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Connecting people with useful information and resources

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APH ConnectCenter Transition Hub Celebrates First Anniversary

A one-stop comprehensive searchable national database of transition programs

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (May 23, 2022) – American Printing House for the Blind (APH) is celebrating the one-year anniversary of the APH ConnectCenter Transition Hub. The Transition Hub provides a searchable database to facilitate connections to local rehabilitation and transition agencies across the country. Created with school-age students, teachers of the visually impaired, vocational rehabilitation professionals, and family members in mind, users can search for programs by state and program type.

“Having one place that provides resources and opportunities for career exploration, life skills training, and mentoring is paramount to start individuals on the path to lifelong success,” said Olaya Landa-Vialard, APH ConnectCenter Director.

Currently, there are more than 50 transition programs from across the United States on the site. State schools for the blind, blindness vocational rehabilitation agencies, and nonprofit organizations that offer transition-specific programs for teens and young adults are encouraged to register with the Transition Hub. As new programs come online, the Transition Hub will grow to meet the needs of thousands of young people in search of life skills and career empowerment training across the United States and the world.

Made possible through a grant from The Gibney Family Foundation, the APH ConnectCenter Transition Hub is proud to have inaugural partners, The Association for the Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired (AER), Vision Serve Alliance (VSA), and Perkins School for the Blind’s Perkins Compass Program, supporting critical transition services for youth with visual impairments and blindness. The professionals, organizations, schools, and agencies represented by our partners are on the front lines of advocating for, and supporting, transition services for youth with visual impairments and blindness.

Visit the APH ConnectCenter Transition Hub to see the possibilities unfold at www.APHConnectCenter.org.

Click on the links below for additional information:

- American Printing House for the Blind's ConnectCenter (<https://aphconnectcenter.org/>)
- Association for the Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired (<https://aerbvi.org/>)
- Perkins School for the Blind (<https://www.perkins.org/school/transition-programs/college-success>)
- VisionServe Alliance (<https://visionservealliance.org/>)

[Listen to APH's Change Makers podcast](#) about the Transition Hub.

Hello,

The process of transitioning from high school, into college, or a workplace environment takes preparation, education and most importantly, resources. The need for those services led to the creation of APH's Transition Hub. A destination to facilitate connections with local rehabilitation and transition agencies across the country. Now celebrating its one-year anniversary, the Transition Hub continues to grow and expand.

Currently, there are more than 35 transition programs from across the United States on the site. State schools for the blind, blindness vocational rehabilitation agencies and nonprofit organizations that offer transition specific programs for teens and young adults are encouraged to register with the Transition Hub.

As new programs come online, the Transition Hub will continue grow to meet the needs of thousands of young people in search of life skills and career empowerment training across the United States and the world.

If you are interested in doing a news story on the Transition Hub to highlight its importance, I can arrange for interviews with representatives and a student.

I have attached a press release with further details. Thank you for your consideration and please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,

Sara

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