20/20 vision is often associated with a term dealing with one’s ability to reflect on the past. This year, however, we have the unique opportunity to connect 2020 with our view of what has yet to come. As we look forward to the possibilities of the coming year, we do so with a perfect vision of what we know we are capable of accomplishing as an organization.

For the Foundation for Blind Children, 2020 will be a continuation of the journey that was started back in 1952. With a deep strategic focus, we will continue to provide the first-rate education, tools and services that enable those with vision loss the opportunity to achieve their dreams. Our services and advocacy to the blind and visually impaired children, teens and adults of our community is truly one-of-a-kind.

The children we serve are of all ages, and their triumphs of the past and future accomplishments are truly inspirational. Maintaining this momentum into the new year would not be possible without the amazing support of our community, board and staff.

Thank you for your long-standing commitment and support of our mission and thank you for allowing me to be a part of this wonderful journey.

Steve Pope
President
FBC partners with the Arizona Coyotes and Arizona Disabled Sports to teach blind and visually impaired teens to play hockey.

WAYMO launches their “Let’s Talk Self Driving” campaign with FBC as a strategic partner.

FBC board Secretary David Nigro is recognized by the Phoenix Business Journal for his contributions to the community.

Foundation for Blind Children students were chosen to test out the new braille LEGO sets.

FBC Alumn Cesar Yanez becomes the first blind student to graduate from Loyola Academy in Phoenix, Arizona.

Long time FBC supporters, Ashton Tiffany, are presented with the Visionary Award at Night for Sight.
Alexa attends FBC’s Elementary Education Program. Her journey with FBC started in 2013 when she received early intervention services. Throughout her preschool years, Alexa went from scooting around on the floor to walking with a gait trainer.

In the beginning, she would run into obstacles and cry. She progressed to asking for help and then moving the trainer on her own. Despite her progress, she continued to demonstrate hesitation and resistance toward new things, including holding a long cane or walking without the gait trainer.

When walking with staff, she would use a modified human guide technique (e.g., holding the adult’s wrist instead of their hand). Alexa progressed from holding on tightly with two hands to holding on with just one. After building trust with FBC staff, a long cane was introduced.

Alexa learned to hold and use the cane while in a seated position. She would use it to find toys in front of her. She mastered this skill quickly and soon began to use her cane to walk around campus on a daily basis.

It didn’t take long for Alexa to take her skills to the next level. As she stood on her own, holding her cane, she requested to walk to the gym. Her Orientation & Mobility (O&M) Instructor gave her permission and she walked independently toward the classroom door. She found the door, opened it, and headed toward the gym.

She walked confidently, holding her cane in front of her body and greeting several people along the way! When her cane detected a wall, she moved her body and continued walking without crying or asking for help.

FBC is proud of the hard work and effort Alexa and all of our students demonstrate every day. Because of you, we look forward to her continued progress and success!
Foundation for Blind Children is partnering with Arizona State University to start the first undergraduate degree in Special Education and Teachers of the Visually Impaired (TVI). This will be the only undergraduate TVI program west of the Mississippi!

This Bachelor’s degree in Special Education with a concentration in Visual Impairment will prepare future teachers to work with blind and partially sighted students in public and private schools, as well as other organizations that serve the visually impaired. It leads to a dual certification in Visual Impairment (birth–grade 12) and Mild-Moderate Special Education (K–12), and results in an English immersion endorsement to work with pre-K–12 English language learners.

The coursework provides a strong foundation in evidence-based, high-leverage practices in special education. The Visual Impairment concentration focuses on diagnostic assessment, orientation and mobility skills, and specific teaching methodologies for students with visual impairments. It includes a strong focus on assistive technology to advance learning in the classroom and in daily life.

Candidates are taught to work collaboratively with parents, classroom teachers and related service personnel to meet the unique needs of students with visual impairments. The curriculum is aligned with Arizona and national standards consistent with the Council for Exceptional Children.

For more information, please visit: www.education.asu.edu/degree-programs/special-education-visual-impairment
In December 2019, KTAR 92.3 FM presented a three-part series exploring an Arizona prison program through which inmates create braille materials for the state’s visually impaired students. To read/watch the complete 3-part series, please visit ktar.com

According to the American Printing House for the Blind and the National Prison Braille Network, Arizona is one of 28 states taking part in the nearly 43 different prison braille programs across the U.S. made up of nearly 1,000 inmates.

However, Arizona’s inmates have catapulted the state into national acclaim for their high level of production.

Last year alone, they transcribed more than 164,000 individual pages of braille for Arizona students. This includes quizzes and tests produced for the Braille on Demand program, which are transcribed within 48 hours so visually impaired students can take quizzes and tests alongside their sighted peers.

“[Arizona’s programs] are highly rated for the mere fact that they have support from the vision community,” National Prison Braille Network coordinator Jayma Hawkins told KTAR News.

“They have vision officials who come in and support the program [and] the people and provide resources. Other programs may just have a correctional officer who oversees it.”

This support comes from the Foundation for Blind Children, a Phoenix-based nonprofit.

There are five foundation-funded prison braille programs in place in Arizona, with the organization footing the bill for nearly 20 years.

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Since I became a Delta Gamma in college and was exposed to our Service for Sight philanthropy, I have always been drawn to supporting organizations that help the visually impaired. But why FBC in particular? That’s easy and boils down to two numbers. 70 and 15.

Nationally, 70% of visually impaired individuals are unemployed, while only 15% of FBC graduates are unemployed.

How can you not give to an organization that is making that magnitude of an impact in empowering their students through self-sufficiency and confidence?

FBC encourages, supports, and loves with everything that they have and I consider myself fortunate to have been introduced to FBC. It is an honor to support this incredible organization.

- Teena Tabor
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