

BUREAU OF SERVICES FOR BLIND PERSONS TRAINING CENTER

Welcome!

The Bureau of Services for Blind Persons Training Center (BSBPTC) in Kalamazoo, Michigan, is a residential training institute that assists persons who are legally blind increase their marketable skills through onsite technical training programs to include interpersonal, independent living and employment readiness. BSBPTC Professionals pride themselves in providing exceptional service with the goal of assisting participants obtain or maintain employment. BSBPTC works to provide specialized/customized training and employment services to assist participants and businesses address challenges that may pose barriers to achieving their goals and objectives. BSBPTC also works to assist individuals to explore the possibilities of self-employment or entrepreneurship. Depending on individual needs, a participant might stay at the center for just a few weeks, or up to several months. Our goal is to graduate capable, motivated, and highly desired candidates for employment, as well as life-time self-advocates.

Since the passage of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, (WIOA), in July 2014, BSBP has worked to integrate new aspects of the law and is well-positioned and aligned with other core partners of the state.

If you become an active participant at the BSBP Training Center, we will help you to identify your individual skills and learning needs, helping you develop skills that closely match your own personal goals. Through this individualized learning, in an atmosphere of group support, we look forward to helping you create your own unique and individual success story!

Training Center Classes

- ACE (Android Core Education)
- Adaptive Kitchen Skills
- Assistive Technology (Victor Reader)
- Braille
- Computer
- Counseling and Career Planning
- Diabetes Education
- iOS Core Education (iPhone/iPad)
- Essential Fundamentals for Employment
- Finer Diner
- Industrial Arts
- Job Seeking Skills
- Keyboarding
- Low Vision/OCR
- Medication Management
- Occupational Therapy
- Orientation and Mobility
- Personal Finance
- Personal Management

*Employment Lab - Students may be enrolled in this class in conjunction with other classes

*Resource Workshop - An optional group instruction which may include sharing, mentoring or being mentored.

To attend the BSBP Training Center a customer will need to be referred by BSBP Field Counselor.

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