

FAAST Southeast Regional Demonstration Center at CL Broward

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CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING
of Broward

Core Services: Independent Living,
Peer Support, Advocacy and
Information and Referral

- Employment Services
- Youth Transition Services
- Housing/Barrier Removal
- CIL Tech Solutions
- FAAST Southeast Regional Demonstration Center

CIL's Mission

Our mission is to assist people with disabilities in fulfilling their goals of independence and self-sufficiency.



FAAST Regional Demonstration Center Core Services

- Information and Assistance
- Device Demonstrations
- Short Term Device Loans
- Presentations & Trainings

The FAAST Southeast Regional Demonstration Center, located at the Center for Independent Living of Broward, provides no cost assistive technology services to people living in Broward, Palm Beach, Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee and Saint Lucie Counties.



Categories of Assistive Technology FAAST provides:



VISION



**SPEECH
COMMUNICATION**



HEARING



**COMPUTERS AND
RELATED**



**MOBILITY, SEATING,
AND POSITIONING**



COMPUTER ACCESS



**VEHICLE
MODIFICATION**



**DAILY
LIVING**



**ENVIRONMENTAL
ADAPTATIONS**



**RECREATION,
SPORTS
AND LEISURE**

Bellman And Symfon Push-button Pager Pack

When the doorbell or “push-button” is pressed it will send a signal to the pager alerting the user with vibrations and a LED light notification indicator.





The Bellman and Symfon Baby Cry Transmitter can be used with a portable flash receiver or the pager receiver to let you know when the baby needs your attention.



Bellman Maxi Pro TV Amplifier

Use the Maxi Pro Amplifier to amplify conversations, the TV, or the sound on your cell phone

Sennheiser Headphones

- Help people with hearing loss hear the television clearly without turning up the volume on the TV.
- Users can adjust their own headset volume while others around them set the TV volume to their preferred level.





Lectures & Meetings

Live Transcribe is an app that provides free, real-time, speech-to-text transcriptions to make everyday conversations more accessible among people who are deaf and hard-of-hearing.

FM systems reduce background noise, improve clarity and reduce listener fatigue.

