learning classes are currently online.

Website: Email:

<u>www.santamonicalanguage.com</u> <u>info@santamonicalanguage.com</u>

Phone: 310-260-6307

START ASL

Bridgeing the gap between Deaf and Hearing by providing ASL learning resources taught by passionate Deaf Instructors.

Website: https://www.startasl.com

SIGN WITH ME

A non-profit that teaches the fundamentals of ASL through interactive classes, workshops and diversity training.

Website: www.signwithme.org Address: 2202 S Figueroa St, Suite

#301, Los Angeles, CA, 90007

Email: contact@signwithme.org

VP: 213-647-3903

Phone: 323-230-0167

ASL COMMUNICATION COURSES, CONT....

SIGN LANGUAGE CENTER

Sign Language Center was established to bridge the communication gap between the hearing and the Deaf communities. We create a comfortable and interactive environment. All of our instructors are "Native" Deaf individuals coming from a variety of cultural backgrounds. Our instructors strive to teach our students to have a better understanding about ASL and Deaf culture in a non-competitive, conversational setting. We hope you will join us in for a fun-filled learning experience. They are based in New York but have many reputable ASL teachers who do online tutoring and teach interpreting workshops.

Website: Email:

<u>www.signlangugaecenter.com</u> <u>contact@signlanguagecenter.com</u>

Address: 39 East 30th Street Suite 2R,

New York, NY 10016

BURBANK ADULT SCHOOL

Offers community based ASL classes at affordable rates.

Website: Phone: 818-558-4611

https://basw.burbankusd.org/
Email: BAS@burbankusd.org

Address: 3811 Allan Ave, Burbank, CA,

91505

Community, Recreation, &

SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

Deaf 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 youth to have fun, relax, and enjoy their free time. These activities contribute to overall well-being and happiness.





SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

YES I CAN UNITY THROUGH MUSIC & EDUCATION

Yes I Can Unity through Music and Education strive to support individuals with disabilities transitions from High school to gainful employment, by providing accessible music programs and educational opportunities that promote inclusion, self-expression, skill development, social connection, fostering a sense of empowerment and belonging.

Website: www.yicunity.org Address: 25000 Avenue Stanford,

Phone: 1-800-961-5844 Suite #163, Valencia, CA, 91355

Email: intake@yicunity.org

KODAWEST

KODAWest is a non-profit that serves hearing children with parent/s who are deaf through KODA camps, cultural enrichment, encouraging them to embrace both worlds. They provide resources to deaf parents who need support raising their KODAs.

Website: www.kodawest.org Address; 3727 W Magnolia Blvd, #273,

Video **Phone:** 818-265-9700 Burbank, CA, 91505

Email: kODAWest@gmail.com

LOS ANGELES CLUB OF THE DEAF (LACD)

A membership based deaf club located at Glad Agency on deafness that holds regular social events for deaf to socialize and support each other.

Website: https://lacdeaf.weebly.com Email: laclubdeaf@gmail.com

Address: 222 Laverna Avenue, LA, CA,

90041

SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES, CONT...

DEAF.LA

An online calendar that fosters connection by providing a listing of local and virtual community ASL events, including ASL gatherings, festivals, expos, ASL clubs and student events.

Website: www.deaf.la

EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION ART CENTERS

Creating artistic Opportunities for Adults with Developmental disabilities since 1968.

Website: https://www.artecf.org Address: 2616 S Hobart Blvd, LA, CA,

Phone: 213-627-7374

DEAFSTOCK MUSIC & ART FESTIVAL

A bi-cultural music outdoor music festival modelled after Woodstock located in Florida .A live concert experience that incorporates Deaf performers, vendors, ASL and accessible events.

Website: www.deafstock.org Email: info@deafstock.org

CREATE A DOT STUDIO

Create a Dot Studios is dedicated to empowering artists with developmental disabilities, providing a supportive and inclusive environment where they can explore creativity, develop their skills, and showcase their unique artistic voices.

Phone: 714-485-3567

SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES, CONT...

