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Free Ray-Ban Meta AI Glasses for Blind Veterans in America

To honor their service, Meta will donate Ray-Ban Meta glasses to every blind veteran in America. This program, inspired by US Army veteran Don Overton, is completely free for veterans, giving them transformative AI technology so they can read documents, navigate their surroundings, and live more independently. Meta AI glasses offer a live AI chat that features continuous, hands-free conversation. Users can share their point of view through hands-free video calls on Messenger and WhatsApp; send, listen to, and reply to voice messages hands-free; create photo and video content; track fitness training; and listen to music.

Meta and Meta's partners will provide hands-on training with every single pair, teaming up with the Blinded Veterans Association (BVA) to make sure every veteran feels confident using the technology. Training covers how the glasses can identify objects, read text, and manage everyday tasks using only voice commands. Training resources include monthly webinars, in-person events, and a BVA Training Guide.

More than 130,000 American veterans are legally blind and will be eligible for Ray-Ban Meta glasses. Eligible veterans can request their pair of Ray-Ban Meta AI glasses through [BVA](#). Veteran organizations seeking to help their members or other eligible blinded veterans receive glasses can apply through [Tech Soup](#). Nonprofits that serve US veterans who are blind or severely vision-impaired can join a live webinar explaining how organizations can facilitate the distribution of Ray-Ban Meta AI glasses, at no cost, to blind or severely vision-impaired US veterans. Visit Tech Soup for webinar details.

Source: <https://about.fb.com/news/2026/06/free-ai-glasses-for-every-blind-veteran>



★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Primary Election

Tuesday, August 18, 2026

Registration

Qualifications

- Be 18 years of age on Election Day
- Be a United States citizen
- Be a resident of Wyoming
- Be a bona fide resident of Wyoming for not less than 30 days before the date of the election
- Not convicted of a felony, or if convicted, has had Wyoming voting rights restored
- Not be adjudicated mentally incompetent

Required Documents

1. Proof of Identity
2. Proof of United States Citizenship
3. Proof of Wyoming Residency

Register In Person or By Mail

- At the office of your County/Town Clerk
- At the polls during early voting or on Election Day
- Mail a completed and notarized voter registration form and copies of the required documents to your County Clerk's office

Voting Assistance

Wyoming State law allows ONE person to assist a voter in the following situations: blindness, disability, or inability to read or write. This person cannot be the voter's employer, an agent of the voter's employer, or an agent or officer of the voter's union. Contact your County Clerk with any questions about polling place accessibility.

Voting In Person

Wyoming voters are required to show an acceptable form of identification when voting in person. Acceptable ID includes:

- WY Driver's License or ID Card
- Driver's License or ID Card from Another State
- Tribal ID Card
- Valid U.S. Passport
- U.S. Military Card
- Student Photo ID (University of WY, WY Community College or Public School)
- Valid Medicare or Medicaid Insurance Card
- Valid Wyoming Concealed Firearm Permit

Voting Absentee

Absentee ballots may be requested any time during the calendar year in which the election is held except on the day of the election. Absentee voting begins, and ballots are distributed, 28 days before the election. To request an absentee ballot, contact your County Clerk and provide your full name, residence address, mailing address, and date of birth. All absentee ballots must be received in the county clerk's office no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.

Voting Questions

Protection & Advocacy

307-632-3496

Election Protection Hotline

Questions or problems voting...call or text:
866-OUR-VOTE (866-687-8683)

[Visit the Election Protection Website](#)

Wyoming Voter's Guide

Wyoming Secretary of State's Office

[Access the Wyoming Voter's Guide](#)

Laramie County Sheriff's Office Launches "Blue Envelope Program"

The Laramie County Sheriff's Office has officially launched the Blue Envelope Program, a voluntary community initiative designed to enhance communication and promote safer interactions between individuals with disabilities and first responders.

The program is intended for individuals with intellectual, developmental, cognitive or other disabilities that may affect communication, understanding or responses during interactions with first responders. The Blue Envelope serves as a communication tool that helps provide important information to responders, reducing misunderstandings, and supporting safer, more positive outcomes during traffic stops, emergencies and other public safety encounters.

Under the program, participants keep essential documents inside a highly identifiable blue envelope. When interacting with emergency personnel, presenting the envelope immediately signals the responder to look for specific communication preferences, behavioral triggers or emergency contact details.

"Our goal with the Blue Envelope Program is to empower individuals with disabilities by providing a simple communication tool that helps first responders better understand their needs, reducing misunderstandings and promoting safe, respectful interactions for everyone involved," said Sheriff Kozak.

Each complimentary Blue Envelope packet includes:

- An official Blue Envelope for vehicle storage
- A Participation Card for wallets or lanyards
- A custom Lanyard and Bracelet
- A Small Window Sticker to alert approaching personnel
- Ready-to-fill Informational Forms

Participation in the program is entirely voluntary and does not excuse or prevent standard legal consequences for unlawful behavior.

Blue Envelope packets are currently available for immediate pick up at the front desk of the Laramie County Sheriff's Office, located at 1910 Pioneer Ave, Cheyenne, WY.

Source: "Laramie County Sheriff's Office launches 'Blue Envelope Program'." *Laramie County Sheriff's Office*. 1 July 2026. Press Release.



BLUE ENVELOPE PROGRAM

*Bridging the Gap
Between Law Enforcement
& Individuals with Disabilities*

The Blue Envelope helps:

- ⇒ Reduce Misunderstandings
- ⇒ Prevent Unnecessary Escalation
- ⇒ Support Officer and Participant Safety
- ⇒ Promote Respectful, effective Communication
- ⇒ Strengthen Community Trust

[View a PDF Flier for the Blue Envelope Program](#)

Upcoming Conferences

Wyoming's Statewide Educator Conference *TeacherCon26*

August 3-4, 2026

**Best Western Casper Downtown,
Casper, WY**

TeacherCon26 brings together three specialized tracks under one roof:

Special Education, Literacy, and
Principal Leadership Academy.

Join educators from across
Wyoming for this comprehensive
professional development
experience presented by the
Wyoming Department of Education.

[Register for TeacherCon26](#)

Parent Information Center Annual Conference *Stronger in the Classroom and Beyond*

September 19, 2026

8:00am—5:00pm

**Laramie County Community
College; Cheyenne, WY**

This event is designed for families,
educators, and community partners
who believe in the power of working
together to help students thrive –
both in school and in life and
focuses on building student success
through family engagement,
educational support, and
community collaboration.

[Register for the PIC Conference](#)

Wyoming Independent Living Peer Advocacy Conference *Voices of Change*

August 12-14, 2026

Ramkota Hotel; Casper, WY

This year's conference features
self-advocates sharing insights on
disability advocacy, including social
media, reducing stigma and ableism,
voting accessibility, rural healthcare,
disaster preparedness, youth
engagement, and more. Travel
stipends are available for individuals
with disabilities.

[Register for the Peer
Advocacy Conference](#)

Wyoming Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities Developmental Disabilities Conference

October 14-16, 2026

Ramkota Hotel, Casper, WY

The Wyoming Developmental
Disabilities Conference is the largest
conference of its kind in the state,
bringing together self-advocates,
families, professionals, providers,
educators, and community leaders.

Through engaging sessions,
meaningful conversations, and
shared experiences, we explore
innovative ideas, strengthen
advocacy, and build a more
inclusive Wyoming for everyone.
Registration will open in August.

[More Information About
the DD Conference](#)



MISSION STATEMENT

To establish,
expand, protect,
and enforce the
human and civil
rights of persons
with disabilities
through administrative,
legal, and other
appropriate remedies.

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