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**Libraries: Inclusion of the Deaf Community: Public Libraries
Inclusive Services, District of Columbia Public Library (video)**

>> JANICE ROSEN: Welcome to the DC Public Library services to the deaf community. My name is Janice Rosen and I'm a librarian. Every year we have deaf-related programs celebrating the history and culture of the deaf community and we partner with different community organizations. One example of what we do is a collection of deaf historical books.

Come with me. For example, every year we have on display books related to deaf history, culture and American Sign Language.

Our ASL classes are very popular. And people come to them all the time. Every week we offer classes in different branch libraries taught by a team of qualified volunteers from the community.

>> Good afternoon, my name is Carlos Coleman. I'm hard of hearing and deaf. Come, I will show you how the video phone works. Come and see. Hey, how are you doing today? I'm just showing how the video phone works, okay? Go ahead, sign with me. Will how was your day? Good. Good. Are you coming to visit the library soon?

Okay. Good. Thank you. Have a good okay.

Okay, bye, have a nice day. Thanks for coming to visit the library.

Thank you, have a good day, bye, love you, peace.

>>Peter woke up one morning and saw snow. One morning when he woke up and he saw snow just outside his window.

>> Hello. My name is Patrick Timony. I am the assistive technology librarian at the D.C. Public Library.

I'm going to show you fusion software. The CCTV makes text larger and allows patrons to change the contrast and color. You can move this tray to move the text. Now, I'm going to show you JAWS as well as Zoom text. The magnifier makes the screen larger or smaller. This software is called Fusion. When you use the keys, JAWS will speak out loud.

We also have screen magnification.

UbiDuo is a device that allows for two-way communication. They can use the UbiDuo to communicate by typing.

>>You are welcome to come visit us at any time. We provide ASL interpreters for any library-sponsored programs.

Call us or visit us at our website. Our number is 202-727-2142. And you can also visit our website at DC library.org. Hope to see you soon. Bye-bye.
