

## Pioneer Printers

Pioneer Printers assists in improving the quality of life of visually impaired, multi-disabled and deafblind persons through the provision of literature in all mediums accessible to them.

- Provision and distribution of literature in braille
- Provision and distribution of literature in large print
- Provision and distribution of literature in audio
- Provision of music literature in braille



## Pioneer School for the visually impaired

Financial support is provided to Pioneer School to promote the education of visually impaired learners.

- Accommodation in hostels
- Specialised education and allied health services
- Training in orientation and mobility
- Sport and cultural activities
- Resource Centre



## How can you help us?

- Pray for us
- Purchase our products, eg mattresses and cane furniture – catalogue available
- Utilise our services, eg audio magazines
- Donations: all donations are tax deductible
- Become a volunteer
- Consider leaving us a bequest – we provide the necessary information
- Provide employment to visually impaired persons
- Invite us for a visit to your Church or any other group
- Visit our facilities and learn more about our services

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Worcester**

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*Since 1881*



# The Institute for the Blind offers the following services

*"together we create a future ..."*



## Industries

The provision of accommodation and employment opportunities to adult visually impaired, multi-disabled and deafblind persons. In this way the Institute is able to generate funds through manufacturing and trading activities without pursuing a profit.

- Employment in six factories – mattress, weaving, packaging, cane, woodwork and metal
- Accommodation and meals in apartments and homes
- Work satisfaction and an increased feeling of self-worth
- Sale of our manufactured products in our shops and at our Parow Depot



## Training, Skills and Career Development

Visually impaired, multi-disabled and deafblind adults receive continuous training and skills development to promote their self-worth.

- Adult training and support in braille, computer, alternative communication methods, ABET, music and life skills
- Training in orientation and mobility
- Hannes Duminy venue – therapeutic training to multi-disabled adults
- The MJ Luttig venue for the Deafblind – computer training, internet access
- Low Vision support, training and services to the community
- Career development with regard to call centre / client services, computer and N-programmes
- Recreational activities (golf, horse-riding, goal ball, chess, swimming, dancing, band and bowling) and other social activities



## Care Services

Our residential care facilities and meals meet with the norms and standards for persons with disabilities. Visually impaired, multi-disabled and deafblind adults are accommodated in homes and apartments with medical and therapeutic support services under the supervision of compassionate and skilled staff.

- Ebenhaezer Home – multi-disabled adults
- De Villiers Home – visually impaired men
- Jack Pauw Home – visually impaired ladies
- Dirk Brand Home – visually impaired men
- James Murray Apartments – visually impaired families
- AS Cronje Apartments – visually impaired families
- Binnehof Apartments – visually impaired families



## Elderly care

Specialised programmes were designed to improve quality of life through safe accommodation, special meal plans, intensive care, a well equipped sickbay, support services and social activities.

- Brevis Home - home for the elderly (visually impaired)

## Support Services

With professional support and skilled staff, visually impaired, multi-disabled and deafblind adults are assisted on many terrains.

- Individual career training
- Individual evaluation
- Career planning
- Job placement
- Multi-sensory stimulation programme – Snoezelen area
- Group Therapy
- Psychiatric consultation



## Marketing and Awareness

Continuous marketing and awareness of our services and support is imperative.

- Blindiana Museum – a museum for persons with visual impairments about the visually impaired
- George van Heerden Tactile Fossil Exhibitions
- Eddie van Dijk Geological exhibition
- The Blind Spot – disabled friendly reception area and theatre
- Outreach Programmes – sharing information and services with the community
- Special Events – Dinner in the Dark, Golf Days, Eye Care Awareness Week etc
- Media Awareness Campaigns – newsletters, press and television

