

# Department of Services for the Blind

RCW 74.18

Request	\$35,764,000	
Net change from current biennium	\$5,569,736	Increase
Percent change from current biennium	18.4%	Increase

The Department of Services for the Blind (DSB) provides comprehensive and individualized vocational rehabilitation services to Washington state residents with visual disabilities, enabling them to become productive, independent, engaged and employed, tax-paying citizens.

DSB provides tools, training, and employment assistance, so that Individuals who are blind, low vision or deaf blind can work in virtually any career that matches their interests, abilities, and aptitudes. DSB participants exit with the skills needed to manage their lives, excel in careers of their choice, and contribute to their communities. DSB supports families and visually impaired youth to develop a future of success in school and transition to the adult world of higher education and work.

DSB provides services to the aging population of individuals with visual disabilities to increase their independence and engagement in the community, and decrease their need for publicly funded support services.

## Agency Mission

Inclusion, independence, and economic vitality for people with visual disabilities.

## Agency Level Summary

### Operating Budget: Summary

2015-17 Appropriations		Appropriated Funds	Expenditures		
Amount	Estimated Balance		2013-15 Actual	2015-17 Estimated	2017-19 Proposed
5,022,000	855	General Fund - Basic Account - State	4,402,448	5,021,145	8,285,000
23,163,000		General Fund - Basic Account - Federal	20,084,226	23,163,000	25,420,000
		General Fund - Basic Account - Federal Unanticipated	1,600,000		
60,000		General Fund - Basic Account - Private/Local	60,000	60,000	60,000
<u>28,245,000</u>	<u>855</u>	<b>Total Appropriated Funds</b>	<u>26,146,674</u>	<u>28,244,145</u>	<u>33,765,000</u>
		<b>Non-Appropriated Funds</b>			
		Business Enterprises Revolving Acct - Non-Appropriated	2,054,349	1,949,000	1,999,000
		Industrial Insurance Premium Refund - Non-Appropriated	5,042	1,119	
		<b>Total Non-Appropriated Funds</b>	<u>2,059,391</u>	<u>1,950,119</u>	<u>1,999,000</u>

### Operating Budget: Change from Preceding Biennium

	2013-15 Actual		2015-17 Estimated		2017-19 Proposed	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Total	3,103,639	12.4%	1,988,199	7.0%	5,569,736	18.4%

## Employment Summary

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	2014-15 Actual	2015-16 Estimated	2016-17 Estimated	2017-18 Proposed	2018-19 Proposed
FTE Staff Years	82.1	79.7	80.0	83.5	83.5