Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired South Carolina

Quarterly Newsletter Spring 2025

Creating opportunities for individuals experiencing blindness and low vision to Live, Learn, and Earn.

ABVI provides specialized vision education and comprehensive vision rehabilitation to individuals of all ages across South Carolina and beyond. We work to improve the quality of life of our clients through empowerment, services, advocacy, and enrichment. Visit us @ [www.abvisc.org](http://www.abvisc.org/)

# NEW Website & Online Store

Have you seen our new look? Come see us @ [www.abvisc.org](http://www.abvisc.org/) and explore the full spectrum of services we offer for all ages and stages of vision care. You'll experience faster navigation and greater access to information about:

* Low Vision
* Assistive Technology
* Orientation and Mobility
* and much more!

Coming soon: our online store! Explore popular assistive devices recommended by our instructors. We're here to support you from assessment to purchase and beyond!

# The Power of Technology

"I finally did it! I just looked at myself in the mirror.” -Jim

For the first time in his life, Jim, who has been blind since youth, experienced the incredible moment of seeing his own reflection. This life-changing moment was made possible by the technology of Ray-Ban Meta Glasses. After a short lesson on the glasses' features, he used this innovative technology to make a mirror accessible!

If you're interested in the accessibility features of Ray-Ban Meta Glasses, join us for upcoming workshops! Stay tuned for dates and times in the coming weeks. Follow us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/ABVISC) and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/abvisouthcarolina/) to hear more stories of success like Jim's!

Full Swing into Spring!
Our children's programming offers events for Early Intervention families through Dots 'N' Tots, in addition to events for teens through our S.E.L.E.C.T. program. From tiny travelers to online accessible gaming, we're keeping in step with today's families! If you'd like to learn more about our last event of the academic year, Orientation and Mobility for Tiny Travelers, visit the Children's Services Spring [2025 Calendar link](https://www.abvisc.org/childrens-services/).

Although children's programming will pause over the summer, you can [bookmark this page of events by clicking this phrase](https://www.abvisc.org/events/) and be the first one to learn about our Fall 2025 programs!

# Noir Success and Looking Ahead

Thank you to our friends and supporters for a record-breaking Noir Gala on March 8th. We exceeded our goal by raising over $600k! Guests of the blind-dining event also had the opportunity to view the premiere of our new video, highlighting ABVI's Adult Services. [Click here to watch the impact of ABVI services in our communities](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lSNnBPuJNy4).

Looking ahead to fall, we are excited to continue the celebration by hosting a mission-driven event in the Upstate of South Carolina, Nera! Stay tuned to your email and social media for more details.

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Join Our Team!
We welcome employment inquiries year-round! If you or someone you know has professional experience with individuals who are low vision or blind, please reach out by emailing HR@ABVISC.ORG.

Positions include: Teachers for the Visually Impaired, Certified Orientation and Mobility Specialists, Certified Low Vision Specialists, and other related positions in the fields of vision education and rehabilitation

[Visit our full list of job openings on the website by clicking this sentence's hyperlink.](https://www.abvisc.org/connect/join-the-team/)

# [Click this sentence to make a difference](https://www.abvisc.org/donate/)!

# For questions about any of our services or to inquire about becoming a client, contact us at: info@abvisc.org or 843-723-6915

# Locations

**Lowcountry:** 1 Carriage Lane, Building A, Charleston, SC 29407

**Midlands:** 1180 Columbia Avenue, Suite 102, Irmo, SC 29063

**Upstate:** 701 Easley Bridge Road, Building 6000, Suite 6070, Greenville, SC 29611

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