



OPEN INDEPENDENCE

Builds apps to break barriers for people of all abilities and disabilities.

VISION

AIVIS Vision

Describe scenes, read text, and support navigation.

Prism

Explore the world with adaptive color and contrast tools.

Access Atlas

Find accessible places and plan routes.

Scene Cast

Get AI scene descriptions for media and video.

Visual Narrator

Hear descriptions of images, documents, and more.

Warden's Call

Emergency alerts and safety support when needed.

EDUCATION

TypeRight

Writing support for clarity, grammar, and confidence.

Type Braille

Learn, read, and create Braille.

Sign Sense

Build communication and connection through sign language.

Career Compass

Explore strengths, careers, and future opportunities.

Open Builder

Learn hands-on life skills through interactive modules.

COMMUNICATION

Kaidence

Customizable AAC that helps people express themselves.

Echo Pal

A voice assistant for everyday conversation and connection.

SpeakEasy Translator

Translate speech and language in real time.

CUE

Observe and interpret social cues with adjustable filters.

HEARING

Awareness Engine

Sound awareness and alerts for what is happening nearby.

ASL Speaker

Communicate using sign language and AI assistance.

Selective Hearing

Isolate the sounds you want and tune out other sounds.

CREATIVE TOOLS

InFrame

Guidance for framing photos and video.

Score Reader

Explore and hear music from printed sheet music.

COGNITIVE

NORA

Capture, organize, remember, and get timely reminders.

Beth

Support for starting tasks, planning, and following through.

HOWE

Guided, step-by-step answers when you feel stuck.

Write Here

Support for writing and expressing your ideas.

DAILY LIVING

Just Tell Me

Get clear answers from product labels, photos, and a live camera.

MySpace

A personal space designed for comfort and self-expression.

WELLNESS

Check-In

Track symptoms, flares, and medication with less typing.

Inner Compass

Cards, affirmations, crystals, and daily guidance.

ONE MISSION. UNLIMITED POSSIBILITIES.

Technology should adapt to people, not the other way around.

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THE STORY BEHIND OPEN INDEPENDENCE

Ashley Bernard, Founder & President

***"Technology should adapt to people—
not the other way around."***

Open Independence did not begin with a business plan.

It began with a simple question.

WHY DOES INDEPENDENCE STILL DEPEND SO MUCH ON LUCK?

For millions of people living with disabilities, independence is often determined by whether the right tool exists at the right moment. Sometimes that tool is as simple as hearing what is written on a page. Sometimes it is understanding an image, navigating an unfamiliar place, remembering important information, or finding the words to communicate.

Those everyday moments can become barriers when technology is not designed with accessibility in mind.

For years, Ashley Bernard experienced those barriers firsthand. As a blind entrepreneur and technology innovator, she understood that accessibility was too often treated as an afterthought—expensive, fragmented, or designed without meaningful input from the people who would rely on it every day.

**She believed there had to be a better way.
That belief became **Open Independence**.**



Rather than asking people to adapt to technology, Open Independence was created around a different philosophy:

Technology should adapt to people.

Every solution begins with a real challenge faced by someone striving to live, learn, work, communicate, or participate more independently. Instead of designing products around assumptions, Ashley focused on creating practical tools inspired by real experiences and everyday needs.

WHAT STARTED AS SMALL EXPERIMENTS...

- ✓ Could artificial intelligence describe the world more naturally?
- ✓ Could communication become easier for someone who cannot speak?
- ✓ Could memory support become intelligent, proactive, and personalized?
- ✓ Could someone edit an image without ever seeing it?
- ✓ Could a fully accessible audio game be created using modern AI tools?

One by one, those experiments became **real products**.



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TECHNOLOGY THAT EMPOWERS. SOLUTIONS THAT INCLUDE.

AI-powered solutions that increase
accessibility, independence, communication,
navigation, memory, and opportunity.



CORPORATE CAPABILITIES PACKAGE



ACCESSIBILITY

Technology that
adapts to people
and their needs.



