BVS- ACCESS TECHNOLOGY & TRAINING

P.O. Box 3203
Honolulu, HI  96801
Tel: 808-531-1818
Technology for the blind and visually impaired.

ENABLEMART SALES OFFICE

c/o MRN, Inc.
5353 S. 960 East, #200
Salt Lake City, UT 84117
Tel: 888-640-1999
Fax: 360-695-4155
Web: www.enablemart.com
Low Vision Items; Screen Readers; Braille Embossers; Note Takers; Braille Translation

INDEPENDENT LIVING AIDS, LLC.
137 Rano Rd
Buffalo, NY 14207
Tel: 800-537-2118
Fax: 516-937-3906
Web: www.independentliving.com
Call for product catalogs

TELESENSORY
4545 Stockdale Hwy., Ste. F
Bakersfield, CA 93309
Tel: 661-832-5223
Toll: 800-804-8004
Fax: 661-832-6557
(i.e. - replacement lamp bulbs)

ISLAND SKILL GATHERING (ISG)
3472 Kanaina Ave.
Honolulu, HI 96815
Tel: 808-732-4622
Fax: 808-739-5464
Email: isg@aloha.net
Web: www.isghawaii.com
Assistive Technology, Aids & Appliances.

LS&S GROUP, INC.

P.O. Box 673
Northbrook, IL 60065
Toll: 800-468-4789 (orders)
Fax: 847-498-1482
Email: LSSGRP@aol.com

MAXIAIDS

42 Executive Blvd.
Farmingdale, NY 11735
Toll: 800-522-6294 (orders)
       631-752-0521 (information)
Fax: 631-752-0689
Web: www.maxiaids.com

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND

National Federation of the Blind
200 East Wells Street
    at Jernigan Place
Baltimore, MD 21230
Tel: 410-659-9314
Fax: 410-685-5653
Web: www.nfb.org

*Independence Market (sells blind related products), free cane.*

**OPTICAL SUPPLIERS, INC. (OSI)**

99-1253 Halawa Valley St.
Aiea, HI 96701-5639
Tel: 808-486-2933

**SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION**

Office of Public Inquiries
Windsor Park Bldg.
6401 Security Blvd.
Baltimore, MD 21235
Toll: 800-772-1213

**THE LIGHT HOUSE, INC.**

610 Gateway Ctr. Way, Ste. L
San Diego, CA 92102
Tel: 619-263-4428
Fax: 619-263-4811

**CONSUMER ORGANIZATIONS**
HAWAII ASSOCIATION OF PARENTS OF THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED (HAPVI)

c/o Myles Tamashiro
95-1027 Aelike St.
Mililani, HI 96789
Tel: 808-626-0535

HAWAII ASSOCIATION OF THE BLIND (HAB)

c/o Filo Tu
PO Box 25454
Honolulu, HI 96825
Tel: 808-521-1402
Web: www.acb.org/hawaii
Email: habinfo@hawaii.rr.com

HUI KUPUNA VIP

c/o Mel Nacapoy
Tel: 808-295-3575
Members are age 55 and older. Call for more information.
Meetings: 1st Thursday of the month at Ho`opono

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND (NFB) OF HAWAII

c/o Nani Fife
DISABILITY-RELATED SERVICES

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY USERS GROUP (ATUG)

c/o Art Cabanilla
1550 Aina Koa Ave.
Honolulu, HI 96821
Tel: 808-737-4284
Email: sixsense@hawaii.rr.com
Web: https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/ATUGHI/info
Online forum for those who have questions about assistive technology for the blind.

CITY & COUNTY ACCESSIBILITY POLICY AND CONTACTS:

Web: www.honolulu.gov/accessibility.htm
DISABILITY AND COMMUNICATION ACCESS BOARD (DCAB)

919 Ala Moana Blvd., Rm. 101
Honolulu, HI 96814
Tel: 808-586-8121
Fax: 808-586-8129
Email: dcab@doh.hawaii.gov

DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE EXEMPTION

AT&T
Exemptions (Directory Assistance, Data Plan, Voice Dial)
4455 American Way
Baton Rouge, LA 70816
Toll: 866-241-6568

Hawaiian Telcom
P.O. Box 2200
Honolulu, HI 96841
Tel: 808-643-3456 (customer service)
Web: www.hawaiiantel.com

Oceanic Time Warner
411 Payment Exemption
Fax your name, phone #, address and disability to the DP Department at 808-203-5636
Sprint
Toll: 866-727-0665
Application for complementary directory assistance calls. Call Customer Solutions at the toll free number above.

