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SUBJECT : Fiscal Year 1991 Report on Services Funded through the
Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) for
Persons Who are Blind or Visually Impaired

CONTENT : Persons who are blind or visually impaired are served
throughout the State-Federal rehabilitation system.
States may, at their discretion, designate separate
agencies to serve the needs of persons who are blind or
visually impaired. RSA also funds a variety of
discretionary training and special project grant
programs that benefit this population.

The purpose of this report is to provide information on
State formula and discretionary grant programs funded
by RSA that center on the needs of persons who are
blind or visually impaired.

This report was prepared by the Rehabilitation Branch
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comments on its value and suggestions for the
improvement of this report will be appreciated.
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FISCAL YEAR 1991 SUMMARY OF SERVICES FUNDED
THROUGH THE REHABILITATION SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
FOR PERSONS WHO ARE BLIND OR VISUALLY IMPAIRED

I. INTRODUCTION

This report provides information on services and special projects provided to persons who are blind or visually impaired in Fiscal Year 1991 through the State-Federal formula grant programs and projects funded under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. This report also includes information describing the Randolph-Sheppard Vending Facility Program.

While persons who are blind or otherwise visually impaired receive vocational rehabilitation services through State general rehabilitation agencies, many States have separate agencies to address the unique needs of this population. Similarly, persons who are blind or otherwise visually impaired receive support through special projects supported by RSA.

II. FEDERAL-STATE FORMULA GRANT PROGRAMS

The Federal-State formula grant programs funded by RSA in fiscal year 1991 are: A. Basic State Grants Program, B. Client Assistance Program (CAP), C. State Supported Employment Services Program, D. State Independent Living Rehabilitation Services Program, Title VII, Part A - Comprehensive Services. The Randolph-Sheppard Vending Facility Program which receives some funds through the Basic State Grant program is also described in this section of the report.

A. Basic State Grants Program
(Section 110, Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended)

Federal Grants and State Matching Funds - FY 1991

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Total</u>
General Agencies	\$1,493,811,586	\$436,743,540	\$1,930,555,126
Blind Agencies	<u>134,731,414</u>	<u>39,503,736</u>	<u>174,235,515</u>
Combined Total	\$1,628,543,000	\$476,247,276	\$2,104,790,276

Under provisions of the Basic State Grants Program, Federal funds are allocated among the States and territories from the total Federal appropriation on the basis of a formula that takes into account a State's population and per capita income. In the 26 States with separate agencies to serve persons who are blind, allocation of funds between the two agencies is determined by the State. The Act authorizes Federal allocations on a formula basis with a State fund matching requirement. The State matching share is 20 percent of the amount allotted to the State in 1988. Beginning in FY 1989, any increased amount a State receives above its 1988 allotment is matched at an additional one percent per year with the matching rate in 1991 being 89 percent. The Basic State Grants program is the principal source of Federal funding for provision of vocational rehabilitation services to individuals with disabilities, including persons who are blind or visually impaired. (See Appendix A for funding to State, general and separate agencies serving persons who are blind)

Table 1 contains the total number of persons vocationally rehabilitated in FY 1991 through the State-Federal program, including blind or visually impaired persons.

Table 1

State Federal Program - Performance Data

	<u>FY 1991¹</u>	<u>FY 1990</u>
Total Number of Persons Served (All disabilities)	941,771	937,971
Total Number of Persons Rehabilitated	202,831	216,112
Blind Rehabilitants	10,258	9,880
% Rehabilitants of Total ²	5.1	4.6
Other Visually Impaired Rehabilitants	8,487	9,364
% Rehabilitants of Total	4.2	4.3
Total Blind or Visually Impaired Rehabilitants	18,745	19,244
% Rehabilitants of Total	9.4	8.9
Estimated # Blind or Visually Impaired Served ³	75,000	77,000

¹All figures for persons who are visually impaired are preliminary. Those for FY 1990 will change slightly when final data are available. Those for FY 1991 may change considerably after data processing is complete.

²Percents are based on the number of persons for whom their major disabling condition was reported

³Estimated at approximately 4 times the number of persons rehabilitated

Table 2 indicates the types of placements that occurred as a result of the provision of rehabilitation services for persons who are blind or visually impaired as compared to other disabilities in FY 1991.

Table 2

Visual impairment and work status at closure for clients rehabilitated in FY 1991

(percentages)

WORK STATUS AT CLOSURE	VISUALLY IMPAIRED			OTHER	ALL CLIENTS
	BLIND	OTHER VISUAL	ALL		
Competitive labor market	35.9	66.0	53.1	85.6	82.1
Sheltered workshop	6.1	2.4	4.0	6.2	5.9
Self-employed	4.2	5.4	4.8	2.0	2.3
State agency managed (Business Enterprise Program)	1.8	0.1	0.9	0.1	0.2
Homemaker	51.3	25.5	36.6	5.8	9.1
Unpaid family Worker	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.4
All	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of Cases Reporting	10,003	9,596	19,599	179,341	218,539

FY 1991 data were not available at the time this report was prepared.

Note: Both major and secondary disabilities were considered when identifying individuals who are visually impaired.

Cases with unspecified work status at closure or unspecified disability condition are not included in this table.

The total number rehabilitated according to RSA 113 reports for FY 1990 is 214,726. There is usually a small difference in this number in the two reporting

B. Client Assistance Program
(Section 112, Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended)
FY 1991 Appropriation - \$8,310,000

This formula grant program advises clients and client applicants of available services under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. States are required to have a CAP as a condition for receiving VR services program funding. CAPs are administered by agencies designated by the Governors. Such agencies must be independent of any agency that provides services under the Act unless an agency had, prior to the 1984 Rehabilitation Act amendments, served as a CAP under Section 112 of the Rehabilitation Act, as amended and received Federal financial assistance under the Act. (See Appendix B for State Agency Funding)

C. State Supported Employment Services Program
(Section 631, Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended)
FY 1991 Appropriation - \$29,150,000

The 1986 Amendments to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 authorized a formula grant program to assist States to develop collaborative programs with appropriate public and private nonprofit organizations. This assistance is intended to enable States to provide individuals with severe handicaps traditionally time-limited post-employment services that lead to supported employment. The State vocational rehabilitation agency is charged with the responsibility of administering this program and establishing cooperative agreements or letters of understanding with private sources or other public agencies in which the commitment for extended job support is secured. All States received direct services grants under this program in FY 1991. Funds for this formula program are distributed on the basis of population, with no State to receive less than \$250,000. (See Appendix B for State Agency Funding)

D. State Independent Living Rehabilitation Services Program, Title VII, Part A - Comprehensive Services
(Section 702, Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended)
FY 1991 Appropriations - \$13,619,000

The Comprehensive Services for Independent Living Program under Title VII, Part A, of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, provides grants to assist State vocational rehabilitation agencies to deliver comprehensive services for independent living. Individuals who are served must have disabilities that are so severe that presently they do not have potential

for employment but may benefit from vocational rehabilitation services focused on increasing the ability of persons with severe disabilities to live and function independently in the family and community. The program also assists those individuals who require independent living rehabilitation services to engage in or maintain appropriate employment. Priority for services is given to those persons not served by other provisions of the Rehabilitation Act. (See Appendix C for State Agency Funding)

E. Randolph-Sheppard Vending Facility Program
(P.L. 74-732, as amended by P.L. 83-569 and P.L. 93-516)

The purpose of this State-Federal program is to provide persons who are blind with remunerative employment and self-support through the operation of vending facilities on both Federal and non-Federal property.

