



Proposal C.3

Work with communities and stakeholders to explore ways to expand future CIL services.

1. NNCIL has been researching program expansion to begin offering services to our blind and low-vision community. Working with peer volunteers we have developed a very basic life skills class that has been meeting periodically throughout the year. We have taken what we've learned from these consumers and have created a workgroup that is composed of blind consumers, members of the northern Nevada chapter of the National Federation of the Blind (NFB), local professionals and leadership from the area's Lions Clubs. This workgroup is currently planning for the initial phase of a blind skills training program to include Blind 101 (how to be blind), Introduction to Keyboard Skills for Low Vision and Blind Consumers, Culinary Skills, and Household Management. Over time our concept is to train trainers to facilitate these programs creating a local source for skills training and support with the long term outcome of a full service Blind Skills Training Center. To create a more accessible environment we propose to install iBeacon technology for indoor navigation and applicable practice.

Estimated Cost :			
Demo White Canes & Cane Tips	15 various lengths	\$1,000.00	
Ibeacon Demonstration Kits	Bleu Station Beacons, Series 100, USB powered 10 pack is \$250.00	\$250.00	
Braille Printer/Embossers	Everest-D Braille 5 model	4,834.50	(IncludesShipping and Handling)
Braille Translator	Duxbury Braille Translator	600.00	(IncludesShipping and Handling)
Braille Paper	Braille Paper \$60/1250 sheets	132.00	(IncludesShipping and Handling)
Braille Device	Vario Ultra 40 cells	4394.5	(IncludesShipping and Handling)
Site Visits	2 Centers for the Blind	\$4,500.00	
	Sub-Total	\$15,711.00	
Administrative Fee	Admin Fee - 8%	\$1,256.88	
	Grand Total	\$16,967.88	

2. To continue to grow and support these efforts we recognize that we need to educate our community. We are planning to provide experiential sensitivity training for family, friends, neighbors, employers, and our community at large. This sensitivity training will allow participants to experience different types of low vision caused by eye disease, as well as, blindness. It will also demonstrate aids for daily living that assist people with vision disabilities to be independent. Our statewide training will address what community members can do to assist with keeping our environments friendly for everyone's use. (shopping carts, trash cans, trees/shrubs, snow removal, etc.)

Estimated Cost :			
Vision Simulators	4 sets, \$500 @ set /13 goggles per set (2 sets for NNCIL; 2 sets for SNCIL)	\$2,000.00	
Training Materials	100 packets @ \$20/packet	\$2,000.00	
	Sub-Total	\$4,000.00	
Administrative Fee	Admin Fee - 8%	\$320.00	
	Grand Total	\$4,320.00	