COMMUNICATION

Tools that help
people express,
connect, and be
understood.



NAVIGATION

Intelligent guidance
that builds
confidence and
independence.



MEMORY

AI-powered support
that helps recall,
organize, and stay
on track.



INCLUSION

Creating a world
where everyone
belongs and
thrives.



OPPORTUNITY

Opening doors
to education,
employment, and
a better future.



Learn more about our solutions

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**MORE INDEPENDENCE.
MORE OPPORTUNITIES.
MORE TOGETHER.**



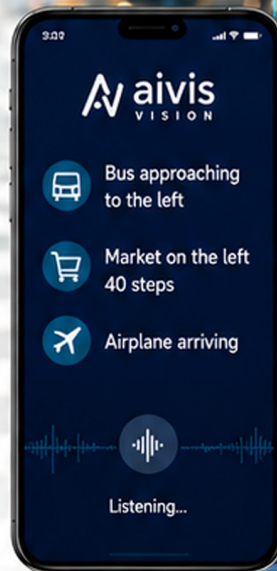
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See More. Live Bolder. Vision for Every Step.

AIVIS Vision is an AI-powered suite of apps that helps people navigate the world with confidence and independence. From real-time object detection and text reading to step-by-step navigation and smart device interaction, AIVIS Vision transforms everyday challenges into possibilities.



“Empowering people to move, learn, connect, and live independently—wherever life takes them.”

WHAT AIVIS VISION DOES



DETECTS

Recognizes people, objects, signs, text, and more in real time.



DESCRIBES

Provides clear, spoken descriptions of your surroundings.



READS

Reads printed and digital text aloud instantly.



GUIDES

Offers step-by-step navigation with voice directions.



EMPOWERS

Enables smart device interaction with voice and vision tools.



INCLUDES

Enhances everyday experiences with dignity and ease.

BUILT FOR REAL LIFE.

- ✓ Works in real time using your camera and AI
- ✓ Delivers accurate, high-level object and text detection
- ✓ Provides detailed routes and location guidance
- ✓ Works through your internet connection
- ✓ Designed with privacy, security, and simplicity in mind
- ✓ Continuously improving to meet your needs



REAL IMPACT. REAL INDEPENDENCE.

“

AIVIS helps me navigate new places with confidence. It's like having a guide with me everywhere.

— AIVIS Vision User

“

From reading menus to crossing streets, AIVIS Vision makes everyday life so much easier.

— AIVIS Vision User

“

The accuracy is amazing. I feel more independent and in control of my day.

— AIVIS Vision User



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**MORE VISION.
MORE INDEPENDENCE.
MORE YOU.**



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AI-POWERED AAC

Pictures + AI Predictions = A Voice for Everyone

Kaidence is an intelligent AAC (augmentative and alternative communication) app that learns your vocabulary, predicts what you want to say, and speaks for you—clearly and naturally.

Designed for people with autism, ALS, cerebral palsy, stroke, or any condition that affects speech, Kaidence adapts to you—your words, your pace, your life.



An AAC system for everyone who needs help expressing themselves.

Adaptive. Predictive. Powerful.
Kaidence gives you a voice.

HOW KAIDENCE WORKS



YOU START

Choose a picture or start typing.



AI LEARNS

Kaidence learns your vocabulary and patterns.



AI PREDICTS

It predicts your next words and builds sentences.



YOU SPEAK

Kaidence speaks for you with natural, connected speech.



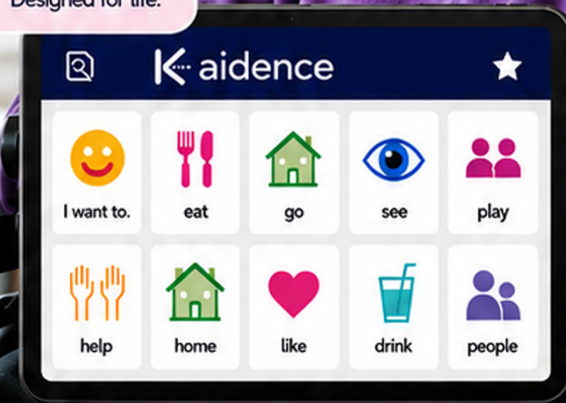
AI learns you.
Predicts what
you want to say.



