

We share our stories to build a stronger community, raise expectations, and ensure that blind people can fully participate in all aspects of society.

## BUILDING COMMUNITY FOR THE NEXT GENERATION

“I am infinitely thankful to my parents who at a very early age instilled a ‘no limit’ attitude in me, they taught me to embrace my blindness and to be always unapologetically me. They introduced me to the NFB BELL® program at four years old and the power of Braille literacy and self-advocacy. I look forward to continuing my journey of independence, resilience, and advocacy.” – NFB Scholarship Recipient



- **Early Childhood Initiatives: 644 families** received early cane travel activities and instruction, and family-friendly Braille pre-literacy materials and support.
- **NFB BELL® Academy:** 18 Braille enrichment for literacy and learning programs were held across the country, **connecting 153 students to blind teachers and mentors.**
- **STEM Enrichment:** 118 blind youth participated in in-person and online programs that introduced them to **accessible science lessons and demonstrated that STEM careers are possible.**

## HELPING BLIND PEOPLE STAY CONNECTED



- **NFB-NEWSLINE®:** In 2025, our free Braille and audio, news, media, and job-listing service was **accessed 52,824,886 times.**
- **Free White Cane Program:** We sent out **6,048 free long white canes—an essential tool for freedom and independence—**helping blind people engage in their communities with confidence.
- **2025 National Convention:** The premier event for training, support, and information for the blind community was held in New Orleans, where **more than 2,600 people came together in addition to 550 who participated virtually.**

“For most of my life, I was the only blind person in the room. I didn’t have a clear picture of what it could mean to live as a blind person with confidence. I used a cane, but I didn’t walk with pride. I did what I had to do, but I didn’t know I could expect more. When I came into the Federation, everything shifted. I met blind people who weren’t hiding, who weren’t shrinking, who weren’t trying to ‘pass’. They were living, leading, and thriving.” – NFB Member

# SHARING STORIES OF COLLECTIVE ACHIEVEMENT

- **Blind Owned and Operated Marketplace:** In 2025, the NFB launched a new initiative to amplify blind entrepreneurs. **In just the first six months, 60 blind-owned businesses joined the marketplace** and were connected with a wider audience.
- **Employment Initiatives:** Our career fairs, career mentoring programs, and *Where the Blind Work* webinars raise expectations for blind people in the workforce. **In 2025, 274 blind professionals connected with 45 employers looking to hire.**
- **Podcasts:** The growing listener base of the *Nation's Blind* and *Access On* podcasts hear **stories from regular blind people**, get news and access technology updates, and share their own perspectives and questions.

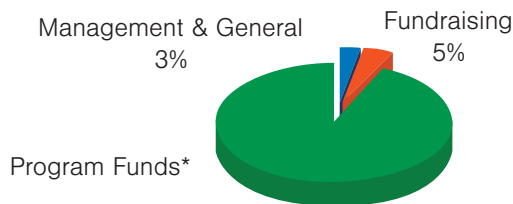
“Despite many barriers, blind business owners are successful every day. Our movement is committed to amplifying these businesses and helping them to thrive through the support of our community.” – Mark Riccobono

## ACCOUNTABILITY & TRANSPARENCY

The National Federation of the Blind meets the most rigorous standards for charity accountability and has earned the Candid Platinum Seal of Transparency and a CharityWatch “A” rating.



## FINANCIAL STATEMENT



**Fundraising and Management and General Expenses as a percent of Contributions and Government Grants and Contracted Services**  
To read our 2025 annual report, visit [nfb.org/annual-report](https://nfb.org/annual-report).

*\*All contributions received in the year not spent on management and general or fundraising are available for program funds.*

## TURN SHARED BELIEF INTO BOLD ACTION

Because of you, our movement continues to grow stronger, more connected, and more determined than ever. Thank you for your support of blind Americans.

### Contribute Online

Make a credit card contribution at [nfb.org/donate](https://nfb.org/donate).

### Give By Phone

Call 410-659-9314, extension 2430.

### Contribute By Mail

Send checks made out to “National Federation of the Blind” to the National Federation of the Blind, attention Outreach, at 200 East Wells St, Baltimore, MD 21230.

### Increase Your Impact

There are many easy and tax-advantaged ways to support the blind community. Learn more at [nfb.org/get-involved/ways-give](https://nfb.org/get-involved/ways-give) or call 410-659-9314, extension 2430.

