

# Assistive Services, Technology, and Resources



- Merlin Elite
  - Magnifier magnifies text from 2.4x to 70x
  - Text-to-speech capability, options include speed and English & Spanish languages, and headphones are provided at the workstation
  - Download saved images and text-to-speech to your flash drive
- ADA compliant Public Computer Stations with specialized user assistive applications including:



- Magnifier – screen enhancer
- Narrator – text-to-speech capability
- Onscreen Keyboard – alternative to typing
- “Zoom Text” – magnification of electronic print and text-to-speech capability
- Headphones – available from Technology Aides

- The Jerry Broadwell Children’s Room Early Education Computers



- BIGkeys keyboard
- BIGtrack track ball



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## Adult and Children's Collections

- Large Print Books
- Books on CD
- Playaways
- Downloadable eBooks, audiobooks, and digital magazines through the Library's website
- \*Talking Books from the Los Angeles Braille Institute
- \*Faulty Braille Institute machines can be exchanged at the Arcadia Public Library
- \*(A patron needs to be signed up with the Los Angeles Braille Institute prior to borrowing the Talking Books collection and/or exchanging faulty Braille Institute machines)

## Offsite Services

- A Homebound Service is available to Arcadia residents who are unable to come to the Library because of extended illness or physical disability. Neither permanence of the disability nor age is a consideration. As part of the Homebound Service, a Library volunteer will bring you personally selected books and other library materials every three weeks. For more information, call (626) 821-4330.
- Patrons can reach a librarian by phone at (626) 821-5569 or submit a question by text to (626) 275-2010 during regular Library hours. Standard message rates apply. Patrons can also Ask a Librarian through online chat through the Library's website [www.ArcadiaCA.gov/library](http://www.ArcadiaCA.gov/library) or email at [Ref247@ArcadiaCA.gov](mailto:Ref247@ArcadiaCA.gov)

## Services for Accessing Electronic Information

- The Library offers a wheelchair accessible workstation in the Community Learning and Technology Center (CLTC).
- Every public computer offers a Every public computer offers "Magnifier", a screen enhancer; "Narrator", a text-to speech option; and "Onscreen Keyboard", an alternative to typing "Zoom Text", which provides magnification of electronic print and text-to-speech capability is also available on one of the computer workstations in the Tech Center.
- The Library website is available in text only format for ease of use with screen reading software at [www.ArcadiaCA.gov/library](http://www.ArcadiaCA.gov/library)

## Facilities

The Library makes every effort to ensure patrons can access the Library by providing marked handicapped parking spaces in the parking lot, automatic doors at the entrance, and public restrooms that are handicapped accessible. Patrons who require a special accommodation for a disability to participate in or attend a program are asked to notify the Library 48 hours in advance of any event at (626) 821-5569.



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