Speaks for you.
True speaking
connected.



Built for
independence.
Designed for life.



Unlike traditional apps with static buttons,
Kaidence adapts to you.

KEY FEATURES



AI THAT LEARNS

Learns your words, speech patterns, and context to predict and understand.



CUSTOMIZABLE CONNECTED

Personalize easily, vocabulary, voices, and layouts to fit your needs.



CLOUD SYNC EVERYWHERE

Access your words and settings across devices—anytime, anywhere.



SAFE. PRIVATE. SECURE.

Your data is protected with industry-leading privacy and security standards.

REAL IMPACT. REAL VOICES.



Kaidence helps my daughter share her thoughts, her ideas, and her personality. It's changed everything for us.

— Parent



I can express what I want, when I want. It gives me more independence every single day.

— Kaidence User



The AI predictions are incredibly accurate and save me so much time during sessions.

— Speech Therapist



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MORE CONNECTIONS.
MORE POSSIBILITIES.**



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NORA

NEURAL ORGANIZATIONAL
RECALL ASSISTANT

**Remember more.
Focus on what matters.**

NORA is your AI memory partner that helps you organize, remember, and stay on top of what matters most. From appointments and tasks to notes and important details, NORA captures information, connects the dots, and retrieves it when you need it.

Less to remember. More freedom to live.



AI POWERED MEMORY
Understands, learns, and remembers for you.



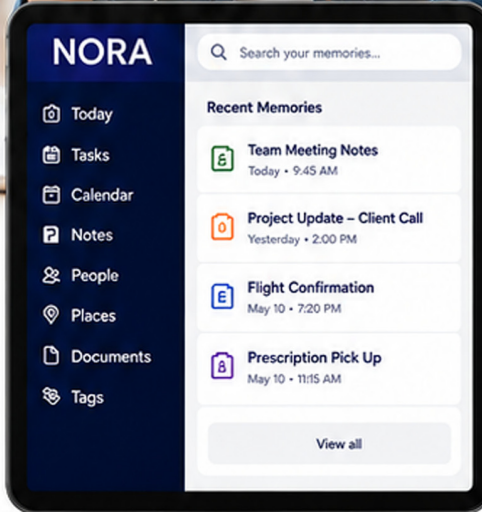
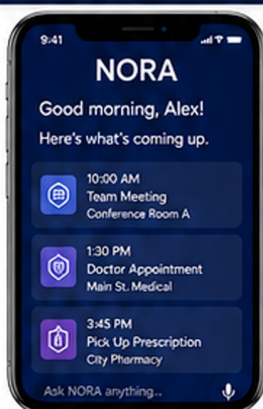
STAY ORGANIZED
Keep your life, information, and tasks in one place.



SMART REMINDERS
Timely alerts for what matters, when it matters.



PRIVATE & SECURE
Your data is protected with enterprise-grade security.



WHAT NORA HELPS YOU DO



CAPTURE

Save notes, thoughts, voice memos, documents, and important details.



ORGANIZE

Automatically organizes your information so you can find it fast.



REMEMBER

NORA connects information and helps you recall it instantly.



REMIN

Get smart reminders for tasks, events, and important follow-ups.



CONNECT

Link people, places, and events for better context and clarity.



CATEGORIZE

Use tags and categories to keep everything simple and accessible.



INSIGHT

Get summaries and insights that help you make better decisions.

BUILT FOR REAL LIFE

- ✓ Remembers the small details so you don't have to.
- ✓ Helps manage busy schedules and responsibilities.
- ✓ Supports focus, productivity, and peace of mind.
- ✓ Great for students, professionals, caregivers, and families.
- ✓ Works across all your devices—anytime, anywhere.



