






**Prevent
Blindness**
North Carolina

2024-2025 **IMPACT REPORT**



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A MESSAGE OF THANKS

Dear Supporters,

As we reflect on the 2024–2025 fiscal year, my heart is truly full - because of you. Your partnership and unwavering belief in our mission to prevent blindness and preserve sight have made our work possible. Thanks to you, our caring eye-health champions, we delivered another year of life-changing impact to students, individuals, and families in countless daycares, schools, and health clinics within all 100 counties.

This year, your generosity created moments of clarity and hope thousands of times over. Your support allowed us to:

- Provide free vision screenings for more than 40,000 preschool children, catching issues early when it matters most and conditions are often reversible.
- Equip over 3,000 school nurses, staff, administrators, and volunteers with comprehensive training and certification, turning them into frontline vision screeners for over 350,000 school-aged children.
- Deliver more than 4,500 free retinal screenings to our adult clients, proactively managing serious health disparities.
- Donate over \$100,000 worth of eye exams and glasses to referred clients.

Within these pages, you will find a transparent picture of our financial and program results. We believe in being good stewards of your investments, and these results demonstrate how effectively *and* efficiently your contributions are put to work, creating maximum impact on people's lives.

However, the most inspiring part of our journey together, to me, is witnessing how these sight-saving services transform lives. Often, the outcomes occur in a child's early years, when a simple vision screening changes the entire trajectory of their learning for years to come. Other times, our services provide a renewed quality of life for clients in their later years, helping to manage other health issues that have detrimental implications to vision. Included here are stories of individuals like Drea, Kimberly, Gavin, and Ashley whose lives have been truly reimaged through the gift of sight. These are not just stories and numbers; they are real moments of hope and opportunity – made possible by you.

Building on this year's powerful progress, we are energized about what lies ahead. We are more committed than ever to our vision of bringing essential eye care to *all* North Carolinians, and your continued partnership is vital to achieving that bold goal.

Thank you for everything you do. Your dedication, generosity, and trust fuel our mission every day. With your support, we look forward to advancing our mission and bringing the world into focus for thousands more next year and beyond.

With heartfelt thanks and gratitude,



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IMPACT SNAPSHOT



After a vision screening at her daycare center indicated a possible problem, Drea was diagnosed with myopia, hyperopia, and astigmatism at age 3 - all without any visible indications of problems with her vision. Today, Drea is 12 years old and LOVES choosing new glasses each year. PBNC hears these success stories daily and is humbled to play a part in the eye health of North Carolinians in all 100 counties of our state.



PBNC provided **4,561** adults with free vision screenings, risk assessments, and education at health fairs, senior centers, health clinics, the NC State Fair, and other community events.

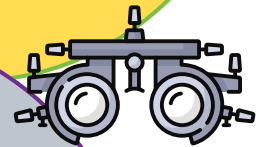
848 (19 %) of those adults were referred for follow-up care.

PBNC trained and certified **3,192** school nurses, staff, and volunteers to perform evidence-based, age-appropriate vision screenings in the NC Public School Systems during the 2024-2025 school year. Certified screeners delivered over **350,000** screenings to school-aged children.

PBNC delivered free, on-site vision screenings to **40,290** children, ages 2-5, in **1,006** childcare centers, schools, and preschools during the 2024-2025 school year. **4,506** (11%) of those screened were referred for follow-up care.

PBNC reached **45,070** people through direct services and impacted hundreds of thousands more through our certified vision screening volunteers.

PBNC also linked low-income North Carolinians to an estimated **\$101,350** in free eye care.



Revenue, Gains, & Other Support

Contributions	\$375,586
Government Grants	\$1,161,061
Special Events	\$176,588
Program Services	\$1,860
Miscellaneous	\$2,199
Net Investment Return (Loss)	\$226,233

Total Revenue, Gains, & Other Support \$1,943,527

Operating Expenses

Research	\$188,199
Public Health Education	\$550,544
Professional Education & Training	\$284,821
Community Services	\$496,074

General & Administrative	\$138,855
Fundraising	\$109,326
<i>Total Support Expenses</i>	<i>\$248,181</i>

Total Operating Expenses \$1,767,819

Change in Net Assets \$175,708



"Thank you so much for providing me with a voucher to get new glasses and an eye exam. I had retinal detachment 2 years ago and just had cataract surgery on the same eye. I now have sight and my glasses are a blessing. I really appreciate all you have done for me." - Kimberly

Thank you to our corporate and individual contributors for their valuable participation in this life-changing work.

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