



FLORIDA ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION FOR VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION
ORGANIZATION GRANT AWARD CONTRACT
GRANT # 17-612

This agreement is entered into this 19th day of June, 2017 between Center for the Visually Impaired (hereinafter referred to as the "Organization") and the Florida Endowment Foundation for Vocational Rehabilitation (hereinafter referred to as the "Foundation") to set forth the terms and conditions upon which the Foundation shall award to the Organization Grant # 17-612.

Foundation states that its mission is to be a key leader in providing Floridians with disabilities with opportunities for successful employment, and one of the primary means of addressing that mission is to fund programs and projects that provide successful employment outcomes to people with disabilities. Foundation has selected Organization for funding because of the projected employment outcomes. This contract and all deliverable reporting may be open for public viewing and distribution in accordance with Florida's public records laws.

1. The Foundation agrees to provide \$5,000 (hereinafter the "Funds") to the Organization as Grant # 17-612 subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein. The Foundation shall disburse the Funds to the Organization in one payment of \$5,000.
2. Organization acknowledges and agrees that the Funds are being awarded to provide individuals with services and support related to the eye condition of Macular Degeneration.
3. Organization hereby represents, warrants or agrees to the following:
 - (a) Organization shall use its best efforts to implement and complete the project described in its Grant Application within one year from issuance of the first disbursement of Funds hereunder.
 - (b) Organization shall not use any funds for expenses incurred before the date of the initial disbursement of funds nor shall it encumber any liability related directly to the project being funded prior to the initial disbursement of funds. Organization may not reimburse, pay back or otherwise remunerate itself for any expenses or liability incurred prior to the date of the initial disbursement of grant funds.
 - (c) The Foundation may perform on-site inspections of the project anytime during regular business hours. The on site visit may be completed by a board or staff member of the Foundation or any representative designated by the Foundation.

- (d) The Foundation may conduct an audit of the project at any time during or after the completion of the project described in Organization's Grant Application. Such audit shall include, but is not limited to financial records relating to the project funded.
- (e) Two summary Progress reports shall be submitted by the Organization to the Foundation regarding the support and services provided to individuals with the eye condition of Macular Degeneration. These reports are in the form of a letter submitted to The Able Trust by December 15, 2017 and on June 15, 2018.
- (f) All Organization public relations materials will recognize or reference the Foundation such as public announcements, newspaper articles, magazine articles, Organization newsletters or other printed materials. Such materials, announcements or articles must be pre-approved, in writing, by an authorized representative of the Foundation and said approval must be prior to any publication by Organization. **Organization must recognize the Foundation in any materials or publications that are the direct result of funding through this grant. Included are instructions regarding how the Organization must recognize the Foundation in the proper format of recognition. Further questions about how to reference The Able Trust should be addressed to The Able Trust at 850-224-4493.**
- (g) The Foundation shall be notified immediately of any changes in Organization name, address, telephone number, corporate affiliation or Chief Executive Officer, in writing, should such changes take place.
- (h) Any violation of this Grant Award Contract by Organization shall render the Organization ineligible to apply for or be awarded any future grants by the Foundation.
- (i) Organization is authorized to enter into this Contract through its designated representative signing this Contract. Any and all required approvals, consents, and corporate actions have been taken or obtained by Organization to allow it to enter into and perform this Contract.
- (j) Organization is not a parent or subsidiary of any other corporate entity, and is not otherwise affiliated with any person, partnership or other entity or organization which has received a grant from Foundation and which has not been disclosed in writing to Foundation by Organization.

ORGANIZATION

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Each day, 35,000 people in Volusia, Flagler, Brevard and Putnam Counties wake up blind or visually impaired. Their disability has a significant negative impact on their physical and mental well-being. They are less able to perform activities of daily living and are less mobile, more isolated, suffer higher rates of depression and have a reduced overall quality of life when compared to their sighted counterparts. Additionally, they face higher mortality rates and are more prone to accidents and falls.

Seniors with impaired vision struggle with daily living and are less mobile, more isolated and more depressed than their sighted counterparts. They have higher mortality rates and are more prone to accidents and falls.

Impaired seniors need (a) help with acquiring independent living skills; (b) mobility skills; and (c) opportunities for social interaction, particularly with their peers.

