



Blind Frontiers Podcast Episode 2 Show Notes

Opening the Door to Blind Frontiers: Hear from Students at the Criss Cole Rehabilitation Center

Duration: ~25 minutes

In this compelling follow-up episode of **Blind Frontiers**, we continue exploring life and training at the Criss Cole Rehabilitation Center (CCRC) in Austin, Texas. Host Jeff Molzow invites you to hear directly from the students—past, present, and future—who are transforming their lives through blindness training.

You'll meet Caitlin, Christian, Kim, and Gabrielle—each navigating vision loss with courage and discovering newfound independence. From mastering mobility with a cane to making their own cutting boards, their stories reflect personal growth, resilience, and the power of community. We also meet counselors Rafinha and Diana, both CCRC alumni, who share how returning as professionals is their way of giving back to the center that changed their lives.

Producer Jessica Glasebrook walks us through a typical day at CCRC, where students tackle technology, career prep, orientation and mobility, and daily living skills—all modeled after a full workday to build practical, real-world independence.

The episode concludes with reflections from graduating students and staff, celebrating milestones, facing new horizons, and holding onto the courage that brought them here.

Main Takeaway:

Blindness doesn't define you—your mindset, support system, and willingness to grow do. At CCRC, students gain not just skills, but the confidence and community needed to thrive beyond vision loss.

Tune in to hear how CCRC helps individuals rewrite their stories and take the next bold step toward independence.

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