

# ***COUNTY OF PICKENS***

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## **MonoMouse Now Available @ Your Library!**

The Pickens County Library System is excited to announce that they will now be offering the Bierley MonoMouse – an easy to use, hand held electronic magnifier – as part of an innovative loan program designed to help visually impaired members of the community. The MonoMouse is available to be borrowed from the library in the same manner as borrowing a book. A visually impaired patron can now have the opportunity to read any book from the library in the comfort of their own home.

The MonoMouse Magnifier, which is similar to an oversized computer mouse, is ergonomically designed to fit comfortably in the palm of a user's hand. It connects to any television via the attached standard RCA plug and then the large blue button is simply pressed to start reading. Whatever the magnifier is moved across appears large and clear on the television screen, making small text especially easy to read.

A library patron simply borrows the MonoMouse magnifier along with a book of their choice, returns home, plugs the MonoMouse into their own television and is then able to read the super sized text right on the screen. When the magnifier and book become due, the patron returns them to the library as usual. The program is designed to help people to regain their independence and reignite their desire to read.

“The MonoMouse was specifically designed to allow anyone with impaired vision to be able to read anything such as books and magazines, easily and conveniently,” said Ian Bierley, President, Bierley Associates. “We have been having great success working with libraries overseas and now we are pleased that the opportunity is becoming available to communities across the USA,” Bierley added.

For more information or to reserve a MonoMouse Magnifier, stop by any library location or call 850-7077.