

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND OF OKLAHOMA

PURPOSE

To provide low interest loans to assist blind persons with the purchase of assistive technology including; computers, screen-reading hardware and software, electronic notetakers, Braille embossers, refreshable Braille devices, and speech synthesizers. The loans are for one to four-year periods, under \$3,000 with an interest rate of 3%.

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FINANCIAL CRITERIA

- None

ELIGIBILITY

- Persons who are legally blind (all ages).
- Beginning to work with low vision (borderline vision impairment).

AT SERVICES PROVIDED/COVERED

Information & Referral

- Training for Consumer & Family
- Locating Alternate Funding
- Advocacy/Other (Low Interest Loans)

AT DEVICES PROVIDED/COVERED

 Aids for Vision Impaired

 Computer Applications

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Contact by phone, letter or e-mail and request service(s) and/or low interest loan program application.
- Complete telephone interview for low-interest loan.
- Complete application including goals and uses of computer-based devices by individual.
- Award of loan determined by National Office of NFB with Oklahoma affiliate input.

PIECES OF THE PUZZLE

- Membership to NFB of Oklahoma is \$1.00 per year for an individual/family membership.