



CENTER FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED SKILLS SERIES

BASIC TECHNOLOGY INSTRUCTION

Whether you have low vision or no vision, technology can put the world at your fingertips. From using your iPhone to software that reads computer screens to programs that magnify the screen, these classes will give you the training you need to use computers, scanners and other devices whether you are a novice or advanced user.

Course prices vary. Financial assistance available through a sliding fee scale. To learn more about scheduling and financial assistance, email adultprograms@cviga.org or call 404-875-9011.



IPHONE 101

The iPhone is a great way to stay in touch with friends and family and useful for everyday tasks. This intro-level class will teach you about accessibility features of the iPhone; specifically (VoiceOver), and how to make and receive phone calls, send text messages, and check your voicemail. You will learn how to use applications such as alarms and timers, and Siri, the phone's voice-directed virtual assistant.

Three 60-minute sessions.

Fee is \$60 per session.

Required: Participants must have an iPhone of their own.



KEYBOARDING

Keyboarding skills are essential for people with vision loss hoping to learn or re-learn how to use a computer. In this class, you will learn the basics of Fun with TypeAbility, a typing and Computer Tutor Program for the Blind and Visually Impaired. You will also learn to touch type and gain overall knowledge of computer keyboard layout.

Minimum of one 90-minute session, with three 30-minute follow up lessons.

Fee is \$80 per session.

Required: Participants must be able to sit at a computer for up to one hour; feel the individual keys on a keyboard with or without tactile markers; and listen to and understand computer-generated audio instructions, with or without hearing aids.



COMPUTER COURSE: INTRODUCTION OF JAWS (JOB ACCESS WITH SPEECH)

JAWS is a screen reader program for Microsoft Windows that allows blind and visually impaired users to read the screen. In this course, you will learn how to navigate through webmail, surf the Internet, learn basic windows navigation, use JAWS reading commands, customize JAWS to your preference, and more. This class is full of helpful knowledge for a beginner wanting to learn the basics of JAWS.

Ten 90-minute sessions required.

Fee is \$80 per session.

Required: To sign up, clients must have a Windows 10 computer with JAWS software installed on their personal computer. It is recommended that clients learning on a laptop computer use a standard keyboard. You must be able to sit at a computer for up to one hour; feel the individual keys on a keyboard with or without tactile markers; and listen to and understand computer-generated audio instructions, with or without hearing aids.