

DRIS **Detroit Radio Information Service** Radio Reading for the Blind & Print Impaired

Listener Receiver Application

Application Process

Any person, who is unable to see, hold or comprehend conventional printed or visual matter because of a disability may apply to use DRIS. An applicant must be 1) registered with a Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped or 2) certified by a qualified healthcare provider such as doctor, social worker or rehabilitation counselor. Qualifying conditions include blindness, vision impairment, cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis, severe arthritis, amputation, spinal cord injury, stroke and other physical conditions or dyslexia and other cognitive conditions.

Institutional care facilities, such as hospitals, senior buildings, senior centers and educational programs are also eligible to apply. The service can be used in a community activity area, piped into individual rooms/apartments, used in a library or classroom, or simply used to demonstrate service and help consumers apply.

If you meet eligibility requirements and wish to apply for service, please open and complete our Application Form on page 2. All fields marked with * must be completed. Not doing so, will delay the application process. If you are already registered with an area Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, indicate which library (state Library, Wayne County, Oakland County, Macomb County, Downtown Sub-Regional, Washtenaw, St. Clair, Monroe, other system). No further documentation is required. If not registered, we ask that you supply supporting documentation, such as a statement about your eligibility from a healthcare professional. We ask that this be on professional letterhead or in another clearly recognizable form.

Include this statement with your application and submit by U.S. mail to WDET 101.9 FM, 4600 Cass Avenue, Detroit, MI 48201 or by fax at 313-577-1300.

After you mail in your application, a DRIS representative will contact you within about two weeks of receiving it to verify the information and make arrangements for your DRIS service. Take care to supply accurate information about where you can be reached. If you do not hear from DRIS, please call to check on your application's status.

All personal information supplied to DRIS will be kept in strict confidence and will not be shared with other agencies or organizations. DRIS does not sell, rent or otherwise distribute your data. We may contact you in the future during routine surveys. We also accept listener comments about our programming at any time by U.S. mail, e-mail or telephone.

For more information, contact Diane M. Sanders at 313-577-4146

