

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO NEEDS HELP?

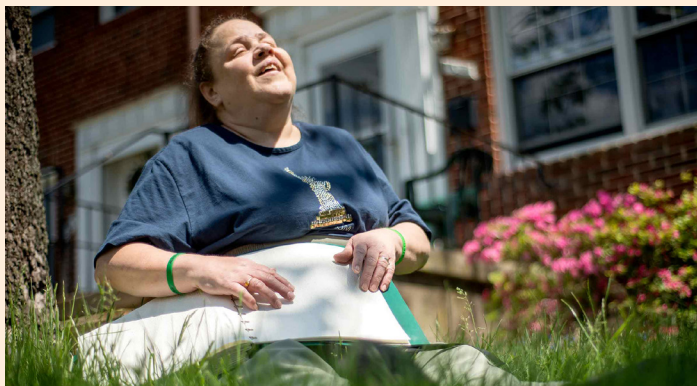
- Holding up a book or turning pages?
- Seeing the printed word?
- Finding Braille material?
- Signing up for available services?

HELP THEM CONNECT TO LIBRARY RESOURCES

We offer reading resources to residents with visual, physical, and reading disabilities and can send some directly to a customer's front door for **FREE**.

- Recorded books and magazines including:
 - New and bestselling fiction and nonfiction
 - Titles for youth (pre-k through young adult)
 - Spanish and other foreign language materials
- Talking Book players and accessories
- Braille books and magazines

For more information about other adaptive equipment and accessible resources offered by the Library like the "Listen" feature within the Gale family of databases or our collection of eBooks and digital audiobooks on Libby by Overdrive, Hoopla, and Tumblebooks, visit bit.ly/TalkingBooksJax.



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TESTIMONIALS

"I cannot tell you how much I have used and enjoyed my books. It is truly wonderful and I wish I could thank everyone involved in providing these services."

"I hate to think what I would do without this service."

"I would be lost without these books."

Do you know area residents who have lost their vision but not their love of reading?

Do you know someone who cannot hold a print book or turn the pages due to arthritis or other conditions?

Do you have a child or student with dyslexia or other print disability?

Call us at **255-2665** or email JPLTBSpecialNeeds@coj.net and help us make reading possible for all.

Jacksonville's Talking Books and Braille Library is part of a network of libraries administered by the National Library Service for the Blind and Print Disabled (NLS), a branch of the Library of Congress.

TALKING BOOKS AND BRAILLE

Making reading possible for all



Start Here. Go Anywhere.

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DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO COULD BENEFIT FROM THESE SERVICES?

Jacksonville Public Library loans recorded books and magazines (referred to as "Talking Books") – along with a player – **FREE** by mail to persons with temporary or permanent low vision, blindness, or a physical or perceptual disability that prevents them from reading or holding a print book. Eligible customers may also request Braille books and magazines.



Our special equipment makes reading possible for all.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

We are part of a network of cooperating libraries throughout Florida with access to over 60,000 titles. From bestsellers and classics to histories and mysteries, there's something in the vast collection to please every reading interest.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Materials are available to residents of Duval County who cannot read standard print or hold a book due to a qualifying visual, physical or reading disability. The eligibility criteria listed below were established by the National Library Service for the Blind and Print Disabled. They include:

1. Legal blindness
2. Visual disability that makes it difficult to read or use standard printed materials
3. Physical disability that makes it difficult to hold a book or turn pages
4. A perceptual or reading disability (such as dyslexia)
5. Institutions that serve eligible individuals (schools, nursing homes, etc.)

Those who require alternative access or accessible formats (i.e., Braille, large print, audio, digital text) to gain and use information from print books are often eligible for this service. The disability may be temporary or a lifelong need.

WHAT'S THE COST?

Materials are delivered to and from a customer's home as Free Matter for the Blind or Handicapped via the United States Postal Service. Special equipment and accessories are also loaned at no charge.

HOW DOES SOMEONE APPLY?

Applications must be certified/signed by a professional. Competent authorities that may certify applicants include: doctor of medicine, doctor of osteopathy, ophthalmologist, optometrist, psychologist, registered nurse, therapist, and professional staff of hospitals, institutions, and public or welfare agencies (such as an educator, social worker, case worker, counselor, rehabilitation teacher, certified reading specialist, school psychologist, or superintendent).

Help a friend or relative enroll and obtain the needed certification. To get an application form:

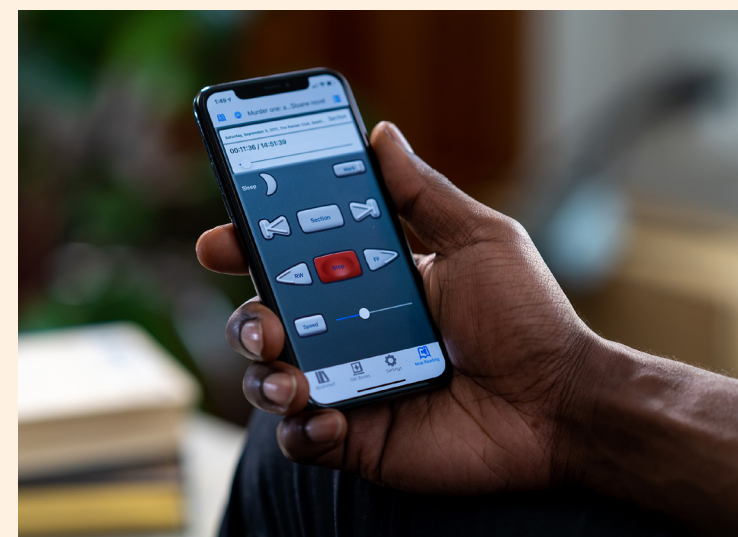
- Visit us online at bit.ly/TalkingBooksJax
- Call **255-2665** and request an application by mail
- Speak to any staff member

HOW ARE BOOKS AND MAGAZINES ORDERED?

When a customer enrolls, they can either:

1. Choose daily, weekly, or monthly delivery of materials chosen by library staff (based on the customer's reading interests) or
2. Order specific titles by requesting a large print or recorded catalog. A catalog is also available online at flopac.klas.com. To help library staff make better selections, customers may update their reading interests at any time.

Once a customer is registered for Talking Books, they may also apply for BARD (Braille and Audio Reading Download). Digital materials may be downloaded at no cost directly to smart phone or tablet or transferred from a computer to a USB drive (to be played on a Talking Books player).



The iOS and Android mobile apps, known as BARD Mobile, include built-in playback capability, so you can enjoy talking books anytime, anywhere.

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