

# So, you're blind... is that all? Life doesn't stop with blindness; you can live the life you want

Come join the National Federation of the Blind of Oregon, an organization of people like you working together to promote better services and opportunities in education, rehabilitation, employment, and legislation for blind and visually impaired persons. Together, we are "changing what it means to be blind," and we need your ideas and energy. Through our affiliation with the National Federation of the Blind, the largest organization of blind persons in the country, we have developed a very effective voice in determining the direction of laws and programs which affect blind and visually impaired persons in Oregon and across the nation.

Event Details: All sessions are being held at both locations.

Portland, Oregon

When: Saturday, May 6, 2023, 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Where: [Hyatt Regency Portland at the Convention Center, Willamette 1 / 375 NE Holladay St, Portland, OR 97232](#)

Salem, Oregon

When: Saturday, May 6, 2023, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Where: [Salem Public Library / Plaza level, Anderson Room B, 585 Liberty Street SE, Salem, OR 97301](#)

Session 1: Panel Discussions & Q&A:

- Blind Parenting
- Being a Successful Blind College Student
- Becoming a Successful Blind Business Owner

Session 2: Who is the National Federation of the Blind (NFB), and What do we do?

- Philosophy:
  - The one-minute message
  - Our Annual National Convention
  - Dispelling myths about the NFB
  - Leadership opportunities in the NFB and beyond
  - Connecting with other blind professional people
- Major Accomplishments in the Blind Movement:
  - Representative Walter S. Baring and Senator John F. Kennedy introduced the Right to Organize bills into Congress to ensure that blind people have the right to speak for themselves through their own organizations.
  - The White Cane Law
  - Vocational Rehabilitation Reform
  - Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)
  - Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
  - The Blind Driver Challenge

Please RSVP at: <https://bit.ly/soyoureblind>

