

Considerations for Survivors with Blindness or Visual Disabilities

- Ask before touching a service animal, it may distract the animal from working. It is best to not touch them at all – they are not a pet.
- It is especially important to announce oneself when entering and leaving a room with a person who is blind or has a visual disability. When introducing a person who is blind to a group, introduce each person individually.
- Speak directly to the person in a normal tone and speed.
- Use details to describe people, objects, and places thoroughly.

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