In FY 1991, the Randolph-Sheppard Vending Facility Program received funds from: the Basic State Grants program totaling \$26,700,000; State funds totaling \$5,200,000; set-aside funds totaling \$12,300,000; and machine income funds totaling \$10,400,000. In FY 1991, there were 3,337 vending facilities of which 1,070 were located on Federal property and 2,267 were on non-Federal property. A total of 3,513 licensed blind vendors were employed through the program at an average annual income of \$23,822. Sales for the year in this program equaled \$394,600,000. Facilities may be of several varieties, including snack bars, vending machine locations and cafeterias. During the Fiscal Year, 419 persons received training for the operation of these facilities. From these trainees, 218 individuals were placed as vendors. The Annual Report of the Randolph-Sheppard Program contains more detailed information on the operation of the program. This report may be obtained from George Arsnow, Chief, Vending Facility Branch, Department of Education, 330 C Street, S.W., Room 3230, Switzer Building, Washington, D.C. 20202-2738.

III. DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAMS SERVING BLIND OR VISUALLY
IMPAIRED PERSONS

A. SPECIAL PROJECT AND SERVICE PROGRAMS

Program of Special Projects and Demonstrations for
Providing Vocational Rehabilitation Services to
Severely Disabled Individuals
(Section 311(a)(1), Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as
amended)
FY 1991 Appropriation - \$18,368,000

The purpose of this discretionary grant program is to fund grants to establish projects that expand or otherwise improve vocational rehabilitation services and other rehabilitation services to individuals with severe handicaps. In FY 1991, the Program of Special Projects and Demonstrations for Providing Vocational Rehabilitation Services to Severely Disabled Individuals awarded 62 new grants in three categories: Rehabilitation Technology, Innovative Strategies to Promote Vocational and Independent Living Outcomes, and AIDS\Non-Priority. New 1991 projects that specifically propose to serve individuals who are blind, visually impaired or deaf-blind are described below.

The majority of projects funded under the program in 1991 address the functional priorities of Rehabilitation Technology and Innovative Strategies. Those projects generally serve people with a wide range of disabilities. Therefore, many more Special Projects and Demonstrations than are listed here provide direct services to people who are blind, visually impaired, or deaf-blind.

Rehabilitation Technology

Kentucky Department of the Blind
Frankfort, KY

The project plans to establish a statewide assistive technology users group of over 800 persons with severe visual disabilities so they may share expertise and

information in providing long-term technology assistance to each other. The users will be linked through a statewide computer information line whereby each user will have access to a "bulletin board" as a means of sharing technology assistance. The project will be controlled by a board elected by users from five communities based throughout the State.

Florida Division of Blind Services
Tallahassee, FL

The Florida Division of Blind Services proposes to implement a community-based model to provide persons who are homebound blind or severely visually impaired with computer related competitive employment. This community based model will be implemented in three underserved counties in Florida. The expectation is that the model will generate job opportunities in each county.

Innovative Strategies

Catholic Community Services
Tucson, AZ

This project is designed to demonstrate the viability of using individual choice, empowerment, peer support, and community based instruction as the primary means to accomplish outcomes in employment and independent living for people with disabilities. The project will emphasize services to persons who are deaf and persons who are deaf-blind or dual sensory impaired. Through the implementation of a menu driven model of services in which individuals make decisions regarding employment and community alternatives, 43 persons over a three-year period will achieve outcomes ranging from competitive and supported employment to non-paid support, enhanced domestic, leisure, and community skills and opportunities.

AIDS/Non-Priority

Whitman-Walker Clinic, Inc.
Washington, DC

This project will initiate, coordinate, and facilitate the delivery of vocational rehabilitation services to individuals with severe disabilities, specifically targeting those individuals who are HIV-infected.

Recipients of services must also have at least one other disabling condition of mental illness, substance abuse, deafness, or visual impairment. Once individuals are ready for vocational rehabilitation, the project coordinator will refer them to the District of Columbia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency. Upon completion of training, the project will assist individuals with job placement through a job bank.

- B. Program of Special Projects and Demonstrations for Providing Supported Employment Services to Severely Disabled Individuals
(Section 311(d) (1) (A), Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended)
FY 1991 Appropriation - \$10,023,000

In Touch, Inc.
Minneapolis, MN

This project, entitled Community Employment opportunities, established a day training and rehabilitation program without walls to integrate individuals who are mentally challenged and have an additional disability of deafness and/or blindness into community-based vocational and avocational pursuits. The primary objective is to provide community-based supported employment opportunities as well as recreation, leisure and habilitation activities.

Helen Keller Services for the Blind
Brooklyn, NY

This project provides support services to individuals who are blind with at least one other disabling condition, and to their families, their co-workers and employers to assure that positive interaction occurs at each work site. Job development specialists and job coaches work to develop and implement individualized training and follow-along plans. Support services such as mobility/travel training are provided by the New York Commission for the Blind.

C. Projects With Industry Program (PWI)
(Section 621, Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended)
FY 1991 Appropriation - \$18,765,000

The purpose of this program is to train individuals with handicaps in skills required by particular industries and, upon completion of training, place these individuals into positions for which they were trained. Four of these projects had persons who are blind or visually impaired as their prime clientele. These were:

Pittsburgh Vocational Rehabilitation Center
1323 Forbes Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219

Sensory Aids Foundation
399 Sherman Avenue
Palo Alto, California 94306

Lions World Services for the Blind
2811 Fair Park Blvd.
Little Rock, Arkansas 72204

Washington Vocational Services
22316 70th Avenue, Unit 'D'
Mountainlake Terrace, Washington 98043

D. Recreation Program
(Section 316, Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended)
FY 1991 Appropriation - \$2,617,000

This program authorizes the funding of projects for recreational activities that aid individuals with severe disabilities in their mobility, socialization and integration into community recreation programs. Persons who are blind and visually impaired participate in the activities of projects receiving grant support from this program.

- E. Handicapped Migratory, Agricultural and Seasonal Farmworkers Program
(Section 312, Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended)
FY 1991 Appropriation - \$1,060,000

The purpose of this program is to provide vocational rehabilitation services to migratory, agricultural and seasonal farm workers with handicaps. One of these projects was awarded to the Texas Commission for the Blind to serve individuals who are blind and visually impaired.

- F. Handicapped American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services Program
(Section 130, Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended)
FY 1991 Appropriation - \$4,082,000

This program authorizes discretionary grants to assist Indians in the development of rehabilitation services on Federal and State reservations. The thirteen projects funded provide services to all types of individuals who are disabled including individuals who are blind and visually handicapped.

