DEAF SERVICES
providing a vital link
between people who are
Deaf, hard-of-hearing
and hearing
in Northwest Indiana.

Becoming a department of TradeWinds Services in 2014, Deaf Services has provided support, education, advocacy, and access to technology for individuals and families dealing with hearing loss since 1978.



As the only nonprofit agency in Northwest Indiana, our services assist in bridging the gap between both the deaf and hearing worlds. TradeWinds Deaf Services facilitates communication with interpreting, case management, advocacy, and referral services while providing education and sensitivity training for the hearing.



TradeWinds' Vision

The vision of TradeWinds is to be the leading provider for adults and children with barriers to enhance their full potential in the community.

Organization Values

The following are the core values that guide our organization:

- * Respect
- * Professionalism
- * Integrity
- * Teamwork
- * Compassion/Patience
- * Quality



TradeWinds
Realizing Potential

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Serving people with special needs by empowering them to realize their full potential.

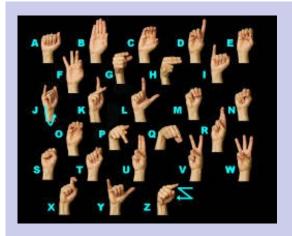
"ALONE, we can do so little, TOGETHER, we can do SO MUCH!" Helen Keller



TradeWinds Deaf Services provides:

- **Interpreters** are available, on-call 24/7, to help translate.
- Case managers to help educate for an understanding.
- Advocacy to support those unable to understand or support themselves.
- American Sign Language (ASL)
 classes available throughout the
 year at our facility or as training for
 companies.
- Deaf Sensitivity training available.
- Referral services and assisted listening technology.





AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (ASL)

American Sign Language – not English – is the first language for many people who are Deaf or hard-of-hearing. They often have a difficult time reading, writing, or understanding the English Language.

The challenge is that the world around people who are Deaf or hard of hearing relies upon communication to understand information.



Call 219-945-0100, Ext 204 or 212

https://www.tradewindsnwi.org/business-services/ sign-language-interpretation/

COMMUNICATION IS THE KEY TO UNDERSTANDING



The lack of incidental learning that people who are Deaf or hard of hearing experience has a considerable impact on their ability to manage daily routine tasks. These tasks can be related to legal, medical, financial, or employment issues and can impact their ability to solve problems at a time of crisis.







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