REAL STORIES. REAL IMPACT.

“

NORA helps me keep track of everything without feeling overwhelmed. It's like having a second brain I can trust.

— College Student

“

I can finally focus on my work knowing NORA will remember the details and keep me on track.

— Busy Professional

“

NORA has been a game changer for managing my family, appointments, and daily tasks.

— Parent



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**MORE MEMORY.
MORE CLARITY.
MORE FREEDOM.**

Don't Figure It Out Alone.

I'll stay with you while you do it.

Beth is your AI executive-function companion — a body double, focus partner, and step-by-step guide that helps you start, stay on track, and finish what matters.



What Beth Does:



Who It's For:

- ✓ People with autism
- ✓ ADHD
- ✓ Intellectual and developmental disabilities
- ✓ Brain injuries
- ✓ Cognitive challenges
- ✓ Learning differences
- ✓ Anxiety around tasks
- ✓ Anyone who struggles with executive functioning

Beth is for teens, adults, students, employees and older adults.



Gets You Started

Turns big tasks into small, doable steps.



Keeps You Focused

Stays with you when you get distracted.



Encourages You

Celebrates progress and builds confidence.



Provides Reminders

Helps you get back on track.



Talks With You

Keeps the conversation going while you work.



Builds Routines

Creates simple, personalized plans.

Companion Mode Includes:

- ✓ One step at a time guidance
- ✓ Gentle redirection (no judgment)
- ✓ Focus sessions & break support
- ✓ Transition assistance
- ✓ Personalized communication style
- ✓ Voice or text conversation



"You don't have to figure out what to do next by yourself. I'll stay with you while you do it."

— Beth

How Beth Helps:



Get Started

Break it down. Take the first step.



Stay Focused

Minimize distractions. Keep going.



Return When You're Distracted

Beth brings you back gently.



Complete Tasks

One step at a time. Celebrate progress.



Feel Supported

You're not alone. Beth's with you.



BETH
EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONING
BODY DOUBLE

Let's get it done — together.

Practice with Beth.



GUIDED FEEDBACK FOR ANY TIME
YOU'RE LEFT ASKING...HOW?

Get step-by-step answers anytime, anywhere.

HOWE uses AI and your camera to understand your question and give you clear, spoken guidance. From everyday tasks to complex topics, HOWE has the answer.

HOWE CAN HELP YOU:



STEP-BY-STEP GUIDANCE

Clear instructions for any task—big or small.



ASK WITH YOUR CAMERA OR VOICE

Point, ask, and get instant answers you can trust.



