

“I was delighted to have received Clovernook’s doctor and specially trained staff’s guidance in helping me remain independent. Now, through hand-held devices I can enjoy reading newspapers and magazines.”
—Don Buchberger

Maintaining Independence:

During the economic downturn, Michael Crawford couldn’t find work in his native city of Chicago. In 2009, he came to Clovernook Center for the Blind & Visually Impaired as a referral from the Bureau of Services for the Visually Impaired (BSVI). Michael moved to Cincinnati in order to find employment, but what he found was so much more.

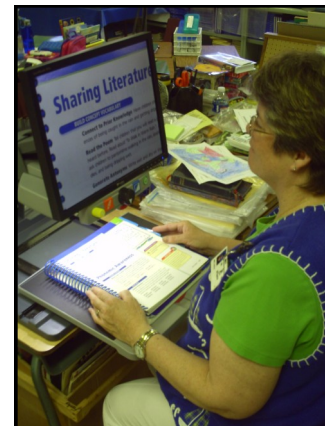


How we helped

After being offered a position at Clovernook, Michael soon realized that he needed assistance in order to help him remain independent. That’s where Clovernook’s Community Services department comes in.

With the help of a Clovernook social worker, Michael was able to set up arrangements to utilize ACCESS, a local metro bus system for people with special needs, and obtain Fair Deal stickers so that he could utilize accessible transportation, find a doctor and connect with community supports and resources; ultimately, making his transition to a new state a little more comfortable.

Clovernook offers a wide range of services to help individuals adjust to recent and long-term vision loss. Licensed social workers also help consumers manage life challenges which may accompany vision loss and other issues as they occur.



We need your help

People who are blind or visually impaired are entitled to lead independent lifestyles. Everyday tasks can be managed in adapted ways so that each person can live his or her life to the fullest. According to a 2009 survey conducted by the Cincinnati Association for the Blind & Visually Impaired and Clovernook Center for the Blind & Visually Impaired, transportation is the greatest unmet need of the Greater Cincinnati blind and low vision community. Fifty percent of all respondents say lack of transportation limits them in important activities. Eleven percent rely on ACCESS or other disability-specific transportation.

Please help Clovernook’s consumers remain independent and improve their quality of life.