CVI serves the blind and visually impaired residents of all counties listed above. Referrals originate from various sources, such as families, State Division of Blind Services and physicians. Senior citizens enter the program through referrals from their eye care professionals, as well as numerous other sources. Many of the senior population experience Macular Degeneration, Diabetes, Glaucoma and various other eye disorders related to age and/or poor health conditions.

Eligibility for CVI services requires significant vision loss that impacts the person's ability to live safely in their home and travel safely within their community. An eye report from their eye care professional evidences the nature of a client's disorder and identifies legal blindness and/or functional vision loss. Legal blindness indicates an eye disorder with an acuity of 20/200 or worse in the better eye without correction, or a 20 degree or greater loss of visual fields. Clients who are vision-impaired have vision ranging from 20/70 or greater in the worse eye. This type of vision loss impacts the ability to drive a car, to read, to cook safely in the home and to walk in the community, e.g. to cross the street safely.

After a person is referred to the CVI, a face to face interview is scheduled with the individual to conduct a thorough assessment of their disability and their service needs. An assessment tool developed by the State of Florida Division of Blind Services is used for

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this purpose. The assessment tool consists of a pre and post assistance assessment and creates a benchmark, as well as a measurable outcome, for each person receiving services from the agency.

The assessment is conducted in order to determine the client's current level of functionality and to determine the appropriate service categories to be provided. Since the client may not be aware of all the options for training, the interviewer educates the client regarding all available services, such as orientation and mobility, assistive technology and counseling. A specific assessment and assistance plan is then completed for each of those specific areas of training prior to commencement of the training.

CVI's objective is to prevent individuals who are blind or visually impaired from being placed in assisted living facilities solely on grounds of vision loss. Where possible, CVI training allows them to continue living independently in their own homes and to pursue their personal goals.

A comprehensive "rehabilitation plan" is developed for each new client, based on the client's personal assessment. This reflects the person's expressed goals and identified needs. Input from the individual, their family members, and available community resources are incorporated into the plan.

Programs for Seniors

CVI's services for seniors promote independent living and social inclusion. These programs are delivered at CVI HQ and in local senior communities. Classes are conducted one day per week for 13 weeks, in groups and individually. Courses are taught in small groups to promote social interaction. Independent living instruction covers care of the home and the individual, safe and nutritious food preparation, financial management, health and mobility. Social inclusion is promoted through organized group activities at CVI's and at senior living communities in the neighboring area.

Orientation & Mobility training creates the ability to travel safely. Seniors learn to cross streets, use public transportation, travel to work and to shop independently. Seniors are taken on field trips to build their capacity and confidence to leave their familiar home environments.

Independent Living training focuses on:

Personal Management: home organization, tactile and audio labeling, finances, household appliance operation and meal preparation. Communication: iPhone, iPad and computers. Community Information & Referrals: Social programs, services and benefits. Low Vision Training: Eye health and treatment. Use of lighting, magnification and scan and read devices. Self-Advocacy: How to get personal needs met effectively.

Assistive Technology provides seniors with training on computers, screen readers, scan/read systems, portable note takers, video magnifiers and digital book readers.

Counseling: A blind psychologist provides adjustment to blindness counseling for all seniors.

The CVI's program aligns most closely with the United Way Community-wide Impact Goal to support individuals and families to improve their health. Within this goal, they contribute to two UW priority areas: (a) individuals have access to affordable and quality health and wellness services; and (b) individuals have access to affordable and quality behavioral health services.

Over 12,000 residents of Volusia and Flagler counties experience very low vision or blindness. Their disability has a significant negative emotional and behavioral impact on them. They are less able or confident to perform the activities of daily living, are less mobile, more isolated, suffer higher rates of depression and consequently have a much reduced quality of life than their sighted counterparts.

When unable to access expert training and counseling, seniors must rely on their own resources, their families and the inadequately-equipped mainstream programs. Sadly, evidence shows these support systems are insufficient. Hence many blind people do not have the skills and/or lack the confidence to live independently.

The CVI achieves positive outcomes for its blind and visually-impaired senior clients, by effectively meeting its clients' emotional, mental and physical wellness needs. Through peer group training and outside experiences, which build skills, confidence and self-esteem, CVI clients learn the skills essential for living independently with their disability. As the CVI's experience of working with them vividly shows, their behavior is positively transformed. Their faces light up. They converse and socialize more. They venture out into their communities. They become productive rather than dependent members of society. Their whole outlook on life improves.

