



Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic
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RFB&D Receives Grant for Science and Math Textbooks for Disabled

(FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE) In keeping with their philanthropic focus to enhance science and mathematics education opportunities, Genzyme Corporation recently awarded a grant of \$10,000 to the New England Regional Unit of Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic. The grant is directed to support RFB&D’s production of high school and college-level textbooks in mathematics and science in digital audio formats for use by students with print disabilities.

“The partnership between Genzyme Corporation and RFB&D dates back to 1991,” states Christina M. Raimo, Regional Executive Director for RFB&D. “Genzyme’s support to the production of digital audio textbooks helps us provide vital educational materials for students that have difficulty learning information visually. These textbooks help students studying math and science get the education they deserve,” Ms. Raimo concludes.

Located just north of Porter Square in Cambridge, the New England Regional Unit of RFB&D houses a recording studio with eight booths. Last year, approximately 200 volunteers donated nearly 16,000 hours completing 331 new titles that have been added to RFB&D’s national library of more than 40,000 of the nation’s most highly circulated textbooks in digital audio format. To learn more about volunteering for RFB&D, please write to volboston@rfd.org or call the RFB&D volunteer number at (617) 577-2706.

Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic is the nation’s leading provider of recorded textbooks and educational resources for students who are blind or have a visual impairment, have a learning disability or a physical disability that precludes the use of standard textbooks. Our mission is to create opportunities for individual success by providing and promoting the effective use of accessible educational materials. Our goal – for all people to have equal access to the printed word.

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