

What is NYSCB?

The New York State Commission for the Blind (NYSCB) works with children who are legally blind to help them live independent lives by providing counseling, advocacy and rehabilitation services.



Services for Children

Services offered through NYSCB can provide your child with the assistance necessary to achieve goals and become an independent, participating member of the community.

Services may include:

- Rehabilitation teaching (skills of daily living)
- Orientation and mobility instruction (travel skills)
- Social Casework
- Low vision exams and aids
- Adaptive equipment
- Diagnostic Evaluations
- Social Skills Activities

NYSCB works in partnership with a network of agencies for the blind, private vendors, physicians and low vision specialists.

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**Commission
for the Blind**

A GUIDE TO SERVICES



FOR CHILDREN WHO ARE BLIND

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possibilities**
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**For information
on services call:
(866) 871-3000**

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**Visit our website:
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NYSCB is a division of the
New York State Office of Children
and Family Services



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Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, the New York State Office of Children and Family Services will make this material available in an appropriate format upon request.



Who is eligible?

Any child who is a resident of New York State and is legally blind or deaf-blind may be eligible for services provided by NYSCB.

Legal blindness is defined as:

- A visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better or stronger eye with best correction, OR
- A restricted field of vision of 20 degrees or less in the better or stronger eye.

NYSCB Children’s Program works with children who are between the ages of birth and 21.

For more information call NYSCB at (800) 871-3000, or visit our website visionloss.ny.gov for more information.

Applying for services

You can apply for services for your child by contacting one of the NYSCB district offices and obtaining an application for services. An initial interview will then be scheduled with a NYSCB Children’s Consultant.

The Children’s Consultant will work with your family to develop an individualized plan to meet your child’s needs and supplement services offered by the school district.

The Children’s Consultant can assist you in obtaining:

- Diagnostic Evaluations
- Educational consultation
- Recreational programs
- Family counseling and guidance
- Community resources
- Advocacy services
- Transition into the adult vocational program

Where to apply

If you want more information about the programs and services offered by NYSCB, please call the regional office located closest to you.

Albany

40 N. Pearl St., 10th Fl., Ste. D
Albany, N.Y. 12243
(518) 473-1675

Mailing Address

52 Washington St.
Rensselaer, N.Y. 12144

Buffalo

295 Main St., Rm. 590
Buffalo, N.Y. 14203
(716) 847-3516

Harlem

163 West 125th St., Rm. 209
New York, N.Y. 10027
(212) 961-4440

Hempstead

50 Clinton St., Ste. 208
Hempstead, N.Y. 11550
(516) 564-4311

Garden City

711 Stewart Avenue
Garden City, N.Y. 11530
(516) 564-4311

New York City

80 Maiden Lane, 23rd Fl.
New York, N.Y. 10038
(212) 825-5710

Rochester

259 Monroe Ave., Rm. 303
Rochester, N.Y. 14607
(585) 238-8110

Syracuse

100 S. Salina St., Ste. 105
Syracuse, N.Y. 13202
(315) 423-5417

White Plains

445 Hamilton Ave., Rm. 503
White Plains, N.Y. 10601
(914) 993-5370

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