- G. TRAINING PROGRAMS

(Section 304(a) Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended)
FY 1991 Appropriation - \$33,353,000

Under provisions of this program, grants and contracts are made to State and public or nonprofit agencies and organizations, including institutions of higher education, to pay part of the costs of projects for training, traineeships, and selected activities for professionals in the field of rehabilitation. The following institutions of higher education received long-term training grants for personnel involved in the rehabilitation of persons who are blind and visually impaired in Fiscal Year 1991:

Title : Rehabilitation of Persons Who are Blind
Start Date : 10/01/90
Length : 36 mos.
Region : 09
Grantee : San Jose State University
San Jose University Foundation
P.O. Box 760
San Jose, CA 95106

Principal
Investigator: Sharon Sacks

This pre-service training project provides two certificate programs to assist professionals in developing skills in transition and job placement/supported employment for persons who are visually impaired. The summer transition training program trains educators and rehabilitation professionals during a three-week summer session each project year. The project also trains participants during an inter-session in January, and also provides a follow-up practicum for participants in a direct service setting.

Title : Rehabilitation of Persons Who are Blind
Start Date : 10/01/90
Length : 36 mos.
Region : 02
Grantee : Hunter College of CUNY
Research Foundation of CUNY
695 Park Avenue
New York, NY 10021

Principal
Investigator: Rosanne K. Silberman

This project is designed to provide training to personnel in rehabilitation agencies for persons who are blind. This training makes these individuals eligible for national certification through the Association for the Education and Rehabilitation for the Blind and Visually Impaired (AERBVI). The grant supports students enrolled in masters degree programs the first, second and third years through stipends and tuition. Special emphasis of the curriculum include a focus on services to transition-age youth, adult and elderly populations and persons with multiple disabilities. Recruitment efforts are directed toward underserved cultural and ethnic populations.

Title : Rehabilitation of Persons Who are Blind
Start Date : 10/01/90
Length : 36 mos.
Region : 09
Grantee : California State University, Los Angeles
School of Education/Special Education
830 K Street Mall, Room 322

Los Angeles, CA 90032

Principal

Investigator: Rona Pogrund, Ph.D.

The project is designed to train orientation and mobility specialists at the masters level at California State University, Los Angeles. In addition to the traditional orientation and mobility curriculum, trainees receive in-depth coursework and practicum experiences related to working with people who are blind and multihandicapped, individuals with low vision, persons who are elderly and visually impaired and those individuals in need of specific training in concept development and spatial orientation.

This project provides orientation and mobility training to professionals at the master's degree level.

Title : Long Term Training
Start Date : 09/01/89
Length : 36 mos.
Region : 03
Grantee : Pennsylvania College of Optometry
1200 West Godfrey Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19141

Principal

Investigator: Anna Bradfield

This grant trains professionals to work closely with individuals with low vision. Individuals are trained in how to test and provide low vision devices and other training services to individuals who are partially sighted.

Title : Long Term Training
Start Date : 09/01/89
Length : 36 mos.
Region : 05
Grantee : Southern Illinois University
Board of Trustees
Carbondale, IL 62901

Principal

Investigator: Louis Vieceli

This grant provides training at the master's degree level in orientation and mobility and trains rehabilitation teachers to provide rehabilitation services to persons who are blind or visually impaired.

Title : Long Term Training
Start Date : 09/01/89
Length : 36 mos.
Region : 04
Grantee : Mississippi State University
RRTC Blindness and Low Vision
P.O. Box 6156
Mississippi State, MS 39762

Principal
Investigator: Norma Tedder

This grant trains professionals to work closely with individuals with low vision. Individuals are trained on how to test and provide low vision devices and other training services to individuals who are partially sighted.

Title : Long Term Training
Start Date : 09/01/89
Length : 36 mos.
Region : 04
Grantee : Mississippi State University
RRTC Blindness and Low Vision
P.O. Box 6156
Mississippi State MS 39762

Principal
Investigator: J. Elton Moore

This grant provides training at the master's degree level in orientation and mobility and trains rehabilitation teachers to provide rehabilitation services to persons who are blind or visually impaired.

Title : Long Term Training
Start Date : 09/01/89
Length : 36 mos.
Region : 06
Grantee : University of Arkansas/Little Rock
Department of Rehabilitation
2801 South University
Little Rock, AR 72204

Principal
Investigator: Patricia M. Bussen, Ed.D.

This grant provides training at the master's degree level to train rehabilitation teachers to work with persons who are blind or visually impaired.

Title : Long Term Training
Start Date : 09/01/88
Length : 36 mos.
Region : 09
Grantee : San Francisco State University, FDN.
Office of Administration
1640 Holloway Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94132

Principal
Investigator: Philip Hatlen, Ph.D.

This grant provides training at the master's degree level in orientation and mobility and trains rehabilitation teachers to work with persons who are blind or visually impaired.

Title : Long Term Training
Start Date : 09/01/88
Length : 36 mos.
Region : 06
Grantee : Stephen F. Austin State University
Counseling/Special Education Program
Box 13019, SFA Station
Nacogdoches, TX 75962

Principal
Investigator: Robert Bryant

This grant provides training at the master's degree level in orientation and mobility and trains rehabilitation teachers to work with persons who are blind or visually impaired.

Title : Long Term Training
Start Date : 09/01/88
Length : 36 mos.
Region : 06
Grantee : University of Arkansas/Little Rock
Office of the Chancellor
280L South University Avenue
Little Rock, Ar 72204

Principal
Investigator: William Jacobson, Ed.D.

The three primary objectives of this training grant for training rehabilitation teachers at the master's degree level revolve around the preparation of students to teach in their discipline areas; to recruit students into these professions; and to provide a variety of inservice educational activities to professionals within Arkansas and in the surrounding States.

Title : Long Term Training
Start Date : 09/01/88
Length : 36 mos.
Region : 05
Grantee : Western Michigan University/Kalamazoo Campus
Dept. of Blind Rehabilitation and Mobility
Kalamazoo, MI 49008

Principal
Investigator: William Wiener

This grant provides training at the master's degree level in orientation and mobility and trains rehabilitation teachers to work with persons who are blind or visually impaired.

Title: : Long Term Training
Start Date : 09/01/88
Length : 36 mos.
Region : 05
Grantee : Northern Illinois University/Dekalb
Educational Psychology and Special Education
Office of Sponsored Projects
Dekalb, IL 60115

Principal
Investigator: Judy Matsuoka

This grant provides training at the master's degree level in orientation and mobility and trains rehabilitation teachers to work with persons who are blind or visually impaired.

H. INDEPENDENT LIVING PROGRAMS

Part B - Centers for Independent Living
FY 1991 Appropriation - \$27,579,000

This is a discretionary grant program that authorizes State agencies, local public agencies, and private non-profit organizations to establish centers for independent living that provide a combination of services that allow severely handicapped persons to live more independently in the family and community or, where appropriate, to engage in or maintain employment. While all independent living center projects may provide services to persons who are visually handicapped, some Centers for Independent Living (CIL) serve primarily blind and visually impaired persons. These are:

Delaware

Department of Health and Social Services, Division for the Visually Impaired, 305 West 8th Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801

This project, in cooperation with the Easter Seal Society, provides 25 trained peer counselors who serve approximately 300 clients in a given fiscal year. The services provided by the peer counselors are designed to substantially improve the independent living status of the recipients, and should enhance employability in most cases. The project employs a visually impaired peer counselor coordinator and volunteer counselors consisting of visually impaired persons from the community.