ANIMAL TRACKS

Animal Tracks is a non-profit dedicated to rescuing animals in need, educating about wildlife, and providing sanctuary for exotic animals in need. They provide workshops and group bookings to connect and learn about their animals.

Website: www.animaltracksinc.org Address: 10234 Escondido Canyon,

Phone: 805-341-2515 Aqua Dulce, CA, 91390

Email: info@animaltracksinc.org

DEAF.LA CALENDAR

This website has a calendar that includes virtual events-chats, panels, presentations, of interest to the Deaf Community. This website will give you updates to many Deaf lead and inclusive events. Ie. ASL Social Nights, Deaf Coffee Chat, ASL pizza Night, Six Flag Deaf Awareness Day, Festivals and Theatre Events.

Website: www.deaf.la

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.

Website: www.deafwest.org **Email:** info@deafwest.org

Tel: 818-762-2998

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. Hands-on training and participation of recreational activities including swimming, archery, hiking, basketball, volleyball, kayaking, fishing, Frisbee golf, ropes course, and arts & rafts.

Website: www.campgrizzly.org Address: 4044 N Freeway Blvd.,

Sacramento, CA 95843 **Tel:** (916) 349-7500

Email: campgrizzly@norcalcenter.org

BASKETBALL

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.

Website:

www.starsbasketballcamp.com

Tel: (951) 318-7162

Address: 3044 Horace St Riverside, CA

92506

Email:

starsbasketballcamp@gmail.com

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. 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.

Address: PO Box 1558 Ava, MO 65608 Website: www.3adm.org

Tel: (301) 850-0542 Email: 3adm@3adm.org

GATEWAY CHURCH

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



Website: www.gatewaypeople.com Address: 500 S. Nolen Dr Suite 300

Southlake, TX 76092

Email: asl@gatewaypeople.com

Tel: 817-328-1000

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. 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.

Website: www.romansroad-deaf.org **Email:**

romansroaddeafinfo@gmail.com

DEAF ACCESSIBLE CHURCHES, CONT...

DEAF CHURCH WHERE?

This website is an online database of Deaf churches or interpreted church services registered by area.

Website: www.deafchurchwhere.com

MOORPARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (MPC)

Moorpark Presbyterian Church (MPC) is a loving church made up of many generations from a variety of backgrounds that offers a weekly service interpreted in ASL.

Website: www.mpclife.org Address: 13950 Peach Hill Road,

Phone: 805-529-8422 Moorpark, CA,93021

Email: info@MPCLife.org

SIMI VALLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

10 AM Services are offered in ASL for the hearing impaired.

Website: www.simivalleychurch.com Address: 2394 Erringer Road, Simi

Phone: 805-526-6231 Valley, CA, 93065.

Email: svumcinfo@pacbell.net

OUR LADY OF GRACE

Offers a 9:30 AM Service that is interpreted in ASL.

Website: www.ourladyofgrace.org Address: 5011 White Oak Avenue,

Phone: 818-342-4686 Encino, CA, 91316

Email: olgencino@gmail.com

DEAF ACCESSIBLE CHURCHES, CONT...

THE SILENT WORLD DEAF MINISTRIES

The purpose of Silent Word Ministries, Inc. and the Silent Word Mission Board is to fulfill the Great Commission by evangelizing the Deaf world and edifying deaf ministries for the Glory of God. SWM is Baptist in doctrine and practice, fundamental in belief and position, independent in affiliation, and worldwide in mission. SWM is a non-profit ministry "Here to Serve" all who serve Christ in Deaf ministries.

Website: https://silentword.org/swm- Address: 56 West Creek Drive,

about/ Trenton, GA 30752

Phone: 706:657-8000 Email: office@silentword.org

VP: 706-956-0485

THE VALLEY CHURCH

The Valley Church Deaf Ministry consists of Deaf & hard of hearing individuals, interpreters, and hearing people whose lives are part of the deaf community. Every service is interpreted in American Sign Language.

Website: Phone: 818- 280-9226

<u>www.thevalleychurch.com/ministries/</u>
deaf-ministry **Email:** <u>contact@thevalleychurch.com</u>

Address: 17000 Plummer Street,

Northridge, CA, 91325

DEAF ACCESSIBLE CHURCHES, CONT....

