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## The Ohio Affiliate of Prevent Blindness Vision Care Outreach Program for the Miami Valley Region

### Goal

The goal of the Vision Care Outreach Program (VCO) is to reduce the incidence of unnecessary vision loss and impairment by providing access to a donated system of comprehensive vision care services for uninsured and underinsured Ohio families.

### Participating Referring Partner Agencies for Adult Clients

Referring partner agencies benefit from the vision care outreach program so they can offer valuable eye care service to their clients. Partner agencies are typically social service organizations and schools such as homeless shelters, detention centers, drug/alcohol rehabilitation services, free clinics and health departments – that serve clients with multiple challenges in their lives. Often, the receipt of eye care can be the key that unlocks potential to secure employment or accelerate learning in school:

Access Center for Independent Living  
AHEPA 113 Senior Apartments  
Catholic Social Services of the Miami Valley  
Charles Drew Health Center  
City of Kettering (Kettering Connection)  
Community Action Partnership  
Community Health Centers of Greater Dayton  
Daybreak, Inc.  
East Dayton Health Center  
East End Community Services  
Eastway Corporation  
Fairborn Senior Center  
Five Rivers Health Center  
Fresenius Medical Center  
Good Samaritan Homeless Clinic  
Goodwill Easter Seals Miami Valley

Greene County Combined Health District  
Greene County Council on Aging  
Helping Hands Community Outreach Center  
Living Well Clinic  
MonDay Community Correctional  
National Church Residence/John Sales Manor  
New Carlisle Community Health Center  
Pathstone Corporation  
Reach Out of Montgomery County  
Schrimpf Eye Center  
The YWCA - Dayton  
Volunteers of American, Dayton VRC  
Wesley Community Center, Inc.  
Yellow Springs Senior Center

### Participating Referring Partner Agencies for Children

Belmont High School  
Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps  
Centerville City Schools  
Centerville High School  
Chaminade Julianne Catholic High School  
Cleveland PreK-6  
David H. Ponitz Career & Tech Center High School  
Deaf Community Resource Center  
DECA Prep  
Eastmont Pre K-8 School

Greene County Combined Health District  
Helping Hands Community Outreach Center  
Horace Mann PreK-8 School  
Kemp Elementary PreK-8  
Kettering City Schools  
Kiser Pre K-8 School  
Meadowdale High School  
Meadowdale Elementary Pre K-8  
Miamisburg City Schools  
New Lebanon Local Schools

Rushmore Elementary School  
St. Anthony Catholic School  
St. Helen School  
Stivers School for the Arts  
Studebaker Elementary School

Thurgood Marshall High School  
West Carrollton School District  
Weisenborn Middle School  
Wogaman School  
World of Wonder

### **Participating Eye Care Providers**

Eye care providers donate comprehensive, professional eye exams (and surgery) at their practice for Prevent Blindness vision care outreach clients:

Dr. James Bierly	Schrimpf Eye Center
Dr. Steven Connett	Dr. Timothy Shafer
Dr. Tony Fenton/Visionmakers of Dayton Inc.	Dr. Richard Slamer
Gemini Eye Care	Dr. Patrick Spencer
Dr. Iain Kelly	Dr. Paul Speros
Dr. Eddie Mercado	Dr. Park Studebaker
Dr. Robert McLear	Dr. Stephen Ward
Dr. Martin Neal	

### **Participating Optical Companies**

The Vision Industry and Optical Companies donate dispensing, fabrication, frames, lenses and shipping for VCO clients that need glasses. The VCO program standards for eyewear include frames (no more than 5 years dated), uncoated, polycarbonate lenses (safety material), single and lined bifocal lenses:

OneSight <sup>SM</sup> – A Luxottica Group Foundation	VSP – Sight for Students
VSP-Lab	
VSP – Mobile Eyes	

### **Number of Miami Valley Area Residents Served**

For our fiscal year of 2016-2017, Prevent Blindness Ohio coordinated access to donated eye exams, glasses and follow up surgical care needed to 315 Miami Valley area residents that would have not been able to access vision services otherwise.

### **Success Stories**

It is important to us to hear from our clients and how the VCO Program has changed their lives. We ask all of our participating partner agencies to encourage their clients to complete a success story and send it to Prevent Blindness. We have made a difference to these Miami Valley, Ohio clients' lives:

Debra from Dayton wrote...

*“This program was a wonderful help for me. I was in desperate need of glasses. My minimum wage job as a driver with no medical benefits made it impossible for me to purchase glasses for myself. This program was a blessing and truly appreciated. Thank you so much for your help and the help you give to others.”*

Crystal from Huber Heights wrote...

*“Thank you so much! My experience was so positive! A year ago I was in fear of every time I drove anywhere out my norm. Since my cataract surgery and new glasses, I feel confident, alive and a new woman. I have been laid off 7-8 months of the past year. I would not have been able to buy new glasses. Thanks!”*