T-Mobile
E-mail:disablecustomerequests@t-mobile.com
Get credit up to $54/month for 411 calls. Email the address above stating the disability and request for 411 exemption. Need to include customer name, T-mobile account #, cell phone #, contact phone # and description of request.

Verizon
Courtesy 411 Program
PO Box 553
Warrendale, PA 15086-0553
Can also call local stores for more details.

HAWAII DISABILITY RIGHTS CENTER (HDRC)
1132 Bishop Street, Ste 2102
Honolulu, HI 96813
Tel: 808-949-2922
Fax: 808-949-2928
Web: www.hawaiidisabilityrights.org
Email: info@hawaiidisabilityrights.org
The designated Protection & Advocacy System for Hawaii’s disability population.
KALIHI PALAMA DENTAL CLINIC

915 N. King Street
Honolulu, HI 96817
Tel: 808-845-0686
Sliding scale for dental work for uninsured patients.

DEPT. OF HEALTH—EARLY INTERVENTION SECTION

Hawaii Keiki Information Service System (H-KISS)
1350 S. King St., Ste. 200
Honolulu, HI 96814
Tel: 808-973-9633 (Oahu)
Toll: 800-235-5477 (Neighbor Island)
Works with children zero to three years old

HAWAII LIONS EYE BANK AND MAKANA FOUNDATION

405 N. Kuakini St. #801
Honolulu, HI 96817
Tel: 808-536-7416
Web: [www.hlebf.org](http://www.hlebf.org)
Provides cornea transplants for qualified candidates.

OFFICE OF YOUTH SERVICES
The Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped offers talking books, Braille books, large type books, descriptive videos, transcribing services, radio reading service and community services. It is a regional library in the national library service for persons who are blind and persons with physical disabilities. It is also a library in the Hawaii State Library system.

“LIFELINE” TELEPHONE RATES

Lifeline rates for low-cost telephone service are for individuals who:
1. Are 60 or older and whose annual household income is $10,000 or less

2. Are physically or mentally disabled and whose total household income is $10,000 or less
   a. Have only one telephone line in the house
   b. Have the address listed as primary residence and phone listed in own name

3. Persons receiving Medicaid, SSI, Food Stamps and other Federal Programs for low income qualify

**NEWSLINE**

Newsline Coordinator in Hawaii
c/o Milton Ota
Tel: 808-295-2528
Toll: 866-504-7300
Web: [www.nfbnewline.org](http://www.nfbnewline.org)
Access to over 300 newspapers over the telephone for blind and visually impaired individuals.

**OAHU TRANSIT SERVICES (PARATRANSIT)**

c/o The Handivan
811 Middle St.
Honolulu, HI 96819
Tel: 808-454-5055 (cancellations and late vans)
  808-456-5555 (reservations)
  8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
  $2.00 one way

Please use reservations number for early cancellations. Use cancellations number for urgent cancellations.

THE BUS COMPANY

Tel: 808-848-5555
  5:30 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. (daily)

VETERAN’S ADMINISTRATION

Dept. of Veteran’s Affairs
Toll: 800-827-1000

Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment
Tel: 808-433-0560

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

HO`OPONO- VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION
1901 Bachelot Street
Honolulu, HI 96817
Tel: 808-586-5269
Fax: 808-586-5288  
Web: http://humanservices.hawaii.gov/vr/hoopono/about/  
Vocational Rehabilitation Services

**HO`OPONO- JOB CLUB**
1901 Bachelot Street  
Honolulu, HI 96817  
Tel: 808-586-5261  
Fax: 808-586-5361  
Web: http://humanservices.hawaii.gov/vr/hoopono/about/
Assisting those who are ready to seek employment. Job Club- Wednesday & Friday by appointment and Hoala-Friday 9:00-10:30am.