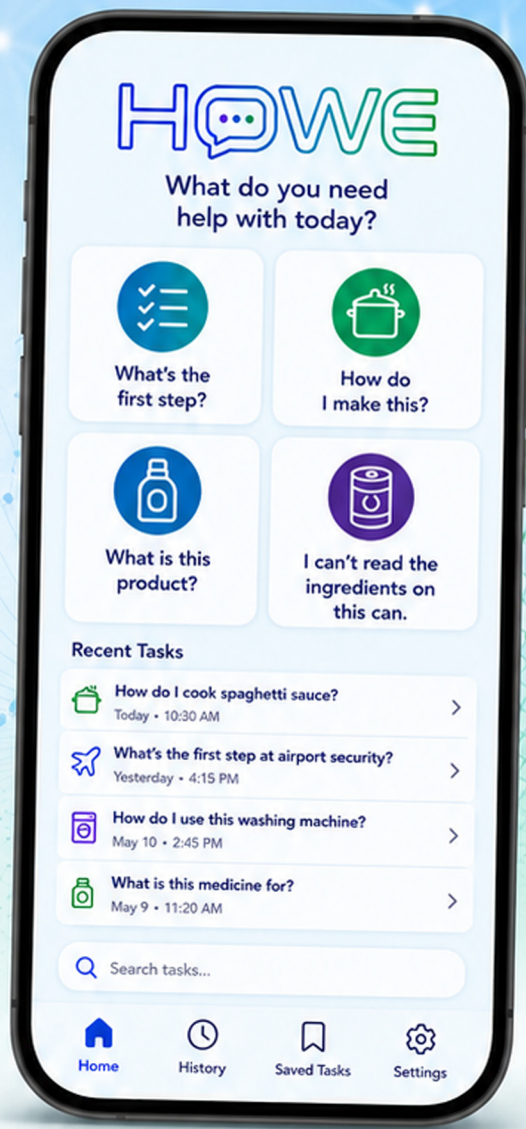
EASY TO UNDERSTAND

Simple, spoken responses in plain language.



SAVE & REFERENCE ANYTIME

Keep your tasks organized and revisit them later.



HOW IT WORKS

-  **Ask a Question**
Use your camera or voice to ask about anything.
-  **AI Understands**
HOWE analyzes your question and finds the right answer.
-  **Get Clear Guidance**
Receive step-by-step instructions you can see and hear.

REAL-WORLD EXAMPLES

-  **Cooking:** Get step-by-step help for any recipe.
-  **Travel:** Know what to do, from packing to airport security.
-  **Appliances:** Learn how to use machines and devices.
-  **Products:** Identify items and learn how to use them.
-  **DIY & Home Tasks:** Fix, build, and maintain with confidence.
-  **Learning:** Understand concepts, steps, and how things work.



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More independence.
More clarity. More freedom.





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OUR FUTURE VISION

**A world without barriers.
A future of limitless independence.**

We envision a world where technology adapts to people—not the other way around. A world where everyone has the tools, confidence, and support they need to live, learn, work, and thrive.

This is the future we are building—together.

IMAGINE THE POSSIBILITIES.



Every person
empowered.



Every voice
heard.



Every community
included.



Every dream
within reach.



**We are creating an accessible future
where independence is possible for all
and potential has no limits.**

OUR COMMITMENT TO THE FUTURE



INNOVATE

Continuously advance AI-powered solutions that break down barriers and create new possibilities.



COLLABORATE

Partner with experts, organizations, and communities to co-create solutions that matter most.



EMPOWER

Design technology that is inclusive, intuitive, and built for real-life impact.



PROTECT

Uphold the highest standards of privacy, security, accessibility, and ethical AI.



EXPAND

Grow our ecosystem to reach more people, more places, and more moments.

WHAT'S NEXT

We are building the next generation of tools and experiences that will redefine accessibility and independence.



EDUCATION

Tools that support learning for every student, in every environment.



HEALTHCARE

Solutions that improve health, communication, and wellbeing.



EMPLOYMENT

Apps that open doors, build skills, and create career opportunities.



DAILY LIVING

Smarter tools that simplify routines and elevate independence.



GLOBAL IMPACT

Expanding access across communities and countries worldwide.

EMERGING INNOVATIONS

A glimpse of what's ahead in our product roadmap.



REAL-TIME UNDERSTANDING

AI that understands complex speech, accents, and communication patterns instantly.



SMART ENVIRONMENT INTELLIGENCE

Predictive assistance that adapts to your surroundings and anticipates your next step.



PERSONALIZED AI COMPANION

Proactive support that learns with you and grows with your needs.



SEAMLESS INTEGRATIONS

Unified experiences across devices, platforms, and everyday life.



EXPANDED ACCESS

Making our technology available to more people, no matter where they are.



**The future is inclusive. The future is intelligent.
The future is Open Independence.**

STRONGER TOGETHER

We collaborate with a growing network of partners, organizations, and change makers who share our vision.



Universities



Hospitals &
Healthcare



School Districts
& Educators



Rehabilitation
& Therapy Centers



Nonprofits &
Disability Organizations



Government
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PARTNERS IN POSSIBILITY. TOGETHER.

**When we collaborate,
everyone moves forward.**

We work alongside organizations, institutions,
and changemakers to create technology that
empowers people, strengthens communities,
and builds a more inclusive world.

