

Dear Friends,

In September 1919, Helen Keller wrote -



“The human being is born with an incurable capacity
for making the best of things.”



The Lackawanna Blind Association must know this to be true because throughout the pandemic and up to the present, they have worked together as an agency to provide top-notch services for the clients. The staff has truly made ‘the best of things’ for everyone and the clients have also made ‘the best of things’ as we have all struggled to find a new normal.

The agency has continued to bring clients into the office for regular activities adding all the safety precautions necessary. They have continued Life Enrichment classes which give the clients much needed sensory activities and social interaction. They have provided client support for help with correspondence, getting groceries, attending doctor appointments, etc. And the client minibus is always on the road!!

In the community, the Prevention of Blindness program is being presented when the instructors are able to get into local schools and is well received by the children and parents. The Radio Reading Service, with the help of the University of Scranton, is still providing radio service to area nursing homes through a grant given to the LBA. There has been a very positive response from the residents using the service.

Now we are looking toward the future and working on new, exciting and innovative ideas to bring very necessary funding to our agency and we need your support! We have a committee in place that is making plans for new endeavors. There will be a **Helen Keller Day in April 2023** but the format, place and other specifics are not in order just yet. Please bear with us as we iron out the details and we will keep you informed as we get better organized.

We still need any help you are willing and able to give. We look forward to hearing from you ...just complete the enclosed form and return it to the LBA office. Your dues and donations make a big difference!! We hope that you are adjusting to the new and better normal. We know you have the capacity for making ‘the best of things’, so look for the good in every day and share your time and talents with those in need. We wish you and your families good health and happiness -



Mary Lou Wascavich Executive Director of Lackawanna Blind Association



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Lackawanna Blind Association

FRIENDS OF THE BLIND

Please respond before October 31, 2022

_____ I am enclosing \$10 in membership dues for the Friends of the Blind.

_____ I am a life member of the Friends of the Blind but would like to make an additional contribution.

(Please make checks payable to Friends of the Blind)

Name _____

Address _____

Phone number _____

Email address _____

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the LBA office at 570-342-7613. We look forward to working with you!

If you have any constructive suggestions or ideas that you would like to share, please let us know.