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## Supplier Spotlight:



**ACCESS RESOURCE**  
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## **Access Resource, LLC**

**REAL-TIME CAPTIONING AND AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (ASL)  
INTERPRETING SERVICES**

Access Resource, LLC provides human-generated, high-quality real-time captioning services, a word-for-word speech-to-text service for people with a hearing loss, vision loss, cognitive issues, or for those who would otherwise benefit from this accommodation. Access Resource, LCC also provides exceptional American Sign

Language (ASL) interpreting services to meet those necessary communication access requests.

Meeting your communication access needs through real-time captioning and ASL interpreting for students, staff, and the community in general, we can provide these important services for all situations, including but not limited to classes, meetings, graduations, sports stadium captioning, community outreach, etc. Access Resource, LLC is an active member of the accessibility team and provides exceptional support.

Find More Info Here

January Business Awareness

## January 4th - World Braille Day

[un.org/braille-day](http://un.org/braille-day)

**World Braille Day** is celebrated around the world every year on January 4th, which is the anniversary of the birth of Louis Braille. It was established by the United Nations to raise awareness of the importance of braille in education, communication, and social inclusion.

Braille is essential in the context of education, freedom of expression and opinion, as well as social inclusion, as reflected in article 2 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

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More on World Braille Day

Targeted Business Directory

# New to the Targeted Business Directory

NTE Music Group LLC



NTE Music Group specializes in crafting dynamic and versatile music across genres, with a particular focus on hybrid Hip Hop/Rap, Pop, Rock, and Cinematic Hip Hop.

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Surface Pros



Surface pros does floor demo, prep, leveling and moisture mitigation. Polishing or concrete and terrazzo. Epoxy coating, sealing concrete and terrazzo. Clean and seal floors

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Junipr Public Relations



Junipr Public Relations is a strategic communications firm with an emphasis on PR-led programs that foster brand reputation and build thought leadership profiles.

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*Upcoming Events - Disability:IN*

## Disability Equality Index

Originally developed as a joint initiative of Disability:IN and the American Association of People with Disabilities (AAPD), the Disability Equality Index is an objective, reflective, forward-thinking, and confidential disability rating tool designed to assist business in advancing inclusion practices. It is a comprehensive benchmark that helps companies build a roadmap of measurable, tangible actions across five scored categories: Culture & Leadership, Enterprise-Wide Access, Employment Practices, Community Engagement, and Supplier Diversity.

[More on the 2024 Disability Equality Index](#)

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*Upcoming Events - External*



## Navigating Business Inclusion Policies & Programs Across All 50 States

1/26/24, 10-11AM Online

The business inclusion program landscape can sometimes feel challenging to navigate. In addition, with recent court decisions those running programs and businesses certified through the programs are left with questions and concerns. The book *A Guide to Business Inclusion Programs in Government Contracting: U.S.*

Federal, State, and Local Programs and Laws may serve as a tool for those running programs and those navigating them that may help both strategize for the future by learning what exists across the nation.

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