ST. MATT'S SHARING HANDS DEAF MINISTRY

St. Matt's is a progressive Christian Church that welcomes all people as they seek to deepen their relationship with God. Sharing Hands, St. Matt's Deaf ministry, offers safe space, spiritual formation, worship and service to persons who are Deaf and hard-of hearing as well as family members, friends and allies. They have a National Lutheran and Ecumenical Deaf Ministry.

Website:

www.stmatthewsnoho.com/deafministry

Phone: 818-762-2909

Address: 11031 Camarillo St, North

Hollywood, CA, 91602

Email: pastor@stmatthewsnoho.org

AGAPE INTERNATIONAL SPIRITUAL CENTER

Services; Agape is a trans-denominational spiritual community founded by Michal Bernard Beckwith that is open to all seekers of authentic spiritual truth. Their weekly 11:00 AM services provide ASL Interpretation for in person or livestreamed through their Signing Light Ministry.

Website: www.agapelive.com Address: 8549 Wilshire Blvd, Ste 1156,

Phone: 310-348-1250 Beverly Hills, CA, 90211

Email: info@agapelive.com

FOUNDERS METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH LOS ANGELES (FMCC)

FMCC is a progressive, inclusive place of worship for LGBTQ+ individuals with services in English and ASL. Their 11:00 AM celebration services include ASL Interpretation for their deaf congregants and family members to attend.

Website: www.foundersmcc.org Address: 4607 Prospect Ave, Los

Phone: 323-669-3434 Angeles, CA, 90027

Email: deafministry@mccla.org

DEAF ACCESSIBLE CHURCHES, CONT...

CALVARY DEAF CHURCH

Calvary Deaf Church is a vibrant and inclusive church that provides a warm and welcoming environment for the deaf community. Services are preached and signed in American Sign Language (ASL) Deaf and English.

Website: www.calvarydeafchurch.org Address: 22010 Pico Street, Grand

Pastor VP: 909-580-9207 Terrace, LA, 92313

Pastor Cell/Text: 951-204-4443 Email: cdeafc@msn.com

THE GROVE COMMUNITY CHURCH

The Grove offers ASL-interpreted services in the Worship Center on the main campus on Saturdays at 4 PM. They have a High School Ministry Program that supports DHH and their peers. Deaf ASL Services facilitated by Deaf Minister, Jackson Brown, are held every Sunday at 9:30 AM both in person. All Deaf Ministry posts are uploaded weekly to their YouTube at. Thegrove.cc/deaf

Website: www.tegrove.cc/deaf Address: 19900 Grove Community Dr.

Phone: 951-571-9090 Riverside, CA, 92508

HOLY ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE DEAF (HAC)

Holy Angels Catholic Church of the Deaf (HAC) is a personal Parish for Catholic Deaf people and their families to gather, worship and pray. It is led to Father Brian Doran and Father Tom Schweitzer, who both are Deaf.

Website: www.hacofthedeaf.org Address; PO Box 58423 Vernon, CA,

Voice/Text: 323-230-9582 90058

Email: info@hacofthedeaf.org

DEAF ACCESSIBLE CHURCHES, CONT....

ROCK CHURCH

We offer ASL Interpretation for Deaf Hard-of Hearing, Late- Deafened to enjoy our Sunday 11:00 AM worship services.

Website:

www.rockchurch.com/ministies/deaf

Phone: 909-825-8887 Ext. 273

Address: 2345 S. Waterman Ave, San

Bernadino, CA, 92408

Email: email@rockchurch.com

JEHOVAH'S WITNESS

Jehovah's Witnesses are a Christian denomination dedicated to living by the teachings of the Bible, with a focus on God's Kingdom and the hope of everlasting life on Earth. They provide services in ASL and an extensive online Library in ASL.

Website: https://jw.org/en/

Phone: 818-639-0003

Address: 14454 Fox St, Mission Hills,

CA, 91345

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS (MORMONS)

The Torrance 4th Branch offers Sunday services in ASL.