Florida

Division of Blind Services, 2540 Executive Center Circle, West, Tallahassee, Florida 32399

This project operated by Independence for the Blind, Inc. provides quality independent living services to persons who are blind or visually impaired in the predominantly rural twelve-county area of Northwest Florida.

Indiana

Allen County League for the Blind, Inc., 5800 Fairfield,
Suite 210, Ft. Wayne, Indiana 46807

This project, in its seventh year of service, provides independent living services to persons who are blind, and blind with multiple disabilities, in 11 counties. Services include a Life Support and Life Enrichment project which utilizes a computer, braille translation program and braille printer to produce items such as braille bus schedules for the public transportation system.

Iowa

Iowa Department for the Blind
524 Fourth Street
Des Moines, IA 50309

This project identifies older persons who are blind, blind and multi-handicapped, and deaf-blind and develops individual independent living plans for services. Such services include counseling, talking book services, teaching alternative techniques of independent living for persons who are visually impaired and arranging for other services that are available through programs such as Medicaid, Medicare, property tax relief for citizens who are elderly or handicapped, etc. The center also provides outreach services to programs sponsored by the Office on Aging through nursing homes and to centers for senior citizens. The project provides information to improve services for older persons who are visually impaired and enable services for visually impaired persons to be provided by senior citizen centers.

Kentucky

Kentucky Department for Blind Services, Center for Independent Living, 427 Versailles Road, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

This center for independent living provides IL services throughout the State through a 24-hour, 7-day-a-week newslines for the blind community in the Louisville area with a focus on information and referral services.

Massachusetts

Massachusetts Commission for the Blind, Center for Independent Living, 110 Tremont Street, Boston, MA 02108

This project is in its ninth year of operation and provides independent living services statewide to individuals who are blind and severely disabled.

Michigan

Michigan Department of Labor, Commission for the Blind, 309 N. Washington, Box 30015 Lansing, Michigan 48909

The Michigan Commission for the Blind operates several CILs. The Urban/Rural CIL provides independent living Services for people who are blind and elderly and/or have multiple severe disabilities. It is estimated that 150 consumers are served by this project.

The Southern Michigan CIL serves the Detroit area and brings independent living services to racial minorities and people who are elderly and blind. It is estimated that 120 consumers are served by this project.

Mississippi

Mississippi Vocational Rehabilitation for the Blind, P.O. Box 4872, Jackson, Mississippi 39216-0872

This project established an independent living skills training program that serves as an expansion of existing IL services provided at the Addie McBryde Rehabilitation Center for the Blind. An estimated 205 elderly persons who are legally blind are served, and a large percentage of the target population are intended to be blind individuals with multiple-handicaps. Secondary disabilities include cardiovascular disorders, hearing loss, orthopedic problems, diabetes and hypertension.

Missouri

Disabled Citizens Alliance for Independence, Inc.,
Post Office Box 675, Viburnum, Missouri 65566

This project serves persons who are deaf, blind, and deaf-blind in the rural areas of Missouri with special emphasis on people who are elderly. The project expects to serve approximately 100 to 150 persons within a six county area. The program is intended to provide appropriate educational services through classes in braille, American sign language, speech therapy, and independent living skills training, both on a group and individual basis.

Oregon

Volunteer Braille Services, Inc., Independent Living Program, 4001 N.E. Halsey Street, Portland, Oregon 97232

This project extends independent living services to older adults (age 60 and over) who are blind or deaf-blind. Services are provided at the agency's main office as well as Volunteer Braille Services offices located throughout a tri-county area. Services include, but are not limited to, independent living skills, mobility and orientation, counseling, peer support, and information and referral. Special attention is given to accessing public transportation. A major goal is to reduce isolation by increasing personal independence. An estimated 335 persons are served by the program.

Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) and the Pennsylvania Bureau of Blindness and Visual Services (BVS), Facilities and Grants Management Section, 1320 Labor and Industry Building, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120.

The Pennsylvania OVR and BVS have joined together to expand services at two sites. The Center for Independent Living at Associate Services for the Blind (ASB) provides training in independent living skills to persons who are deaf-blind. The Three Rivers Center for Independent Living, Inc. (TRCIL) expands services otherwise available to persons who are hearing impaired for 75 individuals with severe handicaps, including blind or deaf-blind, through support or treatment groups, individual/family consultation, and self-help consultation.

Rhode Island

Social and Rehabilitative Services, Vocational Rehabilitation Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired, 40 Fountain Street, 46 Aborn Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903

This project expands services through communication skills training to professionals, consumers, and/or families to assist in identifying and providing services for the deaf-blind population.

Virginia

Virginia Department for the Visually Handicapped Rehabilitation Services Division, 97 Azalea Avenue, Richmond, Virginia 23227

This project provides independent living services at several sites, including Richmond, Roanoke and Northern Virginia. These "centers without walls" provide community-based services including advocacy, outreach, assistance to families, transportation and non-medical skills training. This project anticipates serving 350 persons who are either blind and/or multiply disabled.

Part C - Independent Living Services for Older Blind Individuals FY 1991 Appropriation - \$5,914,000

Section 721 of the Rehabilitation Act authorizes grants to designated State units for projects that provide independent living services for older blind individuals. Twenty-eight continuation projects were funded in FY 1991. This specialized three-year program provides independent living services for persons who are blind and age 55 and older to help them adjust to blindness and live more independently in their homes and communities. Services provided are wide and varied in scope and include such activities as mobility, techniques of daily living, braille training, peer reader services, transportation and other supportive services.

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Project Oasis (Older Alabamian's System of Information and Services) will expand services with the addition of three full-time rehabilitation teachers and one orientation and mobility instructor. The project's goal is to provide a comprehensive array of independent living (IL) services to older blind individuals (OBI). Three objectives have been established: 1) to enhance the oasis network of service providers and consumer organizations; 2) to increase by 20% (200) the number of persons who are receiving services provided by rehabilitation teachers; and 3) to increase, by 50%, the community integration of older blind individuals in activities and services provided by other community agencies and organizations.

ALASKA

Alaska Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
Department of Education
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Juneau, Alaska 99811
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907-465-2814

Funds are being used to expand and establish regional programs in Anchorage, Juneau, and Fairbanks to provide IL services for persons who are older blind. In addition to providing services in these major urban areas, agencies receiving funding will deliver services in rural and remote areas of the state through coordination and collaboration with local senior centers, homemaker programs, native organizations, etc., and state programs.

ARIZONA

Department of Economic Security,
Rehabilitation Services Administration
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Phoenix, Arizona 85007
James B. Griffith, Administrator
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602-255-1850

The Arizona project has six components: 1) traditional

specialized services in Phoenix and Tucson such as orientation and mobility and rehabilitation teaching; 2) low vision services provided in Phoenix and Tucson serving the entire state; 3) deaf/blind services to people in Phoenix; 4) IL services to Native Americans on the Navajo, Hopi, and Gila River Reservations; 5) linkages to generic aging services; and 6) case management.

