

# **ICanConnect: Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program**

Age Requirements

No Age Requirement

Family

No

Intake Contact Email

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Intake Process

Visit the website for information; call the office

Self Refer

Yes

Virginia Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired

<https://www.vdbvi.org>

<https://www.vdbvi.org/deafblind.htm>

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(804) 325-1282

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Languages Spoken

English

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Sign Language

ICanConnect Virginia, is the National Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program that provides no cost communications technology - along with installation, training and support - to low-income, deaf-blind Virginia residents. Through this program,

participants receive special equipment to help them make a phone call, send an e-mail, access the Internet and stay connected in today's world. ICanConnect is administered by the Virginia Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired.

To qualify for the program you must submit an application and meet eligibility requirements.

An individual must meet all of the following criteria:

- Be a Virginia resident;
- Have combined vision and hearing loss;
- Be considered "deaf-blind" as defined by the Helen Keller National Center Act;
- Provide verification from a practicing professional that you are deaf-blind;
- Have an income that does not exceed 400 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG). Call for more details.

For more information contact the Program Director, Elizabeth Spiers at [elizabeth.spiers@dbvi.virginia.gov](mailto:elizabeth.spiers@dbvi.virginia.gov) or by phone at 804-325-1282

Service Area(s)

Statewide