When 76-year-old Shirley Rybarski, who is deaf and has limited vision, wants to connect with her grandkids, she fires up her iPad and logs onto Facebook.

“My friends think the iPad is my new toy,” laughs Rybarski. “I love it.”

Unlike a regular computer screen, the iPad’s enhanced retina display makes it possible for her to see large-sized fonts. She reads the daily papers and keeps up with family and friends spread across three states.

Shirley Rybarski received the iPad, along with one-on-one training, through the [National Deaf Blind Equipment Distribution Program](http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/national-deaf-blind-equipment-distribution-program) (NDBEDP), also knowns as [iCanConnect](http://www.iCanConnect.org).

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