ARKANSAS

Division of Services for the Blind
411 Victory, P.O. Box 3237
Little Rock, Arkansas 72203
James C. Hudson, Commissioner
501-324-9270

The Arkansas Division of services for the Blind provides skills training to persons who are older blind utilizing: orientation and mobility, rehabilitation teaching, communication, low vision services, and counseling for the participant and family. Additionally, there is networking with other agencies, both public and private.

COLORADO

Colorado Rehabilitation Services
Facilities, Grant and Independent Living
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Denver, Colorado 80203-1714
Anthony Francavilla, Associate Director
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303-866-4375

The Colorado Part C project has awarded subgrants to six independent living centers located in rural areas. The services include outreach, information and referral, assessment of needs, development of the individualized independent living plan, case management, IL skills training, transportation services/coordination, low vision aids training, communication skills training, orientation and mobility training/coordination, peer counseling/support groups, recreation services, reader services and group and individual advocacy. The goal of services is to maintain the individual's independence in the home and community for as long as possible.

DELAWARE

Department of Health and Social Services

Division of F/T Visually Impaired
305 W. 8th Street
Wilmington, Delaware 19801
Diane Post, Acting Director
Contact Person: Diane Post, Project Director
302-421-5730

The Delaware Division for the Visually Impaired has four objectives in its persons who are older blind project: 1) design and implement an outreach program for this population; 2) provide comprehensive services; 3) develop a services system utilizing existing agencies and organizations; and 4) develop a system which will continue beyond the grant period. Services provided include: outreach, orientation and mobility, communication aids and training, IL skills training, family and peer counseling, low vision aids, diagnosis and referral.

GUAM

Guam Department of Vocational Rehabilitation
Government of Guam
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Tamuning, Guam 96911
Norbert Ungacto, Acting Director
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671-646-9468

This project served both the territory of Guam and the commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands. The IL service delivery model will be one that is itinerant based, outreach oriented, and goal directed. The project will utilize one IL rehabilitation teacher/caseworker and one orientation and mobility specialist and will contract for low vision services etc. The objective is to serve 200-250 persons who are older blind.

HAWAII

Department of Human Services,
Vocational Rehabilitation and Services for
the Blind Division
P.O. Box 339
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Neil Shim, Acting Administrator
Contact Person: Neil Shim
808-546-5355

The Hawaii Department of Human Services proposes six objectives: 1) provide IL services to 220 persons who are older blind to assist them in caring for their needs and to live independently at home; 2) develop and expand services for elderly blind in rural areas; 3) coordination of social services and resources statewide; 4) community integration of OBI; 5) interpreter services for non-English speaking persons who are older blind; and 6) development of an older blind individuals consumer committee. This project provides outreach and information and referral services; special aids and equipment; eyeglasses, and other visual aids; and mobility, braille, rehabilitation teaching services, daily living skills, guide, reader, and transportation services. The project is contracted to the Hawaii centers for independent living.

ILLINOIS

Illinois Department of Rehabilitation Services
Bureau of Blind Services
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Springfield, Illinois 62794-9429
Andrey McCrimon, Director
Contact Person: Carol Gortat, Project Director
217-785-3887

IL DORS subgrants the majority of its Part C funds to four rural CILS for persons who are older blind and provides services, such as support groups, peer counseling, independent living skills training, and referral to vocational rehabilitation for orientation and mobility training or low vision evaluations. Participants are recruited through the efforts of outreach workers who provide presentations to nursing homes, retirement homes, senior centers, agencies and organizations that provide services to seniors, and community service clubs. Low vision fairs are organized by each outreach worker.

IOWA

Iowa Department of the Blind
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Des Moines, Iowa 50309
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515-281-1299

The Iowa Department of the Blind offers a variety of intervention services tailored to meet individual needs, which promotes independence and restored senses of self-direction. IL rehabilitation teachers provide services, including guidance and counseling, training in alternative techniques to cope with blindness, information and referral, library services, and assistance in pursuing recreational activities.

MAINE

Department of Human Services
Bureau of Rehabilitation
State House Station #11
Augusta, Maine 04333
Pamela A. Tetley, Ed.D. Director
Contact Person: Bud Lewis, Project Director
207-626-5323

The Maine Bureau of Rehabilitation and Maine Center for the Blind provides: 1) outreach and public education in order to identify rural persons who are older blind and strengthen the service network comprised of blindness and aging agencies; 2) a program of direct independent living services, including low vision services and independent living skill instruction through rehabilitation teachers; and 3) a community-based prevention and screening program. The service is provided by a collaborative planning team.

MARYLAND

Maryland State Department of Education
Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
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Baltimore, Maryland 21218
James S. Jeffers, Assistant State Superintendent
Contact Person: Robert Dantona, Project Director
301-554-3284

The Maryland project provides an individualized program with a comprehensive array of services within the framework of the independent living services program. The project provides services to 319 clients for a period of up to three years. It has established staff positions (2) that combine the duties and responsibilities of case management and IL teacher serving the Baltimore/Washington corridor. Also, an orientation and mobility position has been created.

MICHIGAN

Michigan Department of Labor
Michigan Commission for the Blind
201 N. Washington
Lansing, Michigan 48909
Philip E. Peterson, Director
Contact Person: Robert Utrup, Project Director
517-771-1765

The Michigan Commission for the Blind created the vintage project to provide services, including communication skills training, activities of daily living, mobility, low vision services, hearing services, problem solving and advocacy, and case management services. The project target area is ten counties in Central Michigan.

MISSISSIPPI

Mississippi Vocational Rehabilitation
for the Blind
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Jackson, Mississippi 39216-0872
Joe F. Carballo, Acting Director
Contact Person: Joe Carballo
601-354-6411

This program is operated from the Addie McBryde Rehabilitation Center for the Blind. It supports three full-time rehabilitation teachers to service a target population of people living in rural Mississippi. A major percentage of the estimated 1,100 persons served over three years has had a wide variety of secondary disabilities.

MONTANA

Montana Department of Social and
Rehabilitative Services
Visual Services Division
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Helena, Montana 59604
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406-444-2590

The core activities of the Montana project include the identification and recruitment of potential senior peer companions and leaders to support and maintain 19 sites; support of the activities necessary for providing radio reading service and its interactive communication

components; and training of human service providers and professionals as to the characteristics and features of this Part C project. In tandem with the core components, activities are sequenced to include a statewide consumer managed user/lease equipment program.

NEVADA

Nevada Rehabilitation Division
Bureau of Services to the Blind
505 E. King Street, Suite 503
Carson City, Nevada 89710
Stephen A. Shaw, Administrator

The Nevada project has three objectives: 1) demonstrate and evaluate the effectiveness of independent living services when applied to persons who are older blind homemakers who are at risk of premature or unnecessary institutionalization; 2) demonstrate and evaluate the impact of independent living services on the ability of persons who are older blind to participate more fully in home, family, and community functions; and 3) demonstrate and evaluate the effectiveness of independent living services in assisting persons who are older blind to develop the skills and attitudes necessary to successfully adjust to loss of vision. This project serves 250 clients per year.