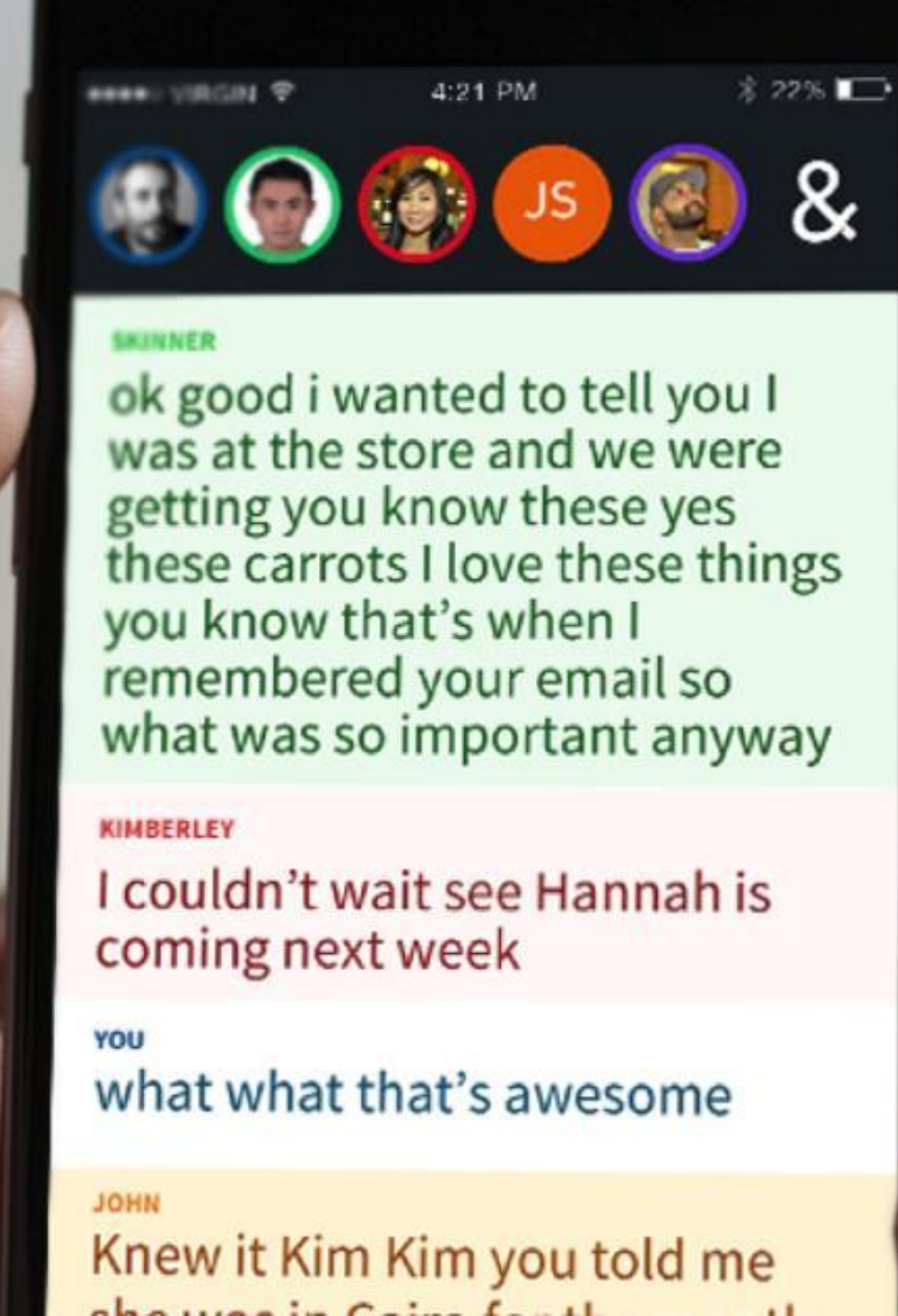




**Accessibility.
Anytime,
Anywhere.**

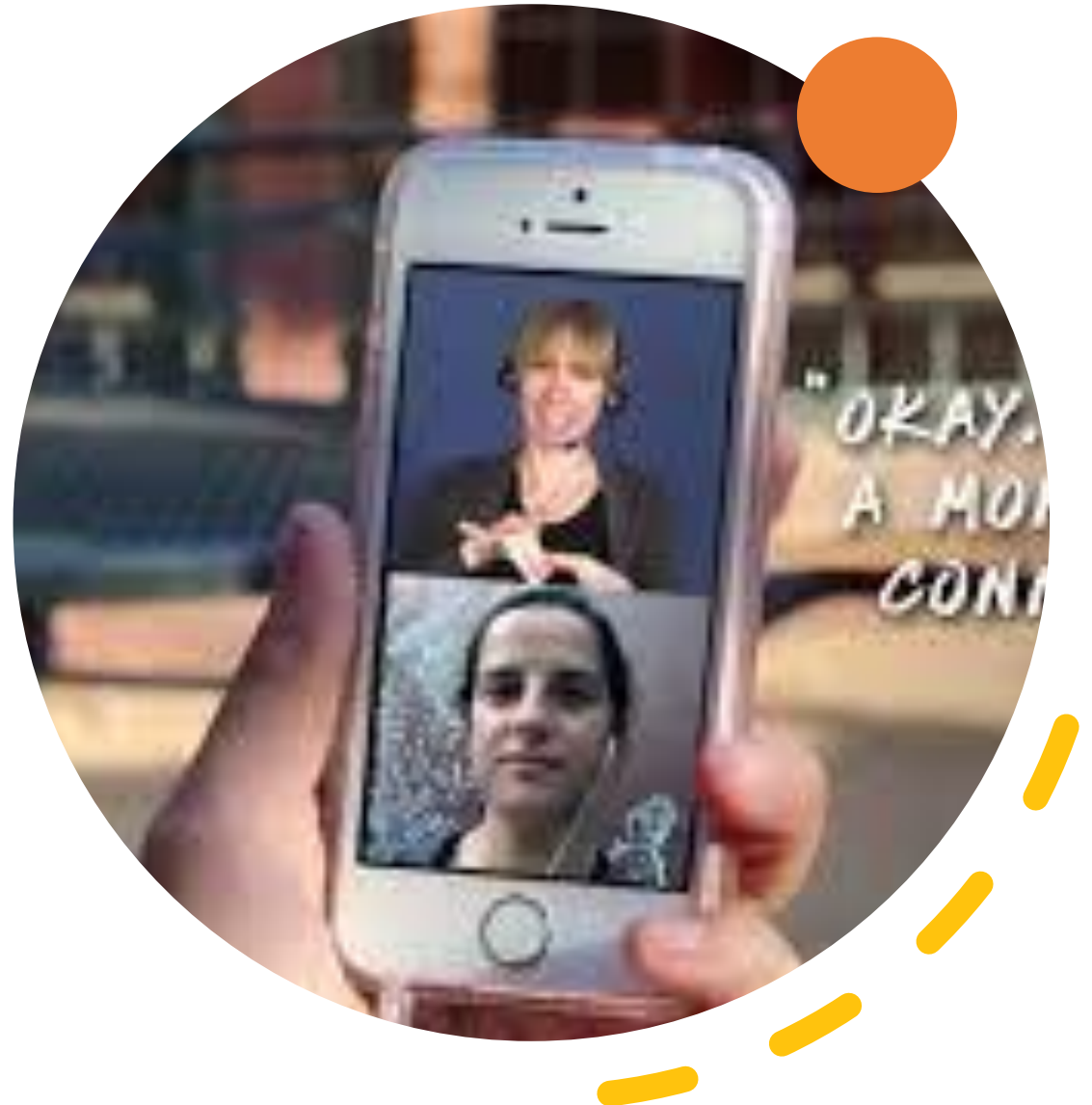
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Sivo

Sivo is a free app available for download for iOS, Android and Mac devices. The app allows a person who is deaf and the hearing party to see each other on a Video Relay Call. Both parties can see the interpreter and the deaf user does not need to initiate the call.



FAAST Statewide Lending Library

FAAST provides short-term loans of assistive technology devices to individuals, employers, public agencies or others seeking to meet the needs of people with disabilities

Devices may be borrowed for up to 30 days and shipped directly to you for free!



The purpose of a short-term device loan may be:

To assist in decision-making

Used the consumer is waiting for device repair or funding;

Used as an accommodation on short-term basis; or

To develop skills

Contact FAAST at +1-844-FL-FAAST
<https://faast.org/library/>

Funding for Assistive Technology

- **School Systems:** Pay for assistive technology specified in the IEP
- **Government Programs:** (Social Security, veteran's benefits, or state Medicaid agencies) may pay for AT prescribed as medically necessary
- **Private Health Insurance:** May pay for certain assistive technology devices prescribed by a doctor as medically necessary
- **Rehabilitation and job training** programs may pay for assistive technology to help people get jobs
- **Employers** may pay for assistive technology as a reasonable accommodation to enable an employee to perform essential job tasks
- Various **disability specific organizations** and **service clubs**



How Can I Access Assistive Technology

Call Alex at (954) 547-8623 to:

- Schedule an assessment or get information about devices
- Schedule a demonstration
- Get help with borrowing a device
- Schedule additional training
- Or explore funding options





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