

Dear Administrator:

We are delighted to inform you about a very valuable, no-cost, residence-delivered, accessible reading service from the U.S. Library of Congress that is available from The New Jersey State Library. It is not only free of cost, but it will enrich the lives of those you serve.

As a regional library of the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS), the New Jersey State Library Talking Book & Braille Center (TBBC) offers a more effective way to read for New Jersey residents of all ages who have difficulty reading standard print because of a physical impairment, a reading disability or a vision challenge. The services include accessible, easy-to-use, digital talking book machines, over 37,000 audiobooks, audio magazines, Braille materials, news reading services, access to download materials, and the BARD Mobile app for mobile devices. All of these services are cost-free and are delivered to the person's residence postage-free.

An individual must apply for the service, the individual's application must be certified, and the certified application must be returned to TBBC. Applications can be downloaded from <http://www.njstatelib.org/tbbc>.


In addition to serving individuals, all places in New Jersey that serve eligible individuals can have a no-cost institutional account with TBBC. The application is enclosed. With an institutional account, your organization can have equipment and materials on hand to demonstrate to interested clients and access to download audiobooks and audio magazines at no cost.

Thank you for your commitment to caring for those you serve. We know that this service from The New Jersey State Library will have a significant impact on the quality of a person's life. For more information, contact Mary Kearns-Kaplan at TBBC at [mkaplan@njstatelib.org](mailto:mkaplan@njstatelib.org).

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