

# **Hearing Loop List**

# Maryland

USA

The following locations have hearing loop(s) at their service desks and/or in their meeting rooms, classrooms, theaters, auditoriums, and worship areas.

#### Abingdon

• Wegmans - Bel Air

#### Adelphi

Paint Branch UU Church

### Annapolis

• St. Anne's Episcopal Church

### Baltimore

- Amtrak Station Baltimore Airport, MD
- Baltimore Hebrew Congregation
- Centerstage
- Everyman Theatre
- Hearing and Speech Agency
- Johns Hopkins ENT
- Joseph Meyerhoff Symphony Hall

### Bethesda

- Adat Shalom
- National Institutes of Health (NIH)
- St. Luke's Episcopal Church
- Westmoreland UCC

### Clarksville

• Christ Lutheran Church (WELS)

### Cockeysville

Broadmead Resident Association

### Columbia

• Wegmans - Columbia

### Frederick

• Wegmans - Frederick

### Gambrills

• Wegmans - Crofton

# Germantown

Wegmans - Germantown

# Hagerstown

• The Maryland Theatre

#### Hunt Valley

• Wegmans - Hunt Valley

#### Lanham

• Wegmans - Woodmore

#### Mitchellville

Collington

#### **Owings Mills**

- Beth Israel Congregation
- Wegmans Owings Mills

#### Rockville

- Hearing Loss Association of America
- Ingleside at King Farm
- Jewish Federation
- Potomac Audiology

### Silver Spring

- ATS Communications
- Leisure World North Tower

#### **Upper Marlboro**

• Prince Georges County HQ

### Westminster

Calvary Baptist Church

#### Worcester

Mechanics Hall

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# Help us raise public awareness for hearing loops

Provide a Google Maps online review and/or photo after using a hearing loop at a specific location.

5 Actions (2-page handout): <u>Promote Hearing Loops on Google Maps</u> Reviews (1-page handout): <u>Write a Review of Hearing Loops in Google Maps</u> Photos (2-page handout): <u>Contributing Hearing Loop Photos in Google Maps</u> Google Maps Info (webpage): <u>Google Maps</u> Google Reviews (webpage): <u>Google Reviews</u> Video (1-minute): <u>How to Find Hearing Loops in Google Maps</u>

# About Assistive Listening Systems (ALS)

If a location does not have a hearing loop, they should have a FM or IR system. Under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the following places (employment, state and local government, businesses, and nonprofit organizations) are required to have an assistive listening system, either a hearing loop, FM system, or infrared system:

1. In ALL indoor or outdoor areas or rooms, with a public address system.

2. In all Courtrooms

3. Where Effective Communication is needed, such as service counters, rooms without public address systems, etc. Places of worship are commonly exempted under the ADA, but depends on activities, funding sources, and state or local building codes or regulations. For full inclusion, many places of worship wonderfully choose to have an ALS.

See a list of the Types of Places REQUIRED to Have Assistive Listening Systems (webpage)

Hearing Loops are the gold standard for assistive listening systems and are strongly preferred by users. Hearing loops are the easiest to use – just click a button on the hearing aid or cochlear implant to instantly connect to the room's PA system. No equipment to borrow. Discrete.

# To learn more

#### Center for Hearing Access (CHA) www.hearingloop.org

Founded in 2024, the nonprofit Center for Hearing Access is a national advocacy and education initiative of The John G. Shedd Institute for the Arts in Eugene, OR. We champion and educate users, sites, hearing instrument specialists, and audiologists about ADAcompliant assistive listening systems and other strategies to increase access to theaters, libraries, conferences, government offices, courtrooms, and other public and private spaces. Effective hearing access can be life-changing for people with hearing loss to maintain community engagement. We create and provide advocacy materials, ADA information, a speaker's bureau, videos, templates for users and operators, articles, and vendor lists.

#### Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA) www.hearingloss.org

HLAA Get in the Hearing Loop Program information and advocacy tools.

For hearing loop updates and revisions, email <u>info@hearingloop.org</u> or use the online form:

#### hearingloss.org/HearingLoopLocations

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35 Total locations with hearing loops





Google Maps

