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Blind & Vision Rehabilitation Services Helps Welcome Pope to USA

Employees in Industries division busy making road signs, towels, pillowcases

While Pope Francis will not stop in Pittsburgh during his visit to the United States, workers here will have a hand in his welcome to Philadelphia.

Employees of PBA Industries, a division of Blind & Vision Rehabilitation Services of Pittsburgh, are busy finishing road signs, towels and pillowcases that are needed during the Pope's stay in the eastern part of our state.

Specifically, Industries workers manufactured:

- eight orange reflective 36" x 36" Road Closed Ahead signs
- twelve orange reflective 48" x 48" Road Closed Ahead signs
- 2,208 white towels
- 200 white pillowcases

For more than a century, craftsmen from PBA Industries have manufactured, assembled and created a wide variety of products for the federal and state governments, as well as for businesses in the private sector. More than 95 percent of PBA Industries employees are blind or vision impaired.



MORE ABOUT BVRS

Blind & Vision Rehabilitation Services of Pittsburgh (www.bvrspittsburgh.org), a 105-year-old private nonprofit, is a leader in programs and services for people of all ages who are blind, vision impaired, or have other disabilities. We believe in independence through rehabilitation. Our mission is to change the lives of persons with vision loss and other disabilities by fostering independence and individual choice.

We offer comprehensive and personalized computer instruction, employment and vocational services, personal adjustment to blindness training, independence skill building, in-home instruction, low vision services, vision screenings for children and adults, prevention of blindness services, and an industrial employment program. We also offer employment support services in Fayette, Greene, and Washington counties, and in Somerset County we offer vision screening and transportation services. BVRS is accredited by the National Accreditation Council for Blind and Low Vision Services (NAC).

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