

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (ASL) AND DEAF CULTURE MATERIALS:
DISTRIBUTORS, ASL CURRICULUMS, & TECHNICAL COMMUNICATION

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A. INTRODUCTION

When we first developed this information and listing of sign language and Deaf culture materials in 1982, we included a fairly exhaustive listing of materials available at that time. Since 1982, however, as knowledge about American Sign Language (ASL) and Deaf culture has grown there has been an ever increasing number of excellent materials for students and teachers of ASL and Deaf culture. Therefore, rather than continue to provide a list of general sign language and Deaf culture materials that was becoming more and more selective, we have decided to provide readers with a list of distributors for these materials (see Sections B and C). We encourage our readers to contact the distributors listed in B and C below for information (catalogs etc.) about materials available from each source. Also, if readers are aware of major distributors of ASL and/or Deaf culture materials that we have not listed, we would appreciate receiving information about these distributors.

In addition to distributors of ASL and Deaf culture materials, this paper includes (1) a listing of major ASL curriculums (Section D), (2) some NTID produced educational products (Appendix A), and (3) information about sign language materials for technical communication (Section E and Appendixes B and C). Again, we are most appreciative to our readers for any suggested additions to our lists.

B. MAJOR DISTRIBUTORS FOR AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (ASL) & DEAF CULTURE MATERIALS

The following distributors (in alphabetical order) provide a wide variety of materials (books, videotapes, etc.) on ASL and Deaf culture, and readers are encouraged to contact each of these distributors directly.

1. Assistive Communication Center, 7346 South Alton Way, Suite E, Englewood, CO 80112, 1-303-290-6227 (TTY/V), 1-800-859-8331 (V/TTY), 1-303-290-0405 (FAX)
2. Butte Publications, P.O. Box 1328, Hillsboro, OR 97123-1328, 1-800-330-9791 (TTY/V), 1-503-693-9526 (FAX), service@buttepublications.com
3. Campus Connections, Rochester Institute of Technology Bookstore (RIT), Building 15, 48 Lomb Memorial Drive, Rochester, NY 14623-5604, 1-716-475-2504 (V), x7071 (TTY), x6499 (FAX), jerbkkg@rit.edu
4. Dawn Sign Press, 6130 Nancy Ridge Drive, San Diego, CA 92121-3223, 1-800-549-5350 (V/TTY), 1-619-625-2336 (FAX)
5. Deaf Expo General Store, 4717 Laurel Canyon Boulevard, Suite 210, North Hollywood, CA 91607-3944, 1-818-760-3292 (TTY), 1-800-735-2922 (Voice Relay), 1-818-760-3391 (FAX)
6. Gallaudet University Press, Gallaudet University, 800 Florida Avenue NE, Washington, DC 20002; Orders: 1-800-451-9347 (V/TTY), 1-800-621-2736 (V), 1-800-621-8476 (FAX); Information: 1-202-651-5489 (FAX), 1-202-651-5488 (TTY/V): Publications include Sign Language Studies, a journal that publishes papers on signed languages, and related disciplines, including linguistics, anthropology, semiotics, & deaf studies, history, & literature.
7. Greater Los Angeles Council on Deafness, Inc. (GLAD) Bookstore, 2222 Laverna Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90041, 1-323-550-4260 (TTY/V), 323-478-8000 (V/TTY), x4265 (FAX), dschultz@gladinc.org

8. Harris Communications, 15159 Technology Drive, Eden Prairie, MN 55344-2277, 1-800-825-6758 (V), x9187 (TTY), 612-906-1099 (FAX), mail@harriscomm.com; www.harriscomm.com
9. In Motion Press, 2625 Alcatraz Avenue, # 324, Berkeley, CA 94705, 1-510-538-8315 (TTY/V), x8239 (FAX)
10. National Association of the Deaf (NAD) Bookstore, 814 Thayer Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910-4500, 1-301-587-6282 (V), x6283 (TTY), x4873 (FAX)
11. Potomac Technology, 1 Church Street, Suite 101, Rockville, MD 20850, 1-800-433-2838 (V/TTY)
12. Silent Network, 6363 Sunset Boulevard, Suite 930-B, Hollywood, CA 90028, 1-213-464-SIGN (V/TTY)
13. Sign Enhancers, Inc., Dept. 97A, P.O. Box 12687, Salem, OR 97309-0687, 1-800-767-4461 (V), 1-888-283-5097 (TTY), 1-503-257-3013 (FAX), WWW.SignEnhancers.com
14. Sign Media, Burtonsville Commerce Center, 4020 Blackburn Lane, Burtonsville, MD 20866, 1-301-421-0268 (V), 1-301-421-4460 (TTY), 1-301-421-0270 (FAX), 1-800-475-4756 (TTY/V)
15. Silent Network, 6363 Sunset Blvd., Suite 930-B, Hollywood, CA 90028, 213-464-SIGN (V/TTY)
16. T. J. Publishers, 817 Silver Spring Avenue, # 206, Silver Spring, MD 29010-4617, 1-800-999-1168 (V/TTY), 1-301-585-5930 (FAX), 301-585-4440 (V/TTY)

C. OTHER DISTRIBUTORS

The following distributors (in alphabetical order) provide more general and/or specific information as indicated by their titles and as described. Again, interested readers are encouraged to contact each of these distributors for Aadditional@ information.