Website:

www.churchofjesuschrist.org

Address: Torrance 4th Branch 2000

Artesia Blvd, Torrance, CA, 90504

Email: 502391@LDSMail.net

Supporting Deaf-Owned

Products & Services

Supporting deaf-owned businesses is crucial for fostering inclusivity and economic empowerment within the deaf community. These businesses often provide unique products and services that reflect the rich culture and experiences of deaf individuals. By patronizing these enterprises, we help create job opportunities, promote diversity, and encourage innovation. Additionally, supporting deaf-owned businesses raises awareness about the challenges faced by the deaf community and helps break down communication barriers. This collective effort not only strengthens the economy but also builds a more inclusive society where everyone can thrive.





DEAF OWNED PRODUCTS & SERVICES

DEAF SERVICES UNLIMITED- SHOP DEAF OWNED

An online resource guide to support deaf owned businesses.

Website: www.deafservicesunlimited.com/shop-deaf-owned

CLOTHING MY MARA

A Deaf Clothing Designer with her prominent ILY handshape logo on hoddies t-shirts and many other designs.

Website: www.bymara.com Email: info@bymara.com

LANGUAGE PRIORITY

Products that spread awareness about deafness, language acquisition, American Sign Language and the Deaf Community.

Website: www.languagepriority.com Email: languagepriority@gmail.com

PI00A

A Deaf & CODA family-owned pizzeria based in LA offer's gourmet frozen pizzas curated by a deaf family and deaf employees.

Website: www.Pi00a.com Address: 230 W Ave 26, Los Angeles,

CA. 90031

DEAF OWNED PRODUCTS & SERVICES, CONT...

DAWNSIGNPRESS

Creates, develops, and publishes quality American Sign Language (ASL) and Deaf culture related videos and books, supporting efforts to document ASL and Deaf Heritage.

Website: www.dawnsign.com Address: 6130 Nancy Ridge Dr, San

Phone: 858-625-0600 Diego, CA, 92121

VP: 858-625-0600 Email: contactus@dawnsign.com

BIG MANGO CAFE

Big Mango Cafe is based on the long established Big Mango Catering company from renowned Chef Jonathan Weiss. Located in Playa Vista, Big Mango Cafe serves a variety of sandwiches, salads and pastries using seasonal ingredients.

Website: www.bigmangocafe.com Phone: 301-563-9112

Address: 120335 Waterfront Dr, Suite Email: info@bigmangocafe.com

104, Playa Vista, CA, 90094

DEAFGIFTS

Jewelry/Shirts/Novelties

Website: www.deafgifts.com Address: P.O. Box 124, Odum,

Voice/ Video **Phone:** 912-289-0196 Georgia, 31555

JKJ DESIGNS

ILY Keychains and creative designs.

Website: <u>www.jkdesigns.com</u> Contact:

https://instagram.com/designsbyjkj/

DEAF OWNED PRODUCTS & SERVICES, CONT...

58 CREATIVITY

58 Creativity is dedicated to bringing beautiful American Sign Language to life through art. Our collection includes posters, puzzles, apparel, accessories, and many more that shine a unique light on ASL.

Website: www.58creativity.com
Email: contact@58creativiry.com

DEAFHHOODYOGA.COM

In 2010, Deafhood Yoga was established to inspire, support, and serve the Full Circle of Life with Deaf people and allies of all walks of life to experience a Deaf-and human-centered approach of yoga through sign language. Deafhood Yoga has offered in person and online: Prenatal Yoga, Children's Yoga, Yoga at Deaf schools and camps, Family Yoga, Adults, Chair Yoga, Elders/Senior Citizens, Private Sessions, Consultations, Beach Yoga, Retreats, and Free CommUnity Yoga.

Website: www.deafhoodyoga.com Email:

Phone: 808-201-8472 Rajarajeshwari@DeafhoodYoga.com

DEAF NICHE

This La based company is the first independent media that captures all the latest and greatest news from the community, that creates and publishes media from around the world.

Website: www.deafniche.com

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