WHAT IS THE SOUTHWEST GEORGIA LIBRARY FOR ACCESSIBLE SERVICES?

- Is a Sub-regional library working with the GLASS regional library and three outreach service centers.
- Houses and distributes @ 15,000 digital recorded books to a population of 522,169 over 8,553 square miles in 22 counties.
- Provides 2 day turnaround from day of request for materials.
- Provides reader’s advisory and public awareness service for persons with special needs and those who serve them.
- Provides deposit collections to: Nursing/Alternative Care Homes, Senior Centers, Schools, Universities and Libraries.
- Provides training and public presentations on services available.

The Southwest Georgia Library for Accessible Services serves the following twenty-two county region:

BAKER
BROOKS
CALHOUN
CLAY
COLQUITT
DECatur
DOUGHERTY
EARLY
ECHOLS
GRADY
LANIER
LEE
LOWNDES
MILLER
MITCHELL
QUITMAN
RANDOLPH
SEMINOLE
TERRELL
THOMAS
WEBSTER
WORTH

Further information and/or an application form is available by: calling (229) 248-2680 or 1-800-795-2680; or by visiting us in person at the Southwest Georgia Library for Accessible Services.

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Online Catalog – http://webopac.klas.com/glass
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THE TALKING BOOK PROGRAM

- Books and magazines published in Braille and recorded form (cassettes & digital)
- Materials from the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped of the Library of Congress
- Designed for readers who cannot hold, handle, or see well enough to read conventional print due to a temporary or permanent visual or physical handicap
- Materials are loaned FREE to eligible readers in the United States and to U.S. citizens living abroad through a national network of state and local libraries (including The Southwest Georgia Library for Accessible Services)
- Materials can be returned by postage-free mail
- Deposit collections are available for use by residents of nursing facilities, senior centers, schools and more

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

- Popular materials including:
  - Best-sellers
  - Classics
  - Mysteries
  - Westerns
  - Science Fiction
  - Romance
  - Religious
  - Biography
  - Children’s Books
- Subscribe to more than seventy popular magazines, such as:
  - Good Housekeeping
  - Consumer Reports
  - Ebony
  - Sports Illustrated
  - National Geographic
  - Kids/Cricket
  - Humpty Dumpty

SPECIAL EQUIPMENT

- Digital Playback Machines are loaned for as long as you use the recorded materials.
- Amplifiers are available for those who are certified as hearing impaired.
- Other devices are available; please contact The Southwest Georgia Library for Accessible Services for more information.

ELIGIBILITY

You are eligible for the Library of Congress program if:

- You are legally blind.
- You cannot see well enough to read standard print, although you wear glasses to correct your vision.
- You are unable to handle print books or turn pages because of a physical handicap.
- You are certified by a medical doctor as having a reading disability, due to an organic dysfunction, which is of sufficient severity to prevent reading in a conventional manner.