**Section 650.50 Program Eligibility Requirements**

To be eligible for acceptance into, and to remain in, the Program an individual must:

a) be legally blind, no better than 20/200 central visual acuity in the better eye with correction or a limitation to the field of vision in the better eye to such a degree that its widest angle subtends an angle no greater than 20 degrees. A vendor must submit to a visual acuity test, at DHS expense, when the Administrator has information that a vendor's vision has improved. If the vendor is no longer legally blind, the provisions in Section 650.110(g)(1)(B) will apply;

b) be a citizen of the United States and a resident of Illinois with proof of residency (e.g., utility bills, bank statements, etc.);

c) be at least 21 years old;

d) have a valid State of Illinois identification card, or other documents as listed in the Department of Homeland Security Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification;

e) not be in possession of a Driver's License; and

f) not be convicted of a felony.

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