

Editor 's Desk

Dear friends,

Compiling this edition far away from home ground, enjoying the nature in Vancouver and fighting with the over looming thoughts about equitable access in my country.

Until the great mass of the people shall be filled with a sense of responsibility for each other's welfare, social justice can never be attained.---<u>Helen Keller</u>

Happy Reading!

Regards Bhavna Botta

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Image description-a picture of me on wheelchair at the frozen lake Louis with snow-covered Canadian Rockies.

Inclusive Ideas Envision App

The app offers a range of visual recognition features that enables blind and visually impaired users to independently access visual information around them.

It excels in all kinds of text recognition, be it handwritten notes, a cereal box or a book. (60 languages) Envision provides a range of functions – it can describe scenes around you, detect colors in the most descriptive way and also scan bar codes and QR codes of products. Envision as a scanner to look for people and things around you. If you need to find the cup you left on the kitchen counter, or a trash bin in a room, or find a specific friend or colleague in a new place-simply scan around with your phone and Envision will find what you are looking for.

https://www.letsenvision.com/envision-app

Image shows a clip art of a person holding a mobile and it reading out things from the surrounding



Legere Reader

An accessible reading tool for mobile and tablet devices, with advanced text-to-speech and a highly configurable screen layout which can be tailored to suit every reading style from completely auditory to completely visual, plus synchronized combination of both!!

Legere Reader supports reading PDF, DRM-free EPUB and DAISY eBooks and more. It can load files from file sharing apps like DropBox, Box and OneDrive, or directly from your local device.

It has direct integration with the Book share book-sharing service. We can listen to documents like its music, with a play-pause button, gestures or remote control, and Change voice and reading speed (50-700 words per minute) on the fly.

It remembers the voice and speech rate used for each document. It has a synchronized word and line highlighting. It has Built-in Web Browser to download files.

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=voicedream. reader&hl=en_CA&gl=US

Sullivan+app

It is a visual-aid app provided by TUAT Inc. to enhance the accessibility of the visually impaired and low vision users and informs users who need visual aids about information perceived via the smartphone camera.

Features include-

- ·AI mode-AI automatically finds the best results that fit the taken photos.
- ·Text Recognition Finds a text and tells you by sound. Point the camera on the place you want text recognition.
- ·Face Recognition It recognizes a person photographed with a camera and tells the person's age and gender.
- ·Image Description Identifies objects around you and creates a sentence that describes the identified scene.
- ·Magnifying glass function Using the zoom function of the camera, it enlarges or reduces an object or text or inverts the color.

https://apps.apple.com/us/app/sullivan/id1475001234

Mouse4all Switch - Accessibility for Android

Use your tablet or smartphone with assistive switches, without touching the screen. Mouse4all Switch allows everyone to use an Android tablet or smartphone entirely, without touching the screen. It is suited for persons with a physical disability having difficulty using a touchscreen. Thanks to Mouse4all, users can now communicate with Whats App, watch videos on YouTube, play games, use Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) apps...

This app will allow you to control your Android device with one or two "assistive switches". Mouse4all Switch is very easy and intuitive to use. It draws an augmented pointer that you can move around the screen. Then you can make gestures at the pointer position: touch, drag and slide. This functionality is sometimes known as "switch access".

This app is compatible with: Bluetooth switches and keyboards (wireless). For example: Microsoft Xbox Adaptive Controller or Ablenet Blue 2.

Try Mouse4all Switch even without a switch by using the volume up or down keys of your Android device to try out the app. It is an easy to use app for Switch access and AAC for Android

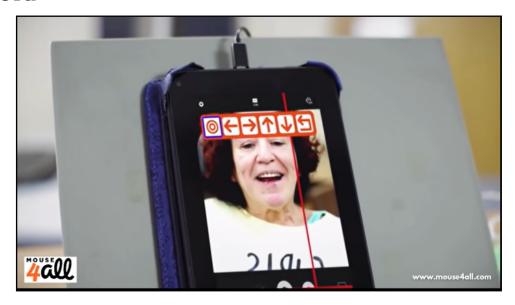


Image shows a screenshot of mouse4all in use while doing a video call with a women -with onscreen grids in red showing left,right,up and down ,return arrows for switch access

Video link -

https://youtu.be/G9UJM4Okjdc

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=

com.mouse4all.switchaccess.nobox

Eyoyo Portable Digital Magnifier Reading Aid

It has ability to do magnification to zoom in and zoom out the text. Allows multiple color modes for choice until you find the mode best suited for your vision needs. It supports photo and playback functions.

What more? just Connect the magnifier to television by tv cable, and view with greater magnification than the screen of the magnifier. Ergonomically designed makes hold more comfortable, using by hands for a long time feels easy. Slide the magnifier to read from start to end of the newspaper. Ideal Aid for Reading, Writing, Viewing

Maps, Books.



Image shows a hand held rectangular magnifier with black thick frame and on sides having copy, camera, back sign on left side and forward, brightness and focus on right side

https://www.eyoyousa.com/c/digital-magnifier_0034

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