SPECIAL NEEDS

People with special needs have the right to use library services with the same ease and independence as other members of the community. Patrons with disabilities should be able to conveniently identify and obtain library materials which meet their needs in a format which they can use. Our library values all users and seeks to provide a climate where information concerns are met. The library staff is committed to excellence in service for all people.

The following resources and technology are available in the library and considered part of our free services:

- **JAWS**: uses cursors to track system activity and speak the necessary information. To use JAWS, patrons need to check out headphones from the Circulation Desk.

- **ZOOM** for Windows Screen-reading and magnification is software developed for the blind or people with certain learning disabilities, providing access to the web, e-mail, and information databases.

- **KURZWEIL Reader**.

- **MagniLink**: Equipment for the magnification of printed materials.

Books in large print are available in the library collection.

Headphones are available for checkout at the Circulation Desk but users are encouraged to bring their own.

Large monitor computers, with adjustable height workstations. Special needs computers are located next to the Reference Desk and in the Library instruction room.

Captioned videos: These are videos for those that are hearing impaired or deaf. They may be found in the catalog under Subject - video recordings for the hearing impaired.

Grabber: To grab things in hard-to-reach places. The Grabber is located at the Circulation desk.