

Access for All with Print Disabilities.

Currently, the Library Of Congress Program for the Blind and Physically Handicapped does not serve individuals who have learning disabilities or dyslexia. I highly recommend that the Library Of Congress Program be expanded to include those individuals with disabilities who have a print disability. Another alternative for obtaining recorded materials for people with print disabilities is Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic. In RFB&D's distribution of books only 20% are shipped to individuals who are blind or visually impaired. 80% of the books are shipped to individuals who have learning disabilities or dyslexia. Thus it can be seen that people with learning disabilities and dyslexia also desperately need alternative formats for accessing printed material. I have dyslexia and earned a Ph.D. in psychology by having all of my materials in college read to me. I also accessed many books through RFB&D. It was only after also becoming legally blind that I was able to access the Library Of Congress Program. Again, I would greatly encourage an expansion of the Library Of Congress Program for the Blind and Physically Handicapped to cover all people with print disabilities. Thank you for this consideration.

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