NEW JERSEY

New Jersey Department of Human Services
Commission for the Blind and
Visually Impaired
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Newark, New Jersey 07102
Jamie Casabianca-Hilton, Executive Director
Contact Person: Judith Liebman, Project Director
201-648-4799

The New Jersey Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired continues to fund the Senior Community Independent Services (SCILS) in three counties providing independent living services to medically underserved, primarily low income, minority persons who are older blind. The programs also provided eye health education and prevention and services for 485 older individuals. The project enabled 848 persons to adjust to blindness through IL services, 206 clients to be matched with volunteers, another 1,894 to receive eye screening services and 14 peer support groups were established.

NEW MEXICO

New Mexico Commission for the Blind
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Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503
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505-827-4479

The New Mexico Commission for the Blind established a program with three older blind specialists in three state regions who are linked throughout the state with independent living centers and local senior centers. There is a part-time state coordinator, three older blind specialists, and part-time secretary. Peer counseling training and volunteers to serve as senior companions are provided. Emphasis is given to isolated rural communities. The older blind specialists determine what adjustments could be made in the home environment. The senior companions assist with providing transportation services, reading mail and books, and enjoying leisure time, etc.

NEW YORK

New York State Department
of Social Services
Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired
40 North Pearl Street
10 Eyck Office Building
Albany, New York 12243
John L. Ryan, Assistant Commissioner
Contact Person: Richard Ratajak, Project Director
518-474-2209

The New York State Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired operates an older blind person program aimed at underserved areas. The objectives are to identify individuals through an enterprising outreach program and to link identified individuals with a variety of service entities to continue to meet the service needs of referred individuals. The commission expects to conduct nearly 4,000 vision screenings in the first year. Outreach and screening activities will result in linking about 500 people with full range of rehabilitation, independent living, and recreational and support services.

OKLAHOMA

State Department of Human Service
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Oklahoma City, OK 73125
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405-424-4311 Ext. 2849

This is a newly established project, jointly operated by the Oklahoma Department of Human Services, Visual Services Unit, and Ability Resources, Inc., a center for independent living in Tulsa. This is a program that emphasizes advocacy, self-expression, freedom of movement, and full participation. All independent living services identified in 34 CFR 376.21(g) are provided. The visual services unit is committed to continuing this program after federal funds are no longer available.

RHODE ISLAND

Department of Human Services
Services for the Blind
and Visually Impaired
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401-277-2382

Rhode Island Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired has a goal of serving 790 persons who are older blind consumers and 12 objectives for service. They are: 1) optometric screening activities for 600 consumers at 36 senior centers and 600 consumers in homeless shelters; 2) provide independent living services to 790 persons who are older blind and not accepted for vocational rehabilitation services; 3) continue a comprehensive program of independent living services; 4) provide support groups for up to 450 consumers; 5) promote consumer involvement in policy setting, project management, service delivery, self-advocacy, and program evaluation; 6) provide independent living training to 20 nursing homes/institutions, agencies, apartment complexes and groups of consumers' family members; 7) provide for the dissemination of the project's benefits to other public and private programs; 8) provide outreach to minorities; 9) promote cooperative activities with the Department of Elderly Affairs; 10) promote adequate public transport; and 11) support staff in their quest to upgrade professional skills.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Department of Vocational Rehabilitation
Division of Services to the
Visually Impaired
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Pierre, South Dakota 57501-2275
Grady Kickul, Director
Contact Person: Gaye Mattke, Project Director

This grant provides for the continued expansion of rural rehabilitation teaching services to better serve persons who are older blind in their home communities. Low vision services are expanded to a greater number of rural clinics closer to the clients' homes. A state-wide low vision aid loaner program has been established. Efforts are made to develop and expand support systems and resources and group classes in independent living skills have been expanded into rural areas. The White Lance for the Elderly Blind program has been further established on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

TEXAS

Texas Commission for the Blind
Client Services Division
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Austin, Texas 78711
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512-459-2588

The Texas Commission for the Blind established the following priorities for its Part C project: Individual needs related to low vision (screening to determine the necessity of further evaluation, aids and training in their use, and individual and family counseling/education), counseling/education and coordination of services to meet eye-medical needs, adaptive skills training in homes by itinerant caseworkers, orientation and mobility services, and integration into existing community programs through education/training.

UTAH

Utah State Office of Rehabilitation
Utah Division of Rehabilitation Services
250 East 500 South
Salt Lake City, UT 84111
R. Blaine Petersen, Ed.D, Executive Director

Contact Person: William Gibson, Project Director
801-5333-9393

The goal of the Utah program is to provide opportunities to persons who are older blind residing in rural areas. This goal was accomplished by: 1) establishing a Part C IL services program in rural CIL's; 2) conducting outreach activities aimed at service providers and consumers; 3) providing services to maintain or increase independence of persons who are older blind individuals; and 4) conducting public awareness and advocacy activities to increase the level of accessibility and integration of visually impaired individuals.

VERMONT

Agency of Human Services
Division for the Blind and
Visually Impaired
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Waterbury, Vermont 05676
David M. Mentasti, Director
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802-241-2211

This project continues a statewide mobile low vision and rehabilitation project providing coverage to the entire state in rehabilitation services and skills training. In FY 1991, the project provided services to 579 consumers, 213 of whom received low vision exams by the project optometrists. During the three year continuation, 400 additional consumers per year will receive a full complement of statewide services, 150 of whom will receive low vision examinations. A new component has been added which provides a needs assessment of elderly people in nursing homes/senior centers to determine their need for vision services. Upon completion of this, a pilot project will be conducted to provide vision assessments and low vision services to elderly residents in nursing homes/senior centers. In addition, staff will participate in in-service training.

WISCONSIN

Department of Health and
Social Services
Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
P.O. Box 7852
Madison, Wisconsin 53707

The Wisconsin project has eight objectives: 1) to employ trained older persons as teacher assistants; 2) teach blind and visually impaired seniors rehabilitation adjustment skills necessary to remain independent; 3) provide blind and visually impaired seniors with a vehicle for access into the aging network for the delivery of quality services; 4) enable individuals within the aging network to achieve a greater level of understanding of the unique limitations imposed by blindness and of the resources available to offset these limitations; 5) evaluate county/tribal aging units in order to improve programmatic and service accessibility by blind and visually impaired seniors; 6) provide preventive visual health screening clinics; and 7) provide for the purchase of adaptive aids and devices, orientation and mobility instruction, and transportation.

WEST VIRGINIA

State Board of Rehabilitation
Division of Rehabilitation Service
State Capitol Complex
Charleston, West Virginia 25305
John M. Panza, Director
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304-766-4799

The West Virginia Division of Rehabilitation Services, in partnership with other State agencies, served 135 blind and 275 severely visually impaired persons aged fifty-five years and older during the three-year project period. The project enables 270 of those persons to live independently in their homes and communities with the maximum degree of self-direction; to enhance their access to a continuum of support services; and to participate more actively in the social, recreational and civic life of the community. In the process, the project facilitates systems change and advances the delivery of community-based, comprehensive independent living services and resources for the target population.

