

5. Accessible Reading Materials and Services

Arizona Braille and Talking Book Library

1030 N. 32nd ST.

Phoenix, AZ 85008

Phone: (602) 255-5578 or toll free (800) 255-5578

www.azlibrary.gov/talkingbooks

Learning Ally

Phone: (800) 221-4792

www.learningally.org

(mostly for textbooks, however they do have some pleasure reading. This service is not free and there is a sign-up fee as well as a membership required yearly fee).

Bookshare

Phone: (650) 352-0198 (Hours: M-F 9-5)

www.bookshare.org/cms

Bookshare is not a free service they provide textbooks and pleasure reading books in electronic format. The files are either text files or Braille files. No human narrated books.

Audible – an Amazon Company

Phone: (888) 283-5051

www.audible.com

(a service not designed for the blind or visually impaired but is extremely useable). This service is not free however this has pleasure reading books and the books are human narrated. These books are very well done. The price plans are reasonable. You also will need either the iPhone audible.com app or the android audible.com app. You can also either use some players such as the Victor Reader stream and others. Requires audible.com software on pc to download books.

Phoenix Public Library Accessibility Center

1221 N. Central Ave.

Phoenix, AZ 85004

Phone: (602) 262-4636 TTY: (602) 254-8205

www.phoenixpubliclibrary.org/ServicesForYou/AccessibilityCenter/Pages/default.aspx

Accessible computers and resource materials and online services.

NFB-Newsline

Over 300 Newspapers available

Toll Free: 1-866-504-7300 for more information

<https://nfb.org/audio-newspaper-service>

Other Resources:

Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA)

Phone: (602) 266-9286 x 0

www.azdes.gov/rsa/sbvid

RSA provides services through a number of programs including:

ILB-Independent Living Blind and

VR: Vocational Rehabilitation

Offices are statewide and services may include learning to use technologies to access print, Braille and audio books.

