

**THE BERMUDA SOCIETY FOR THE BLIND**  
 registered charity #90  
**PROGRAMME OUTPUTS & IMPACT**  
**FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY - DECEMBER 2018**

**CLIENT DEMAND : Current caseload 18 Clients    Waiting List 11 Individuals**

**139 UNIQUE INDIVIDUALS SERVED**

<b>VISION REHABILITATION THERAPY one on one at home appointments &amp;/or professional advice/assistance</b>			<b>'VISION TALK' EDUCATIONAL GATHERINGS</b>	
<b>91 Clients</b>	250 Therapy Sessions	37 Assessments	<b>48 Individuals Served</b> (+ 16 benefitting from multiple services)	<b>Topics Covered:</b> VI Travel Options, Vulnerable Persons Abuse Awareness Vision Rehabilitation Explained, Fire Prevention & Hurricane Preparation, VI Social Activities, Home Security, Basic CPR, Age Concern presentation
		40 Independent Living		
		45 Orientation & Mobility		
		50 Assistive Technology		
		78 Professional Assistance		
<b>GROUP TRAINING</b>		3 clients are attending braille training weekly 3 clients attended the iPad training held in April 4 clients are attending the weekly keyboard skills class		

**IMPACT FOR CLIENTS COMPLETING THERAPY DURING PERIOD**

**TOTAL: 39 CLIENTS COMPLETED 111 DEFINED GOALS**  
**(clients usually master multiple skills as an outcome from therapy)**

<b>MOBILITY</b>	9 Clients have mastered the use of a long cane mobility aid which empowers them to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Safely and independently able to confidently travel to access stores, services and social activities</li> <li>- Maintain independence travelling to work</li> </ul> 2 clients are now able to navigate new town routes after moving home, including bus travel 6 clients learnt to safely and independently navigate in their home environment 5 clients are now able to travel safely and independently to access social, leisure and important daily activities
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WORK	<p>1 client was able to navigate new venues independently using a long cane and take bookings for his business via a smart phone.</p> <p>1 Client was able to maintain her employment as a guide using magnification to read staff notices and record names and information of visitors.</p> <p>1 client was able to continue computer access after advice and guidance on adaptive software</p>
COMMUNICATIONS	<p>2 clients were able to maintain contacts overseas by using Skype, text and email</p> <p>7 clients were independently able to use smartphones</p> <p>1 client was successfully able to obtain application material for further education opportunities</p> <p>2 clients are better able to read and communicate having become proficient at braille</p> <p>2 clients have begun to write and communicate using a computer after participating in a keyboard skills programme</p> <p>3 clients were able to make online purchases and undertake work related tasks as they are now able to use their existing tech equipment</p>
DAILY ACTIVITIES	<p>11 clients were able to make the most of their remaining vision by maximizing environmental lighting at home or work</p> <p>16 clients were able to access the time and date reliably and independently using talking clocks and watches to regulate their day from taking tablets to keeping appointments and catching buses.</p> <p>1 client was able to access a debit card machine to shop</p> <p>9 clients were able to safely use their domestic appliance and other kitchen equipment by using appropriate techniques</p> <p>3 clients were able to write shopping lists and record phone numbers after learning braille</p> <p>4 clients were able to read medication labels and food labels by using hand held magnifiers</p> <p>7 clients were able to label personal items, foodstuffs and medicines by implementing in an accessible format</p>
LEISURE ACTIVITIES	<p>2 clients are able to maintain contacts with family abroad by using landline and smart phones</p> <p>1 client is able to re engage in a fishing hobby</p> <p>3 clients are maintaining hobbies such as gardening by accessing reference books using magnifiers.</p> <p>2 clients were able listen to their preferred music &amp; watch their preferred TV programmes with equipment training.</p> <p>1 client was able to gather necessary information for a project by downloading from their iPad</p> <p>6 clients were able to read for pleasure</p> <p>1 client was able to read print and access family photos for the first time since losing their sight by using specialist CCTVs</p> <p>1 client is now able to maintain their use of a musical instrument through learning how to access sheet music</p> <p>1 client is now able to compete in tournaments using effective portable lighting</p>

## SOCIAL ACTIVITIES & CLASSES AT BEACON HOUSE

<p>MONDAYS</p> <p>FRIDAYS</p> <p>Additional new class for Fridays</p>	<p>Stretching &amp; Yoga workout</p> <p>Horticultural Therapy</p> <p>Eat Well, Live Well</p>	<p>Attendances YTD: 250</p> <p>Attendances: 88</p> <p>Attendances : 6</p>
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<b>RETAIL SERVICE</b>	36 Individuals placed orders for specialist equipment for people with vision loss.
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