WYOMING

Department of Employment
Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
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Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002
Gary W. Child, Acting Administrator
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307-777-6841

Wyoming DVR established Wyoming Independent Living for Older Blind (WILOB) to serve approximately 1,600 persons who are older blind. DVR administers the project and coordinates subcontracted services. The project has four objectives: 1) develop and implement a statewide system for information and referral in coordination with the existing information and referral systems; 2) create a team of service providers (orientation and mobility specialist, ADL specialist, and a professional counselor) that will travel to six or more unserved/underserved areas each year; 3) create and maintain a loan closet of independent living assistive devices (particularly a selection of electronic and computer equipment); 4) create, coordinate and advise a system of 20 or more peer support groups throughout Wyoming, including one support group for each of the two tribes on the state's American Indian Reservation.

Part D - Protection and Advocacy of Individual Rights
FY 1991 Appropriation - \$976,000 - Section 731

The purpose of this program was to provide support to the States through their governors to establish systems for the protection and advocacy of individuals with severe disabilities who are receiving services under Title VII of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, (the Act) and who are not eligible for services provided by existing protection and advocacy or ombudsman programs or whose request for services cannot be addressed by client assistance programs funded under section 112 of the Act.

The protection and advocacy systems have the authority to pursue legal, administrative, and other appropriate remedies to insure the protection of the rights of individuals receiving services under this title within the States; however, the agency designated by the governor to establish the system must utilize alternate dispute resolution techniques to the maximum extent feasible prior to resorting to administrative or legal remedies. The P & A system in a state must be independent of any designated unit that provides services under this part to such individuals. Individuals with severe disabilities are expected to be involved in the development and implementation of the protection and advocacy systems.

Duplication of services are to be avoided by becoming familiar with the eligibility requirements and the range of services provided by the following programs and by

coordinating services, as appropriate, with systems and programs required under:

1. Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act Amendments of 1978.
2. Protection and Advocacy for Mentally Ill Individuals Act of 1986.
3. Older American Act.
4. Section 112 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.
5. Advocacy services provided by Centers for Independent Living within the States.
6. Fair Housing Amendments of 1988.

In FY 1991, for the first time, eleven grants were awarded to State agencies designated by the governors to conduct the protection and advocacy systems for individuals with disabilities, including persons who are blind or visually impaired. The awards were made available in October, 1991.

Appendix A

FINAL GRANT AWARDS -FISCAL YEAR 1991
BASIC STATE GRANT PROGRAM
TITLE I, SECTION 110

REGION/ STATE/ TERRITORY	STATE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCIES		
	GENERAL	BLIND	U.S. TOTAL
TOTALS	\$1,490,478,505	\$137,910,357	\$1,628,382,862
I.			
*Connecticut	11,430,856	2,017,208	13,448,064
Maine	9,306,906	-----	9,306,906
*Massachusetts	28,339,733	4,975,588	33,315,321
New Hampshire	6,581,104	-----	6,581,104
*Rhode Island	4,763,771	863,948	5,627,719
Vermont	4,947,225	674,622	5,621,847
II.			
*New Jersey	27,241,232	7,010,308	34,251,540
*New York	82,434,298	16,081,996	98,516,294
Puerto Rico	30,276,921	-----	30,276,921
Virgin Island	1,300,575	-----	1,300,575
III.			
*Delaware	4,698,641	800,352	5,498,993
Dis. of Columbia	9,186,446	-----	9,186,446
Maryland	24,518,742	-----	24,518,742
*Pennsylvania	74,403,383	7,837,980	82,241,363
*Virginia	31,497,065	4,856,458	36,353,523
West Virginia	18,212,447	-----	18,212,447
IV.			
Alabama	38,262,760	-----	38,262,760
*Florida	61,353,764	12,289,758	73,643,522
Georgia	45,821,230	-----	45,821,230
*Kentucky	28,637,963	4,996,877	33,634,840
*Mississippi	21,811,489	6,172,991	27,984,480
*North Carolina	45,522,662	8,503,297	54,025,959
*South Carolina	27,318,769	4,082,115	31,400,884
Tennessee	40,403,664	-----	40,403,664
V.			
Illinois	65,451,180	-----	65,451,180
Indiana	34,190,868	-----	34,190,868
*Michigan	48,242,250	7,412,580	55,654,830
*Minnesota	23,358,108	5,127,389	28,485,497

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Region/State/ Territory	STATE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCIES		
	GENERAL	BLIND	U.S. TOTAL
V. (cont.)			
Ohio	68,900,056	-----	68,900,056
Wisconsin	34,898,763	-----	34,898,763
VI.			
*Arkansas	20,518,857	2,279,872	22,798,729
Louisiana	38,025,927	-----	38,025,927
*New Mexico	9,975,288	2,450,062	12,425,350
Oklahoma	25,406,918	-----	25,406,918
*Texas	92,891,187	22,435,850	115,327,037
VII.			
*Iowa	15,830,048	3,335,135	19,165,183
Kansas	15,741,221	-----	15,741,221
*Missouri	31,889,048	4,165,030	36,054,078
*Nebraska	8,686,886	1,603,511	10,290,397
VIII.			
Colorado	18,904,366	-----	18,904,366
Montana	6,443,439	-----	6,443,439
North Dakota	5,428,477	-----	5,428,477
*South Dakota	4,589,113	1,339,777	5,928,890
Utah	13,901,949	-----	13,901,949
Wyoming	5,178,477	-----	5,178,477
IX.			
American Samoa	461,833	-----	461,833
Arizona	21,642,788	-----	21,642,788
California	133,811,636	-----	133,811,636
Guam	1,625,234	-----	1,625,234
Hawaii	6,173,197	-----	6,173,197
Nevada	5,711,835	-----	5,711,835
Northern Marianas	280,948	-----	280,948
X.			
Alaska	5,511,676	-----	5,511,676
*Idaho	7,243,000	1,033,146	8,276,146
*Oregon	16,511,387	2,358,770	18,870,157
*Washington	24,774,899	3,205,737	27,980,636

*State with Separate Blind Agency

FINAL GRANT AWARDS - FISCAL YEAR 1991
SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM
TITLE VII, SECTION 631

REGION/ STATE/ TERRITORY	STATE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCIES		
	<u>General</u>	<u>Blind</u>	<u>U.S. Total</u>
	\$27,234,725	\$1,914,656	\$29,150,000
I.			
*Connecticut	288,817	50,967	339,784
Maine	250,000	--	250,000
*Massachusetts	533,712	93,045	626,757
New Hampshire	250,000	--	250,000
*Rhode Island	208,750	--	208,750
Vermont	221,653	30,000	251,653
II.			
*New Jersey	671,794	162,308	834,102
*New York	1,634,099	301,284	1,935,383
Puerto Rico	205,239	--	205,239
Virgin Island	44,257	--	44,257
III.			
*Delaware	212,500	37,500	250,000
Dis. of Columbia	250,000	--	250,000
Maryland	506,111	--	506,111
*Pennsylvania	1,218,739	44,305	1,263,044
Virginia	585,205	61,162	646,367
West Virginia	255,417	--	255,417
IV.			
Alabama	444,002	--	444,002
Florida	1,133,944	232,252	1,366,196
Georgia	675,162	--	675,162
*Kentucky	375,150	15,827	390,977
*Mississippi	245,858	36,740	282,598
*North Carolina	588,047	120,444	708,491
*South Carolina	320,528	47,895	368,423
Tennessee	532,635	--	532,635

