Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services: Accessing the DADs Website

Pat Morse: What I would like to do is draw you a picture of how to access the DADs website. The first thing you would do, if you are savvy about using a computer at home, then you can do this at your home. If that is a struggle, then please know you can come to Brazos Valley Center for Independent Living (BVCIL) and we will take as long as needed in terms of accessing the services for you so that you have accurate information for the future. The other thing you can do is contact by phone the Department of Aging and Disability Services, or you can go to (in our area, for our catchment) Brazos Council of Governments. You can go to ARC, which is the Aging and Disability Resource Center, and they can also pull it up on their computer banks for you. Any of the above will work, but calling even the local DADs office would be sufficient. In terms of looking at the website you are going to enter www.dads.state.tx.us. What will pull up is a screen with a menu that is very clear to understand. It starts with home, then goes to all about the DADs programs, help for Texans, doing business with DADs, forms and handbook, and Links. For parents and guardians, you will want to start on the home page. You will notice boxes of information on there. Then, you will click on the link that says ‘Help for Texans.’ When it comes up, what I need you to understand that is if you need it in Spanish there is a link to do so. The word Spanish is in Spanish, so click that and it will automatically pull up in Spanish, so please be aware of that before you get started.