The older population more often has recently lost vision. A large percentage of seniors experience Macular Degeneration in their later years and as a result have difficulty remaining in their homes due to safety issues, or cannot get to doctor offices to take care of their physical needs. Many live alone and cannot shop on their own.

The senior blind programs of independent living, assistive technology and orientation and mobility are both center-based and itinerant. There is generally one instructor per group, and class size averages 4-6 people. For itinerant instruction, one teacher generally travels to the client's home. Assistive technology training is also conducted on an individual basis at the facility or in senior living facilities within the community. Program managers provide oversight for this program and meet weekly as a group to discuss program issues, curricula, lesson plan development and implementation. Program managers also provide oversight of direct instruction as well as provide direct instruction in specific program areas, depending on their professional degrees.)

The CVI bases its training programs on standardized university text books and professional journal articles in the field of seniors' programs for the blind and visually impaired, which in turn are based on the latest evidence-based research on appropriate teaching techniques and tools. The major publishers of relevant research findings and summaries whose work is used for reference are the American Federation for the Blind

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(AFB), the National Council for the Blind (NCB), the Journal of Visual Impairment and Blindness and the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired (TSBVI).

A guiding light for the CVI's seniors' program is research on the well-being of blind and vision impaired seniors conducted jointly by the San Francisco VA Medical Center and the University of California, San Francisco, under the leadership of Jennifer King, MD. It revealed that the keys to quality of life for blind seniors are a sense of dignity and control. CVI applies these principles in the design of its senior independent living and social programs.



Keep These Instructions for future use in preparing brochures and other items about the funded project.

The Able Trust™ Name, Logos and Taglines Requirements

Name, Logo and Tagline Usage Guidelines

- The Able Trust name and logo is a registered trademark with the United States Patent and Trademark Office
- The name, logo and tagline may not be used without express written permission from The Able Trust
- The name, logo and tagline may not be used in a manner that would disparage The Able Trust
- The logo and tagline may not be distorted in perspective or appearance
- The logo and tagline must be used as provided by The Able Trust with no changes in color, design or removal or addition of any words or artwork
- To request an electronic version of The Able Trust logo or have draft materials approved by The Able Trust, contact Guenevere Crum, at 888.838.2253 or guenevere@abletrust.org

The Able Trust Written Words Specifications & Requirements

The Able Trust should always be written in the following format:

- "The Able Trust"
- Capitalize the "T" in The and the letters in lowercase following the A in Able.

The following is incorrect:

- the Able Trust
- the ABLE Trust

The Able Trust Logo Specifications & Requirements

Pantone Color Specs <i>For Press Printing</i>	CMYK Color Specs <i>For Desktop Printer or Digital Press</i>	RGB Color Specs <i>For Computer Screen Presentation</i>
PMS280 = Pantone 661	C = 100 M = 100 Y = 27 K = 14	R = 38 G = 38 B = 113 (hex #: 262671)

*Grayscale - The entire logo wording should be black with a white background, as shown below.

Logo Size

The logo may be increased or decreased in size. However, its proportions should never be altered. Here are some recommended sizing options.



50% Aspect Ratio
Size: .68 X .99



75% Aspect Ratio
Size: 1.02 X 1.49



100% Aspect Ratio
Size: 1.36 X 2

The Able Trust Grant Award Logo Specifications & Requirements

- The Able Trust Grant Award contract states that "The Agency must recognize the Foundation in any materials that are the direct result of funding through this Contract."
- All materials that include the promotional logo or written recognition statement must be approved by The Able Trust.
- Materials can be emailed, faxed or mailed to:
 - Guenevere Crum
 - The Able Trust
 - 3320 Thomasville Rd, Suite 200
 - Tallahassee, FL 32308
 - 850.224.4496 Fax
 - guenevere@abletrust.org
- The Able Trust logo should be used for promotions related to projects funded by The Able Trust grant awards, which may include for example:
 - Project brochures
 - Project informational flyers
 - Event invitations/flyers/program books related to projects funded by The Able Trust grant award
- The Agency Grant Award contact should request an electronic format of The Able Trust logo to include in promotional materials or use the logo slick provided with The Able Trust Grant award contract.
- *Logos should not be scanned from this document or copied/saved from The Able Trust website.
- For press releases, please use the following written recognition statement in lieu of the logo:
 - This Project Funded by The Able Trust

Grant Logo

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