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OUR MISSION

We empower individuals with hearing & communication deficits, including those with limited financial resources, to live their lives to the fullest.

We have been a 501(c)(3) organization for over 35 years

OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Friday

8:00am — 5:00pm

Our clients are seen by appointment only. Applications for financial aid or appointments may be obtained by calling 865-982-8557 or by visiting our website www.hsfweb.org



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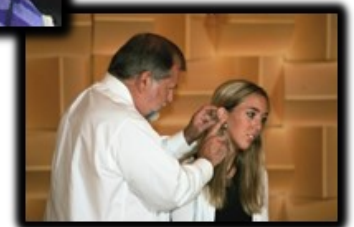
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providing the gift of sound

*How **YOU** can help
children and adults
In East Tennessee
with hearing difficulties*



A non-profit outreach of Blount Hearing & Speech Services Inc.

THE HEARING & SPEECH FOUNDATION PROGRAMS

Hearing Aid Assistance

We supplement the cost of hearing aids and audiology services for low income families.

Therapy

We improve auditory processing deficits and listening skills of normal hearing people of all ages. We provide speech and language therapy to hard of hearing and deaf children.

Hearing Aid Recycling

We accept used hearing aids to be reconditioned or sent off for repair credit to a hearing aid manufacturer.

Research

We conduct research studies to help consumers become more successful hearing aid users.

OUR BEGINNINGS . . .

The Hearing & Speech Foundation was established in 1981 by John S. Berry, owner of Blount Hearing & Speech Services in Maryville, TN and the late Tutt Bradford, an esteemed philanthropist and owner/publisher of The Daily Times in Maryville.

THE FOUNDATIONS IMPACT

- Serves over 18 East Tennessee Counties.
- Provides hearing aids at a reduced cost for qualifying individuals. Since 2012 we have placed 638 hearing aids on clients. Sixty-four percent (64%) of those clients are at or below poverty level as designated by the US Department of Health & Human Services.
- Supplements the cost of auditory processing disorder (APD) evaluations and therapy. Since 2012 we have provided therapy to over 120 children.
- Provides individual speech/language therapy to hearing impaired children.



The foundation is staffed by an Executive Director and a Hearing Therapist. An activities committee coordinates yearly events, providing over 2,000 volunteer hours each year. Oversight is provided by a 12 member Board of Directors.

WHAT CLIENTS SAY ABOUT US

"My quality of life is much better and the ability to communicate with others is outstanding. The financial assistance from the foundation made this possible. Otherwise it could not have happened. Thank you so much!"

"I am pleased with the hearing aids. I have been able to hear sounds I didn't even know existed. I can finally hear and know what people are saying when they talk to me. It's like a whole new world has been opened up for me. Thank you from the bottom of my heart."

"Wonderful service to people who need the help!"

HOW YOU CAN HELP!

Donate NOW or become

- A **monthly** financial donor
- An **annual** financial donor
- A planned estate gift donor
- An event sponsor
- An activities committee member
- A contributor to the Gibson/Johnson Hearing Heroes Fund

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