**OAHU WORK LINKS**
1505 Dillingham Boulevard, Suite 110  
Honolulu, HI 96817  
Tel: 808-768-5700  
Web: http://www1.honolulu.gov/dcs/owib/owlabout.htm
One Stop Centers for job seekers.

**SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS**

**HAHA MENA LIMA** ("To feel with the hands")

c/o Kevin Kimura, Esq.
Group started in September 1966 with the support of the Kuhio Lions Club. To continue fellowship which was once shared with others who attended Ho`opono.

**Meetings:** Second Saturday of each month

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**HOLO HOLO CLUB**

c/o Charlotte Tsie
Tel: 808-255-5439

To allow blind and visually impaired persons to support each other, socialize and live a productive life in the community. Once-a-month outings to different restaurants.

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**HO`OPONO OI B SUPPORT GROUP**

Tel: 808-586-5269

The OIB Support Group meets once a month in the Ho`opono Conference Room. This includes guest speakers, fun activities, excursions and exercise. Please contact Carol Mau or Carol Fujimoto for more details.

**Meetings:** last Friday of the month

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**TAX ASSISTANCE—VOLUNTEER**
Call Ho`opono for information at 586-5271. Tax return preparations are usually done at Ho`opono in February each year.

**TAX EXEMPTION FOR BLINDNESS/GENERAL EXCISE TAX EXEMPTION**

Dept. of Taxation  
P.O. Box 259  
Honolulu, HI 96809  
Toll: 800-222-3229  

Request form N-172 claim for tax exemption by persons with impaired sight or hearing or by totally disabled person and physician’s certification form N-172 can also be used for General Excise Tax Exemption (GE Tax).

**PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION**

City & County of Honolulu  
33 S. King St., #101  
Honolulu, HI 96813  
Tel: 808-527-5500  
808-768-3799  
Email: bfsrpmailbox@honolulu.gov
ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY RESOURCE CENTERS OF HAWAII (ATRC)

200 N. Vineyard Blvd. #430
Honolulu, HI 96817
Tel: 808-532-7110
Fax: 808-532-7120
Email: atrc-info@atrc.org
Web: www.atrc.org

Resource and education center for those interested in Assistive Technology. ATRC also has an exchange and computer redistribution program which computer and other assistive technology devices are provided to individuals with disabilities at little or no cost.

CAREER KOKUA HAWAII INFORMATION DELIVERY SYSTEM

Tel: 808-587-5515
Fax: 808-587-5522
Email: dlir.rs.hcids@hawaii.gov
7:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (Mon – Fri)

DISABILITY ACCESS SERVICES

2600 Campus Rd.
Honolulu, HI 96822
Email: kokua@hawaii.edu
Web: www.hawaii.edu/kokua

EYE OF THE PACIFIC GUIDE DOGS FOUNDATION

747 Amana St., #407
Honolulu, HI 96814
Tel: 808-941-1088
Fax: 808-944-9368
Email: info@eyeofthepacific.org
Web: http://eyeofthepacific.org

GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND

350 Los Ranchitos Rd.
San Rafael, CA 94903
Toll: 800-295-4050
Web: www.guidedogs.com

HOʻOPONO SERVICES FOR THE BLIND

1901 Bachelot St.
Honolulu, HI 96817
Tel: 808-586-5269
Fax: 808-586-5361
Email: gabe@dhs.hawaii.gov
Web: http://humanservices.hawaii.gov/yr/hoopono/about/
Provides adjustment to blindness training, low vision clinic services, vocational rehabilitation and assistance with job placement and job maintenance.

ISLAND SKILL GATHERING (ISG)

3472 Kanaina Ave.
Honolulu, HI 96815
Tel: 808-732-4622
Fax: 808-739-5464
Email: isg@aloha.net
Web: www.isghawaii.com
Training for assistive technology.

THE SEEING EYE, INC

10 Washington Valley Rd.
P.O. Box 375
Morristown, NJ 07963
Tel: 973-539-4425
Email: info@seeingeye.org
Web: www.theseeingeye.org

***NOTE***
This is not a complete listing. There may be additional resources to be found. Please feel free to share additional resources in the community. Mahalo!