**Together, we can open more doors,
create more opportunities, and
transform more lives.**



**Our mission is bold.
Our impact is real. Our future is shared.**

We invite you to partner with Open Independence
and help us shape a world where technology
creates independence for all.

PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



ACADEMIC PARTNERS

Collaborate on research,
innovation, and real-
world solutions that
advance accessibility
and inclusion.



HEALTHCARE PARTNERS

Improve patient access,
communication, and
independence through
AI-powered tools and
supportive technology.



GOVERNMENT PARTNERS

Work together to
develop inclusive
solutions that expand
access and strengthen
communities.



NONPROFIT PARTNERS

Amplify impact by
aligning missions,
sharing expertise,
and reaching more
people together.



CORPORATE PARTNERS

Drive innovation and
social impact while
advancing accessibility
in your products,
services, and culture.



INVESTORS & FOUNDATIONS

Fuel the future of
accessibility by
investing in solutions
that create lasting
change.

WHY PARTNER WITH OPEN INDEPENDENCE?

- ✓ **Proven Purpose** – A mission-driven organization focused on real needs and real results.
- ✓ **Innovative Solutions** – AI-powered apps that address daily challenges and open new possibilities.
- ✓ **Inclusive Impact** – Technology designed for people of all abilities, families, educators, and professionals.
- ✓ **Scalable Reach** – Solutions built to grow and adapt across communities and industries.
- ✓ **Meaningful Change** – Together, we advance dignity, independence, and opportunity for all.



**Your partnership powers possibility.
Together, we build a better tomorrow.**

LET'S CONNECT

We would love to explore how we can work together.



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where everyone belongs
and everyone can thrive.

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Open Independence is a technology organization that designs, builds, and scales innovative apps that remove barriers and create access in the areas that matter most: communication, navigation, memory, learning, daily living, and meaningful participation.

CORPORATE CAPABILITIES

We develop and deliver AI-powered accessibility solutions that empower people of all abilities and disabilities to live, learn, work, and thrive independently.



CORE STRENGTHS



AI-POWERED INNOVATION

We leverage artificial intelligence, machine learning, and computer vision to deliver intelligent, real-time solutions that adapt to individual needs.



ACCESSIBILITY BY DESIGN

Every solution is built with accessibility, usability, and inclusion at the core.



PRIVACY & SECURITY

We protect user data with industry-leading security and privacy practices.



MULTI-PLATFORM SOLUTIONS

Our apps work across multiple devices and operating systems—anytime, anywhere.



CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

We listen, learn, and evolve—driven by user feedback and real-world impact.

OUR APPROACH



UNDERSTAND

We listen to real people and communities to identify true needs.



DESIGN

We co-create solutions that are intuitive, inclusive, and impactful.



DEVELOP

We build with agility, quality, and accessibility at every stage.



DELIVER

We deploy solutions that create measurable change and freedom.



EVOLVE

We continuously improve based on feedback and impact.

OUR SOLUTIONS

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nora RECALL ASSISTANT



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EVERYDAY INDEPENDENCE



Practical tools for daily life—health, money, schedules, routines, transportation, and more.

LEARN & WORK



Solutions that support learning, skill-building, employment, and independent living success.

ONE MISSION. MANY SOLUTIONS. LIMITLESS POSSIBILITIES.

REAL IMPACT



61M+

adults in the U.S. live with a disability.

Source: CDC



1B+

people worldwide experience a disability.

Source: WHO



\$13T+

in global economic value is unlocked through accessibility.

Source: Accenture



REAL PEOPLE.
REAL RESULTS.

Our solutions help people navigate, communicate, learn, and live with greater independence every day.

TRUSTED COLLABORATORS

We partner with organizations and communities to expand access, drive innovation, and create lasting impact.



Disability Organizations



Healthcare Providers



Educational Institutions



Government Agencies



Corporate Partners



Foundations & Investors



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