

INDEPENDENT LIVING

We'll help you to never stop learning. The **Beatrice Cummings Mayer Senior Center** hosts computer classes and social gatherings, to name a few, for Seniors who have visual impairments, helping them keep active and engaged.



Mary, who has macular degeneration, came to the Lighthouse as a patient in our Low Vision Clinic. As a participant in our Senior Program, she has regained her independence by learning to use assistive technology.

The **Veterans' Employment Project** assists Veterans in finding, obtaining, and retaining competitive, meaningful employment. Adults who are blind or visually impaired with developmental disabilities learn life skills through our **ALS (Adult Living Skills)** program.

The Chicago Lighthouse is a community of support and possibility for people who are blind, visually impaired, disabled and Veterans.

We change lives every day.

HOW CAN WE HELP YOU?

To find the program or service that's right for you, visit us online:

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PROGRAMS and SERVICES

for people who are blind, visually impaired, disabled and Veterans



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EDUCATION

At the Chicago Lighthouse, children learn and grow through [The Judy and Ray McCaskey Preschool](#) where visually-impaired and sighted students learn together in the same classroom. The [Birth to Three Early Intervention Program](#) provides in-home support to infants and toddlers with vision loss, many with multiple disabilities. [The Children's Development Center](#) is a specialized school for students with a variety of educational needs and disabilities. [The Illinois Instructional Materials Center \(IIMC\)](#) provides large-print and Braille books. The [Youth Transition Program](#) helps teens who are blind or visually impaired become independent, confident adults.



Preschool graduate Rachele, who is completely blind, was adopted from Haiti at age three. At The Lighthouse, with the help of many, she learned to speak English and navigate her world with a white cane. "She blossomed at school," says her Mom.



There are over 10 million blind and visually impaired people in the U.S.

VISION CARE & REHABILITATION

We are proud to be a leader in both the research and treatment of vision loss. The world-class doctors at the [Forsythe Center for Comprehensive Vision Care](#) and the [Pangere Center for Inherited Retinal Diseases](#) are dedicated to helping their patients maximize their remaining vision. [The Sandy Forsythe Assistive Technology Center](#) highlights the newest devices and independent living aids through home visits and roadshows around Chicagoland. [The Bergman Institute for Psychological Support](#) provides counseling to meet the emotional needs of individuals adapting to vision loss.

The Chicago Lighthouse provides job training as well as employment for people who are blind.

EMPLOYMENT

You'll find a strong network of opportunities and support at the **Chicago Lighthouse**. We offer training programs for office and customer service skills as well as job readiness and placement counseling. We also employ people directly through social enterprises. [Chicago Lighthouse Industries](#) manufactures clocks for federal, state and municipal agencies, as well as for the commercial market. Our new line of fashion clocks can be found online and in major retail stores. We operate [customer care call centers](#) for several major Chicagoland hospitals as well as the Illinois Tollway. Our [Contract Management Services](#) program closes out federal contracts and provides high paying employment for people with visual impairments.

