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The Florida Division of Blind Services (DBS) helps individuals who are blind or visually impaired achieve their goals and live a productive and independent life. Services cover all ages from babies to seniors.

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The Twenty/20 Store offers products to help with unique visual needs.

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Emerald Coast offers innovative products designed to assist people who have low vision or are blind. Specializes in Video Magnifiers, or Closed-Circuit Televisions (CCTVs) used by partially sighted persons for reading, writing, and viewing small objects.

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Offers a complete solution to further empower independence for individuals who are blind or visually impaired.

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Ability2Access is an authorized distributor of LVI products including the MagniLink Zip, MagniLink S, MagniLink Tab, MagniLink Voice and the new MagniLink WifiCam.

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Eschenbach has a large selection of magnification products including reading lenses, magnification visors, hands-free optical products, electronic and digital magnification, plus many types of illuminated magnifiers.

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John teaches assistive technology services offering both group and individual classes on iPhone and Android devices among numerous other devices.

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The FSU Visual Disabilities Program prepares professionals to teach specialized strategies and skills necessary to help individuals who are blind or who have low vision learn about and participate fully in school, employment, and the community. Classes to prepare future teachers and orientation and mobility specialists are offered through both online and face to face formats.

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The Student Accessibility Services Office assists students in receiving educational accommodations, academic advising, and other educational support services.

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FAAST is Florida's nonprofit Assistive Technology Act program. The federally and state funded program serves all Floridians and provides the following **free** services: short-term loans for assistive technology devices, demonstrations and trainings, public awareness and advocacy activities, information, and assistance.

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Provide health education and promote partnerships to improve community health, focusing on underserved, rural, and minority populations.

### **National Federation of the Blind of Tallahassee, Donald Christie, President**

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Our mission is to enrich people's daily experiences with personal assistive handheld and wearable AI devices that increase confidence and independence.

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Provides curb-to-curb transportation to citizens with a qualifying disability within StarMetro's route system.

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Provides blind and visual impairment rehabilitation services to eligible Veterans and active-duty Service members.