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Illinois School for the Visually Impaired is under jurisdiction of Illinois Department of Human Services Division of Rehabilitative Services.



The Illinois School for the Visually Impaired (ISVI), established in 1849, is a residential day school for students who are blind or visually impaired. Located in Jacksonville, ISVI provides accredited educational and related services for children from birth to three years of age through preschool, elementary, and high school.

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**Illinois School for the Visually Impaired  
Birth to Three Program**



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## **What is the Birth to Three Program?**

The ISVI Birth to Three program provides early intervention services for families whose children, from birth to age three, are visually impaired or blind.

### **These Services Include:**

- Functional vision assessment including specialized evaluations for Cortical Visual Impairment.
- Individualized developmental assessment
- Natural Environment sessions with the child and parent(s) or caretaker
- Specialized equipment and toy-loaning service
- Support and resources for parents, siblings, grandparents, and other Early Intervention therapists
- Professional services from ISVI specialists in the areas of Orientation and Mobility, Speech and Language, Assistive Technology and Low Vision
- Transition support and services for children entering the public schools or other preschool programs

Early intervention services for infants and toddlers who are visually impaired or blind are essential for their success in a sight-oriented world.

Adaptations utilized by children and their families enable them to reach important developmental milestones.

### **How Much does it Cost?**

The ISVI Birth to Three program is free to Illinois families.

The program is funded through the Illinois Department of Human Services, Division of Rehabilitation Services.