1. Alinda Press, P.O. Box 553, Eureka, CA 95501, 1-707-442-6856 (TTY/V): Sign booklet for babysitters and hospital setting, children=s booklet explaining hearing loss and communication tips, and wallet-size sign language card for law enforcement officials
2. American Sign Language Teachers= Association (ASLTA), 814 Thayer Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910, 1-301-587-1788 (V), 587-1789 (TTY), 587-1791 (FAX)
3. American Society for Deaf Children (ASDC), 814 Thayer Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910, 1-301-585-5400 (V/TTY):
 - a. Parent organization that supports total communication and places emphasis on information and services for parents:
 - b. The Endeavor is a monthly newsletter mailed to all ASDC members.
4. Boys Town Press, 13603 Flanagan Boulevard, Boys Town, NE 68010, 1-800-282-6657

5. National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID), Marketing Communications Department, Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT), 52 Lomb Memorial Drive, Rochester, NY 14623-5604, 1-716-475-6906 (V/TTY):
 - a. Distributes information about educational print materials and captioned educational videotapes relevant to D/deaf and hard-of-hearing people, and sign language instructional materials.
 - b. Also, distributes general informational brochures about communication, D/deaf and hard-of-hearing people, and NTID.
 - c. See Appendix A (page 8) for materials currently available from NTID Marketing Communications Department.
6. Friends of SFPL, Video Account, c/o San Francisco Public Library, Civic Center, San Francisco, CA 94104 (American Culture: The Deaf Perspective: Videotape series that includes Deaf heritage, folklore, literature and minorities)
7. Gallaudet University, Kendall Green, 800 Florida Avenue NE, Washington, DC 20002-3695
 - a. For information related to deaf and hard-of-hearing children/young adults (ages 0-21), contact Laurent Clerc National Deaf Education Network and Clearinghouse, KDES PAS-6, 1-202-651-5340 (V/TTY), x5078 (FAX), E-mail: Ella.Gilbert@gallaudet.edu, Web page: www.gallaudet.pcnmp.edu
 - b. For information related to adults, hearing health and adults, or Gallaudet University, contact Office of Public Relations, 202-651-5000 (V/TTY), x5054 (FAX), E-mail: Teresa.Ezzell@gallaudet.edu, Web page: www.gallaudet.edu
 - c. For Deaf-Blind Resources, ADA Training Materials, Conference Proceedings, contact Extension & Online Programs, College for Continuing Education, Gallaudet University Kellogg Conference Center, Rm. 3147, 202-651-6054 (TTY/V), x6074 (fax), <http://academic.gallaudet.edu/learnstore>, e-mail: extension.office@gallaudet.edu
8. Gospel Publishing House, 1445 Boonville Avenue, Springfield, MO 65802-1894, 1-800-641-4310
9. National Association of the Deaf Law Center (NADLC), 814 Thayer Avenue, Suite 208, Silver Spring, MD 20910, 1-301-587-7330 (TTY/V): Publications include information important for education, employment, hospitals, interpreting, judicial and law enforcement agencies, and state & local governments
10. Postsecondary Education Programs Network (PEPNet) Resource Center, National Center on Deafness, California State University, Northridge, 18111 Nordhoff Street, Northridge, CA 91330-8267, 888-684-4695 (V/TTY, toll free), 818-677-2611 (V/TTY), 818-677-4899 (FAX), E-mail: prc@csun.edu; website-<http://prc.csun.edu>

PEPNET provides information and materials to postsecondary institutions serving individuals who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Materials are categorized under three product codes: (1) Classroom Access, (2) Services Provision, & (3) Institutional Issues. Materials, except for videotapes, are free, with some items including a shipping & handling fee.
11. Rainbows End, 401 East 21st Street, Oakland, CA 94606, 1-415-841-0165 (V/TTY): Deaf culture (VTs); include interviews, poems, songs, and stories, interpreters (songs in signs), deaf humor, theatre of the deaf (Bernard Bragg, Robert Panara, Betti Bonni, and Paul Johnston discuss and demonstrate aspects of theatre and deaf people)
12. Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID), 8630 Fenton Street, Suite 324, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3919, 1-301-608-0050 (V/TTY), x0508 (FAX)