

0520 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - ARKANSAS REHABILITATION SERVICES
(including State Services for the Blind)
FISCAL YEAR 2023
AS ENACTED BY ACT 68 OF 2022

The Department of Commerce - Arkansas Rehabilitation Services' (DOC - ARS) mission is to provide opportunities for individuals with disabilities to work and lead productive and independent lives. ARS provides statewide vocational rehabilitation services to disabled persons so they can return to or enter employment. ARS carries out its responsibilities through a field program that reaches all 75 counties through 19 field offices, the Arkansas Career Development Center (formerly the Arkansas Training Institute - ACTI), Business Engagement services, Access and Accommodations Programs, Transition and Support Services, and the Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. In 2019, the Arkansas Kidney Disease Commission was transferred **to** the Department of Health and the State Services for the Blind was transferred **from** the Department of Human Services. State Services for the Blind was established to provide services to blind and severely visually impaired persons through a network of counselors and private service providers throughout the State.

TOTAL APPROPRIATION

Appropriation	2021-2022	2022-2023
	Authorized	Legislative
Rehab Services - Operations	\$55,658,439	\$55,677,539
Increase Capabilities Access Network	\$634,701	\$634,946
Statewide Disability Telecomm	\$495,581	\$495,581
People w/Disabilities	\$30,000	\$30,000
Tech Equipment - Treasury	\$532,085	\$532,085
Rehab Services - Treasury Pay	\$356,542	\$356,542
World Services for the Blind Adult Ed	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
Blind Services Operations	\$6,310,721	\$6,310,724
Blind Services Grants	\$4,646,768	\$4,646,768
Total	\$70,664,837	\$70,684,185

FUNDING SOURCES

Funding Sources		%
Fund Balance	4000005	3.13
General Revenue	4000010	22.42
Federal Revenue	4000020	68.40
Special Revenue	4000030	0.86
Cash Fund	4000045	0.65
Rainy Day Fund	4000267	1.00
Investments	4000315	0.19
Inter-agency Fund Transfer	4000316	2.93
Intra-agency Fund Transfer	4000317	0.13
M & R Sales	4000340	0.03
Other	4000370	0.27

Transfer to General Revenue	4000635	-0.02
		100.00

CHANGE LEVEL REQUESTS

Rehab Services - Operations (Appropriation 128)

Commitment Item		2021-2022	2022-2023	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5010000	Regular Salaries	\$15,905,118	\$15,920,618	\$15,500
5010003	Personal Services Matching	\$5,658,755	\$5,662,355	\$3,600
Total		\$55,658,439	\$55,677,539	\$19,100

- Increase in Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching due to Career Service, Merit, etc. adjustments.

Increase Capabilities Access Network (Appropriation 1VB)

Commitment Item		2021-2022	2022-2023	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5010000	Regular Salaries	\$172,760	\$172,760	\$200
5010003	Personal Services Matching	\$61,750	\$61,795	\$45
Total		\$634,701	\$634,946	\$245

- Increase in Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching due to Career Service, Merit, etc. adjustments.

Blind Services Operations (Appropriation Z84)

Commitment Item		2021-2022	2022-2023	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5010000	Regular Salaries	\$3,302,069	\$3,302,072	\$3
Total		\$6,310,721	\$6,310,724	\$3

- Increase due to minor salary adjustment made during the biennium.

POSITIONS

Total Authorized Positions FY2023: 445 (Rehabilitation Services – 367, State Services for the Blind – 78)

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Increase / (Decrease): 0

Extra Help Positions FY2023: 49 (Rehabilitation Services -19, State Services for the Blind – 30)

SPECIAL LANGUAGE REVISIONS

None.