Dear Supporter,

The 2020-2021 fiscal year for Prevent Blindness North Carolina was a year like no other, but not just because of the obvious. The beginning of the year coincided with the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic and change and uncertainty were soon to be our "new normal." But as much of the world closed its blinds and shut down operations temporarily, at Prevent Blindness North Carolina, we rolled up our sleeves and worked harder than ever to further our mission throughout the year.

Early in the year, the access that Prevent Blindness North Carolina has had for years within preschools, childcare centers, NC public schools, and health clinics diminished. COVID-19 protocols put in place to protect the students, teachers, administrators, and patients at those locations also eliminated the possibility of our staff working on site to provide vision screenings or trainings.

Our challenge was clear. How does a healthcare organization that relies on external partner locations to deliver life-changing services do so without those partner locations? Quickly, our team made the decision to adapt our programming to work within the limitations that the pandemic created for us.

The Vision Screening Certification program built out an online version of its high-quality in-person training. This allowed those who were responsible for vision screenings in the schools across North Carolina to become certified or renew their certification with no physical contact with our staff.

The Preschool Vision Screening program created protocol to safely screen children from six feet away and opened the PBNC office to provide free vision screenings while child-care centers restricted outside visitors.

The Adult Retinal Screening program implemented new COVID protocols and procedures within its screenings and shifted many of the patients screened to an image reading service. This change resulted in images being read within 24 hours of the screening and better access to our health clinics across the state.

We continued delivering services in all three programs throughout the year. While the delivery may have been different, the goal remained the same: Prevent blindness and preserve sight for the 450,000+ people per year that our programs touch historically.

In addition to the adaptation of the program delivery, Prevent Blindness North Carolina took the opportunity to look inward and plan for the next five years. In February of 2021, we launched our new strategic plan that will help guide the organization into 2026.

By March of 2021, our team and our board had become stronger, more creative, and more resilient. Access to our screening and training sites gradually increased, and by the end of the year, we realized that regardless of what obstacles may come our way, Prevent Blindness North Carolina will always provide the life-changing and preventative services we have since 1967.

Looking forward, we know that we are stronger than ever before, and we have wonderful momentum as an organization to only grow and improve for the people of North Carolina.
MEET THE TEAM

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PROGRAM IMPACT

Population Served by Program:
- Preschool (Ages 2-5) 17,958
- School Aged (Ages 6-18) 87,888
- Adult (Ages 18+) 2,189

Percentage of those screened across all ages referred for a possible vision issue: 10.2%

Value of Donor Doctors' In-Kind Services Provided: $189,400

Value of Vouchers Issued for Free Eye Exams & Glasses: $233,105

Percentage of NC counties with active PBNC certified school staff and/or volunteers: 100%
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Fiscal Year Ending: March 31, 2021

REVENUE, GAINS, AND OTHER SUPPORT

Contributions 196,705
Government grants 1,043,748
Program service 399
Miscellaneous 1,823
Net investment return 632,435

TOTAL REVENUE, GAINS, AND OTHER SUPPORT $1,875,110

OPERATING EXPENSES

Program Services:
  Research 29,135
  Public health education 514,362
  Professional education and training 308,669
  Community services 161,277
  Total Program Services Expenses 1,013,443

Supporting Services:
  General and administrative 145,572
  Fundraising 111,806
  Total Supporting Services Expenses 257,378

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES $1,270,821

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS $604,289
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Our Mission is to prevent blindness and preserve sight through direct services and programs, education and advocacy.

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And be sure to check out our website at www.pbnc.org