

# Notes from the Navigator.....

A Monthly Newsletter about Serving Customers with Disabilities in the One-Stop System



## LONG ISLAND TALKING BOOK LIBRARY

Long Island Talking Book Library (LITBL) is a free library service for individuals who cannot hold, handle or see well enough to use regular print books. LITBL lends professionally recorded books and magazines and the special equipment needed to play them to eligible residents on Long Island. Materials are sent to borrowers and returned by postage-free mail. Currently, about four thousand readers are served and over one hundred thousand talking books are loaned out.

Any Long Island resident who is unable to read or use standard print materials as a result of visual or physical limitations is eligible. Individuals may include people who are legally blind; people who are visually impaired and unable to read print even with corrective lenses and people who are unable to hold a book or turn pages due to various physical conditions.

The Disability Program Navigator Initiative is a collaborative effort of the Suffolk County One-Stop Center, the Suffolk County Workforce Investment Board, VESID and Abilities, Inc.

For More Information Contact: Alice Young, Navigator  
(631) 853-6775

Under federal regulations, individuals with cognitive impairments, mental retardation, literacy or language problems are not eligible to receive talking books unless they also meet the visual or physical criteria. Individuals who are certified by a doctor of medicine or osteopathy as having a reading disability, due to an organic dysfunction, that is severe enough to prevent reading in the usual manner, are eligible to receive talking books.

This program is made possible through the support of the Suffolk Cooperative Library System and the Nassau Library System in an effort to ensure accessible library services to people with disabilities throughout Long Island.

**For More Information:**  
**Toll Free Nassau/Suffolk**  
**1-866-833-1122**  
**Website: [www.litbl.org](http://www.litbl.org)**

This project is funded by a grant from the  
U.S. Department of Labor,  
Employment and Training Administration