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REGION/ STATE/ TERRITORY	STATE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCIES		
	<u>General</u>	<u>Blind</u>	<u>U.S. Total</u>
V.			
Illinois	1,256,975	--	1,256,975
Indiana	586,728	--	586,728
*Michigan	856,042	86,733	942,775
*Minnesota	420,262	49,082	469,344
Ohio	1,144,188	--	1,144,188
Wisconsin	519,446	--	519,446
VI.			
*Arkansas	241,258	18,159	259,417
Louisiana	459,690	--	459,690
*New Mexico	250,000	--	250,000
Oklahoma	347,614	--	347,614
*Texas	1,325,340	356,484	1,682,424
VII.			
*Iowa	241,322	30,186	271,508
Kansas	236,124	--	236,124
*Missouri	546,892	9,356	556,248
*Nebraska	225,000	25,000	250,000
VIII.			
Colorado	351,590	--	351,590
*Montana	252,351	--	252,351
North Dakota	250,000	--	250,000
*South Dakota	241,000	9,000	250,000
Utah	220,000	--	220,000
Wyoming	250,000	--	250,000
IX.			
American Samoa	44,257	--	44,257
Arizona	373,038	--	373,038
California	3,133,597	--	3,133,597
Guam	44,257	--	44,257
Hawaii	250,000	--	250,000
Nevada	250,000	--	250,000
Northern Marianas	44,257	--	44,257
Palau	5,162	--	5,162
X.			
Alaska	251,537	--	251,537
*Idaho	250,449	2,511	252,960
*Oregon	258,851	36,979	295,830
*Washington	455,898	57,437	513,335

*State with Separate Blind Agency

FINAL GRANT AWARDS - FISCAL YEAR 1991
COMPREHENSIVE SERVICES INDEPENDENT LIVING PROGRAM
TITLE VII, SECTION 701, PART A

REGION/ STATE/ TERRITORY	STATE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCIES		
	<u>U.S. Total</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Blind</u>
	\$14,058,438	\$1,115,461	\$13,619,000
I.			
*Connecticut	170,000	30,000	200,000
Maine	200,346	--	200,346
*Massachusetts	189,364	33,122	222,486
New Hampshire	200,000	--	200,000
*Rhode Island	200,000	**	200,000
Vermont	150,000	50,161	200,161
II.			
*New Jersey	233,301	57,778	291,079
*New York	568,148	107,250	
	675,398		
Puerto Rico	200,000	--	200,000
Virgin Island	17,024	--	17,024
III.			
*Delaware	170,000	30,000	200,000
Dis. of Col.	200,000	--	200,000
Maryland	201,329	--	201,329
*Pennsylvania	449,615	**	449,615
*Virginia	198,117	29,604	227,721
West Virginia	200,526	--	200,526
IV.			
Alabama	201,166	--	201,166
Florida	395,715	81,051	476,766
Georgia	240,343	--	240,343
*Kentucky	174,000	27,055	201,055
*Mississippi	158,742	42,000	200,742
*North Car.	203,075	44,169	247,244
*South Car.	174,994	26,000	200,994

Tennessee

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appendix C (cont.)

Region/State/ Territory	STATE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCIES		
	<u>General</u>	<u>Blind</u>	<u>U.S. Total</u>
V.			
Illinois	438,650	--	438,650
Indiana	208,863	--	208,863
*Michigan	225,086	121,200	346,286
*Minnesota	165,010	36,221	201,231
Ohio	407,306	--	407,306
Wisconsin	200,000	--	200,000
VI.			
*Arkansas	186,633	14,048	200,681
Louisiana	200,000	--	200,000
*New Mexico	170,400	29,600	200,000
Oklahoma	200,913	--	200,913
*Texas	512,414	126,900	639,314
VII.			
*Iowa	150,000	50,000	200,000
Kansas	200,000	--	200,000
*Missouri	175,460	26,000	201,460
*Nebraska	177,400	22,600	200,000
VIII.			
Colorado	200,939	--	200,939
*Montana	200,228	--	200,228
North Dakota	200,187	--	200,187
*South Dakota	200,000	**	200,000
Utah	200,000	--	200,000
Wyoming	200,000	--	200,000
IX.			
Amer. Samoa	17,024	--	17,024
Arizona	200,000	--	200,000
California	1,093,540	--	1,093,540
Guam	5,200	--	5,200
Hawaii	200,000	--	200,000
Nevada	200,000	--	200,000
Nor. Marianas	--	--	--
Palau	--	--	--
X.			
Alaska	200,149	--	200,149
*Idaho	100,144	100,144	200,288
*Oregon	175,000	25,000	200,000
*Washington	178,193	23,155	201,348

* State with Separate Blind Agency

Appendix D

FINAL GRANT AWARDS - FISCAL YEAR 1991
CLIENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CAP)
TITLE I, SECTION 112

REGION/
STATE/
TERRITORY

DESIGNATED AGENCIES FOR CAP AWARDS⁴

	<u>U.S. Total</u>
	\$8,298,383
I.	
Connecticut	93,416
Maine	75,803
Massachusetts	174,419
New Hampshire	75,000
Rhode Island	75,000
Vermont	75,000
II.	
New Jersey	228,191
New York	529,479
Puerto Rico	94,915
Virgin Island	45,070
III.	
Delaware	75,000
Dis. of Col.	75,000
Maryland	138,461
Pennsylvania	355,150
Virginia	179,875
West Virginia	76,219
IV.	
Alabama	118,766
Florida	341,444
Georgia	185,621

⁴ Agencies designated by the State Governor for CAP serving all disabilities independent of VR agencies as required.

Kentucky	109,936
Mississippi	77,314
North Car.	167,514
South Car.	103,290
Tennessee	144,474

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REGION/STATE/ TERRITORY	DESIGNATED AGENCIES FOR CAP AWARDS
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	<u>U.S. Total</u>
V.	
Illinois	343,882
Indiana	161,308
Michigan	273,531
Minnesota	125,545
Ohio	314,569
Wisconsin	140,369
VI.	
Arkansas	76,580
Louisiana	129,181
New Mexico	76,003
Oklahoma	88,317
Texas	500,038
VII.	
Iowa	81,908
Kansas	75,000
Missouri	152,178
Nebraska	70,000
VIII.	
Colorado	97,844
Montana	75,530
North Dakota	75,000
South Dakota	75,000
Utah	76,120
Wyoming	75,000
IX.	
Amer. Samoa	45,000
Arizona	102,558
California	838,205
Guam	45,000
Hawaii	75,000
Nevada	75,730
Nor. Marianas	45,000
Palau	--

X.	
Alaska	75,345
Idaho	75,666
Oregon	83,182
Washington	140,437