

*This is a very great service! My thanks to each of you who make it possible. – Theda*

## **WHAT IS THE COLORADO TALKING BOOK LIBRARY?**

The Colorado Talking Book Library is more than just a collection of Braille, large print, and recorded books. The goal of this special library is to ensure that Colorado's blind and disabled citizens can experience the richness of the reading world...a world that many of us take for granted.

## **WHO CAN USE THE COLORADO TALKING BOOK LIBRARY?**

Any resident of Colorado who meets one of the following criteria:

- **Legally Blind** - vision in the better eye is 20/200 or less with correction
- **Visually Disabled** - unable to read standard print with optical correction
- **Physically Disabled** - unable to handle print books or turn pages
- **Reading Disabled** - organic dysfunction causing inability to read standard print

## **A FREE SERVICE**

The services provided by the Colorado Talking Book Library are always free of charge.



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## **COLORADO TALKING BOOK LIBRARY**

STUDENT VOLUNTEERS

*Take Action*



*Make a Difference*

# BECOME A TALKING BOOK LIBRARY VOLUNTEER

The Colorado Talking Book Library provides a unique opportunity for students to develop new skills while assisting our well-qualified staff with providing recorded books and magazines, Brailled materials, large-print books, and described videos to the blind and disabled readers of Colorado.

The library encourages students to bring a friend along to enhance their volunteer experience. The work atmosphere is very casual and fun. The Colorado Talking Book Library is an excellent way to **Take Action and Make a Difference.**



## FIT IT IN YOUR SCHEDULE

Even if you can only volunteer a couple of hours, CTBL can use your help! Student volunteers work in small groups or individually with trained staff who provide enough support to ensure success.

**Short-term** – assist the staff with a special event or project.

**On-going** – help on a regular, scheduled basis for a complete semester, school year, or term.

*Take Action  
And Make a Difference!!!*

## PARTICIPATING STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

- International Baccalaureate
- National Honor Society
- VISTA Volunteers
- Americorps
- Boy Scouts & Girl Scouts
- Key Clubs
- DECA
- Future Business Leaders of America

## HOW CAN I HELP?

Volunteers help with many different tasks in nearly every area of the library. Here are a few opportunities for you to consider:

**PREP** - Prepare books, machines and other items for out-going mail.

**DUB** - Duplicate recorded materials to replace damaged tapes or make additional copies available. Dub newly recorded materials.

**BRAILLE** - Make and apply print and Braille labels for materials made at CTBL. Learn to use special software to emboss Braille from text.

**ZING** - Convert analog recordings to a digital format using new software.

## HOW TO JOIN OUR TEAM

If you would like to help us send talking books to people who love to read, please call our Volunteer Coordinator to find out what positions you can fill.

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